



# 2004-05 OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE MEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

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## OVC STANDINGS

### CONFERENCE

	W	L	PCT.	Home	Away	Streak
Samford	8	2	.800	5-0	3-2	W2
Murray State	7	3	.700	4-1	3-2	L1
Tennessee Tech	7	3	.700	5-0	2-3	L2
Eastern Kentucky	6	4	.600	4-1	2-3	L1
Southeast Missouri	6	4	.600	4-1	2-3	W5
Tennessee State	6	4	.600	4-0	2-4	W2
Austin Peay	6	4	.600	5-1	1-3	L1
Eastern Illinois	4	6	.400	3-1	1-5	W1
Morehead State	3	7	.300	2-2	1-5	L3
Jacksonville State	1	9	.100	1-5	0-4	W1
Tennessee-Martin	1	9	.100	0-6	1-3	L7

### OVERALL

(Through games of Feb. 5)

	W	L	PCT.	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
Samford	13	8	.619	8-1	4-7	1-0	W2
Murray State	12	8	.600	8-2	3-6	1-0	L1
Tennessee Tech	12	9	.571	9-0	2-8	1-1	L2
Eastern Kentucky	14	7	.667	8-1	6-6	0-0	L1
Southeast Missouri	11	10	.524	8-3	3-7	0-0	W5
Tennessee State	11	13	.458	7-1	2-12	2-0	W2
Austin Peay	8	14	.364	5-5	1-7	2-2	L1
Eastern Illinois	9	12	.429	7-2	1-10	1-0	W1
Morehead State	9	12	.429	6-3	2-9	1-0	L3
Jacksonville State	6	17	.261	5-5	0-10	1-2	W1
Tennessee-Martin	4	17	.190	2-5	2-10	0-2	L7

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

#### Monday, January 31

@Jacksonville State 73, Reinhardt 62

#### Tuesday, February 1

\*@Eastern Kentucky 83, Morehead State 69

#### Thursday, February 3

\*Austin Peay 80, @Jacksonville State 69

\*@Murray State 73, Eastern Illinois 69

\*@Tennessee State 75, Eastern Kentucky 63

\*@Samford 64, Tennessee Tech 57

\*Southeast Missouri 75, @Tennessee-Martin 68

#### Saturday, February 5

\*@Samford 73, Austin Peay 71 (OT)

\*Eastern Illinois 96, @Tennessee-Martin 91 (OT)

\*@Jacksonville State 88, Tennessee Tech 87 (2OT)

\*@Tennessee State 100, Morehead State 65

\*Southeast Missouri 61, @Murray State 58

\* - OVC game

### UPCOMING GAMES

#### Tuesday, February 8

Southeast Missouri at Eastern Illinois\* - 7:35 p.m.

#### Thursday, February 10

Eastern Kentucky at Samford\* - 7:00 p.m.

Tennessee State at Eastern Illinois\* - 7:35 p.m.

Austin Peay at Tennessee-Martin\* - 7:30 p.m.

Morehead State at Jacksonville State\* - 7:30 p.m.

Tennessee Tech at Murray State\* - 8:00 p.m. (FSN)

#### Saturday, February 12

Austin Peay at Murray State\* - 1:00 p.m. (ESPN2)

Morehead State at Samford\* - 6:00 p.m.

Tennessee Tech at Tennessee-Martin\* - 6:00 p.m.

Eastern Kentucky at Jacksonville State - 7:30 p.m.

Tennessee State at Southeast Missouri\* - 7:30 p.m.

\* - OVC game

FSN - Live telecast on FSN South

ESPN2 - Live telecast on ESPN2

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## OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### PLAYER

#### **WALKER RUSSELL • G, JR., 6-0, 170 • PONTIAC, MI • JACKSONVILLE STATE**

**Russell** averaged 20.7 points and 9.3 assists a game as he helped guide Jacksonville State to a 2-1 record last week, including the team's first OVC win of the season. The junior point guard's best effort came in the Gamecocks' 88-87, double-overtime upset of then league co-leader Tennessee Tech, where he poured in a season-high 30 points and dished out 11 assists for his third double-double of the season. A native of Pontiac, Mich., Russell went 6-of-10 from the field in the contest and hit an OVC-record 18 straight free throw attempts before missing his final one. For the week, he shot 53.6 percent from the field (15-of-28) and 93.9 percent from the foul line (31-of-33) while also tallying 10 steals and 10 rebounds.

