



# 2003-04 OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE MEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

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## OVC STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE						OVERALL						
	W	L	PCT.	Home	Away	Streak	W	L	PCT.	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
Murray State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	8	1	.889	6-0	2-1	0-0	L1
Jacksonville State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	5	3	.625	4-0	1-3	0-0	W1
Southeast Missouri	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	5	3	.625	4-0	0-3	1-0	W1
Tennessee Tech	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	5	3	.625	5-1	0-2	0-0	W1
Morehead State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	4	3	.571	4-0	0-3	0-0	W1
Samford	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	4	4	.500	3-0	1-3	0-1	W2
Tennessee-Martin	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	4	5	.444	3-0	0-4	1-1	W2
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	3	4	.429	3-0	0-4	0-0	W1
Austin Peay	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	3	5	.375	3-0	0-5	0-0	L1
Eastern Illinois	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	1	6	.143	1-2	0-4	0-0	L2
Tennessee State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	--	1	8	.111	1-2	0-6	0-0	L8

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

#### Saturday, December 20

@Louisville 80, **Austin Peay 63**  
@Western Illinois 84, **Eastern Illinois 79**  
@**Eastern Kentucky 90**, Savannah State 56  
@Pittsburgh 70, **Murray State 49**  
@**Samford 95**, Covenant College 54  
@**UT Martin 99**, Mississippi Valley State 70  
@**Tennessee Tech 86**, Appalachian State 78

#### Friday, December 19

@Colorado 71, **Tennessee State 44**

#### Thursday, December 18

@**Samford 85**, Tennessee Temple 50

#### Wednesday, December 17

@**Murray State 68**, Southern Illinois 64  
@Wyoming 109, **Tennessee State 56**  
East Tennessee 77, @**Tennessee Tech 70**

#### Tuesday, December 16

**Jacksonville State 71**, @Savannah State 58

#### Monday, December 15

@**Austin Peay 86**, Maryville College 62  
@**Morehead State 93**, Kentucky Christian 66

### UPCOMING GAMES

#### Monday, December 22

**Murray St.** vs. Georgetown College - 3:00 p.m.  
**Tennessee State** at Chattanooga - 6:00 p.m.  
**Tennessee Tech** at Tennessee - 6:30 p.m.  
**Jacksonville State** at Mississippi - 7:00 p.m.  
**Samford** at Memphis - 7:00 p.m. (ESPN+)  
**Tennessee-Martin** at Indiana State - 7:05 p.m.  
North Texas at **Southeast Missouri** - 7:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, December 23

**Austin Peay** at Middle Tennessee - 7:00 p.m.  
**Eastern Illinois** at Ohio St. - 7:00 p.m. (ESPN+)  
**Eastern Ky.** at Kentucky - 7:00 p.m. (UKTV-L)  
**Morehead State** at Indiana - 7:00 p.m. (ESPN+)

#### Saturday, December 27

**Eastern Kentucky** at Florida - 4:00 p.m. (SUN)

#### Sunday, December 28

**Morehead State** at Notre Dame - 12 noon  
**Murray State** at Delaware State - 1:00 p.m.

#### Monday, December 29

**Tennessee Tech** at Jacksonville - 6:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday, December 30

Alabama A&M at **Eastern Kentucky** - 6:30 p.m.  
**Morehead State** at Xavier - 6:30 p.m. (FSNO)  
**Samford** at Oklahoma State - 7:00 p.m.  
Alcorn State at **Jacksonville State** - 7:00 p.m.  
Portland State at **Tennessee State** - 7:00 p.m.  
**Eastern Illinois** at Iowa - 7:05 p.m. (ESPN+)  
**Tennessee-Martin** at Central Florida - 7:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, December 31

**Austin Peay** vs. Kentucky - 3:00 p.m. (UKTV-L)  
**Southeast Missouri** at DePaul - 3:00 p.m.

#### Friday, January 2

Portland State at **Tennessee-Martin** - 7:00 p.m.

#### Saturday, January 3

**Southeast Missouri** at IFPW - 12 noon  
**Murray State** at Louisville - 2:00 p.m. (WDRB)  
Tennessee Wesleyan at **Samford** - 2:00 p.m.  
Greenville College at **Morehead State** - 6:00 p.m.  
Robert Morris at **Eastern Kentucky** - 6:30 p.m.  
**Austin Peay** at **Jacksonville State\*** - 7:00 p.m.  
Illinois College at **Eastern Ill.** - 7:05 p.m. (WEIU)  
Bluefield College at **Tennessee Tech** - 7:30 p.m.

