

January 24, 2005 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Kim Melcher Phone: (615) 371-1698 Ohio Valley Conference 215 Centerview Drive, Suite 115 Brentwood, Tennessee 37027 www.ovcsports.com

## **OVC STANDINGS**

Samford
Tennessee Tech
Murray State
Tennessee State
Eastern Kentucky
Austin Peay
Morehead State
Southeast Missouri
Eastern Illinois
Tennessee-Martin
Jacksonville State

CONFERENCE							
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5	1	.833	3-0	2-1	W3		
4	2	.667	2-0	2-2	L1		
3	3	.600	1-1	2-2	L1		
3	3	.500	3-1	0-2	L2		
2	4	.333	1-1	1-3	W1		
2	4	.333	2-1	0-3	W1		
1	5	.167	1-1	0-4	L1		
1	5	.167	0-4	1-1	L3		
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CONFEDENCE

# OVERALL (Through games of Jan. 22)

W	L	PCT.	<u>Home</u>	<u>Away</u>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Streak</b>
11	6	.647	6-1	4-5	1-0	W6
11	6	.647	8-0	2-5	1-1	W7
10	6	.625	7-1	2-5	1-0	W3
9	11	.450	5-1	2-10	2-0	L1
11	6	.647	5-1	6-5	0-0	L1
5	13	.278	3-5	0-6	2-2	L2
8	9	.471	5-2	2-7	1-0	W1
7	10	.412	6-3	1-7	0-0	W1
6	11	.353	5-2	0-9	1-0	L1
4	13	.235	2-4	2-7	0-2	L3
4	14	.222	3-4	0-8	1-2	L12

#### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

#### Tuesday, January 18

\*Murray State 96, @Tennessee-Martin 70

### Thursday, January 20

- \*@Eastern Illinois 63, Austin Peay 51
- \*@Eastern Kentucky 72, Jacksonville State 60
- \*Samford 56, @Morehead State 51
- \*Tennessee Tech 82, @Southeast Missouri 81 (OT)
- \*Tennessee State 92, @Tennessee-Martin 76

#### Saturday, January 22

- \*@Southeast Missouri 65, Austin Peay 52
- \*Tennessee Tech 81, @Eastern Illinois 68
- \*Samford 67, @Eastern Kentucky 61
- \*@Morehead State 69, Jacksonville State 63
- \*@Murray State 82, Tennessee State 74
- \* OVC game

#### UPCOMING GAMES

#### Tuesday, January 25

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

## Thursday, January 27

- \*Murray State at Eastern Kentucky 6:30 p.m.
- \*Tennessee-Martin at Morehead State 6:45 p.m.
- \*Tennessee State at Austin Peay 7:30 p.m.
- \*Jacksonville State at Southeast Missouri 7:30 p.m.
- \*Samford at Eastern Illinois 8:00 p.m. (CSS)

#### Saturday, January 29

- \*Tennessee-Martin at Eastern Kentucky 1:00 p.m. (CSS)
- \*Murray State at Morehead State 6:45 p.m.
- \*Jacksonville State at Eastern Illinois 7:05 p.m.
- \*Samford at Southeast Missouri 7:30 p.m.
- \*Tennessee State at Tennessee Tech 7:30 p.m.
- \* OVC game
- **CSS Live telecast on Comcast Sports Southeast**

#### **ALL TIMES CENTRAL**

### OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

#### **PLAYER**

#### J. ROBERT MERRITT • F, JR., 6-6, 214 • OKLAHOMA CITY, OK • SAMFORD

**Merritt** averaged 18.0 points and 4.5 rebounds per game while nursing a foot injury last week to help keep Samford undefeated in OVC action. He scored 12 points and dished out four assists at Morehead State, then drilled five consecutive 3-point shots to help fuel the Bulldogs' come-from-behind win at EKU, finishing with a game-high 24 points. For the week, the Oklahoma City, Okla., native shot an even 50 percent from the field (13-of-26) with eight treys.