### NEWCOMER

#### **WAYNE ARNOLD • G, JR., 6-4, 190, • LILBURN, GA • TENNESSEE STATE**

**Arnold** scored 36 points (18.0 ppg) in two Tennessee State victories, including a TSU career-high 22 points off the bench against Eastern Kentucky. The Lilburn, Ga., product then followed that with 14 points in a starting role versus Morehead State. For the week, the junior guard shot 57.9 percent from the field (11-of-19), including 8-of-13 (61.5%) from 3-point range, and also had nine rebounds, six assists, and a pair of steals.

### FRESHMAN

#### **JOE ROSS MERRITT • G, FR., 6-4, 200 • OKLAHOMA, OK • SAMFORD**

**Merritt** averaged 10.0 points and 3.5 rebounds per game in a pair of crucial OVC wins versus then first-place Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay. After tallying eight points and two rebounds against Tech, the freshman guard scored 12 points and grabbed a team-high five rebounds versus Austin Peay. He finished the APSU contest 5-of-6 from the field, including a clutch 3-point basket late in the game that helped force overtime. For the week, the Oklahoma City, Okla., native shot 66.7 percent from the floor (8-of-12), including 2-of-4 from behind the arc.

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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 by 5 p.m. CT. The report is available by fax and e-mail, and is 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.

## 2005-06 SIGNEES

### **AUSTIN PEAY**

Drake Reed - F, 6'5, 210 - Clarksville, TN

Landon Shiply - PG, 6'1, 140 - St. Louis, MO

### **EASTERN ILLINOIS**

Billy Parrish - F, 6'4 - Naperville, IL

### **EASTERN KENTUCKY**

Emmanuel Adako - P, 6'8, 215 - Decatur, GA

Tyler Morris - G, 6'1, 175 - Indianapolis, IN

### **JACKSONVILLE STATE**

DeAndrea Bray - G, 5'6, 160 - Atlanta, GA

### **MOREHEAD STATE**

Cordaryl Ballard - G, 6'3, 185 - Columbus, OH

Tyke Cockerham - G, 6'2, 175 - Indianapolis, IN

Tristan Rogers - G/F, 6'4, 195 - Kokomo, IN

### **MURRAY STATE**

Tyler Holloway - G, 6'1 - Decatur, AL

### **SAMFORD**

None

### **SOUTHEAST MISSOURI**

Tyrell Curry - F, 6'7, 215 - Tacoma, WA

### **TENNESSEE-MARTIN**

Vashon Ingram - G, 6'4, 185 - Memphis, TN

McKale Jones - C, 6'8, 255 - Memphis, TN

### **TENNESSEE STATE**

Larry Turner - C, 6'11, 240 - Milledgeville, GA

### **TENNESSEE TECH**

None

## 2004-05 OVC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH (Selected by Head Basketball Coaches and Sports Information Directors)

1.	Murray State (19 first-place votes)	199
2.	Tennessee State (1 first-place vote)	166
3.	Eastern Kentucky (1 first-place vote)	148
4.	Tennessee Tech (1 first-place vote)	137
5.	Austin Peay	123
6.	Tennessee-Martin	116
t7.	Jacksonville State	92
t7.	Southeast Missouri	92
9.	Morehead State	52
10.	Samford	45
11.	Eastern Illinois	40

(\*Schools were not allowed to rank their own team.  
Ten points awarded for a first-place vote, nine for second, etc.)



## 2005 O'Reilly Ohio Valley Conference Basketball Tournament

Nashville, Tennessee • March 4-5  
Gaylord Entertainment Center

**First Round:** March 1 (at campus sites), times TBA

**Semifinals:** March 4 (at Nashville), 5:30 p.m. CT (ESPNU) and 8 p.m. CT

**Championship:** March 5 (at Nashville), 3 p.m. CT, ESPN2

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## AROUND THE OVC...