\* - Denotes OVC contest  
ALL TIMES CENTRAL

ESPN - Live telecast on ESPN Regional  
UKTV-L - Live telecast on UK Network  
SUN - Live telecast on the Sunshine Network  
FSNO - Live telecast on Fox Sports Net Ohio  
WDRB - Live telecast on WDRB-TV (Louisville, KY)  
WEIU - Live telecast on WEIU-TV (Charleston, IL)

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## OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**CHEZ MARKS • SR., G, 6'3, 160 • PARIS, KY • MOREHEAD STATE**

**Marks** poured in 35 points to lead Morehead State to a 93-66 win over Kentucky Christian. The senior guard hit his first 10 attempts before missing a 3-point try and finished the game with a 14-of-15 effort (93.3%). His performance ranks first nationally among single-game outings through Dec. 15. Marks canned five 3-pointers in the contest and leads the league in both trey shooting (46.3%) and average (3.57 pg). He also went 2-of-2 from the free throw line and contributed two rebounds, two assists and five steals in 23 minutes of action.

### NEWCOMER OF THE WEEK

**JUSTIN SMITH • JR., G, 6'3, 190 • MEMPHIS, TN • TENNESSEE-MARTIN**

**Smith** canned six 3-pointers to help guide Tennessee-Martin to a 99-70 victory over Mississippi Valley State. The junior guard did all of his damage from either behind the arc, where he was 6-of-9, or at the foul line, where he made all but one of seven free throw attempts. Smith also hauled in six rebounds and dished out three assists with a steal.

### ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

**BRUCE PRICE • FR., G, 6'3, 205 • MINNEAPOLIS, MN • TENNESSEE STATE**

**Price** bounced back from injury to pump in a season-high 29 points in Tennessee State's 71-44 loss at Colorado. The freshman guard, who sat out the Tigers' game against Wyoming two days earlier with a strained back, drained six 3-pointers as part of a 56.2 percent shooting effort, and went 5-of-8 from the charity stripe. Price also hauled in five rebounds.

## OVC MEDIA INFORMATION

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**WEB SITE:** For updated stats, standings, news and notes, log on to the official OVC site: [www.ovcsports.com](http://www.ovcsports.com).

**WEEKLY NOTES:** The OVC will release its weekly men's basketball report each Monday throughout the season (except for Dec. 29) by 5 p.m. CT. The report is available by fax and e-mail, and will be posted on the league's website in text and PDF versions. Statistics are available by fax and are updated throughout the week on the OVC web site.

### OVC TELECONFERENCES:

The OVC will hold a series of teleconferences throughout the season in which the men's basketball head coach of each OVC institution will answer questions from the media. There will be nine teleconferences in the 2003-04 season, and the schedule is as follows:

**Tuesday, January 6**

**Tuesday, January 13**

**Tuesday, January 20**

**Tuesday, January 27**

**Tuesday, February 3**

**Tuesday, February 10**

**Tuesday, February 17**

**Tuesday, February 24**

**Monday, March 1**

Each call will take place at 10:00 a.m. CT, and each coach will be on for seven minutes. The schedule is as follows:

**10:00** - Dave Loos, Austin Peay

**10:07** - Rick Samuels, Eastern Illinois

**10:14** - Travis Ford, Eastern Kentucky

**10:21** - Mike LaPlante, Jacksonville State

**10:28** - Kyle Macy, Morehead State

**10:35** - Mick Cronin, Murray State

**10:42** - Jimmy Tillette, Samford

**10:49** - Gary Garner, Southeast Missouri

**10:56** - Bret Campbell, Tennessee-Martin

**11:03** - Cy Alexander, Tennessee State

**11:10** - Mike Sutton, Tennessee Tech

The number to call is:

**412-380-2000**

You will be prompted for the following passcode:

**9592292**

## 2003-04 OVC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH (Selected by Head Basketball Coaches and Sports Information Directors)

1.	Austin Peay (18 first-place votes)	198
2.	Morehead State (3 first-place votes)	172
3.	Murray State (1 first-place vote)	168
4.	Southeast Missouri	123
5.	Tennessee Tech	114
6.	Tennessee-Martin	91
7.	Samford	84
8.	Eastern Kentucky	83
9.	Eastern Illinois	70
10.	Jacksonville State	67
11.	Tennessee State	40

(\*Schools were not allowed to rank their own team.