#### **NEWCOMER**

#### DEREK STRIBLING • F, JR., 6-6, 210 • WINTER HAVEN, FL • TENNESSEE TECH

Stribling averaged 17.0 points and 7.0 rebounds a game last week to help keep Tennessee Tech unbeaten in Conference play. At Southeast Missouri, the junior forward pumped in a careerhigh 23 points to aid the Golden Eagles' come-from-behind victory in overtime. Against Eastern Illinois, Stribling played a key role in Tech's second-half surge, registering all 11 of his points and all eight of his rebounds in the final 20 minutes. For the week, the Winter Haven, Fla., product was 13-of-20 from the floor (65%), including 3-of-4 from 3-point land.

#### **FRESHMAN**

#### REILEY ERVIN • G, FR., 5-10, 160 • MEMPHIS, TN • TENNESSEE STATE

**Ervin** shot a solid 60 percent from behind the arc while averaging 11.0 points a game to help Tennessee State remain in the top half of the league standings with a 1-1 effort on the road last week. In the Tigers' win at UTMartin, the Memphis, Tenn., native canned 4-of-5 treys and dished out five assists while finishing with 14 points. The freshman guard also chipped in eight points and three rebounds in TSU's loss at Murray State.

# 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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**WEB SITE:** For updated stats, standings, news and notes, log on to the official OVC site: **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

### AROUND THE OVC...

**AUSTIN PEAY (5-13 overall, 3-3 OVC):** Austin Peay saw its winless streak in road action stretch to six games as the Governors kicked off their first OVC road trip with losses at Eastern Illinois (63-51) and Southeast Missouri (65-52)...The Govs are now 0-6 this season on their opponents' turf... APSU also fell to 0-11 when trailing at the half after being down by identical 28-27 margins in both contests...Junior C **Zac Schlader** was a combined 12-of-17 from the floor for the week to rasie his season's shooting average to a 50.3 clip. Against OVC opposition, Schlader is converting an impressive 62.3 percent of his field attempts...Senior G **Anthony Davis** registered his second double-double (12 pts./11 rbds.) of the season (4th career) at Southeast...Senior reserve point guard **Levi Carmichael** has dished out 15 assists while committing only four turnovers in the last three games...Senior F **William Durden** saw his consecutive-made free throw streak end at 15...Tied for fifth in the OVC standings, APSU returns home for a brief two-game stand against in-state rivals Tennessee Tech (Jan. 25) and Tennessee State (Jan. 27).

**EASTERN ILLINOIS (6-11 overall, 1-5 OVC):** Eastern Illinois snapped a six-game losing streak with a 63-61 win over Austin Peay before dropping an 81-68 decision to OVC co-leader Tennessee Tech...Senior G **Emanuel Dildy** registered back-to-back 20-point outings to lead the team with 41 points last week. He canned six three-pointers and ranks among the league's top 10 in trey shooting (38.1%, 2.5 pg)...Junior G **Josh Gomes** is sixth in the OVC with a team-high 15.2 scoring average..Senior F **Aaron Patterson** hauled in 15 rebounds for the week, upping his average to a squad-best 5.4 boards per game on the season...The Panthers continue to struggle offensively, shooting a combined 41.7 percent for the two contests, including going just 11-of-32 from 3-point range (34.3%)...EIU has topped the 70-point mark only once in its last 12 outings...Currently tied for ninth in the league, the Panthers take on their second straight OVC unbeaten team when they wrap up a four-game homestand this week against league co-leader Samford (Jan. 27) and Morehead State (Jan. 29)...Thursday's outing with the Bulldogs will be a live regional telecast at 8 p.m. Central on Comcast SportsNet Chicago (CSN-C) and Comcast Sports Southeast (CSS).

