

Redbird Basketball

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ILLINOIS STATE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent (TV)	Time/Result
11/9	AUGUSTANA [S.D.] (EX)	W, 60-49
11/19	INDIANAPOLIS	W, 54-50
11/22	@ Cincinnati (WXIX)	L, 76-59
11/26	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W, 64-47
11/29	GRAMBLING STATE	W, 62-50

12/3	UW-GREEN BAY	W, 59-51
12/6	IPFW	W, 65-36
12/10	GEORGIA SOUTHERN	L, 64-61
12/17	@ Cal. StNorthridge	L, 69-73

'Bird Bit: Under head coach Porter Moser, the Redbirds are 0-2 in Valley openers and 1-1 in games at Indiana State.

12/31	CREIGHTON*	2:05 p.m.
1/2	@ Northern Iowa*	7:05 p.m.
1/5	@ Creighton* (KMTV)	7:05 p.m.
1/8	WICHITA STATE* (Cox-TV)	2:05 p.m.
1/11	@ Missouri State*	7:05 p.m.
1/14	NORTHERN IOWA*	4:05 p.m.
1/16	EVANSVILLE* (Valley-TV)	7:05 p.m.
1/22	@ Southern Illinois*	2:05 p.m.
1/25	INDIANA STATE*	7:05 p.m.
1/28	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS* (WSIU)	4:05 p.m.
2/1	@ Bradley* (WEEK)	7:35 p.m.
2/4	@ Evansville*	7:05 p.m.
2/7	@ Drake*	7:05 p.m.
2/11	BRADLEY* (WMBD)	4:05 p.m.
2/14	DRAKE*	7:05 p.m.
2/18	@ ESPN Bracket Buster%	TBA
2/22	MISSOURI STATE*	TBA
2/25	@ Wichita State*	TBA

3/2-5	@ State Farm MVC Tournament#	TBA
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*Missouri Valley Conference game %ESPN's Bracket Buster Series

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REDBIRD ARENA TICKET OFFICE 309/438-8000

ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS (5-3, 0-0)

INDIANA STATE SYCAMORES (7-0, 0-0)
Thursday, December 22, 2005 • 6:05 p.m. CST

Hulman Center (10,200) • Terre Haute, Ind.

9.0

THE GAME FACTS

The Probable Starters:

ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS ▶ ▶ ▶











Khalif Ford ▶ Guard So.-1L • 6-1 • 181 Diamond Bar, Calif

Neil Plank ▶ Forward Sr.-2L • 6-5 • 208 Mt. Zion, III. RPG APG PPG RPG APG 11.5 4.6 4.5

Michael Vandello ▶ Forward Fr.-HS • 6-7 • 220 Bettendorf, Iowa RPG APG

Dana Ford ▶ Guard Sr.-3L • 6-4 • 195 Tamms, III.

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Greg Dilligard ▶ Forward Jr.-2L • 6-8 • 230 Labelle, Mo. PPG

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Indiana State Sycamores	•	•	
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F	44	Jay Tunnell	6-8	240	Fr.	Topeka, Kan.	10.3	3.9	0.9*
F	32	Trent Wurtz	6-8	230	Jr.	Sheboygan, Wis.	8.9	8.0	1.9
G	34	David Moss	6-5	195	Sr.	Chicago, III.	19.3	5.9	4.4
G	30	Tyson Schnitker	6-2	172	Jr.	Robinson, III.	12.6	3.1	3.4
G	1	Gabriel Moore	6-0	181	So.	Little Rock, Ark.	8.6	2.4	3.7
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About The Game: Tonight's game opens up Valley play for both teams. Illinois State is looking to snap a two-game losing skid, while Indiana State is off to a 7-0 start, its best since the 1978-79 NCAA Championship runner-up run. Series History: Tonight's game marks the 92nd meeting in the series. The Redbirds carry a 52-39 lead in the series

and have won the last three meetings. The series began during the 1913-14 season. Radio: Dick Luedke, play-by-play; Mike Matthews, color; Bruce Evans, sideline (home only) and Jim Williams, studio host. Affiliates: WJBC (AM 1230/Bloomington), flagship: WBIG (AM 1280/Aurora), WJEZ (FM 98.9/Dwight), WZOE (AM 1490/Princeton) and WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield). All Redbird broadcasts, including Porter Moser's weekly call-in show, which generally airs each Thursday from 6:07-7 pm, depending on the schedule, can be heard via the Internet at GoRedbirds.com.

Television: Tonight's game can be seen live on FSN Midwest and Fox College Sports. It will also be available on tape-delay basis on Comcast SportsNet Chicago and Metro Sports. Mitch Holthus (play-by-play) and Charlie Spoonhour (analyst) will serve as the talent. Satellite coordinates are: IA 8K, Transponder 15 - Digital Slot A.

THE COACHES

Porter Moser (Creighton '90) owns an 86-69 (.555) career mark in his third season at Illinois State, including a 32-35 (.478) record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding the 'Birds, Moser served three seasons at Arkansas-Little Rock in his first head coaching position. Moser is assisted by Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson and Brian Barone.

Royce Waltman (Slippery Rock '64) is in his ninth season at Indiana State. He owns a 115-130 (.469) record with the Sycamores and carries a 304-216 (.585) record in his 18 seasons as a head coach. He is assisted by Dick Bender, Matt Mardis and Stan Gouard.



TALE OF THE TAPE





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W-L Record	5-3	7-0
Points Scored	61.6	72.7
Points Allowed	55.9	64.1
Scoring Margin	+5.8	+8.6
FG Percentage	42.6	47.3
Def. FG Percentage	35.6	43.3
3-pt. Percentage	34.0	37.4
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	33.3	32.9
FT Percentage	66.7	69.0
Offensive Rebounds	10.4	9.6
Total Rebounds	33.9	34.0
Rebounding Margin	-1.1	+0.7
Assists	15.3	16.3
Turnover Average	16.8	13.7
Turnover Margin	+0.9	+3.3
Steal Average	6.8	7.7
Block Average	4.8	4.3
Fouls	17.6	15.9

WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

All start at 2:30 p.m. and are located in the Redbird Arena media room off the Southwest Loading Dock.

- · Wednesday, December 28
- Tuesday, January 3
- Monday, January 9
- · Wednesday, January 18
- Monday, January 23
- · Tuesday, January 31
- · Thursday, February 9
- · Thursday, February 16
- Tuesday, February 21
- Monday, February 27

WHAT'S BACK

Here is a look at what is returning to the Illinois State roster in 2005-06:

Scoring	30.1%
Three-point Field Goals	22.4%
Free Throws	34.3%
Rebounding	45.7%
Assists	30.9%
Blocks	83.5%
Steals	46.2%
Minutes	41.1%

VALLEY TELECONFERENCE

Teleconferences with The Valley men's basketball head coaches will be conducted each Tuesday, with the men's briefings beginning on a weekly basis in December at 10 a.m. To participate in either conference briefing, call 913/981-5509. The first men's teleconference begins at 10 a.m. CST on Tuesday, December 6. Head coach Porter Moser will be available at 10:25 a.m. during the teleconference.

ABOUT THE INDIANA STATE SYCAMORES

- Indiana State, located in Terre Haute, Ind., was founded in 1865 and has an enrollment of 11,484.
- The Sycamores return 10 letterwinners, including three starters, from a team that finished 11-20 overall and tied for ninth in the Missouri Valley Conference with a 5-13 mark.
- Every Indiana State starter is averaging eight or more points per game.
- Of the Sycamores 181 field goals, 62.9 percent have been the result of an assist.
- Senior David Moss paces the Sycamores with 19.3 points per game, which ranks No. 3 in the Valley this season.

INDIANA STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER							
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	
_1	Gabriel Moore	G	6-0	181	So.	Little Rock, Ark.	
_2	Darron Evans	F	6-7	200	Sr.	Chicago, III.	
_3	Adam Arnold	F	6-6	210	Fr.	Decatur, Ind.	
10	Elliott Booe	G	5-11	195	Jr.	Clay City, Ind.	
20	Russell Trudeau	G	6-4	190	Jr.	Lafayette, Ind.	
21	Jeremiah Wise	G	6-3	180	Fr.	Maywood, III.	
22	Logan Whitman	G	6-2	195	So.	Brazil, Ind.	
24	Eric Gray	G	6-1	190	Jr.	Chicago, III.	
30	Tyson Schnitker	G	6-2	172	Jr.	Robinson, III.	
32	Trent Wurtz	F	6-8	230	Jr.	Sheboygan, Wis.	
34	David Moss	G	6-5	195	Sr.	Chicago, III.	
44	Jay Tunnell	F/C	6-8	240	Fr.	Topeka, Kan.	
50	Mick Yelovich	С	6-10	275	So.	Mt. Zion, III.	
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Head Coach: Royce Waltman

Assistant Coach: Dick Bender, Matt Mardis, Stan Gouard

INDIANA STATE SCHEDULE 7-0 Overall, 0-0 Valley

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Date		Opponent	Result	W/L
N18		CENTRAL STATE	84-60	W
N26		M. TENNESSEE ST.	85-79 (ot)	W
D3	at	Eastern Illinois	66-58	W
D6		INDIANA	72-65	W
D10		BALL STATE	57-56	W
D17	at	Butler	59-58	W
D19		CAMPBELL	86-71	W
D22		ILLINOIS STATE*	Tonight	
D28	at	Wichita State*	7:05 p.m.	
D30	at	Missouri State*	7:05 p.m.	
J2		IPFW	6:05 p.m.	
J5		SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	6:05 p.m.	
J7	at	Evansville*	5:05 p.m.	
J11	at	Drake*	7:05 p.m.	
J15		CREIGHTON*	1:05 p.m.	
J18		DRAKE*	6:05 p.m.	
J21	at		7:05 p.m.	
J25	at		7:05 p.m.	
J29		MISSOURI STATE*	1:05 p.m.	
F1		Southern Illinois*	7:05 p.m.	
F4	at	Northern Iowa*	3:05 p.m.	
F8		BRADLEY*	6:35 p.m.	
F11		WICHITA STATE*	3:05 p.m.	
F14		NORTHERN IOWA*	6:05 p.m.	
F18		Bracket Buster	TBA	
F22	at	Creighton*	TBA	
F25		EVANSVILLE*	TBA	
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*Missouri Valley Conference game HOME GAMES IN CAPS.

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FOR LEAGUE OPENERS

Illinois State is looking for a positive start to open Missouri Valley Conference play tonight. The Redbirds have not won their conference opener in the last six seasons and have not claimed a victory in their league road opener since 2000-01.

READY ON KU

Recently when head coach **Porter Moser** has turned to his bench to look for a solution, senior **Nedu Onyeuku** has been the answer. Onyeuku is logging the most minutes among non-starters and has averaged 24 minutes in the last the five games. He also scored in double figures in three of the last four games, including back-to-back 14 point efforts which is his season high. In addition, Onyeuku is shooting 56.8 percent from the field.

GONE IN 60 POINTS

It's not the sequel to Nicholas Cage's car thief film, but it has proven to be the recipe for success, or lack there of, for the Redbirds this season. The formula is simple. Opponents score less than 60 points, the Redbirds are 5-0. ISU foes eclipse the 60-point plateau, the 'Birds are 0-3.

ANOTHER SURE THING

Not only is the 60-point limit holding true, but so is field goal percentage. Again it's simple - if Illinois State shoots better than its foe, the 'Birds are 5-0. In the three games where the 'Birds have not shot as well they are winless.