Ten points awarded for a first-place vote, nine for second, etc.)



## 2004 Ohio Valley Conference Basketball Tournament

Nashville, Tennessee • March 5-6, 2004  
Municipal Auditorium

**First Round:** March 2 (at campus sites), times TBA

**Semifinals:** March 5 (at Nashville), 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. CT

**Championship:** March 6 (at Nashville), 5 p.m. CT, ESPN2

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## AROUND THE OVC...

**AUSTIN PEAY (3-5 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Austin Peay is still seeking its first road win of the season after losing at 20th-ranked Louisville, 80-63. Earlier in the week, the Governors extended their home court win streak to 19 with an 86-62 triumph over Maryville College...**Adrian Henning (Memphis, TN)** recorded back-to-back double-doubles (15 pts./10 rlds. vs. MC, 15 pts./11 rlds. vs. UL) to become only the 10th Gov to join the 1,000-point, 500-rebound club...After contributing 31 points and 11 assists in the Maryville contest, APSU's bench was held to eight points and two assists versus Louisville...**Josh Lewis (Lexington, KY)** collected four blocked shots last week, stretching to 34 his streak of consecutive games with at least one rejection...APSU continues its eight-game road swing with a Dec. 23 date at Middle Tennessee and a New Year's Eve meeting versus Kentucky at Freedom Hall in Louisville, Ky. The Govs also kick off the conference portion of their OVC schedule on Jan. 3 at Jacksonville State.

**EASTERN ILLINOIS (1-6 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Eastern Illinois had five players score in double figures in its 84-79 loss at Western Illinois...**Derik Hollyfield (Aurora, IL)** led the quintet with 17 points...**Jason Wright (DeKalb, IL)** had a solid all-around outing with 13 points, six rebounds and five assists...EIU shot over 40 percent from the field for the third straight game...Down by 13 with 2:46 left to play, the Panthers trimmed the deficit to just three with seven seconds remaining but WIU made two free throws a second later to clinch the win...**Jake Sinclair (Pana, IL)** chipped in six points, five boards and five steals off the bench...The Panthers conclude a four-game road stretch at Ohio State (Dec. 23) and Iowa (Dec. 30) before returning home to entertain Illinois College.

**EASTERN KENTUCKY (3-4 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Eastern Kentucky avenged an earlier loss to Savannah State with a 90-56 rout of the Tigers. The game was a 35-point turnaround from the Colonels' 63-62 overtime loss at SSU on Dec. 8...**Michael Haney (Madisonville, KY)** went 8-of-11 from the field en route to his ninth career double-double and second of the season (20 pts./13 rlds.)...**Mike Scott (Baltimore, MD)** also had a double-dip (16 pts./11 rlds.)...The Colonels outrebounded SSU, 51-42, and dished out 17 assists while committing just eight turnovers...EKU's free throw woes continued with a 55.3 percent effort (26-of-47) in the contest...The Colonels' Dec. 23 trip to No. 1 Kentucky marks just the second time in school history an EKU squad has faced off against a top-ranked team. The first was a 106-57 loss to Maryland during the 1972-73 season...EKU also visits 13th-ranked Florida on Dec. 27 before opening a six-game homestand with Alabama A&M and Robert Morris.

**JACKSONVILLE STATE (5-3 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Jacksonville State got double-digit scoring from four of five starters in a 71-58 victory over Savannah State...**James Denson (Walnut Grove, MS)** paced the Gamecocks with 16 points, while **Walker Russell (Rochester, MI)** drained 10-of-12 free throws and added 12 points...**Trent Eager (Monroeville, AL)** scored 11 points and hauled in 11 rebounds for a double-double...JSU visits Mississippi on Dec. 22 and plays its first OVC contest on Jan. 3 against Austin Peay as part of a two-game homestand which opens on Dec. 30 with Alcorn State.