**EASTERN KENTUCKY (11-6 overall, 3-3 OVC):** Eastern Kentucky pushed its home win streak to six games with a 72-60 victory over Jacksonville State, but saw the run end two days later when the Colonels dropped a tough 67-61 decision to OVC co-leader Samford...The loss was the team's first at home this season and also marked its first setback when leading at the half (10-1)...The Colonels' six-game home win streak dated back to last season...Senior F **Michael Haney** registered his fifth double-double of the season (16th career) versus JSU (17 pts./12 rbds). He shot an impressive 57.9 percent from the field in the two games, converting 11-of-19 attempts...Senior point guard **Matt Witt** recorded 14 handouts for the week, pushing his career assists tally over the 400 mark (410)...Freshman F **Ryan Wiersma** came off the bench to add nine points and five boards against Jax State...The Colonels have outrebounded seven straight opponents and boast the league's second-best margin (+5.4) on the boards...EKU, tied for fifth in the Conference, continues its five-game homestand against Murray State (Jan. 27) and UT Martin (Jan. 29). Saturday's contest will be televised live at 1 p.m. Central on Comcast Sports Southeast (CSS) and on a tape-delayed basis at 4 p.m. Central on UPN-The Beat (Cape Girardeau, Mo.).

JACKSONVILLE STATE (4-14 overall, 0-6 OVC): Jacksonville State is caught in the midst of a 12-game losing streak, the longest in school history, following road setbacks at Eastern Kentucky (72-60) and Morehead State (69-63)...The Gamecocks are 0-8 on the road this season and have dropped 14 straight games on their opponents' home turf, dating back to last season...Junior point guard Walker Russell registered consecutive 10-assist outings last week, tallying his second double-double of the season (13 pts./10 asts.) at Morehead...Junior reserve Brad Peters tossed in a career-high 12 points on 5-of-8 field shooting while playing a career-long 27 minutes against the Eagles...Jax State's six OVC opponents have shot 48.9 percent from the field, including 51.6 percent in the second half, and boast a 215-163 scoring advantage in the first half...The Gamecocks are hitting just 37.6 percent from behind the arc in Conference play, compared to a 45.7 clip by their opponents...Freshman F Dorien Brown sat out both contests last week with an injury, but may be available for action when the last-place Gamecocks wrap up a four-game road swing at Southeast Missouri (Jan. 27) and Eastern Illinois (Jan. 29).

MOREHEAD STATE (8-9 overall, 2-4 OVC): Morehead State split its OVC outings last week, dropping a close 56-51 decision to OVC co-leader Samford before ending a three-game slide with a 69-63 win over Jacksonville State, putting the Eagles in a tie for seventh place in the Conference standings...Senior F/C Chad McKnight shot a blistering 61.1 percent (11-of-18) from the field and was 10-of-15 from the foul line as he averaged 16.0 points and 4.0 rebounds a game last week...As a team, the Eagles converted 52.8 percent of their field attempts (47-of-89)...Senior Ramon Kelly was the team's iron man, playing 78 of a possible 80 minutes while contributing 9.5 points and 5.0 rebounds a game. He hit 7-of-11 from the field, including 3-of-4 from three-point range and handed out nine assists with three steals and just three turnovers...Freshman C Kevin McDonald canned 7-of-8 field goals in the two games...Morehead State shot a combined 52.8 percent from the field last week, marking the second time this season the Eagles have converted at least half of their field attempts in back-to-back outings...Head coach Kyle Macy will be looking for his 100th career victory when Morehead State entertains Tennessee-Martin (Jan. 27) and Murray State (Jan. 29).

MURRAY STATE (10-6 overall, 5-1 OVC): Murray State remained a game back of OVC co-leaders Samford and Tennessee Tech with a pair of victories last week, defeating Tennessee-Martin (96-70) and Tennessee State (82-74)...Sophomore G Trey Pearson drained five treys as part of an 11-for-22 effort from the field last week, averaging 14.5 points per game...Junior G Darnell Hopkins had a monster first half at UT Martin, canning 6-of-12 shots, including 3-of-6 from long range, before finishing with a career-tying 21 points and a teamhigh seven rebounds. He averaged 19.0 points per game for the week...Junior point guard Keith Jenifer dished out 13 assists while committing just three turnovers in the two contests...Murray State shot a 57.8 percent from the field against the Skyhawks while racking up 96 points, both season-highs...Seven different Racers converted over half of their field attempts as the the team shot 50 percent or better from the floor in back-to-back contests for the first time this season, finishing with a 54.2 clip for the week...Third-place Murray State takes its three-game win streak on the road this week with dates at Eastern Kentucky (Jan. 27) and Morehead State (Jan. 29).