180 GAMES WITH A TREY ON THE BOARD

ISU enters the game at Indiana State with at least one made three in 180 straight games. The last time ISU didn't sink a trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.

HOLTZ HEATING UP

Known for his three-point prowess as a prep, **Brandon Holtz** is starting to shake his slow start from beyond the arc. After starting his collegiate career 0-for-8 on treys, Holtz has sank four of his last eight attempts from three. He is also coming off his first career double digit scoring game with 11 points against Cal State Northridge.

HOOSIER DADDY

So far this season, Illinois State carries a 2-0 record against teams from the Hoosier state. To date, the Redbirds have recorded victories over Indianapolis and IPFW. With home and away series games against league foes Indiana State and Evansville, the 'Birds will have six games this season against teams from Indiana.

DILLY GETS IT STARTED

Junior **Greg Dilligard** has been setting the tone for the Redbirds this season, in practice and on game day. In eight games this season, Dilligard has opened the Redbird scoring in five of them.





THIRTY SOMETHING

That's what Illinois State opponents are shooting in Redbird victories - 31.9 percent to be exact. In fact, in the win over UW-Green Bay, the 'Birds put a clamp on the Phoenix by limiting them to 29 percent shooting from the field. The effort was the Redbirds' best since holding Tennessee-Martin to 28.8 percent shooting last season. But, even including the three losses, Illinois State opponents are only shooting 35.6 percent from the field on the season.

SOME HOLIDAY STEALS

Senior **Dana Ford** has started his holiday shopping early this season and he's finding a number of steals. After eight games, Ford leads the Redbirds in thefts with 16 and is on pace to finish the season with 60, which would rank second in the Redbirds' top 10 all-time.

PLANK'S CONSTANT

Quantum physics aren't needed to see that senior **Neil Plank** is asserting himself as the Redbirds' offensive leader. Plank has led the Redbirds in scoring in four of ISU's eight games and has scored in double digits in seven contests, including six straight. The senior leads the Redbirds with 11.5 points per game and in assists with 36 on the season. He is also coming off a near triple-double performance with 10 points, seven rebounds and seven assists at Cal State Northridge.

D-FENCE, D-FENCE

Since **Porter Moser's** arrival at Illinois State he has emphasized team defense and it's starting to show. In the last two complete seasons, opponents have averaged under 66 points per game. This season, Redbird opponents are averaging 55.9 points per contest. If the Redbirds can maintain this effort, it would mark the first time this feat has occurred three straight seasons since the 1985-86, 1984-85 and 1983-84 campaigns. The 55.9 points per game by Illinois State foes would also rank as the lowest in school history.

DILLY GETS DEFENSIVE

When it is all said and done **Greg Dilligard** will go down in history as one of the best defensive players to suit up for the Redbirds. In his third season, Dilligard ranks No. 6 in career blocked shots with 79. He is also on pace to crack the top 10 in career steals as the team's returning leader with 63 career steals.

SO THIS IS WHAT A FULL ROSTER LOOKS LIKE?

For the first time in **Porter Moser's** tenure, the Redbirds will field a team with all 13 scholarships occupied. After signing **Osiris Eldridge** and **Bobby Hill** during the early signing period, the Redbirds have one scholarship available for next season.

WE HAVE ANOTHER WINNER

With 17 wins during the 2004-05 season, the Redbirds enjoyed their 30th winning season in 35 years of being a Division I program. The 17 victories was the most by ISU since the 2001-02 season.

ROAD WARRIORS

Even though the 'Birds have not recorded a road victory this season, Illinois State has had recent success away from home. Dating back to last season, the Redbirds are 4-5 in their last nine road games.

OUT OF AFRICA...

And into Redbird Arena for four Redbirds this season. Freshmen **Dinma Odiakosa** and **Eric Vianney** are from the continent, with Odiakosa coming from Nigeria and Vianney being from Cameroon. In addition, senior **Nedu Onyeuku** and junior **Roberto Fortes** were each born in Africa before their families moved to the United States. Onyeuku was born in Nigeria, while Fortes was born in Angola.

PRIZED PUPIL PLANK

Neil Plank was named to the 2005 *ESPN the Magazine* Academic All-America® University Division Men's Basketball Second Team and was honored as the 2005 Prairie Farms/Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year. The two-time All-District V Academic selection was also a 2005 Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete First Team selection. He carried a 4.0 grade point average as an undergraduate finance major and is currently pursuing his master's in business administration.

THIS DATE IN REDBIRD HISTORY

Dec. 22, 1999 – Tarise "En Fuego" Bryson poured in 40 points on 8-for-11 shooting on treys to lead the Redbirds to an 87-78 win over Miami (Fla.) in the consolation bracket of the San Juan Shootout in Puerto Rico. The 'Birds rallied for the win, despite a four-point halftime deficit. Ryan Crowley added 16 points and L. Dee Murdock and P.J. Smith each added 14 points. Illinois State owns an 8-5 record on this date in the Division I era.

THE LAST TIME THEY MET

Redbirds Land Precious Road Win

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. – Road victories have been a rarity, but Illinois State landed its second of the season as Lorenzo Gordon matched his career high with 26 points, including 16 in the first half, and Vince Greene posted a double-double and buried 8-of-8 free throw attempts in the last 30 seconds to secure a 73-69 Missouri Valley Conference victory over Indiana State at the Hulman Center Wednesday night.

ILLINOIS STATE 73, Indiana State 69

January 19, 2005 • Hulman Center

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	0-REB	Α	PF	TP
Gordon, f	36	11-13	4-4	3-7	2	2	26
Dilligard, f	15	1-1	1-4	0-1	0	4	3
Alexander, g	35	3-7	0-0	0-1	0	0	9
Greene, g	35	3-5	9-9	0-4	10	1	16
Guidry, g	33	2-9	4-5	0-3	2	2	9
Onyeuku	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Plank	26	3-5	1-1	0-3	1	1	8
D. Ford	5	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Carlwell	10	1-1	0-0	1-4	0	3	2
Totals	200	24-43	19-23	5-25	15	15	73

Team Pct.: FG - .558; FT - .826

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Alexander 3-7, Greene 1-2, Guidry 1-5, Onyeuku 0-1, Plank 1-2)

Blocks: 1 (Dilligard 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Gordon 2, Alexander 1, Greene 3, Guidry 1, Dilligard 3,

Plank 2, D. Ford 1)

Steals: 5 (Gordon 1, Alexander 1, Greene 2, Dilligard 1)

Indiana State	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Daanish, f	39	6-9	1-2	5-7	0	1	13
Moss, f	39	3-10	3-4	1-7	9	2	10
Adler, c	28	5-10	0-0	0-1	1	4	12
Moore, g	19	0-1	2-2	02	1	2	2
Schnitker, g	38	2-10	0-1	0-2	3	2	6
Ray	12	1-1	0-0	1-4	1	0	2
Gray	24	9-15	0-0	1-1	0	4	24
Yelovich	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	26-56	6-9	9-25	15	15	69

Team Pct.: FG - .464; FT - .667

3-Pt.: 11-20, .550 (Schnitker 2-7, Moss 1-2, Adler 2-3, Gray 6-8)

Blocks: 1 (Moss 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Moore 2, Daanish 5, Moss 1, Adler 2, Gray 1)

Steals: 3 (Daanish 1, Schnitker 1, Adler 1)

Officials: Randy McCall, Brad Gaston, Frank Spencer

Attendance: 3,334

Halftime Score: Indiana State 38, ILLINOIS STATE 37



CHART CLIMBERS

Career Blocked Shots Leaders	
 LeRoy Watkins (1996-99) 	143
2. Mike VandeGarde (1990-94)	134
3. Joe Galvin (1976-80)	132
4. Jeff Wilkins (1974-77)	103
5. Bill Braksick (1983-86)	88
6. Greg Dilligard (2004-)	79

CAREER STARTS/GAMES

		Illinois	St.
No.	Player	GP	GS
50	Greg Dilligard	67	60
25	Neil Plank	65	24
43	Dana Ford	85	20
5	Khalif Ford	28	8
31	Michael Vandello	8	7
3	Nedu Onyeuku	32	1
32	Levi Dyer	17	1
51	Ronnie Carlwell	41	0
14	Travis Wallace	12	0
45	Brandon Holtz	8	0
42	Dinma Odiakosa	6	0
1	Roberto Fortes	4	0
21	Eric Vianney	4	0
23	Mark Kruse	4	0

2005-06 VALLEY STANDINGS

			VALL	ΕY	0\	OVERALL			
		W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT		
1.	Indiana State	0	0	.000	7	0	1.000		
2.	Northern Iowa	0	0	.000	8	1	.889		
3.	Missouri State	0	0	.000	6	1	.857		
4.	Wichita State	0	0	.000	8	2	.800		
5.	Creighton	0	0	.000	5	2	.714		
	Bradley	0	0	.000	5	2	.714		
7.	Drake	0	0	.000	6	3	.667		
8.	Illinois State	0	0	.000	5	3	.625		
	Southern Illinois	0	0	.000	5	3	.625		
10.	Evansville	0	0	.000	4	3	.571		
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2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE RESULTS

RECORD: ALL GAMES		OVERALL 5-3	HOME 5-1	AWAY 0-2	NEUTR 0-0	AL	
CONFEREN	ICE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0		
NON-CONF	ERENCE	5-3	5-1	0-2	0-0		
DATE	TIME	OPPONENT		SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-19-05	2:05 pm CST	INDIANAPOLIS	W	54-50	3747	(12)PLANK,Neil	(5)FORD,Dana (5)FORD,Khalif
11-22-05	8 pm EST	at Cincinnati		59-76 L	8802	(16)DILLIGARD,Greg	(6)FORD,Dana
11-26-05	2:05 pm CST	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W	64-47	3980	(16)PLANK,Neil	(7)VANDELLO,Michael
11-29-05	7:05 pm CST	GRAMBLING STATE	W	62-50	5149	(18)DILLIGARD,Greg	(9)DILLIGARD, Greg
12-03-05	4:05 pm CST	UW-GREEN BAY	W	59-51	5871	(13)PLANK,Neil (13)DILLIGARD,Greg	(7)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-06-05	7:05 pm CST	IPFW	W	65-36	5181	(10)PLANK,Neil	(7)DILLIGARD, Greg
12-10-05	7:05 pm CST	GEORGIA SOUTHERN		61-64 L	6762	(14)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(7)PLANK,Neil
12/17/05	7:05 p.m.	at Cal State Northridge		69-73 L	1013	(15)FORD,Dana	(7)PLANK,Neil

^{* -} Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	6	30690	5116
AWAY	2	9815	4908
NEUTRAL	0	0	0
TOTAL	8	40505	5064