**MOREHEAD STATE (4-3 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Morehead State staged a 93-66 rout of Kentucky Christian...**Chez Marks (Paris, KY)** hit his first 10 field goal attempts and finished 14-of-15, including 5-of-6 from 3-point range, as he poured in 35 points in just 23 minutes of action. The senior guard is closing in on 1,000 career points with 937 thus far...**Ricky Minard (Mansfield, OH)** added 11 points to push his career scoring total to 1,900...Thirteen of the 14 Eagles who entered the contest played at least 10 minutes with 12 of the 14 scoring at least one basket...Morehead State shot a blistering 68.8 percent from the field in the first half, 59.7 percent for the game...**Quinton Smith (Radcliff, KY)** dished out 10 assists while committing just two turnovers...The Eagles play three on the road (Dec. 23 at Indiana, Dec. 28 at Notre Dame and Dec. 30 at Xavier) before returning home to begin a four-game stand with Greenville College.

**MURRAY STATE (8-1 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Murray State rallied from a 15-point deficit to hand Southern Illinois its first loss of the season (68-64), but the Racers' season-opening eight-game win streak came to an end in a 70-49 setback at Pittsburgh...**Kelvin Brown** netted a game-high 20 points against the Salukis...**Cuthbert Victor (St. Croix, Virgin Islands)** went 7-of-9 against SIU to finish with a double-double (19 pts./15 rlds.), but was held to seven points with 11 boards versus Pitt. Victor, who began the week as the nation's top field-goal shooter (75.3%), saw his league-leading average dip to 68.4 percent after a 3-of-13 outing at Pitt...The Racers entered last week averaging 90 points per game, but were limited to less than 70 in each contest...Murray State shot 29 percent from the floor on Saturday, marking its first sub-43-percent effort of the season...The Racers play their third and final game of the Pittsburgh Holiday Classic on Dec. 22 against Georgetown College, then continue their six-game road swing at Delaware State (Dec. 28) and Louisville (Jan. 3).

**SAMFORD (4-4 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Samford won back-to-back outings for the first time this season, defeating Tennessee Temple (85-50) and Covenant College (95-54)...**Tyson Dorsey (Brantford, Ontario)** went 7-of-11 from behind the arc (63.6%) and led the team with 25 points for the week...Rookie reserve **Jerry Smith (Picayune, MS)** was a perfect 5-of-5 from the field and 2-of-2 at the line for a season-high 13 points against Tennessee Temple. He also dished out a season-best eight assists versus Covenant...The Bulldogs torched the nets, shooting 69.3 percent from the field, including a 16-of-33 effort from 3-point range (48.5%)...**Phillip Ramelli (New Orleans, LA)** sat out the Covenant game after hitting 8-of-11 field goal attempts for 18 points against Tennessee Temple...**Josh Hare (Cleveland, TN)** and **Sebastian Sachse** each went 6-of-8 from the field and combined for 35 points off the bench in the Covenant contest...Samford plays at Memphis (Dec. 22) and Oklahoma State (Dec. 30) before returning home to welcome Tennessee Wesleyan on Jan. 3.

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI (5-3 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Southeast Missouri took the week off for final exams, but returns to action on Dec. 22 as North Texas visits the Show Me Center...The Indians also travel to DePaul for a New Year's Eve contest and play at IPFW on Jan. 3.

**TENNESSEE-MARTIN (4-5 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Tennessee-Martin placed four players in double-digit scoring as the Skyhawks won their second-straight with a 99-70 rout of Mississippi Valley State. The victory avenged an earlier-season 90-74 loss at MVSU...**Justin Smith (Memphis, TN)** drained 6-of-9 three-point attempts and hit 6-of-7 free throws for a game-high 24 points and six rebounds...**Jeremy Kelly (Louisville, KY)** was perfect in three trey attempts as part of a 6-of-7 shooting effort and followed with 20 points...**Cleve Woodfork (St. Louis, MO)** hit all six of his field goal tries, finishing with 15 points and six boards...The Skyhawks shot 59.6 percent from the field, including going 13-of-24 from 3-point range (54.2%), and outrebounded MVSU, 43-35...UTM plays at Indiana State (Dec. 22) and Central Florida (Dec. 30), then comes home for a Jan. 2 date with Portland State.

**TENNESSEE STATE (1-8 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Tennessee State took a trip to the Rocky Mountains last week, dropping contests at Wyoming (109-56) and Colorado (71-44)...The Tigers are on an eight-game slide after winning their season-opener against Trevecca...**Bruce Price (Minneapolis, MN)** sat out the Wyoming contest with a strained back but rebounded nicely to score 29 points against the Buffaloes. He connected on six 3-pointers in the contest...**Brandon Lockridge (Nashville, TN)** chipped in six 3-pointers and 20 points off the bench at Wyoming...At Colorado, TSU cut a 19-point deficit to 10 with just under nine minutes to play, but the Tigers didn't make another field goal the rest of the game...Tennessee State ends its six-game road trip Dec. 22 at Chattanooga, then takes a week off before opening a three-game homestand with Portland State on Dec. 30.