SAMFORD (11-6 overall, 6-0 OVC): Samford retained its undefeated spot atop the OVC standings alongside co-leader Tennessee Tech with a pair of road wins at Morehead State (56-51) and Eastern Kentucky (67-61)...The Bulldogs have won six straight and are off to their best Conference start since the 1998-99 season (13-0)...The Merritt brothers teamed up to help fuel a come-from-behind win at EKU as junior J. Robert drilled five straight 3-pointers and scored a game-high 24 points while freshman Joe Ross hit both of his trey attempts as part of a 4-of-5 shooting effort to contribute 13 points and five boards...The elder Merritt tops the OVC in both 3-point conversions (46.7%) and trey average (2.88 pg), also ranking among the nation's top long-range shooters...Sophomore point guard Jerry Smith averaged 14.0 points a game while blistering the nets with an 8-of-11 effort (72.7%) for the week...Samford is shooting 50 percent from the field while converting 43 percent of its 3-point attempts and holding opponents to 58.1 points per game, all league-bests... The Bulldogs wrap up a four-game road swing at Eastern Illinois (Jan. 27) and Southeast Missouri (Jan. 29). Thursday's meeting with the Panthers will be a live regional telecast at 8 p.m. Central on Comcast SportsNet Chicago (CSN-C) and Comcast Sports Southeast (CSS).

### AROUND THE OVC...

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI (7-10 overall, 2-4 OVC): Southeast Missouri came out on the short end of an overtime contest for the second straight game with an 82-81 loss to OVC co-leader Tennessee Tech, but the newly-crowned Redhawks bounced back to win a 65-52 decision over Austin Peay...The Tech contest marked Southeast's seventh loss of the season by a margin of four or fewer points...The Redhawks boast both the league's top scorer and top rebounder, respectively, in senior forwards **Dainmon Gonner** (20.6 ppg) and **Reggie Golson** (8.8 rpg). The former Hutchinson CC teammates combined to score 79 of the team's 146 points last week...Gonner has netted double figures in each of the 15 games he has played this season, twice topping the 30-point plateau...Golson upped his league-leading block total to 42 with 10 rejections last week, including a career-high six versus Tech...Senior G **Brett Hale** is out for the season with a fractured wrist. Hale, who was shooting a league-high 55 percent from 3-point range at the time of his Jan. 7 injury, finishes his career with 950 career points...Tied for seventh in the Conference standings, Southeast closes out its four-game homestand with Jacksonville State (Jan. 27) and Samford (Jan. 29).

**TENNESSEE-MARTIN** (4-13 overall, 1-5 OVC): Tennessee-Martin is on a three-game slide and tied for ninth in the OVC after losing a pair of home outings against Murray State (96-70) and Tennessee State (92-76)...Sophomore C Cleve Woodfork scored 15 consecutive points against the Racers before finishing with 24 points and five rebounds...Senior G Justin Smith turned his best performance since returning recently from an Achilles injury, netting 11 points off the bench in the Murray State game...Sophomore F Will Lewis collected his third double-double of the season (15 pts./12 rbds.) versus TSU...Senior G Earl Bullock canned his first two 3-point attempts against the Tigers to break out of an 0-for-12 shooting slump. Bullock, who had been held scoreless in three previous outings, finished with 14 points...UT Martin makes its third television appearance of the season when the Skyhawks travel to Morehead State (Jan. 27) and Eastern Kentucky (Jan. 29). Saturday's contest at EKU will be televised live at 1 p.m. Central on Comcast Sports Southeast (CSS) and on a tape-delayed basis at 4 p.m. Central on UPN-The Beat (Cape Girardeau, Mo.).