2005	2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER										
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CIEx.	Hometown (Previous schools)					
1	Roberto Fortes	G	6-4	195	JrTR	Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side/Daytona Beach CC)					
3	Nedu Onyeuku	G	6-3	185	Sr1L	Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep/Iowa Western CC)					
5	Khalif Ford	G	6-1	181	So1L	Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar/Bridgton Academy)					
13	Leo Wakefield	F	6-8	240	SoTR	Naperville, III. (Downers Grove South/Illinois-Chicago)					
14	Travis Wallace	G	6-0	175	Sr1L	St. Louis, Mo. (Jennings/Meramec JC)					
21	Eric Vianney	G	6-2	210	FrHS	Yaoundé, Cameroon (Picayune [Miss.])					
23	Mark Kruse	G/F	6-7	205	JrTR	St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo/North Dakota State College of Science)					
25	Neil Plank	G/F	6-5	208	Sr2L	Mt. Zion, III. (Mt. Zion/Wisconsin)					
31	Michael Vandello	F	6-7	220	FrHS	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)					
32	Levi Dyer	С	6-11	220	So1L	Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)					
42	Dinma Odiakosa	F	6-8	240	FrHS	Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)					
43	Dana Ford	G	6-4	195	Sr3L	Tamms, III. (Egyptian)					
45	Brandon Holtz	G	6-4	185	FrHS	Bloomington, III. (Bloomington)					
50	Greg Dilligard	F	6-8	230	Jr2L	Labelle, Mo. (Highland)					
51	Ronnie Carlwell	С	6-11	258	So1L	Maywood, III. (Proviso East)					
Head C	oach: Porter Moser										

Assistant Coaches: Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson, Brian Barone



2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE STATISTICS

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##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	Α	TO	Blk	StI	Pts	Avg
25	PLANK,Neil	8	8	252	31.5	28	69	.406	11	31	.355	25	34	.735	7	30	37	4.6	10	0	36	17	2	6	92	11.5
50	DILLIGARD,Greg	8	8	221	27.6	36	56	.643	0	0	.000	8	19	.421	17	25	42	5.3	21	1	7	11	17	7	80	10.0
43	FORD,Dana	8	8	212	26.5	28	71	.394	10	30	.333	6	9	.667	5	33	38	4.8	21	1	18	14	4	16	72	9.0
03	ONYEUKU,Nedu	8	0	173	21.6	25	44	.568	5	14	.357	10	19	.526	5	17	22	2.8	14	0	9	19	2	6	65	8.1
05	FORD,Khalif	8	8	215	26.9	14	41	.341	5	14	.357	15	22	.682	3	15	18	2.3	23	1	25	33	2	6	48	6.0
31	VANDELLO,Michael	8	7	186	23.3	14	40	.350	2	8	.250	7	8	.875	13	16	29	3.6	17	0	15	11	2	6	37	4.6
32	DYER,Levi	8	1	76	9.5	6	21	.286	6	15	.400	12	12	1.000	1	7	8	1.0	10	0	2	2	1	0	30	3.8
45	HOLTZ,Brandon	8	0	78	9.8	11	26	.423	4	16	.250	2	4	.500	3	8	11	1.4	5	0	2	6	0	4	28	3.5
23	KRUSE,Mark	4	0	26	6.5	5	18	.278	2	10	.200	0	0	.000	2	3	5	1.3	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	3.0
21	VIANNEY,Eric	4	0	19	4.8	3	4	.750	3	3	1.000	2	3	.667	0	4	4	1.0	3	0	1	4	0	0	11	2.8
51	CARLWELL,Ronnie	8	0	87	10.9	2	7	.286	0	0	.000	5	6	.833	7	13	20	2.5	9	0	3	5	8	2	9	1.1
01	FORTES,Roberto	4	0	21	5.3	1	4	.250	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	4	0	3	2	0	0	3	0.8
42	ODIAKOSA,Dinma	6	0	27	4.5	1	7	.143	0	0	.000	2	6	.333	3	2	5	0.8	3	0	0	3	0	1	4	0.7
14	WALLACE, Travis	4	0	7	1.8	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	0.5
TM	TEAM														17	15	32	4.0	0			5				
	Total	8				174	408	.426	49	144	.340	96	144	.667	83	188	271	33.9	141	3	122	134	38	54	493	61.6
	Opponents	8				151	424	.356	40	120	.333	105	145	.724	105	175	280	35.0	144	2	85	141	25	55	447	55.9

SCORE BY PERIODS:1st2ndTotalIllinois State230263493Opponents194253447

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:OFFDEFTOTALIllinois State18119Opponents19625



2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

		HIGHS		LOWS
POINTS	69	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	54	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	18	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	65	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	42	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.500 (24-48)	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)	.386 (22-57)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	.300 (24-40)	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	.300 (22-37)	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	11	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.571 (8-14)	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	.143 (2-14)	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	.371 (0-14)	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	.143 (2-14)	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	28	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	5	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.773 (17-22)	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)	.400 (4-10)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
REBOUNDS	.773 (17-22)	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	.400 (4-10)	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
KEBOUND3	37	,	23	at Cai State-Northinge (12-7-03)
ASSISTS		vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)	10	vs. Coorgia Southorn (12.10.0E)
A551515	19	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	10	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
CTEALC	19	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	1	at Cincinnati (11 22 05)
STEALS	11	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	I	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	/	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)	2	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
TURNOVERS	26	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	12	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
			12	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)
FOULS	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	10	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)

2005-06 OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

		HIGHS		LOWS
POINTS	76	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	36	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE	25	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	14	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	62	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	42	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.452 (19-42)	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	.290 (18-62)	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	8	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	3	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)
			3	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	20	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	9	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.462 (6-13)	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	.200 (3-15)	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	31	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	2	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	39	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	7	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	1.000 (12-12)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)	.286 (2-7)	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
REBOUNDS	42	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	25	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
ASSISTS	15	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	8	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
STEALS	12	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	4	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05
			4	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	0	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
TURNOVERS	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	11	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
FOULS	24	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	11	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)

2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE & OPPONENT PLAYER SUPERLATIVES

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		ILLINOIS STATE		OPPONENT
POINTS	18	DILLIGARD, Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	27	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE	8	DILLIGARD, Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	8	NESBITT, Elton vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
	8	DILLIGARD, Greg at Cincinnati (11-22-05)		
FIELD GOAL ATT	13	FORD, Dana vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	18	RUSH,Brion vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
	13	,		
FG PCT (min. 5 made)	.727 (8-11)		.625 (5-8)	GENNIE, Donte vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
	.727 (8-11)	DILLIGARD, Greg at Cincinnati (11-22-05)		
3 PT FG MADE	3	, ,	3	NESBITT, Elton vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
	3	PLANK, Neil vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	3	TILLEMA, Ryan vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
	3		3	RATLIFF, Andre vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
	3	FORD, Dana at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)	3	ALLEN, Ronald at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
	3	HOLTZ, Brandon at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)	3	WHITE, James at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	8	PLANK, Neil vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	8	TILLEMA,Ryan vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
			8	RATLIFF, Andre vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
3-PT FG PCT (min. 3 made)	, ,	VIANNEY, Eric vs IPFW (12-06-05)	1.000 (3-3)	ALLEN, Ronald at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
FREE THROWS MADE		PLANK, Neil vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	11	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)
FREE THROW ATT		PLANK, Neil vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	15	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)
FT PCT (min. 6 att.)	.833 (5-6)	FORD, Khalif vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	1.000 (6-6)	DUNN, Will vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
				1.000 (6-6) TILLEMA, Ryan vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
REBOUNDS		DILLIGARD, Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	12	SHEWMAKE, Thomas at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)
ASSISTS		PLANK, Neil vs IPFW (12-06-05)	7	SMITH, Tim vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
		PLANK, Neil at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)		
STEALS	4	FORD, Dana vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	4	POMPEY,Brad vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
			4	DOWNEY, Devan at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	3	DILLIGARD, Greg vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	3	HICKS, Eric at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
	3	Dizzier in Dyorog to oranizing orate (11 27 00)	3	SHEWMAKE, Thomas at Cal State Northridge (12-07-05)
	3	CARLWELL, Ronnie vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)		





INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME (PTS-REB-ASTS)

Opponent	Carlwell	Dilligard	Dyer	D. Ford	K. Ford	Fortes	Holtz
Indianapolis	0-3-0	4-4-1*	6-2-2*	7-5-2*	4-5-5*	0-0-0	6-1-0
at Cincinnati	0-0-0	16-5-1*	9-1-0	12-6-3*	3-1-2*	3-0-0	0-1-0
Western Michigan	2-4-0	7-5-1*	5-3-0	6-4-3*	11-4-3*	DNP	2-2-0
Grambling St.	0-1-0	18-9-2*	4-1-0	16-7-2*	4-2-5*	0-0-1	2-3-0
UW-Green Bay	2-3-0	13-7-1*	2-0-0	2-5-2*	5-1-3*	DNP	2-1-0
IPFW	3-2-2	8-7-0*	0-0-0	4-3-3*	8-2-3*	0-0-2	2-1-0
Ga. Southern	2-5-1	6-3-0*	2-0-0	10-4-0*	5-1-1*	DNP	3-0-0
at Cal StNorthridge	0-2-0	8-2-1*	2-1-0	15-4-3*	8-2-3*	DNP	11-2-2
at Indiana State*							

at Creighton* Wichita State* at Missouri State* Northern Iowa* Evansville* at S. Illinois* Indiana State* S. Illinois* at Bradley* at Evansville* at Drake* Bradley* Drake*

at Bracket Buster Missouri State*

at Wichita State*

Creighton* at Northern Iowa* at Creighton* Wichita State* at Missouri State* Northern Iowa* Evansville* at S. Illinois* Indiana State* S. Illinois* at Bradley* at Evansville* at Drake* Bradley' Drake* at Bracket Buster Missouri State* at Wichita State*

Creighton*

at Northern Iowa*

Opponent Kruse Odiakosa Onyeuku Plank Vandello Vianney Wallace Indianapolis DNP DNP 9-2-1 12-2-3* 6-4-1 0-0-0 0-0-0 0-4-1 2-1-1 DNP at Cincinnati 2-2-0 1-2-0 8-2-6* 3-1-2* Western Michigan DNP 0-0-0 6-1-3 16-5-1* 9-7-0* DNP DNP Grambling St. DNP 0-0-0 7-5-1 11-4-4* 0-3-1* DNP 0-0-1 UW-Green Bay 5-0-0 DNP 11-3-0 13-5-4* 4-4-5* DNP DNP **IPFW** 5-2-0 10-5-7* 8-3-2* 2-0-0 2-1-0 4-5-0 9-3-0 DNP Ga. Southern 0-1-0 0 - 1 - 014-2-1 12-7-4* 7-4-3* 0-0-0 at Cal St.-Northridge DNP 1-1-0 14-0-2 10-7-7* 0-3-1* DNP 0-0-0 at Indiana State*

SUPERLATIVES

STARTING LINEUPS - F. F. C. G. G (2):

- Plank, Dilligard, Dyer, K. Ford, D. Ford (1-0)
- W Indianapolis
- Plank, Dilligard, Vandello, K. Ford, D. Ford (4-3) W – Western Michigan, Grambling State, UW-Green Bay, IPFW L – at Cincinnati, Georgia Southern, at Cal State-Northridge

FIRST POINTS:

Dilligard 5, Plank 1, Onyeuku 1, K. Ford 1

DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (19):

Plank 7, D. Ford 4, Dilligard 3, Onyeuku 3, K. Ford 1, Holtz 1

DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (0):

LEADING SCORER

Plank 4, Dilligard 3, Onyeuku 1, D. Ford 1

LEADING REBOUNDER:

Dilligard 3, Plank 2, D. Ford 2, K. Ford 1, Vandello 1

DOUBLE-DOUBLES (0):

DUNKS (11):

Dilligard 9, Onyeuku 2

FIRST SUBSTITUTION:

Carlwell 5, Onyeuku 2, Holtz 1

CHARGES DRAWN (4):

Carlwell 1, Holtz 1, Dilligard 1, Plank 1

MOST MINUTES:

- 37, D. Ford vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05
- 36, Dilligard vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05 36, Plank vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05
- 34, Plank vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05
- 34, Dilligard vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05
- 34, K. Ford vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05 33, Plank vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05
- 32, K. Ford vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05

2005-06 Honors and Awards

Prairie Farms Scholar-Athlete of the Week

Dec. 7 Neil Plank

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BENCH SCORING (ISU-OPP)

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Indianapolis	21-11
at Cincinnati	17-36
Western Michigan	15-7
Grambling St	13-10
UW-Green Bay	
IPFW	27-9
Ga. Southern	21-15
at Cal StNorthridge	28-36
at Indiana State*	
Creighton*	
at Northern Iowa*	
at Creighton*	
Wichita State*	
at Missouri State*	
Northern Iowa*	
Evansville*	
at S. Illinois*	
Indiana State*	
S. Illinois*	
at Bradley*	
at Evansville*	
at Drake*	
Bradley*	
Drake*	
at Bracket Buster	
Missouri State*	
at Wichita State*	

2005-06 VALLEY RANKINGS

Total ..