**TENNESSEE TECH (5-3 overall, 0-0 OVC):** Tennessee Tech split a pair of home games last week, losing a 77-70 decision to East Tennessee State before claiming an 86-78 victory over Appalachian State...The loss to ETSU snapped Tech's 22-game non-conference home win streak and 13-game overall run in Eblen Center...**Milone Clark (Gibson, NC)** averaged 16.5 points and 9.5 rebounds per game for the week. He tied a career-high with 23 points against ASU, adding 10 boards for his first double-double of the season...**Willie Jenkins (Memphis, TN)** contributed a 19.5 scoring average last week...Tech's first double-double effort of the season was a little non-traditional as **Will Moore** was held to just two points versus ETSU, but registered career-highs of 10 rebounds and 11 assists...**Cameron Crisp** handed out nine assists last week, moving him into fifth place on Tech's all-time list with 328 helpers...The Golden Eagles visit Tennessee on Dec. 22 and Jacksonville on Dec. 29, then return home for a Jan. 3 outing against Bluefield College.



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## OVC HOOPS NOTES

**NO OVC REPORT NEXT WEEK:** The Ohio Valley Conference office will be closed Wed., Dec. 24, 2003 through Fri., Jan. 2, 2004. There will be no OVC men's basketball report on Dec. 29. The next installment of the weekly report will be Monday, January 5, 2004.

**EAGLES ENJOY M&M FIX:** Morehead State senior guards **Ricky Minard** and **Chez Marks** currently account for over half of the Eagles' scoring, producing league-highs of 21.4 and 20.4 points per game, respectively. Each player has tallied double figures in six of seven games thus far with three 30+ outings between them. Marks also tops the OVC in 3-point shooting (46.3%, 3.5 pg) and ranks second with a 90 percent conversion rate at the free throw line.

**TV GAMES:** OVC fans may catch a glimpse of their favorite team on TV in the coming weeks. In addition to the conference television package (see schedule below) which kicks off on Jan. 10, 2004, several non-conference games will be televised regionally. Four contests will be ESPN regional broadcasts (known as ESPN-Plus): **Samford** at Memphis (Dec. 22), **Eastern Illinois** at Ohio State (Dec. 23) and Iowa (Dec. 30) and **Morehead State** at Indiana (Dec. 23). Two games at Kentucky, **Eastern Kentucky** on Dec. 23 and **Austin Peay** on Dec. 31, are set to air on the UK Network, while EKU's Dec. 27 trip to Florida will be shown on the Sunshine Network. Also, Morehead State's Dec. 30 trip to Xavier will be televised on Fox Sports Net Ohio.

**CONFERENCE PLAY OFF TO EARLY START:** **Austin Peay** and **Jacksonville State** are getting an early start to the conference portion of their schedules as the two teams square off Jan. 3 in Jacksonville, Ala. The contest, originally scheduled for Feb. 21, was moved to facilitate Austin Peay's participation in the second edition of ESPN's "Bracket Buster Series."

**TORCHING THE NETS:** **Samford** shooters are converting a league-high 53.9 percent of their field goal attempts, including an OVC-best 40.9 percent from 3-point range. The Bulldogs are one of two OVC teams converting over half of their field goal attempts thus far, having shot below 40 percent only once in eight outings. A third of Samford's offense has come via the 3-point shot as the Bulldogs are averaging a conference-best 9.5 treys per game.

**TORCHING THE NETS, PART II:** Through games of Dec. 15, four of the nation's best single-game shooting efforts have come courtesy of the OVC. Morehead State's **Chez Marks** occupies the top spot following a 14-of-15 (93.3%) showing against Kentucky Christian. Tennessee State's **Roshaun Bowens** is second after going 12-of-13 (92.3%) versus Chattanooga, while Jacksonville State's **Carl Brown** is tied for third with his 11-of-12 (91.7%) effort against Shorter College. Murray State's **Cuthbert Victor** is tied for seventh after a 13-of-16 (81.3%) performance versus Chicago State.