**AUSTIN PEAY (8-14 overall, 6-4 OVC):** Austin Peay finds itself in a four-way logjam for fourth place in the OVC standings after splitting a pair of road games last week. The Governors picked up their first road win of the season at Jacksonville State (80-69) but dropped an overtime heartbreaker (73-71) at Samford...Freshman G **Todd Babington** tossed in a career-high 15 points at JSU. For the week, he shot 61.5 percent from the floor (8-of-13), including 6-of-8 from 3-point range...After going 37 straight games without placing five or more players in double figures, the Govs managed the feat in back-to-back outings as the same five starters posted double-digit efforts at JSU and Samford...Junior C **Zac Schlader** netted his third career double-double (20 pts./10 rlds.) at Samford, while playing all 45 minutes of an overtime contest for the second time this year...APSU shot a season-high 66 percent from the field at JSU, including a whopping 15-of-20 (75%) in the second half, and followed that with a 54.9 percent effort at Samford, marking the first time this season the Govs had hit better than 50 percent in back-to-back contests...Senior point guard **Maurice Hampton** dished out a career-high six assists at JSU. He scored 28 points on the week while shooting 64.3 percent (9-of-14) from the field, including a scorching 7-of-10 from 3-point range...After visiting UT Martin on Thursday, the Govs wrap up a four-game road stretch Saturday at Murray State in front of a national ESPN2 audience.

**EASTERN ILLINOIS (9-12 overall, 4-6 OVC):** Eastern Illinois rolled a split in road action last week, dropping a 73-69 decision to Murray State before collecting a 96-91 win in overtime at Tennessee-Martin...Junior G **Josh Gomes** poured in 32 points at UT Martin, the second-highest scoring effort of his career. For the week, he shot 51.5 percent from the field (17-of-33) while also going 9-of-10 at the free throw line...Freshman C **George Tandy** contributed 11.0 points and 7.0 rebounds a game, hitting 10-of-12 (83.3%) at the charity stripe and 6-of-11 (54.5%) from the floor...Senior F **Emanuel Dildy** went 10-of-12 at the foul line and leads the OVC with an 85.9 percent conversion rate at the stripe...EIU boasts two of the league's Top 10 scoring leaders (Gomes - 16.1 ppg, Dildy 15.6 ppg)...The win at UT Martin was the Panthers' first on an opponent's home turf this season, snapping a 13-game road losing streak that dated back to the 2003-04 campaign...EIU scored a season-high 96 points versus the Skyhawks, marking the highest output by a Panther squad since a 96-67 win over Tennessee State in January, 2003...Head coach **Rick Samuels** missed both games last week due to the death of his father...Eighth-place EIU has won four of its last six games and returns home to host Southeast Missouri (Feb. 8) and Tennessee State (Feb. 10).

**EASTERN KENTUCKY (14-7 overall, 6-4 OVC):** Eastern Kentucky is one of four teams tied for fourth place in the league standings after going 1-1 last week. The Colonels picked up an 83-69 home win over in-state rival Morehead State before losing a 75-63 outing at Tennessee State...Junior G **Matt Witt** went 6-of-12 from three-point land for the week as he led the team with 19.5 points and 5.5 assists per game...The Colonels went 4-1 on their recent homestand, giving them an 8-1 mark thus far this season in McBrayer Arena...Four Colonels accounted for all 13 of EKV's 3-pointers in the Morehead State contest, including a 4-of-4 effort from **Ben Rushing**. The senior guard finished with five treys on the week to push his career total to 191, setting a new school record for made 3-pointers...After shooting better than 50 percent from behind the arc in their last three home games, the Colonels saw the streak end with a 6-of-15 (40%) effort against the Tigers...The TSU contest also marked only the third time in the past 11 games EKV lost the battle of the boards (45-34)...Junior C **Alonzo Hird** led the Colonels' rebounding efforts with 20 caroms last week while senior F **Michael Haney** had 17...At 14-7, EKV has already matched its win total from last season...The Colonels end a three-game road swing at Samford (Feb. 10) and Jacksonville State (Feb. 12).