Through Dec. 18 (All Games)

TEAM		
Scoring Offense	10th	61.6
Scoring Defense	1st	55.9
Scoring Margin	8th	+5.8
Free Throw Pct	9th	66.7
Field Goal Pct		
FG Pct. Defense	1st	35.6
3-Point FG Pct	8th	34.0
3-Point FG Pct. Def	5th	33.3
Rebounding Offense	9th	33.9
Rebounding Defense		
Rebounding Margin	10th	1.1
Blocked Shots	2nd	4.75
Assists	7th	15.25
Steals	7th	6.75
Turnover Margin	8th	+0.88
Assist/Turnover Ratio	8th	0.91
Offensive Rebounds	t8th	10.38
Defensive Rebounds	7th	23.50
3-Point Field Goals Made	6th	6.13

	FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE									
Greg Dilligard	6th	64.3								
	ASSISTS									
Neil Plank	3rd	4.50								
	STEALS									
Dana Ford	7th	2.00								
	BLOCKED SHOTS									
Greg Dilligard	2nd	2.13								
Ronnie Carlwell	t8th	1.00								
ASSIST-TURNOVER RATIO										
Neil Plank	3rd	2.12								
	MINUTES PLAYED									
Neil Plank	7th	31.50								

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

INDIVIDUAL

A player scored 40 points
ILLINOIS STTarise Bryson (41) at C. Michigan, 12-3-00
OpponentAnthony Roberts (48), Oral Roberts, 1-6-75
A player coored 20 points
A player scored 30 points
ILLINOIS STTrey Guidry (30) at Creighton, 1-22-05
OpponentJermaine Boyette (31), Weber St., 11-16-01
A player grabbed 20 rebounds

......Anthony Bonner (21), Saint Louis, 2-6-90

Opponent

A player grabbed 15 rebounds ... ILLINOIS ST.Baboucarr Bojang (15) vs. UNI, 1-30-02 OpponentGrant Stout (15), UNI, 1-3-05

ILLINOIS ST.Ron deVries (24) vs. Pacific, 1-19-74

A player had a double-double ...

ILLINOIS ST.Lorenzo Gordon (19p, 11r) at Creighton, 1-22-05 OpponentBrion Rush (11p, 10r), Grambling State, 11-29-05

ILLINOIS ST.Gregg Alexander (5-6) at UW-Green Bay, 2-19-05 OpponentEric Gray (6-8), Indiana State, 1-19-05

A player made 10 free throws ...

ILLINOIS ST.Lorenzo Gordon (10-14) vs. St. John's, 12-4-04 OpponentMike Efevberha (11-15), CS-Northridge, 12-7-05

A player had 15 free throw attempts ...

ILLINOIS ST.Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01 OpponentMike Efevberha (11-15), CS-Northridge, 12-7-05

A player had 10 assists ...

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ILLINOIS ST.Vince Greene (10) at Indiana State, 1-19-05 OpponentMartell Bailey (12), Illinois-Chicago, 12-13-03

A player had five steals ...

ILLINOIS ST.Trey Guidry (5) vs. Marshall, 12-11-04Deven Mitchell (6) at Missouri State 2-26-05 Opponent

A player blocked five shots ..

ILLINOIS ST.Greg Dilligard (7) at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04 ..Bradley Strickland (5), Evansville, 1-9-05 Opponent

A team scored 100 points ... ILLINOIS ST.vs. Southern Illinois (105), 1-10-98 OpponentOklahoma (112), 12-28-90

A team made 35 field goals ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Bellarmine (35-71), 12-2-03 OpponentUT-San Antonio (35-65), 12-17-00

A team had 75 field goal attempts ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Lewis (31-78), 12-2-92 OpponentAkron (27-80), 11-20-98

A team shot 50 percent from the field ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Grambling State (.500, 24-48), 11-29-05 OpponentMissouri State (.535, 23-43), 2-26-05

A team made 10 3-point field goals ..

ILLINOIS ST.at Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05 OpponentWichita State (10-20), 2-10-05

A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts ..

ILLINOIS ST.at Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05

OpponentCreighton (13-28), 1-22-05

A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers .

ILLINOIS ST.vs. IPFW (.571, 8-14), 12-6-05 OpponentBradley (.500, 5-10), 2-23-05

A team made 30 free throws ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Florida A&M (38-48), 11-23-03 OpponentCal State Northridge (31-39), 12-7-05

A team had 25 assists ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Hofstra (25), 11-25-01 OpponentEvansville (26), 2-11-04

A team had 15 steals ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Bellarmine (16), 12-2-03 OpponentCreighton (18), 12-12-99

A team had 10 blocked shots ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Evansville (10), 1-17-79 OpponentNorthern Illinois (11), 11-26-03

ILLINOIS STATE'S 2005-06 RECORD WHEN

Overall 5-3
Missouri Valley Conference 0-0
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams 0-0
Leading at the Half5-0
Trailing at the Half0-2
Tied at the Half0-1
Leading with 5:00 to Play4-0
Trailing with 5:00 to Play0-3
Tied with 5:00 to Play1-0
In Overtime 0-0
ISU out-rebounds opponent
Opponents out-rebound ISU2-2
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers3-0
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opp 3-2
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better1-0
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better3-2
Opponents shoot less than 40 Percent 4-0
Opponents shoot 40 Percent or Better1-3
ISU shoots better than Opponent5-0
Opponent shoots better than ISU0-3
ISU has more FG Attempts2-1
Opponent has more FG Attempts3-2
ISU Shoots better than 35 Percent on 3's2-2
ISU Attempts more 3's2-3
Opponents Attempt more 3's
ISU has more FT Attempts 4-1
Opponent has more FT Attempts 1-2
ISU Scores 100 or More
ISU Scores 90 or More0-0
ISU Scores 80 or More0-0
ISU Scores 70 or More

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ISU Scores 60 or More
ISU Scores less than 602-1
Opponent Scores 100 or More 0-0
Opponent Scores 90 or More 0-0
Opponent Scores 80 or More 0-0
Opponent Scores 70 or More 0-2
Opponent Scores 60 or More 0-3
Opponent Scores less than 60 5-0
In Games Decided by 5 or less1-2
In Games Decided by 6-10 Points1-0
In Games Decided by 11-20 Points2-1
In Games Decided by 21+ Points1-0
Day Games3-0
Night Games2-3
Home Court5-1
Away Games 0-2
Neutral Games 0-0
When ISU Scores First2-0
When ISU Wins Tip 3-1
In November 3-1
In December 2-2
In January0-0
In February0-0
In March 0-0
On Sunday0-0
On Monday 0-0
On Tuesday2-1
On Wednesday0-0
On Thursday0-0
On Friday0-0
On Saturday3-2



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2005-06 GA	ME-BY-G	SAME												
Indianapolis at ILLINOIS STATE	Final 50 54	FG 17-55 22-57	FG% 30.9 38.6	3FG 4-16 6-19	3% 25.0 31.6	FT 12-12 4-10	FT% 100.0 40.0	O-D-T Reb. 15-26-41 14-23-37	Fouls 16 10	Assists 8 15	Turnovers 15 12	Blocks 1 6	Steals 4 9	Halftime 21 30
ILLINOIS STATE at Cincinnati	59 76	20-51 25-61	39.2 41.0	9-22 8-20	40.9 40.0	10-14 18-26	71.4 69.2	11-22-33 16-18-34	25 17	16 15	26 13	2 7	1 12	34 43
Western Michigan at ILLINOIS STATE	47 64	16-51 21-50	31.4 42.0	3-13 5-20	23.1 25.0	12-19 17-22	63.2 77.3	15-20-35 11-25-36	21 17	9 11	17 12	4 7	5 7	20 34
Grambling State at ILLINOIS STATE	50 62	21-57 24-48	36.8 50.0	3-15 4-11	20.0 36.4	5-12 10-18	41.7 55.6	12-19-31 8-28-36	18 15	9 17	19 21	0 4	11 6	16 26
UW-Green Bay at ILLINOIS STATE	51 59	18-62 18-42	29.0 42.9	6-17 3-15	35.3 20.0	9-12 20-27	75.0 74.1	16-23-39 5-29-34	20 14	9 15	11 13	2 6	4 6	20 26
IPFW at ILLINOIS STATE	36 65	14-45 22-46	31.1 47.8	6-17 8-14	35.3 57.1	2-7 13-19	28.6 68.4	7-18-25 11-26-37	17 17	9 19	20 16	2 4	6 11	13 30
Georgia Southern at ILLINOIS STATE	64 61	21-51 20-49	41.2 40.8	6-13 2-14	46.2 14.3	16-18 19-28	88.9 67.9	10-23-33 12-21-33	24 16	14 10	19 17	4 6	7 5	31 20
ILLINOIS STATE at Cal StNorthridge	69 73	27-65 19-42	41.5 45.2	12-29 4-9	41.4 44.4	3-6 31-39	50.0 79.5	11-14-25 14-28-42	27 11	19 12	17 27	3 5	9 6	30 30
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Last Time Out: Played 10 minutes with two rebounds, two fouls and a turnover.

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CAREER BESTS:

Points - 8 vs. Bradley, 2-5-05 Rebounds - 6 at Marquette, 11-15-04 Assists - 2, twice Blocked Shots - 3, twice Steals - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Minutes - 24 at Marquette, 11-15-04

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 3 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds - 5 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05 Assists - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

Blocked Shots - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

Steals - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

Minutes – 17 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Matched his career best with three blocked shots against Western
- Both of his baskets in the 60-49 exhibition win over Augustana (S.D.) were dunks.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	12	0-3	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	0	0	1	0	0
at Cincinnati	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Western Michigan	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	2-4	2	0	0	3	0	2
Grambling State	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	3	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-3	1	0	0	1	0	2
IPFW	10	0-0	0-0	3-4	1-2	3	2	0	1	2	3
Georgia Southern	15	1-2	0-0	0-0	2-5	0	1	1	2	0	2
at Cal StNorthridge	10	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	1	0	0	0

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Last Time Out: Fouled out after only logging 16 minutes of play. Finished with eight points on 4-for-5 shooting.