**STREAKIN':** Two OVC teams boast double-digit win streaks on their home courts. **Austin Peay** is currently tied for eighth in the nation with an 19-game run in the Dunn Center, while **Murray State** has won 12 consecutive games in the Regional Special Events Center and is 14th. **Tennessee Tech** had its 13-game home win streak end in a 77-70 loss to East Tennessee State on Dec. 17.

**HOME IS WHERE THE WINS ARE:** One month into the season, eight of the league's 11 teams are undefeated at home as OVC squads boast a combined 37-5 record on their own turf. The road hasn't been as kind, however, as the league is 4-38 in away contests.

**RANKING THE MID-MAJORS:** **Murray State** is ranked ninth in the latest edition of the *CollegiateInsider.com* Mid-Major Top 25 poll. The website named Morehead State senior forward/guard **Ricky Minard** to its 25-member Preseason All-Mid Major Team.

## OVC IN 2003-04 NCAA RANKINGS (Through Dec. 15)

### INDIVIDUAL

#### SCORING

Ricky Minard, MOR - 21st (21.4 ppg)  
Chez Marks, MOR - t37th (20.1 ppg)  
Cuthbert Victor, MUR - t41st (19.9 ppg)

#### REBOUNDING

Cuthbert Victor, MUR - t8th (11.3 rpg)

#### ASSISTS

Tyler George, UTM - 23rd (6.1 apg)

#### STEALS

Garrett Richardson, TSU (16th) 3.1 spg  
Bruce Price, TSU - t18th (3.0 spg)

#### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Cuthbert Victor, MUR - 1st (75.3%)

#### 3-POINTERS MADE

Chez Marks, MOR - t14th (3.6 pg)

#### FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

Justin Smith, UTM - 7th (96%)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FG%

Chez Marks, MOR - 1st (93.3%, 14-15)  
Roshaun Bowens, TSU - 2nd (92.3%, 12-13)  
Carl Brown, JSU - t3rd (91.7%, 11-12)  
Cuthbert Victor, MUR - t7th (81.3% (13-16)

#### MOST SINGLE-GAME 3-PT FG MADE

Ricky Minard, MOR - t4th (8)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME 3-PT FG%

Ricky Minard, MOR - t6th (72.7%, 8-11)

#### MOST SINGLE-GAME REBOUNDS

Cuthbert Victor, MUR - t2nd (20)

### TEAM

#### SCORING OFFENSE

Murray State - 5th (90.6 ppg)  
Tennessee Tech - 10th (86.7 ppg)

#### SCORING MARGIN

Murray State - 9th (+20.9)

#### REBOUND MARGIN

Eastern Kentucky - 12th (+10.8)

#### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Tennessee Tech - 4th (52.4%)  
Murray State - 6th (51.2%)

#### 3-POINT FIELD GOAL %

Tennessee Tech - 10th (41.7%)  
Morehead State - 24th (40.4%)

#### 3-POINTERS MADE PER GAME

Morehead State - 12th (9.3 pg)  
Tennessee Tech - t19th (8.8 pg)

#### ASSISTS

Murray State - 2nd (20.9 apg)

#### STEALS

Murray State - t28th (10.6 spg)

#### MOST POINTS IN A GAME

Eastern Kentucky - t22nd (106)  
Tennessee-Martin - t26th (105)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FG%

Murray State - 16th (61.7%, 37-60)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FT%

Tennessee-Martin - t2nd (94.1%, 16-17)

## OVC MEN'S BASKETBALL TELEVISION SCHEDULE

Date	Game	Time (CT)	Network
Jan. 10	Tennessee-Martin at Morehead State	1:00 p.m.	Fox Sports Net South
Jan. 17	Austin Peay at Morehead State	1:00 p.m.	ESPN2
Jan. 24	Southeast Missouri at Austin Peay	2:00 p.m.	Fox Sports Net South*
Jan. 31	Morehead State at Murray State	2:00 p.m.	Fox Sports Net South
Feb. 7	Murray State at Southeast Missouri	2:00 p.m.	Fox Sports Net South*
Feb. 21	Tennessee Tech at Samford	2:00 p.m.	Fox Sports Net South
Mar. 6	OVC Men's Tournament Championship	5:00 p.m.	ESPN2

All times Central

\* Tape-delay on Fox Sports Net Midwest at 2 a.m. CT

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## COLLEGEINSIDER.COM MID-MAJOR TOP 25 POLL (Dec. 22)