**JACKSONVILLE STATE (6-17 overall, 1-9 OVC):** Jacksonville State picked up its first league win of the season in dramatic fashion, edging then OVC co-leader Tennessee Tech, 88-87, in double overtime. Earlier in the week, the Gamecocks ended a 14-game losing streak with a 73-62 non-conference victory over Reinhardt before dropping an 80-69 OVC decision to Austin Peay...Junior point guard **Walker Russell** shot 53.6 percent (15-of-28) from the field for the week, pacing the Gamecocks with 20.7 points and 9.3 assists per game. He posted his third double-double of the season (30 pts./11 asts.) versus Tech, setting a new OVC mark for consecutive free throws made and numerous school records (consecutive and overall FT made and attempted, FT shooting percentage) with an 18-of-19 (94.7%) effort...Freshman F **Brandon Davis** recorded the first two starts of his career and responded by averaging 7.0 points and 7.5 rebounds a game, including a career-high 10 boards versus Reinhardt...Junior G **B.J. Spencer** canned 12 three-pointers for the week, finishing with an 18.3 scoring average...The Tech contest marked JSU's first overtime venture in 87 games and its first double-OT victory in over five years...Jax State closes out its final homestand of the regular season with dates against Morehead State (Feb. 10) and Eastern Kentucky (Feb. 12).

**MOREHEAD STATE (9-12 overall, 3-7 OVC):** Morehead State is in ninth place after road setbacks at Eastern Kentucky (83-69) and Tennessee State (100-65)...Senior C/F **Chad McKnight** had a pair of solid outings last week, averaging 18.0 points per game while torching the nets with a 14-of-17 (82.4%) effort. He leads the league with a 62.2 percent conversion rate from the floor, including a league-best 65.9 percent clip in OVC action...The Eagles shot the ball well in both contests, hitting a combined 52.7 percent (49-of-93) from the field, but struggled in other areas, committing 42 turnovers (21.0 tpg) while being outrebounded, 60-46...Sophomore guard **Josh Reed** was the only other Morehead State player to score in double figures in both contests, averaging 11.5 points and 4.5 assists per game...Junior G **Quinton Smith** chipped in 17 points at EKV...Senior G **Ramon Kelly** continues to rank among the league's top foul shooters after hitting 8-of-11 (72.7%) free throws against TSU...The Eagles will be looking to end a three-game skid when they close out the road portion of their regular-season schedule at Jacksonville State (Feb. 10) and Samford (Feb. 12).

**MURRAY STATE (12-8 overall, 7-3 OVC):** Murray State flirted briefly with a shared first place OVC ranking after a 73-69 win over Eastern Illinois but slipped back into a two-way tie for second place following a close 61-58 loss to Southeast Missouri...Sophomore G **Trey Pearson** went 6-of-11 from 3-point range to lead the Racers with 23 points in the EIU contest as they picked up their eighth straight win over the Panthers...The loss to Southeast snapped a five-game home win streak for Murray State as the Racers recorded season-lows in free throws attempted (7) and made (2) while also tallying their lowest offensive output at home since a loss by the exact same score to Samford just over a year ago...Junior point guard **Keith Jenifer** (15 pts.) and junior reserve **Issian Redding** (10 pts.) were the only Murray State players in double figures versus the Redhawks...Pearson, who entered Saturday's contest averaging 18.5 points a game over his last six outings, was held to just nine against Southeast...Murray State continues its five-game homestand this week, making back-to-back television appearances while playing host to Tennessee Tech (Feb. 10) and OVC rival Austin Peay (Feb. 12). Thursday's game will be regionally televised on FSN South, while Saturday's contest will be aired nationally on ESPN2.

**SAMFORD (13-8 overall, 8-2 OVC):** Samford regained sole possession of first place atop the OVC standings with wins over Tennessee Tech (64-57) and Austin Peay (73-71 OT)...Junior F **J. Robert Merritt** canned nine 3-pointers as he led the Bulldogs with 20.0 points and 5.5 rebounds a game. He has scored in double figures in 12 straight outings, tallying at least 20 points in four of the last five contests...Merritt's younger brother, **Joe Ross**, knocked down a crucial 3-pointer late in the APSU contest that helped send the game to overtime. He finished the week with 20 points and seven rebounds while going 8-fo-12 (66.7%) from the field...The Bulldogs have won seven straight at home, boasting an 8-1 record in Seibert Hall this season...Under head coach **Jimmy Tillette**, Samford is 53-12 at home against league opponents, including a 14-3 mark versus OVC opposition...At 8-2 in Conference play, the Bulldogs have already surpassed their 2003-04 tally of seven OVC victories...Samford will be looking complete OVC series sweeps against both Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State when they wrap up a four-game homestand with the Colonels and Eagles on Thursday and Saturday, respectively.