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CAREER BESTS:

Points - 18 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Rebounds - 11 at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04 Assists - 4 vs. Missouri State, 12-30-04 Blocked Shots - 7 at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04 Steals - 3, five times Minutes - 36 vs. UW-Green Bay 12-3-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 18 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Rebounds - 9 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Assists - 2 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Blocked Shots - 3, twice Steals - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Minutes – 36 vs. UW-Green Bay 12-3-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Stands in sixth place in the Redbirds all-time career blocked shot standings with 79.
- · Has made 5 of his last 7 free throw attempts (.714), after making 6 of his previous 35 tries (.171).
- · Scored a career high 18 points in the victory over Grambling. Also just missed his second career double double with nine boards.
- · Owns nine double digit scoring games in his career.
- One of the top defensive players in the Missouri Valley Conference.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	25	2-3	0-0	0-3	0-4	0	1	1	2	0	4
at Cincinnati	30	8-11	0-0	0-1	2-5	3	1	2	1	0	16
Western Michigan	23	3-4	0-0	1-2	2-5	3	1	0	2	3	7
Grambling State	34	8-11	0-0	2-6	3-9	3	2	2	3	0	18
UW-Green Bay	36	5-9	0-0	3-4	4-7	2	1	1	3	2	13
IPFW	30	3-8	0-0	2-3	3-7	2	0	4	2	2	8
Georgia Southern	27	3-5	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	0	0	2	0	6
at Cal StNorthridge	16	4-5	0-0	0-0	2-2	5	1	1	2	0	8

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Last Time Out: Converted a pair of free throws for his only points in nine minutes of action.

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CAREER BESTS:

Points - 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05 Rebounds - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Assists - 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05 Blocked Shots - 1 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05 Steals - 2, twice Minutes - 20 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05 Rebounds - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Assists – 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05 Blocked Shots - 1 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05 Steals - 0 Minutes - 20 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- After averaging 16.3 minutes per game in the first three games of the season, has logged 27 total minutes in the last five games.
- Increased his vertical jump by five inches during the off-season.
- To date on the season, is shooting 40.0 percent on treys (6-for-15) and zero percent on two-point shots (0-for-6).

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	
Indianapolis	20	2-10	2-5	0-0	
at Cincinnati	15	3-5	3-5	0-0	
Western Michigan	14	1-3	1-2	2-2	
Grambling State	7	0-1	0-1	4-4	
UW-Green Bay	4	0-1	0-1	2-2	
IPFW	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Georgia Southern	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	
at Cal StNorthridge	9	0-1	0-1	2-2	
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Last Time Out: Led the Redbirds with 15 points and added four rebounds, three assists and three steals.

G • 6-4 • 195 • Sr.-3L • Tamms, III. (Egyptian)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 16 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Rebounds – 8 at Southern Illinois, 1-4-03 Assists - 3, eight times Blocked Shots - 2, three times Steals - 4 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Minutes – 37 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 16 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Rebounds - 7 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Assists - 3, four times Blocked Shots - 2 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05 Steals - 4 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Minutes – 37 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- The longest tenured Redbird on the roster.
- After going 76 career games without breaking double digits in points, has posted five double-figure scoring games in his last nine.
- Entered the season shooting 16.7 percent from the foul line (4-for-24), but has turned that around by shooting 66.7 percent this season (6for-9)

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FI-A	O-R	PΕ	Α	10	BLK	S	IΡ
Indianapolis	24	3-10	1-4	0-1	2-5	1	2	0	1	3	7
at Cincinnati	30	3-8	2-3	4-4	1-6	1	3	2	0	1	12
Western Michigan	30	3-11	0-3	0-0	1-4	5	3	1	0	4	6
Grambling State	37	7-13	2-4	0-0	0-7	1	2	2	0	2	16
UW-Green Bay	20	1-4	0-3	0-0	0-5	3	2	2	2	1	2
IPFW	23	1-3	1-2	1-2	0-3	3	3	1	0	2	4
Georgia Southern	19	4-9	1-4	1-2	0-4	3	0	3	0	0	10
at Cal StNorthridge	28	6-13	3-7	0-0	1-4	4	3	3	1	3	15

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Last Time Out: Fouled out with eight points, five turnovers and three assists.

Khalif Ford

G • 6-1 • 181 • So.-1L • Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 11 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

Rebounds – 5, twice

Assists - 6 vs. Indiana State, 1-6-05

Blocked Shots – 1, twice Steals – 2, three times

Minutes - 34 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 11 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Rebounds – 5 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

Assists – 5, twice

Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals – 2 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05 **Minutes –** 34 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Posted his first career double-digit scoring game with 11 points against Western Michigan.
- During the exhibition season, showed some offensive potential with 15 points in the first half of the Red-White Scrimmage on 5-for-6 shooting. Also added 11 points against Augustana (S.D.).

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	34	2-6	0-2	0-0	1-5	2	5	2	0	1	4
at Cincinnati	27	1-5	1-3	0-0	1-1	4	2	6	1	0	3
Western Michigan	27	3-7	0-0	5-8	1-4	0	3	3	0	0	11
Grambling State	27	2-6	0-1	0-0	0-2	3	5	3	1	1	4
UW-Green Bay	32	1-4	0-1	3-4	0-1	3	3	5	0	1	5
IPFW	17	2-4	2-3	2-4	0-2	3	3	4	0	1	8
Georgia Southern	28	0-2	0-1	5-6	0-1	3	1	5	0	2	5
at Cal StNorthridge	24	3-7	2-3	0-0	0-2	5	3	5	0	0	8

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Roberto Fortes

G • 6-4 • 195 • Jr.-TR • Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 3 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05

Rebounds – 0

Assists - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

Blocked Shots - 0

Steals - 0

Minutes - 10 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05

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 One of Illinois State's four African born players. Born in Angola before moving to the United States as a youth.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	10	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	1	0	0	3
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
Grambling State	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
IPFW	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
at Cal StNorthridge				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
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Last Time Out: Posted his best game to date with 11 points, two rebounds, two assists and two steals in 23 minutes.

G • 6-4 • 185 • Fr.-HS • Bloomington, III. (Bloomington)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 11 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05 Rebounds - 3 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Assists - 2 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05 Blocked Shots - 0

Steals - 2 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05 Minutes - 23 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · After opening the season 0-for-8 from beyond the arc has made four of his last eight attempts.
- · Won the team's three-point shooting contest at the Redbird Hoopfest, which kicked off the 2005-06 season.

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· Has lost 20 pounds since reporting to the team.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	
Indianapolis	8	3-5	0-2	0-2	
at Cincinnati	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	
Western Michigan	14	1-5	0-4	0-0	
Grambling State	12	1-2	0-1	0-0	
UW-Green Bay	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	
IPFW	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	
Georgia Southern	7	1-1	1-1	0-0	
at Cal StNorthridge	23	4-10	3-7	0-0	
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Last Time Out: Logged four minutes with one rebound and a missed three-point attempt.

G/F • 6-7 • 205 • Jr.-TR • St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 5, twice Rebounds - 2, twice Assists - 0 Blocked Shots - 0 Steals - 0 Minutes - 12 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Held scoreless against Georgia Southern after scoring a combined 10 points in the previous two games.
- The leading scorer at the 2005 National Junior College Basketball Tournament.

2005-06 GAME-	BY-C	GAME	STATI	STIC	S						
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Indianapolis				Did i	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Cincinnati	1	1-4	0-2	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Western Michigan				Did i	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
Grambling State				Did i	not play	- illnes	SS				
UW-Green Bay	12	2-7	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	5
IPFW	9	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Georgia Southern	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Last Time Out: Logged a career high 12 minutes and finished with one point, one rebound and a steal.

F • 6-8 • 240 • Fr.-HS • Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds - 2 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05 Assists - 0

Blocked Shots - 0

Steals - 1 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05 Minutes - 12 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

· Spent the summer as a member of the Nigerian U21 National Team, which competed in the World Championships in Mar Del Plata, Argentina.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S
Indianapolis				Did	not play	- coa	ch's deci	sion		
at Cincinnati	5	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	0	1	0	0
Western Michigan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Grambling State	3	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	2	0	1	0	0
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coa	ch's deci	sion		
IPFW	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	1	0	0
Georgia Southern	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
at Cal StNorthridge	12	0-3	0-0	1-2	1-1	1	0	0	0	1
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Last Time Out: Tossed in 14 points off the bench in 23 minutes of action.

G • 6-3 • 185 • Sr.-1L • Omana, Neb. (Creighton Prep)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 16 vs. Penn State, 11-14-04 Rebounds - 5, four times Assists - 4 vs. St. John's, 12-4-04 Blocked Shots - 2 vs. Southern Illinois, 2-16-05 Steals - 2, three times Minutes - 26, twice

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 14, twice Rebounds - 5, twice Assists - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Blocked Shots – 1, twice Steals - 2 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05 Minutes - 26 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Has logged an average of 24 minutes in his last five games.
- · Scored double figures in three of the last four games.
- · Crowned the team's slam dunk champion at Redbird HoopFest, an event that kicked off the first day of practice.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	17	4-6	1-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	2	0	0	9
at Cincinnati	17	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-4	2	1	3	0	0	0
Western Michigan	19	2-3	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	3	1	0	0	6
Grambling State	23	3-5	0-0	1-2	3-5	3	1	3	0	1	7
UW-Green Bay	23	3-4	2-3	3-4	0-3	1	0	4	0	1	11
IPFW	25	2-4	0-1	0-0	1-5	1	0	2	1	1	4
Georgia Southern	26	5-9	0-2	4-7	0-2	3	1	3	1	2	14
at Cal StNorthridge	23	6-12	2-5	0-2	0-0	2	2	1	0	1	14

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Last Time Out: Scored 10 points and added seven rebounds and seven assists in 28 minutes of play.

G/F • 6-5 • 208 • Sr.-2L • Mt. Zion, III. (Mt. Zion)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 21, twice

Rebounds - 11 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-21-04

Assists - 7, twice

Blocked Shots - 1, seven times

Steals - 5 vs. Florida A&M, 11-23-03

Minutes - 41 vs. Western Kentucky, 12-16-03

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 16 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Rebounds - 7, twice Assists - 7, twice Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals - 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

Minutes - 36 vs. Western Michigan

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- The Redbirds' leading scorer has registered double figure points in seven games, including six straight.
- · Dished out a career high seven assists against IPFW and again at Cal State Northridge
- · Continues to play four positions for the Redbirds, including spotting relief at the point guard position.
- The only player on the Redbird roster this season to have a 20-point game at ISU. He did it once with 21 points at Utah State in 2003. His other 21-point game came at Wisconsin, against Marshall.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	33	3-9	2-4	4-4	1-2	2	3	2	0	2	12
at Cincinnati	30	2-8	1-4	3-3	0-2	4	6	2	0	0	8
Western Michigan	36	6-12	3-8	1-2	0-5	0	1	2	1	0	16
Grambling State	30	3-8	2-3	3-4	1-4	1	4	3	0	1	11
UW-Green Bay	31	3-5	0-1	7-11	0-5	0	4	1	0	0	13
IPFW	30	3-6	1-1	3-3	1-5	1	7	3	0	1	10
Georgia Southern	34	4-10	0-4	4-7	1-7	0	4	2	1	1	12
at Cal StNorthridge	28	4-11	2-6	0-0	3-7	2	7	2	0	1	10

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Held scoreless for the second time in this season, but played 27 minutes.