**TENNESSEE STATE (9-11 overall, 4-2 OVC):** Tennessee State put five players in double figures in the Tigers' 92-76 victory at Tennessee-Martin, but couldn't get over the hump in an 82-74 loss at Murray State...Junior F **Eric King** went 12-of-20 from the field (60%) while averaging 14.0 points and 9.0 rebounds a game for the week...Junior F **Kareem Grant** shot a blistering 68.4 percent (13-of-19) to pace the team with 29 points in the two games... Freshman G **Reiley Ervin** shot 60 percent from long-range, including a 4-of-5 trey effort at UT Martin, to finish the week with 22 points, six assists and five steals...The Tigers are playing at less than full strength as senior C **Rod Flowers** (ankle) and junior G **Wayne Arnold** (pulled muscle) continue to nurse injuries...Fourth-place TSU won't have to venture far from home this week, wrapping up a four-game road stretch at in-state rivals Austin Peay and Tennessee Tech.

TENNESSEE TECH (11-6 overall, 6-0 OVC): Tennessee Tech remained neck-and-neck with OVC co-leader Samford as the Golden Eagles stretched their winning streak to seven games with wins at Southeast Missouri (82-81 OT) and Eastern Illinois (81-68)...Tech's 6-0 Conference start is its best since kicking off the 2001-02 OVC campaign with a 10-0 mark...The sevengame win streak is the team's longest of head coach Mike Sutton's three-year tenure...Junior F Derek Stribling pumped in a career-high 23 points in Tech's come-from-behind win at Southeast. He is averaging 17.3 points a game over his last eight outings...Senior F Willie Jenkins netted his fourth double-double of the season with 10 rebounds and a career-high 34 points against the Redhawks...Junior point guard Keyon Boyd scored 15 of his career-tying 18 points in the first half at EIU...The win at Southeast was Tech's first on the road in 2004-05, snapping a nine-game skid that dated back to last season...The Golden Eagles visit Austin Peay on Tuesday before returning home to entertain Tennessee State on Jan. 29.

**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 Saturday, March 5.

**OVC ON TELEVISION:** Seven Ohio Valley Conference regular-season games will be televised live during the 2004-05 season. This week, two OVC contests will be broadcast regionally on Comcast Sports Southeast (CSS). The Jan. 27 meeting between **Samford** and **Eastern Illinois**, which will also air on Comcast SportsNet Chicago (CSN-C), tips off at 8 p.m. Central with **Blake Fulton** and former Georgia Tech coach **Bobby Cremins** calling the action. The Jan. 29 matchup between **Tennessee-Martin** and **Eastern Kentucky** gets underway at 1 p.m. Central with Fulton again calling the play-by-play, this time joined by former Alabama mentor **Wimp Sanderson**. Saturday's UTM-EKU contest will also be aired on a tape-delayed basis at 4 p.m. Central on UPN-The Beat (Cape Girardeau, Mo.).

## OVC IN 2004-05 NCAA RANKINGS

(Through games of Jan. 17)

#### **TOP-25 INDIVIDUAL**

#### **SCORING**

Dainmon Gonner, SEMO - t17th (20.5 ppg)

#### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Michael Haney, EKU - 5th (64.9%) Chad McKnight, MOR - 23rd (60.3%)

#### 3-PT. FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

J. Robert Merritt, SAM - 8th (48.2%)

#### FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

Emanuel Dildy, EIU - t18th (88.9%) Ramon Kelly, MOR - 24th (88.0%)

#### **ASSISTS**

Walker Russell, JSU - 6th (7.1 apg) Matt Witt, EKU - 22nd (6.1 apg)

#### **BEST SINGLE-GAME FG %**

Chad McKnight, MOR - t1st (100%, 10-10) Reggie Golson, SEMO - t20th (83.3%, 10-12)

#### **BEST SINGLE-GAME FT %**

Trey Pearson, MUR - t1st (100%, 13-13) Willie Jenkins, TTU - t1st (100%, 11-11)

#### **TOP-25 TEAM**

#### **SCORING DEFENSE**

Samford - t11th (58.3 ppg)

### FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Samford - 14th (50.1%)

#### 3-PT. FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Samford - 11th (42.1%)

#### **3-PT. FIELD GOAL AVERAGE**

Samford - 18th (8.5 pg)

#### FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

Morehead State - 6th (76.5%) Samford - 25th (74.3%)

#### **FEWEST TURNOVERS PER GAME**

Samford - t21st (12.7 tpg)

### MOST SINGLE-GAME POINTS

Jacksonville State - t16th (112 pts.)