	<u>RECORD</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>PREV.</u>
1. Gonzaga (31)	7-2	775	1
2. Creighton	7-0	739	4
3. East Tennessee State	7-2	679	3
4. Wichita State	7-2	675	2
5. Southern Illinois	7-1	621	7
6. College of Charleston	6-1	611	8
7. Illinois-Chicago	9-2	578	9
8. Utah State	5-1	538	14
<b>9. MURRAY STATE</b>	<b>8-1</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>15</b>
10. Bradley	7-3	439	5
11. Manhattan	4-2	434	6
12. George Mason	6-2	391	11
13. Akron	5-2	368	16
14. Toledo	6-1	364	25
15. UC-Santa Barbara	6-3	334	19
16. Stephen F. Austin	6-2	242	17
17. Arkansas State	7-1	234	NR
18. Kent State	5-2	202	23
19. Louisiana-Lafayette	3-3	134	12
20. Detroit	5-3	130	NR
21. Niagara	6-1	127	24
22. UNC-Wilmington	4-2	116	NR
23. Western Michigan	5-1	107	NR
24. Buffalo	5-3	66	NR
25. Lafayette	7-1	56	NR

**OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES:** New Mexico State 55, Portland 48, Northern Iowa 45, Fairfield 44, Centenary 42, Loyola Marymount 40, Ball State 39, Winthrop 36, Princeton 33, Wisconsin-Milwaukee 27, Butler 27, Southwest Missouri State 25, VCU 25, Santa Clara 23, IUPUI 22, Southeastern Louisiana 21, Oakland 11, Central Florida 7, Cal-Poly 5, Northern Illinois 5, St. Mary's 5, UC-Irvine 3, Furman 3, Monmouth 3, Weber State 2, Vermont 2, Texas-Arlington 1.

## 2004-05 SIGNEES

### AUSTIN PEAY

Todd Babington - G, 6'5, 180 - Crystal Lake, IL (Prairie Ridge HS)  
Brandon Burney - G, 6'2 - Clarksville, TN (Montgomery Central HS)  
Kareem Matthews - C, 6'10, 235 - St. Louis, MO (Florissant Valley CC)

### EASTERN ILLINOIS

Jake Byrne - F, 6'8 - Elsberry, MO (Elsberry HS)

### EASTERN KENTUCKY

Alonzo Hird - C, 6'9, 205 - DeLand, FL (Santa Fe CC)

### JACKSONVILLE STATE

Courtney Beasley - G, 6'2 - Huntsville, AL (Butler HS)  
B.J. Spencer - G, 6'4 - Starkville, MS (Bevill State JC)  
Dorien Brown - F, 6'7 - Bellingham, MA (Northfield-Mount Hermon School)

### MOREHEAD STATE

None

### MURRAY STATE

Shane Dansby - G, 6'5, 190 - Kingston Springs, TN (Harpeth HS)  
Charles Johnson - F, 6'7, 225 - Atlanta, GA (South Plains College)  
Mike McCoy - F, 6'7, 195 - Indianapolis, IN (Pike HS)  
Issian Redding - F, 6'6, 195 - Sandusky, OH (South Plains College)

### SAMFORD

None

### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

Paul Paradoski - G, 6'0, 160 - St. Louis, MO (Vianney HS)  
James White - F - 6'7, 215 - Belleville, IL (Southwestern Illinois CC)

### TENNESSEE-MARTIN

None

### TENNESSEE STATE

Diego Belizario - F, 6'7, 230 - San Paulo, Brazil (Laurinburg, N.C. Institute)  
Andrae Belton - G, 6'3, 190 - Columbia, SC (Kenan HS)

### TENNESSEE TECH

Anthony Fisher - G, 6'2, 175 - Alpharetta, GA (Chattahoochee HS)

# 2003-04 OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE MEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

## OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### PLAYER:

N 24 Cuthbert Victor, Murray State  
 D 1 Cuthbert Victor, Murray State  
 D 8 Cuthbert Victor, Murray State  
 D 15 Brandon Griffin, Southeast Missouri  
 D 22 Chez Marks, Morehead State  
 J 5  
 J 12  
 J 19  
 J 26  
 F 2  
 F 9  
 F 16  
 F 23  
 M 1