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CAREER BESTS:

Points - 9 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Rebounds - 7 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Assists - 5 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05 Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals - 2, twice

Minutes - 31 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Averaging 29.5 minutes of playing time in the last four games.
- Dished out a career best five assists in the win over UW-Green Bay.
- · Of the Redbirds' seven newcomers, has had the most immediate impact, including earning a starting assignment since the game at Cincinnati.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	18	3-4	0-1	0-0	2-4	1	1	3	1	2	6
at Cincinnati	22	1-3	1-1	0-0	0-1	4	2	2	0	0	3
Western Michigan	19	2-5	1-2	4-4	3-7	4	0	3	1	0	9
Grambling State	9	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	1	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay	30	2-7	0-2	0-0	0-4	2	5	0	0	1	4
IPFW	30	4-8	0-0	0-0	2-3	1	2	0	0	2	8
Georgia Southern	31	2-9	0-1	3-4	3-4	2	3	0	0	0	7
at Cal StNorthridge	27	0-2	0-0	0-0	2-3	2	1	2	0	1	0

at Indiana State Creighton*

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CAREER BESTS:

Points - 9 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds - 3 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 5 Assists – 1 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05 Blocked Shots - 0 Steals - 0 Minutes - 8 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

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- Tossed in a career-best nine points in the win over IPFW, thanks to a 3-for-3 effort on treys.
- Despite a cut frame, has not had a lot of strength and conditioning in his career. Obviously, the coaching staff was surprised when he squatted 545 pounds on a weight machine.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S
Indianapolis	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	4	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	1	1	0	0
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision		
Grambling State				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision		
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision		
IPFW	8	3-3	3-3	0-1	0-3	1	0	1	0	0
Georgia Southern	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	0	0
at Cal StNorthridge				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision		
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CAREER BESTS:

Points - 2, twice Rebounds - 2 at Marquette, 11-15-04 Assists - 1, four times Blocked Shots - 0 Steals - 3 at Marquette, 11-15-04 Minutes - 11 at Marquette, 11-15-04

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds - 0 Assists - 1 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 Blocked Shots - 0 Steals - 0 Minutes - 3 vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

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 A walk-on who will see some time at the point guard position this season.

2005-06 GAN	IE-BY-G	AME	STATI	STIC	S			
Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO
Indianapolis	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
at Cincinnati				Did	not play	- coac	:h's deci	ision
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coac	:h's deci	ision
Grambling State	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coac	:h's deci	sion
IPFW	2	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern				Did	not play	- coac	:h's deci	sion
at Cal StNorthridge	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at Indiana State*								
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at Northern Iowa*								
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EXHIBITION 1

Redbirds Win Lone Exhibition, 60-49

NORMAL, III. - Senior Neil Plank tallied 15 points and nine rebounds as Illinois State defeated Augustana [S.D.] 60-49 in an exhibition game Wednesday night at Redbird Arena. Sophomore point guard Khalif Ford also chipped in 11 points and four rebounds as the only other Redbird scoring in double digits.

The Redbirds started the first half on a 12-6 scoring run on six baskets by six different players. Ford hit a jumper with 7:22 left to put the 'Birds up 18-9 and Michael Vandello's jumper with 45 seconds left gave the Redbirds their largest lead of the half at 11 points at 26-15.

The second half began with the Redbirds and Vikings trading baskets until the 'Birds went on a 10-0 scoring run paced by five points from Plank. The 'Birds led by as many as 19 points, but the Vikings went on a 24-8 run with nine points from Margues Blank to cut the lead to three points at 52-49 with 2: 46 remaining. The Redbirds regained control with an 8-0 scoring run, all on free throws, to put the Vikings away.

ILLINOIS STATE 60, Augustana (S.D.) 49

November 9, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Augustana (S.D	.) Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Olson, f	30	3-10	0-0	0-1	0	4	7
Krogman, f	16	0-2	1-2	1-3	1	4	1
VerDouw, c	15	0-2	0-0	1-4	1	4	0
Hardy, g	27	2-9	3-5	3-8	0	4	7
Thomas, g	19	2-8	0-0	0-4	2	2	6
Medema	20	1-5	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
Blank	24	2-3	8-10	1-6	2	0	14
Hartzell	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Richardson	21	2-6	0-1	3-4	1	3	4
Klepatz	21	4-6	0-2	0-0	1	3	8
Totals	200	16-52	12-20	14-39	8	26	49

Team Pct.: FG - .308; FT - .600

3-Pt.: 5-17, .294 (Olson 1-1, Hardy 0-1, Thomas 2-8, Medema 0-4, Blank 2-2, Hartzell 0-1)

Blocks: 3 (Olson 1, Klepatz 2)

Turnovers: 20 (VerDouw, Hardy 6, Thomas 4, Medema 2, Blank 3, Richardson 2, Klepatz 1)

Steals: 6 (Olson 2, Hardy 2, Thomas 1, Klepatz 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	29	4-7	6-11	3-9	0	1	15
Dilligard, f	23	3-8	2-5	1-1	1	3	8
Dyer, c	19	1-7	2-2	0-3	2	1	4
K. Ford, g	26	3-8	5-6	1-4	4	4	11
D. Ford, g	15	0-4	0-0	0-3	1	2	0
Fortes	11	1-1	0-0	1-4	0	1	2
Onyeuku	11	2-4	1-1	0-1	1	2	5
Wallace	5	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Vianney	9	2-3	1-2	0-0	0	0	5
Kruse	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Vandello	21	2-2	2-2	2-3	4	2	6
Odiakosa	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	13	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Carlwell	14	2-2	0-4	1-4	0	2	4
Totals	200	20-50	19-33	11-28	14	21	60

Team Pct.: FG - .400; FT - .576

3-Pt.: 1-11, .091 (Plank 1-2, Dyer 0-2, K. Ford 0-3, D. Ford 0-1, Vianney 0-1, Holtz 0-2)

Blocks: 7 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello 2) Turnovers: 14 (Plank 1, Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Fortes 2, Wallace 1, Vianney 1, Kruse 2, Vandello 1, Odiakosa 1) Steals: 7 (Plank 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vianney 1, Vandello 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, Bill Oostdyk, Dave Cronin

Attendance: 4,484

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 28, Augustana (S.D.) 17

GAME 1

Redbirds Win Late in Season Opener Over Indy

NORMAL, III. - Late three-point field goals by seniors Neil Plank and Nedu Onyeuku helped the Illinois State Redbirds come from behind in the final two minutes to win its season and home opener against the Indianapolis Greyhounds at Redbird Arena.

Neither team shot well in the first half, with ISU shooting just 37 percent from the field and the Greyhounds shooting just 27 percent in the half

The two squads then traded baskets until ISU went on a 16-4 run beginning at the 11:08 and ending at the 3:14 mark, giving ISU a 24-16 lead. The run was highlighted by two three-point baskets by 6-10 center Levi Dyer, with senior Dana Ford chipping in for five points. ISU continued to control the game for the rest of the half. going into the locker room at the break with a 30-21 lead.

The start of the second half was much like the start of the first. with both teams exchanging baskets and ISU leading by as many as 11. However, the Greyhounds put on a run worthy of their namesake, as the 'Hounds went on a 13-0 run that spanned five minutes, giving Indianapolis its first lead since the 7:26 mark in the first half

Plank led all scores with 12 points and Onyeuku added nine to lead the Redbirds

ILLINOIS STATE 54, Indianapolis 50

November 19, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Indianapolis	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Mills, f	24	3-6	0-0	4-7	0	3	6
LaBad, c	21	2-7	4-4	2-6	0	3	8
McClung, g	32	3-16	2-2	4-7	0	2	8
Cox, g	32	4-7	0-0	2-4	0	2	10
Strahm, g	26	2-10	2-2	0-3	0	3	7
Blank	21	2-5	4-4	0-0	1	1	9
Smith	28	1-4	0-0	0-5	7	2	2
Moore	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Lulow	16	0-0	0-0	0-5	0	0	0
Totals	200	17-55	12-12	15-41	8	16	50

Team Pct.: FG - .309; FT - 1.000

3-Pt.: 4-16, .250 (Mills 0-1, McClung 0-2, Cox 2-4, Strahm 1-5, Blank 1-2, Smith 0-2)

Blocks: 1 (Mills 1)

Turnovers: 15 (Mills 1, LaBad 1, McClung 4, Cox 2, Strahm 3, Blank 1, Smith 3)

Steals: 4 (Mills 1, McClung 1, Blank 1, Lulow 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	33	3-9	4-4	1-2	3	2	12
Dilligard, f	25	2-3	0-3	0-4	1	0	4
Dyer, c	20	2-10	0-0	0-2	2	2	6
K. Ford, g	34	2-6	0-0	1-5	5	2	4
D. Ford, g	24	3-10	0-1	2-5	2	1	7
Fortes	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Onyeuku	17	4-6	0-0	0-2	1	2	9
Wallace	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vianney	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	18	3-4	0-0	2-4	1	1	6
Holtz	8	3-5	0-2	0-1	0	0	6
Carlwell	12	0-3	0-0	2-3	0	0	0
Totals	200	22-57	4-10	14-37	15	10	54

Team Pct.: FG - .386: FT - .400

3-Pt.: 6-19, .316 (Dyer 2-5, K. Ford 0-2, Plank 2-4, D. Ford 1-4, Onyeuku 1-1, Vandello 0-1, Holtz 0-2)

Blocks: 6 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello 1, Carlwell 1) Turnovers: 12 (Dilligard 1, K. Ford 2, Plank 2, Onyeuku 2, Wallace 2 Vandello 3)

Steals: 9 (K. Ford 1, Plank 2, D. Ford 3, Vandello 2, Holtz 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, John Moore, Kerry Campbell

Attendance: 3,747

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 30, Indianapolis 21

GAME 2

Redbirds Fall Short Against Bearcats, 76-59

CINCINNATI - Greg Dilligard's career-high 16 points, including 10 in the second half, weren't enough as Illinois State fell 76-59, to Cincinnati in non-conference action at the Fifth Third Arena

The Redbirds jumped out of the gate early, thanks to a pair of baskets from Dilligard, and stormed out to a 12-5 lead with 16:09 left in the first half. The 'Birds and the Bearcats went toe-to-toe for the next seven minutes and Cincinnati held a 26-22 edge. But the ISU shooting went cold as the Redbirds were held scoreless for nearly five-and-a-half minutes, while Cincinnati put together a 12-0 run and took a commanding 38-22 lead with 4:10 left in the half.

However, the Redbirds showed some tenacity and responded with a 12-5 run of their own to end the half and cut into the Bearcat lead at 43-34 at the intermission. Dana Ford led the Redbirds offensively in the first half with 12 points, which set a new career high for the fourth-year senior.