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

Jacksonville State - t11th (16)

#### BEST SINGLE-GAME FT PERCENTAGE

Tennessee State - 8th (95.7%, 22-23)

#### OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

#### OVC PLATERS OF THE WELF

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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 -

F7-F14-

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 -F 7 -

F7-F14-

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 - Dorien Brown, Jacksonville State

J 3 - Dorien Brown, Jacksonville State J 10 - Amadi McKenzie, Tennessee Tech

J 17 - Reiley Ervin, Tennessee State J 24 - Reiley Ervin, Tennessee State

J31 -F7 -

F 14 -

F 21 -F 28 - **OVC ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS** 

(Through games of Jan. 22)

280

279

172

158

SCORING	<u>PTS</u>
Anthony Davis, Austin Peay	1,428
Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri	1,385
Roshaun Bowens, Tennessee State	1,371
Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky	1,099
Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky	1,065
Brett Hale, Southeast Missouri	950
Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech	877
J. Robert Merritt, Samford	844
Bruce Price, Tennessee State	802
Chad McKnight, Morehead State	796

**REB REBOUNDS** Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 667 Roshaun Bowens, Tennessee State 572 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 480 Chad McKnight, Morehead State 385 Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech 330 J. Robert Merritt, Samford 299 Milone Clark, Tennessee Tech 288 Jeremy Kelly, Tennessee-Martin 283

Andy Gobczynski, Eastern Illinois

Jared Newson, Tennessee-Martin

Bruce Price, Tennessee State

Quinton Smith, Morehead State

**ASSISTS** <u>AST</u> Matt Witt. Eastern Kentucky 410 Walker Russell, Jacksonville State 316 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 254 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 244 Jeremy Kelly, Tennessee-Martin 234 Keyon Boyd, Tennessee Tech 200 Tyler George, Tennessee-Martin 180 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 176 **STEALS** STL Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 166 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri 137 Michael Hanev. Eastern Kentucky 137 Jeremy Kelly, Tennessee-Martin 116 Keyon Boyd, Tennessee Tech 98 Roshaun Bowens, Tennessee State 96 Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 93 Walker Russell, Jacksonville State 91 Bruce Price, Tennessee State 80 Maurice Hampton, Austin Peay 78 J. Robert Merritt, Samford 68

**BLOCKED SHOTS BLK** Reggie Golson, Southeast Missouri 57 Zac Schlader, Austin Peay 43 Roshaun Bowens, Tennessee State 42 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 38 Michael Haney, Eastern Kentucky 36 Will Lewis, Tennessee-Martin 32 Abdou Diame, Jacksonville State 30 Dorien Brown, Jacksonville State 29 Alonzo Hird, Eastern Kentucky 28 27 Rod Flowers, Tennessee State Jonathan Jones, Tennessee Tech 27 Jared Newson, Tennessee-Martin 25

**3-POINTERS MADE** <u>3's</u> 205 Derek Winans, Southeast Missouri Ben Rushing, Eastern Kentucky 180 Matt Witt, Eastern Kentucky 160 Brett Hale, Southeast Missouri 159 J. Robert Merritt, Samford 155 Earl Bullock, Tennessee-Martin 151 Anthony Davis, Austin Peay 126 Bruce Price, Tennessee State 114 Maurice Hampton, Austin Peay 93 Jon Mills, Samford 79

## OVC STATISTICS RANKINGS - THROUGH JAN. 22

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