### NEWCOMER:

N 24 Justin Smith, Tennessee-Martin  
 D 1 Kelvin Brown, Murray State  
 D 8 Dainmon Gonner, Southeast Missouri  
 Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech  
 D 15 Jared Newson, Tennessee-Martin  
 D 22 Justin Smith, Tennessee-Martin  
 J 5  
 J 12  
 J 19  
 J 26  
 F 2  
 F 9  
 F 16  
 F 23  
 M 1

### ROOKIE:

N 24 Brandon Moore, Eastern Kentucky  
 D 1 Bruce Price, Tennessee State  
 D 8 No selection  
 D 15 Will Lewis, Tennessee-Martin  
 D 22 Bruce Price, Tennessee State  
 J 5  
 J 12  
 J 19  
 J 26  
 F 2  
 F 9  
 F 16  
 F 23  
 M 1

## ACTIVE OVC CAREER LEADERS

### SCORING

Ricky Minard, Morehead State 1,900  
 Garrett Richardson, Tennessee State 1,165  
 Cuthbert Victor, Murray State 1,155  
 Antione Whelchel, Murray State 1,063  
 Cameron Crisp, Tennessee Tech 1,054  
 Adrian Henning, Austin Peay 1,025  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 956  
 Chez Marks, Morehead State 937  
 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 890  
 Chris Shumate, Murray State 860

### PTS

### STEALS

Garrett Richardson, Tennessee State 220  
 Ricky Minard, Morehead State 200  
 Cuthbert Victor, Murray State 132  
 Cameron Crisp, Tennessee Tech 113  
 Antione Whelchel, Murray State 110  
 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 109  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 94  
 Chris Shumate, Murray State 92  
 Rhet Wierzba, Austin Peay 88  
 Josh Lewis, Austin Peay 82

### STL

### REBOUNDS

Cuthbert Victor, Murray State 693  
 Josh Lewis, Austin Peay 572  
 Ricky Minard, Morehead State 553  
 Antione Whelchel, Murray State 530  
 Adrian Henning, Austin Peay 520  
 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 396  
 Brandon Griffin, Southeast Missouri 369  
 Phillip Ramelli, Samford 328  
 Garrett Richardson, Tennessee State 310  
 Andy Hornig, Murray State 302

### REB

### BLOCKED SHOTS

Josh Lewis, Austin Peay 190  
 Cuthbert Victor, Murray State 120  
 Andy Hornig, Murray State 94  
 Adrian Henning, Austin Peay 90  
 Phillip Ramelli, Samford 60  
 Ricky Minard, Morehead State 57  
 Kenan Asceric, Tennessee-Martin 50  
 Antione Whelchel, Murray State 37  
 Damarcus Hence, Southeast Missouri 35  
 Tim Volpenhein, Eastern Kentucky 26

### BLK

### ASSISTS

Garrett Richardson, Tennessee State 363  
 Cameron Crisp, Tennessee Tech 328  
 Ricky Minard, Morehead State 297  
 Kevin Paschel, Murray State 296  
 Antione Whelchel, Murray State 240  
 Leigh Gayden, Tennessee Tech 235  
 Kevin Roberts, Southeast Missouri 226  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 204  
 Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 180  
 Chris Shumate, Murray State 177

### AST

### 3-POINTERS MADE

Ricky Minard, Morehead State 200  
 Chez Marks, Morehead State 154  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 142  
 Tyson Dorsey, Samford 125  
 Antione Whelchel, Murray State 125  
 Rick Jones, Murray State 122  
 Garrett Richardson, Tennessee State 121  
 Ben Rushing, Eastern Kentucky 120  
 Rhet Wierzba, Austin Peay 117  
 Earl Bullock, Tennessee-Martin 113

### 3's

## OVC Statistics Rankings - Through Dec. 22

TEAM	SCORING OFFENSE	SCORING DEFENSE	FREE THROW %	FIELD GOAL %	THREE- POINT %	REBOUND MARGIN
Austin Peay	10	2	9	9	9	8
Eastern Illinois	9	9	10	10	10	9
Eastern Kentucky	5	1	11	5	5	1
Jacksonville State	t6	6	8	6	6	7
Morehead State	4	7	1	4	2	10
Murray State	2	5	4	3	8	2
Samford	t6	3	3	1	1	5
Southeast Missouri	8	4	5	8	4	3
Tennessee-Martin	3	10	6	7	7	6
Tennessee State	11	11	7	11	11	11
Tennessee Tech	1	8	2	2	3	4