Cincinnati 76, ILLINOIS STATE 59

November 22, 2005 • Fifth Third Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	2-8	3-3	0-2	6	4	8
Vandello, f	22	1-3	0-0	0-1	2	4	3
Dilligard, f	30	8-11	0-1	2-5	1	3	16
K. Ford, g	27	1-5	0-0	1-1	2	4	3
D. Ford, g	30	3-8	4-4	1-6	3	1	12
Fortes	10	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	3	3
Onyeuku	17	0-1	0-2	1-4	1	2	0
Vianney	4	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	1	2
Kruse	1	1-4	0-0	2-2	0	0	2
Dyer	15	3-5	0-0	0-1	0	2	9
Odiakosa	5	0-2	1-2	0-2	0	0	1
Holtz	6	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Carlwell	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	20-51	10-14	11-33	16	25	59

Team Pct.: FG - .392; FT - .714

3-Pt.: 9-22, .409 (Plank 1-4, Vandello 1-1, K. Ford 1-3, D. Ford 2-3, Fortes 1-2, Onyeuku 0-1, Kruse 0-2, Dyer 3-5, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, K. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 26 (Plank 2, Dilligard 2, Vandello 2, K. Ford 6, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, Onyeuku 3, Vianney 1, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 1, Team 4)

Steals: 1 (D. Ford 1)

Cincinnati	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Hicks, f	32	4-12	0-1	8-11	3	2	8
McGowan, f	23	1-5	2-4	1-3	0	3	4
Kirkland, f	27	3-8	4-6	1-3	2	0	10
Muhammad, g	18	0-4	0-0	0-0	3	2	0
White, g	37	6-10	3-4	1-6	2	1	18
Tilford	11	1-3	2-2	0-1	1	3	4
Downey	30	7-12	5-5	1-1	3	2	21
Watt	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Miller	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Allen	7	3-3	0-0	0-1	0	2	9
Coleman	10	0-3	1-2	1-3	1	1	1
Murray	3	0-0	1-2	0-1	0	1	1
Totals	200	25-61	18-26	16-34	15	17	76

Team Pct.: FG - .410: FT - .692

3-Pt.: 8-20, .400 (McGowan 0-1, Kirkland 0-3, Muhammad 0-2, White 3-6, Tilford 0-1, Downey 2-3, Allen 3-3, Coleman 0-1)

Blocks: 7 (Hicks 3, Kirkland 2, White 1, Allen 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Kirkland 5, Muhammad 3, White 1, Downey 3,

Steals: 12 (Hicks 2, McGowan 1, Kirkland 3, White 2, Downey 4)

Officials: Curtis Shaw, Steve Morris, Gerry Pollard

Attendance: 8,802

Halftime Score: Cincinnati 43, ILLINOIS STATE 34

GAME 3

Birds Out-Hustle Western Michigan, Win 64-47

NORMAL, III. - Head coach Porter Moser was fired up on the sidelines all day, watching the Illinois State defense hustle for loose balls and force turnovers to frustrate the Western Michigan Broncos in a 64-47 non-conference win Saturday at Redbird Arena.

The Redbird defense corralled the Broncos' offense in the first half, limiting Western Michigan to just 20 points and forcing 12 turnovers in the half. However, the Redbird offense also came to play, leading the entire half and being ahead by as many as 15 points at one point, finishing the half up 34-20.

After trading baskets with Western Michigan for the first four minutes of the half, ISU jumped out to a 17-7 lead thanks to a 9-0 run that took four and a half minutes off the clock. Senior Neil Plank was the catalyst, scoring five points including one of his three 3-point baskets in the first half to put a cap on the run before Western Michigan's Joe Reitz put an end to the drought.

ISU continued its hot shooting after the early run, maintaining at least an eight point lead throughout the rest of the first half. ISU finished the half shooting .500 from the field, with seven 'Birds scoring points.

Khalif Ford finished the game with 11 points and Plank finished with 16 for the game after scoring 15 in the first half. Andrew Hershberger was the only Bronco in double figures with 11 points.

ILLINOIS STATE 64, Western Michigan 47 November 26, 2005 • Redbird Arena

W. Michigan	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Hershberger, f	27	5-11	0-2	4-8	1	4	11
Bufford, f	28	4-10	0-0	1-5	0	4	9
Reitz, c	27	2-6	5-7	4-9	0	1	9
Snider, g	34	1-7	5-8	2-4	6	3	7
Gary, g	11	1-2	2-2	0-2	0	5	4
Fracalossi	16	1-5	0-0	2-3	0	0	3
Drews	19	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
Ricks	11	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Kendrick	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hess	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
deVries	13	2-3	0-0	0-1	1	2	4
Cloutier	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	16-51	12-19	15-35	9	21	47

Team Pct.: FG - .314: FT - .632

3-Pt.: 3-13, .231 (Hershberger 1-1, Bufford 1-1, Snider 0-2, Gary 0-1, Fracalossi 1-4, Drews 0-1, Ricks 0-2, Kendrick 0-1) Blocks: 4 (Hershberger 2, Reitz 1, Snider 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Bufford 4, Reitz 2, Snider 5, Gary 1, Drews 3, Ricks 2)

Steals: 5 (Hershberger 2, Snider 1, Gary 2)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	36	6-12	1-2	0-5	1	0	16
Vandello, f	19	2-5	4-4	3-7	0	4	9
Dilligard, f	23	3-4	1-2	2-5	1	3	7
K. Ford, g	27	3-7	5-8	1-4	3	0	11
D. Ford, g	30	3-11	0-0	1-4	3	5	6
Onyeuku	19	2-3	2-2	0-1	3	0	6
Dyer	14	1-3	2-2	1-3	0	3	5
Odiakosa	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	14	1-5	0-0	1-2	0	0	2
Carlwell	17	0-0	2-2	2-4	0	2	2
Totals	200	21-50	17-22	11-36	11	17	64

Team Pct.: FG - .420: FT - .773

3-Pt.: 5-20, .250 (Plank 3-8, Vandello 1-2, D. Ford 0-3, Onyeuku 0-1, Dyer 1-2, Holtz 0-4)

Blocks: 7 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, Carlwell 3) Turnovers: 12 (Plank 2, Vandello 3, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 1 Holtz 2)

Steals: 7 (Dilligard 3, D. Ford 4)

Officials: John Yorkovich, Greg Webb, Jeff Malham

Attendance: 3.980

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 34, Western Michigan 20

GAME 4

Hot Second Half Shooting Propels ISU to 62-50 Win

NORMAL, III. - At times tonight's basketball game between Illinois State and Grambling State seemed destined for a lowscoring and sloppy outcome for both teams. However, a second half scoring surge by the Redbirds (3-1) combined with 37 percent shooting from the field for the Tigers (2-2) led to an exciting finish as ISU defeated Grambling State 62-50 Tuesday night at Redbird

Defense was once again the story for Illinois State in the first half, as the Redbirds held Grambling to just 16 points and forced the Tigers to shoot 23.3 percent from the field in the opening half.

Grambling State came out inspired in the second half, going on an 8-2 run to start the half. Anthony Williams had five points to spark the Tiger run and get within two points of the 'Birds at 28-26 with 17:13 left in the game. However the Redbirds answered with a 16-2 run to take control once again. Dana Ford sparked the run with nine points, eventually leading to his career-high 16 points.

ISU led from that point on, leading by as many as 16 points at one point. Senior Neil Plank scored all of his 11 points in the second half and Dilligard finished one rebound short of a doubledouble with a game and career high 18 points and nine rebounds.

ILLINOIS STATE 62, Grambling State 50

November 29, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Grambling St.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Williams, f	29	7-13	1-3	4-5	1	1	15
Stevens, f	17	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	3	0
Ratliff, g	35	5-11	0-0	0-1	3	3	13
Gordon, g	21	0-2	1-4	0-4	2	3	1
Rush, g	35	4-18	3-3	3-10	1	2	11
Kruel	5	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Thomas	19	2-7	0-2	0-2	0	2	4
Jefferson	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
McFadden	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Breaux	17	3-4	0-0	0-0	0	3	6
Dorsey	11	0-1	0-0	1-2	1	1	0
Totals	200	21-57	5-12	12-31	9	18	50

Team Pct : FG - 368: FT - 417

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Ratliff 3-8, Rush 0-5, Thomas 0-2)

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 19 (Williams 3, Ratliff 6, Gordon 3, Rush 5, Thomas

1, Breaux 1)

Steals: 11 (Williams 2, Stevens 1, Ratliff 3, Gordon 1, Rush 2, Thomas 2)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	3-8	3-4	1-4	4	1	11
Vandello, f	9	0-2	0-0	1-3	1	1	0
Dilligard, f	34	8-11	2-6	3-9	2	3	18
K. Ford, g	27	2-6	0-0	0-2	5	3	4
D. Ford, g	37	7-13	0-0	0-7	2	1	16
Fortes	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Onyeuku	23	3-5	1-2	3-5	1	3	7
Wallace	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Dyer	7	0-1	4-4	0-1	0	1	4
Odiakosa	3	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	2	0
Holtz	12	1-2	0-0	0-3	0	0	2
Carlwell	11	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	24-48	10-18	8-36	17	15	62

Team Pct.: FG - .500; FT - .556

3-Pt.: 4-11, .364 (Plank 2-3, Vandello 0-1, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 2-4, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 21 (Plank 3, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, Onyeuku 3, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 1, Carlwell 3) Steals: 6 (Plank 1, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 1)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Paul Kaster, Neil Armstrong

Attendance: 5 149

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, Grambling State 16

GAME 5

Birds Hold Off UW-Green Bay

NORMAL, III. - Illinois State held off a late surge by Wisconsin-Green Bay to claim its third straight win, 59-51, in front of 5,871 fans on Neal Cotts Day at Redbird Arena.

Wisconsin-Green Bay (2-4) jumped out to a 5-0 lead to start the game with freshman Ryan Tillema recording all five points on a three-pointer and a pair of free throws. Meanwhile, the Redbirds turned the ball over on their first two possessions and lost defensive sparkplug Dana Ford at the 17:23 mark after he picked up two quick fouls.

But it was all Illinois State (4-1) after that when Greg Dilligard's jumper from the right side with 15:42 remaining in the half kicked off an 18-2 run. Nedu Onyeuku followed with a free throw to tie it up at 7-7 as the Redbirds took the lead for good. Six different players scored during the run, while the Phoenix suffered through a pair of five-minute scoring droughts during the decisive run.

The Phoenix cut into the Redbird lead with less than five minutes remaining in the half. Tillema once again led the way with a three-pointer, a layup and a pair of free throws, but the Redbirds still held onto a 26-20 lead at halftime.

Illinois State, which shot 61 percent from the field in the second half, had three players in double figures. Neil Plank and Dilligard led the 'Birds with 13 points apiece, while Onyeuku was also in double figures with 11. Wisconsin-Green Bay's Tillema led all scorer with 19, while Evans chipped in 11.

ILLINOIS STATE 59, UW-Green Bay 51

December 3, 2005 • Redbird Arena

UW-Green Bay	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Tillema, f	35	5-14	6-6	3-9	2	1	19
Lawrence, f	22	0-5	0-0	2-5	0	2	0
Schachtner, f	25	4-7	0-0	2-7	0	4	9
Evanochko, g	39	3-15	0-0	2-3	2	3	7
Evans, g	29	4-9	2-2	3-6	3	3	11
Farine	15	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
Minatee	17	0-4	1-4	1-1	1	5	1
Barkley	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Morris	15	1-7	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
Totals	200	18-62	9-12	16-39	9	20	51

Team Pct.: FG - .290; FT - .750

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Tillema 3-8, Lawrence 0-1, Schachtner 1-2,

Evanochko 1-4, Evans 1-2) Blocks: 2 (Lawrence 1, Morris 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Tillema 1, Lawrence 3, Evanochko 1, Evans 2,

Farine 2, Minatee 1, Morris 1)

Steals: 4 (Tillema 1, Evans 2, Minatee 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	31	3-5	7-11	0-5	4	0	13
Vandello, f	30	2-7	0-0	0-4	5	2	4
Dilligard, f	36	5-9	3-4	4-7	1	2	13
K. Ford, g	32	1-4	3-4	0-1	3	3	5
D. Ford, g	20	1-4	0-0	0-5	2	3	2
Onyeuku	23	3-4	3-4	0-3	0	1	11
Kruse	12	2-7	0-0	0-0	0	1	5
Dyer	4	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Holtz	3	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	1	2
Carlwell	9	1-1	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
Totals	200	18-42	20-27	5-34	15	14	59

Team Pct.: FG - .429; FT - .741

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Plank 0-1, Vandello 0-2, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 0-3,

Onyeuku 2-3, Kruse 1-4, Dyer 0-1) Blocks: 6 (Dilligard 3, D. Ford 2, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Plank 1, Dilligard 1, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku

Steals: 6 (Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 1)

Officials: Patrick Adams, Bo Boroski, Jeb Hartness

Attendance: 5.871

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, UW-Green Bay 20



GAME 6

ISU Sets New Arena Record: Defeats IPFW

NORMAL, III. - Senior forward Neil Plank, who finished with 10 points, led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 65-36 win over IPFW Tuesday night at Redbird Arena, holding the Mastodons to just 36 points, a new Redbird Arena low.

