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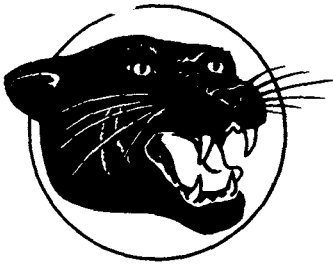
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CHARLESTON, IL (June 18, 1986)--Eastern Illinois basketball players KEVIN DUCKWORTH (Dolton/Thornridge) and JON COLLINS (E. St. Louis/Cahokia) were selected in the 41st Annual NBA Draft held yesterday.

Duckworth--a 7-0, 293-pound center--was a second round selection (33 pick overall) of the San Antonio Spurs. "Sir Duck" averaged 19.5 points and 9.1 rebounds a game for the 19-13 Panthers as a senior. He was named MVP of the AMCU-8 Post-Season Tournament while also being named first-team all-league as a senior. Duckworth finished his EIU career as the school's third all-time leading scorer (1569) and first in rebounds (867).

Collins--a 6-4 forward--was a fifth-round selection of the Denver Nuggets (110th pick overall). Collins is Eastern Illinois' all-time leading scorer with 1702 career points and was named Player-of-the-Year in the league twice. He averaged 19.7 points as a senior and was named to the all-conference team three consecutive years.

Duckworth was the highest drafted player in Eastern basketball history and two of three AMCU-8 players selected were from EIU.