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## AROUND THE OVC...

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI (11-10 overall, 6-4 OVC):** Southeast Missouri climbed into a four-way tie for fourth place in the OVC standings after picking up wins over UT Martin (75-68) and Murray State (61-58)...Senior F **Dainmon Gonner** netted his fourth double-double of the season (12 pts./10 rlds.) against Murray State and continues to lead the OVC with a 20.3 scoring average after going 16-of-32 from the field while averaging 19.5 points and 7.0 rebounds a game...Senior F and OVC rebounding leader **Reggie Golson** (8.9 rpg) has six double-doubles this year after registering back-to-back double dups (15 pts./10 rlds. vs. UTM, 15 pts./11 rlds. vs. MSU)...Sophomore G/F **Terrick Willoughby** has scored in twin figures in four straight outings, averaging 19.3 points per game while hitting a blistering 60.9 percent (28-of-46) of his field attempts during that span...The Redhawks have won five straight, their longest win streak since the 2000-01 season...Southeast wraps up a three-game road swing Tuesday at Eastern Illinois, then returns home for a lone date with Tennessee State on Saturday.

**TENNESSEE-MARTIN (4-17 overall, 1-9 OVC):** UT Martin saw its losing streak stretch to seven games after dropping two OVC contests by a total of 13 points last week. The Skyhawks fell to Southeast Missouri (75-68) before losing a 96-91 heartbreaker in overtime to Eastern Illinois...The EIU contest marked the second straight time the two squads needed an extra five minutes to determine the outcome...Senior G **Earl Bullock** aggravated a knee injury he suffered a year ago and did not dress for either game...Juniors **Cleve Woodfork** and **Jared Newson** led the team with identical 19.5 scoring averages...Newson also pulled down 22 rebounds for the week, collecting his sixth double-double of the season (19 pts./13 rlds. vs. SEMO) in the process...The Skyhawks hit nine 3-pointers versus EIU, matching their trey production from the three previous games combined...UT Martin outrebounded each of its opponents, sporting an 82-69 advantage on the glass...The Skyhawks close out the home portion of their regular-season slate with Austin Peay (Feb. 10) and Tennessee Tech (Feb. 12).

**TENNESSEE STATE (11-13 overall, 6-4 OVC):** Tennessee State halted a three-game skid and started a streak on the other side of the ledger with wins over Eastern Kentucky (75-63) and Morehead State (100-65)...The Tigers got a spark from their bench in both contests, as junior G **Wayne Arnold**, who has been nursing a pulled stomach muscle, exploded for 22 points and eight rebounds against the Colonels, hitting five 3-pointers and going 6-of-10 from the field overall, while junior G **Kareem Grant** pumped in 20 points with four treys versus the Eagles...Senior F **Rod Flowers**, also slowed by an ankle injury, had 13 points and 11 rebounds in the EIU contest. He leads the OVC with seven double-dips this season...Five TSU players scored in twin figures against the Eagles as the Tigers shot 52.9 percent from the field, including 15-of-33 from behind the arc (45.5%)...Tied for fourth in the league, TSU visits Eastern Illinois and Southeast Missouri for its final two road contests of the regular season.

**TENNESSEE TECH (12-9 overall, 7-3 OVC):** Tennessee Tech is tied for second in the Conference standings after dropping both ends of a road trip to Alabama with losses to Samford (64-57) and Jacksonville State (88-87), the latter coming in double-overtime...Senior F **Willie Jenkins** went 18-of-35 (51.4%) from the floor while leading the team with 48 points for the week...For the second straight week, freshman **Anthony Fisher** hit a 3-pointer to force overtime in an OVC contest. He finished the JSU game with a career-high 18 points off the bench, going 5-of-10 from the field and 6-of-6 at the foul line...Junior F **Derek Stribling** grabbed six boards and hit all six of his field and both of his free throw attempts for 16 points before fouling out of the JSU contest...The Golden Eagles committed a season-high 30 turnovers at JSU...Tech wraps up its four-game road swing with dates at Murray State (Feb. 10) and UT Martin (Feb. 12)...Thursday's contest will be regionally-televised on FSN South.