Greg Dilligard's opening dunk set the tone in the first half as Illinois State went on to rattle off seven answered points, not allowing an IPFW basket until the 15:33 mark. Following a Dana Ford three-pointer that put the 'Birds up 18-8, Plank and Eric Vianney went on to drain consecutive three-pointers to put ISU up 30-13 at the half.

Another Dilligard dunk with 11:45 left in the game extended the Illinois State lead to 43-29. Dilligard finished with eight points, seven rebounds and two blocks, putting him in sole possession of sixth place in school history with 75 career blocks. Vianney added to the lead, putting the 'Birds up by 26 with two three-pointers in the final three minutes, finishing with a career-high nine points on the

ILLINOIS STATE 65, IPFW 36

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IPFW	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Scott, f	32	2-7	0-1	0-0	0	2	4
Hawkins, f	36	3-6	0-0	2-5	4	3	8
Best, f	36	3-11	1-2	2-6	3	1	7
Carouthers, g	28	1-5	0-0	0-2	1	3	3
Pompey, g	26	2-6	0-0	0-6	0	2	5
Johnson	7	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Posley	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Savely	22	3-8	1-4	0-0	1	3	9
Esseghir	3	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Ademi	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Egeric	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-45	2-7	7-25	9	17	36

Team Pct.: FG - .311: FT - .286

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Scott 0-2, Hawkins 2-4, Best 0-1, Carouthers 1-2, Pompey 1-3, Johnson 0-1, Savely 2-4)

Blocks: 2 (Scott 1, Best 1)

Turnovers: 20 (Scott 1, Hawkins 1, Best 3, Carouthers 4, Pompey 4, Posley 1, Savely 4, Essighir 1, Team 1)

Steals: 6 (Best 1, Pompey 4, Posley 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	3-6	3-3	1-5	7	1	10
Vandello, f	30	4-8	0-0	2-3	2	1	8
Dilligard, f	30	3-8	2-3	3-7	0	2	8
K. Ford, g	17	2-4	2-4	0-2	3	3	8
D. Ford, g	23	1-3	1-2	0-3	3	3	4
Fortes	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0
Onyeuku	25	2-4	0-0	1-5	0	1	4
Wallace	2	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Vianney	8	3-3	0-1	0-3	0	1	9
Kruse	9	2-6	0-0	0-2	0	0	5
Dyer	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Odiakosa	4	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	2
Holtz	5	1-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	2
Carlwell	10	0-0	3-4	1-2	2	3	3
Totals	200	22-46	13-19	11-37	19	17	65

Team Pct.: FG - .478: FT - .684

3-Pt.: 8-14, .571 (Plank 1-1, K. Ford 2-3, D. Ford 1-2, Fortes 0-1, Onyeuku 0-1, Vianney 3-3, Kruse 1-3)

Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Plank 3, Dilligard 4, K. Ford 4, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 2 Vianney 1 Odiakosa 1)

Steals: 11 (Plank 1, Vandello 2, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 2)

Officials: Terry Anderson, Dave Cronin, Dan Dorian

Attendance: 5.181

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 20, IPFW 13

GAME 7

Second Half Surge Not Enough for ISU

NORMAL, III. - The Illinois State Redbird men's basketball team mounted a tremendous comeback to take the lead in the second half after going into halftime down by 13 points. However, the comeback was not enough to put away Georgia Southern, as late free throws helped propel the Eagles to a 64-61 win at Redbird

Georgia Southern took the lead 13-12 after Sean Olivier sank two free throws as Greg Dilligard picked up his second foul of the half for ISU. That forced Dilligard to the bench and the Eagles proceeded to go on an 11-0 run to extend their lead to 22-12 with 6:32 left in the first half. ISU went scoreless for nearly five and a half minutes before Neil Plank converted two free throws to get the Redbirds back on the scoring track at 22-14. However, the Eagles would not relinquish that lead and led by as many as 13 points on their way to a 31-20 lead at halftime.

With the score tied at 44-44, Dilligard scored consecutive hoops giving ISU its first lead of the second half at 48-47. However, the Eagles would not go away, with Elton Nesbitt leading the way with 14 points in the half. Six of those points came in the last two minutes as Georgia Southern would recover the lead on a threepointer by Donte Gennie at 60-57. The Eagles held on to that three point lead, with the Redbirds having a final shot at a tie. However, Neil Plank's last second 3-point attempt rimmed out.

Georgia Southern 64, ILLINOIS STATE 61

December 10, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Ga. Southern	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Olivier, f	25	1-4	2-2	1-3	0	4	4
Graham, c	18	3-5	1-1	1-6	0	4	7
Gennie, g	28	5-8	1-3	3-6	4	1	13
Nesbitt, g	30	8-16	4-4	0-1	1	4	23
Tobias, g	15	1-5	0-0	0-1	3	1	2
Foreman	34	0-6	2-2	0-4	5	3	2
Dunn	25	1-1	6-6	2-6	1	3	8
Swain	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Salazar	13	1-5	0-0	1-3	0	4	3
Ward	4	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	2
Totals	200	21-51	16-18	10-33	14	24	64

Team Pct.: FG - .412: FT - .889

3-Pt.: 6-13, .462 (Gennie 2-2, Nesbitt 3-6, Tobias 0-1, Foreman 0-2, Salazar 1-2)

Blocks: 4 (Olivier 2, Graham 1, Dunn 1)

Turnovers: 19 (Olivier 3, Graham 2, Gennie 1, Nesbitt 2, Foreman 6. Dunn 1. Swain 1. Salazar 2. Ward 1)

Steals: 7 (Olivier 1, Gennie 2, Tobias 3, Foreman 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	34	4-10	4-7	1-7	4	0	12
Vandello, f	31	2-9	3-4	3-4	3	2	7
Dilligard, f	27	3-5	0-0	1-3	0	3	6
K. Ford, g	28	0-2	5-6	0-1	1	3	5
D. Ford, g	19	4-9	1-2	0-4	0	3	10
Onyeuku	26	5-9	4-7	0-2	1	3	14
Vianney	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Kruse	4	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Dyer	3	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	1	2
Odiakosa	2	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Holtz	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	3
Carlwell	15	1-2	0-0	2-5	1	0	2
Totals	200	20-49	19-28	12-33	10	16	61

Team Pct.: FG - .408; FT - .679

3-Pt.: 2-14, .143 (Plank 0-4, Vandello 0-1, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 1-4, Onyeuku 0-2, Holtz 1-1)

Blocks: 6 (Plank 1, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 2)

Turnovers: 17 (Plank 2, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 3, Vianney 2, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 5 (Plank 1, K. Ford 2, Onyeuku 2)

Officials: David Warfel, Mark Mayhood, Willie Beamon

Attendance: 6.762

Halftime Score: Georgia Southern 31, ILLINOIS STATE 20

GAME 8

Redbird Rally Falls Short; ISU Downed 73-69

NORTHRIDGE, Calif. - Illinois State nailed six three-point field goals in the final 1:35 of the game to erase a 13-point deficit, but Dana Ford's final attempt at a game-winner bounced off the front of the rim and Cal State-Northridge walked away with a 73-69 nonconference win at the Matadome Saturday night.

CSUN's Jonathan Heard sank a pair of free throws to extend the lead to 65-57, but a Brandon Holtz three-pointer made the score 65-60. After Mike Efevberha missed one of his free throw attempts on back-to-back two-shot trips to the line, three-pointers by Nedu Onyeuku and Neil Plank closed the gap to 67-66 with 26 seconds on the clock.

Efevberha was fouled again, but made both charity attempts, however Ford's three-pointer from atop the key forced a 69-69 tie with 20 seconds left in the game. On the ensuing play, Holtz put pressure on Efevberha in the corner of the court on a trap, but was whistled for the foul. The Matador's leading scorer stepped to the line and sank both free throw attempts for his 27th point of the night, including 23 in the second half. Ford launched another threepointer from the left wing for the win, but it bounced off the rim.

Cal State Northridge 73, ILLINOIS STATE 69

December 17, 2005 • The Matadome

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	28	4-11	0-0	3-7	7	2	10
Vandello, f	27	0-2	0-0	2-3	1	2	0
Dilligard, f	16	4-5	0-0	2-2	1	5	8
K. Ford, g	24	3-7	0-0	0-2	3	5	8
D. Ford, g	28	6-13	0-0	1-4	3	4	15
Onyeuku	23	6-12	0-2	0-0	2	2	14
Wallace	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dyer	9	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	0	2
Odiakosa	12	0-3	1-2	1-1	0	1	1
Holtz	23	4-10	0-0	1-2	2	4	11
Carlwell	10	0-1	0-0	0-2	0	2	0
Totals	200	27-65	3-6	11-25	19	27	69

Team Pct.: FG - .415; FT - .500

3-Pt.: 12-29, .414 (Plank 2-6, K. Ford 2-3, D. Ford 3-7, Onyeuku 2-5, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 3-7)

Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, D. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Plank 2, Vandello 2, Dilligard 1, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1, Team 1)

Steals: 9 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 1, Odiakosa 1. Holtz 2)

CS-Northridge	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Efevgerha, f	32	7-16	11-15	4-5	3	1	27
Powers, f	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Waggener, c	19	1-3	1-2	0-2	1	1	3
Haynes, g	15	1-1	2-2	1-3	0	1	5
Altheimer, g	22	0-0	2-2	0-6	2	3	2
Locke	16	3-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	6
Heard	27	4-7	4-4	1-3	3	0	13
Miller	17	1-3	4-4	2-3	1	1	6
Hill	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Jones	7	1-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	4
Shewmake	27	1-4	3-6	3-12	0	1	5
Everage	13	0-3	2-2	2-5	0	1	2
Totals	200	19-42	31-39	14-42	12	11	73

Team Pct.: FG - .452; FT - .795

3-Pt.: 4-9, .444 (Efevberha 2-5, Waggener 0-1, Haynes 1-1, Heard 1-2)

Blocks: 5 (Efevberha 1, Altheimer 1, Shewmake 3)

Turnovers: 27 (Efevberha 3, Waggener 1, Haynes 1, Altheimer 2, Locke 2, Heard 6, Miller 2, Hill 1, Jones 1, Shewmake 6, Everage 2)

Steals: 6 (Waggener 1, Haynes 1, Locke 1, Heard 1, Shewmake 2)

Officials: Fred Carbone, Michael Irving, Martin Cota

Attendance: 1,013

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 30, CS-Northridge 30