**OVC RECORD FALLS:** Jacksonville State junior point guard **Walker Russell** hit 18 straight foul shots before missing his final attempt in the Gamecocks' double-overtime upset of Tennessee Tech, establishing a new OVC record for consecutive free throws made. The old mark of 17 was originally set nearly 45 years ago by Morehead State's Hecky Thompson (1960-61) and had been tied twice since then, most recently by former Eastern Illinois standout and OVC career scoring leader Henry Domercant (2001-02).

**OVC ON TELEVISION:** Seven Ohio Valley Conference regular-season games will be televised live during the 2004-05 season. This week, the Feb. 10 meeting between **Tennessee Tech** and **Murray State** will be broadcast regionally on FSN South, tipping off at 8 p.m. Central with **Blake Fulton** handling play-by-play duties and **Bobby Cremins** providing analysis. Saturday's 1 p.m. CT contest between **Austin Peay** and **Murray State** will be a national telecast on ESPN2, with **Bob Carpenter** and **Bob Wenzel** calling the action.

**BUSTIN' BRACKETS:** **Murray State** will travel to Rice for a Feb. 19 non-conference outing as part of ESPN's third *Bracket Buster Saturday* series...The Owls, 11-8 overall, are currently tied for fourth place (6-5) in the Western Athletic Conference standings.

**JUST LIKE OLD TIMES:** Defending OVC champion **Austin Peay** will visit former league rival and two-time defending Southern Conference champ East Tennessee in a Feb. 19 non-conference tilt. The two teams were a part of the original 64-team *Bracket Buster Series* pool.

**OVC HELPS KICKS OFF NEW ESPN CHANNEL:** The Ohio Valley Conference will take center stage when ESPN unveils its latest venture in the arena of sports programming. ESPNU, a new multi-media college sports initiative featuring a 24-hour television network, launches on Saturday, March 4, 2005, and the inaugural contest to be aired on ESPNU TV will be the second semifinal game of the 2005 O'Reilly Ohio Valley Conference Men's Basketball Tournament, which is scheduled for 8 p.m. Central time that same day. Additionally, the men's championship game will be televised live on ESPN2 at 3 p.m. CT on Sat., March 5.

## OVC IN 2004-05 NCAA RANKINGS

*(Through games of Jan. 31)*

### TOP-25 INDIVIDUAL

#### SCORING

Dainmon Gonner, SEMO - 13th (20.4 ppg)

#### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Michael Haney, EIU - 11th (62.4%)  
Chad McKnight, MOR - 20th (60.1%)

#### 3-PT. FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

J. Robert Merritt, SAM - 12th (47.1%)

#### FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

Ramon Kelly, MOR - 20th (87.7%)

#### ASSISTS

Walker Russell, JSU - 3rd (7.6 apg)  
Matt Witt, EIU - 17th (6.6 apg)

#### STEALS

Dainmon Gonner, SEMO - 11th (2.9 spg)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FG %

Chad McKnight, MOR - 1st (100%, 10-10)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FT %

Trey Pearson, MUR - 1st (100%, 13-13)  
Willie Jenkins, TTU - 1st (100%, 11-11)

### TOP-25 TEAM

#### SCORING DEFENSE

Samford - 16th (59.6 ppg)

#### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Samford - 13th (49.8%)

#### 3-PT. FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Samford - 5th (42.3%)

#### 3-PT. FIELD GOAL AVERAGE

Samford - 9th (8.9 pg)

#### FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

Morehead State - 15th (75.2%)  
Samford - 21st (74.6%)

#### ASSISTS

Eastern Kentucky - 23rd (16.7 apg)

#### FEWEST TURNOVERS

Samford - 23rd (12.6 tpg)

#### MOST SINGLE-GAME POINTS

Jacksonville State - 118th (112 pts.)

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

Jacksonville State - 113th (16)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FT PERCENTAGE

Tennessee State - 11th (95.7%, 22-23)

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## OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### PLAYER:

N 22 - Walker Russell, Jacksonville State  
 N 29 - J. Robert Merritt, Samford  
 D 6 - Bruce Price, Tennessee State  
 D 13 - Reggie Golson, Southeast Missouri  
 D 20 - Rod Flowers, Tennessee State  
 J 3 - Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech  
 J 10 - Shawn Witherspoon, Murray State  
 J 17 - Dainmon Gonner, Southeast Missouri  
 J 24 - J. Robert Merritt, Samford  
 J 31 - Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky  
 F 7 - Walker Russell, Jacksonville State  
 F 14 -  
 F 21 -  
 F 28 -

### NEWCOMER:

N 22 - Rod Flowers, Tennessee State  
 N 29 - Rod Flowers, Tennessee State  
 D 6 - Rod Flowers, Tennessee State  
 D 13 - Zach Ingles, Eastern Kentucky  
 D 20 - Rod Flowers, Tennessee State  
 J 3 - Darnell Hopkins, Murray State  
 J 10 - Issian Redding, Murray State  
 J 17 - Derek Stribling, Tennessee Tech  
 J 24 - Derek Stribling, Tennessee Tech  
 J 31 - Trey Pearson, Murray State  
 F 7 - Wayne Arnold, Tennessee State  
 F 14 -  
 F 21 -  
 F 28 -

### FRESHMAN:

N 22 - Anthony Fisher, Tennessee Tech  
 N 29 - Paul Paradoski, Southeast Missouri  
 D 6 - Derek Wright, Austin Peay  
 D 13 - Bobby Catchings, Eastern Illinois  
 D 20 - Dorian Brown, Jacksonville State  
 J 3 - Dorian Brown, Jacksonville State  
 J 10 - Amadi McKenzie, Tennessee Tech  
 J 17 - Reiley Ervin, Tennessee State  
 J 24 - Reiley Ervin, Tennessee State  
 J 31 - Brandon Davis, Jacksonville State  
 F 7 - Joe Ross Merritt, Samford  
 F 14 -  
 F 21 -  
 F 28 -

## OVC ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS

(Through games of Feb. 7)

### SCORING

Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 1,501  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 1,420  
 Roshawn Bowens, Tennessee State 1,396  
 Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 1,149  
 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 1,133  
 Brett Hale, Southeast Missouri 950  
 Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech 940  
 J. Robert Merritt, Samford 926  
 Chad McKnight, Morehead State 861  
 Bruce Price, Tennessee State 843

### PTS

### STEALS

Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 171  
 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 143  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 142  
 Jeremy Kelly, Tennessee-Martin 116  
 Keyon Boyd, Tennessee Tech 106  
 Walker Russell, Jacksonville State 106  
 Roshawn Bowens, Tennessee State 100  
 Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 98  
 Bruce Price, Tennessee State 89  
 Maurice Hampton, Austin Peay 88

### STL

### REBOUNDS

Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 693  
 Roshawn Bowens, Tennessee State 586  
 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 497  
 Chad McKnight, Morehead State 404  
 Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech 347  
 J. Robert Merritt, Samford 320  
 Andy Gobczynski, Eastern Illinois 307  
 Milone Clark, Tennessee Tech 304  
 Jared Newson, Tennessee-Martin 316  
 Jeremy Kelly, Tennessee-Martin 283

### REB

### BLOCKED SHOTS

Reggie Golson, Southeast Missouri 67  
 Zac Schlader, Austin Peay 48  
 Roshawn Bowens, Tennessee State 47  
 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 40  
 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 37  
 Will Lewis, Tennessee-Martin 34  
 Alonzo Hird, Eastern Kentucky 32  
 Jonathan Jones, Tennessee Tech 32  
 Dorian Brown, Jacksonville State 31  
 Abdou Diame, Jacksonville State 30  
 Rod Flowers, Tennessee State 30  
 Jared Newson, Tennessee-Martin 27

### BLK

### ASSISTS

Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 440  
 Walker Russell, Jacksonville State 344  
 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 265  
 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 255  
 Jeremy Kelly, Tennessee-Martin 234  
 Keyon Boyd, Tennessee Tech 215  
 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 191  
 Bruce Price, Tennessee State 186  
 Tyler George, Tennessee-Martin 183  
 Quinton Smith, Morehead State 175

### AST

### 3-POINTERS MADE

Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 209  
 Ben Rushing, Eastern Kentucky 191  
 Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 173  
 J. Robert Merritt, Samford 172  
 Brett Hale, Southeast Missouri 159  
 Earl Bullock, Tennessee-Martin 152  
 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 129  
 Bruce Price, Tennessee State 118  
 Maurice Hampton, Austin Peay 104  
 Jon Mills, Samford 82

### 3's

## OVC STATISTICS RANKINGS - THROUGH FEB. 7

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