

NORTHWESTERN STATE

2013-14 DEMON BASKETBALL



Southland Conference Champions 2004-05, 2005-06
 Southland Conference East Division Champions 2007
 SLC Tournament Champions 2001, 2006, 2013
 NCAA Tournament (2-3): 2001 (1-1), 2006 (1-1), 2013 (0-1)

Game 2– 1st of 2 in 2 nights

Northwestern State (1-0) at Auburn (1-0)

Friday, November 15, 2013 • 7:00 p.m.

Auburn Arena (9,121) • Auburn, Alabama

Series: First Meeting

NORTHWESTERN STATE (1-0, 0-0)

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Nov. 8	LeTourneau	W 92-76
Nov. 15	at Auburn	7:00
Nov. 16	at LSU	7:00
Nov. 21	Louisiana-Monroe	7:00
Nov. 27	at Louisiana-Lafayette	7:00
Nov. 30	Niagara	3:00
Dec. 7	at Memphis (ESPN3)	12:00
Dec. 11	at Louisiana Tech	8:00
Dec. 14	Louisiana College	3:00
Dec. 18	at Baylor (FOX Sports SW Plus)	8:00
Dec. 19	at Texas-El Paso	7:30
Jan. 2	* Sam Houston State	7:30
Jan. 4	* Lamar	3:00
Jan. 8	* at A&M-Corpus Christi	7:30
Jan. 11	* at Houston Baptist	7:30
Jan. 16	* Stephen F. Austin	7:30
Jan. 23	* at Central Arkansas	7:00
Jan. 25	* at Oral Roberts (FCS)	3:30
Jan. 30	* Incarnate Word	7:30
Feb. 1	* Abilene Christian	3:00
Feb. 6	* McNeese State (ESPN3)	7:30
Feb. 8	* Nicholls	3:00
Feb. 13	* at Sam Houston State	7:45
Feb. 15	* at Lamar	6:00
Feb. 22	* at Stephen F. Austin	6:00
Feb. 27	* at Southeastern La. (ESPN3)	7:30
Mar. 1	* at New Orleans	6:15
Mar. 6	* Central Arkansas	7:30
Mar. 8	* Oral Roberts	3:00
Mar. 12	SLC First Round (SLC DN)	TBA
Mar. 13	SLC Quarterfinal (SLC DN)	TBA
Mar. 14	SLC Semifinal (ESPN3)	TBA
Mar. 15	SLC Championships(ESPN2)	TBA

*SLC games: all times Central unless noted

Home games in bold

Demon Pronunciations

Dadrian Harris	DAY-dree-un
DeQuan Hicks	da-QUAN
Tra'von Joseph	TRAY-von
Bill Lewit	LOU-it
Mike McConathy	McCON-uh-thee
Jacob Spielbauer	SPEEL-bow-er
Sabri Thompson	Sa-BREE
Zikiteran Woodley	Zuh-KIT-er-un
Natchitoches, LA	NACK-a-dish
Bossier City, LA	BO-sure City
Zwolle, LA	Z-WALL-ee
Prather Coliseum	PRAY-thur

Demons make 48-hour SEC swing to Auburn, LSU

Playing games on consecutive nights happens often this time of year in college basketball tournaments, but rarely otherwise, especially with games in separate states.

Northwestern State visits Auburn Friday night, then goes to LSU a night later, with the Demons aiming for their first Southeastern Conference win since 2005 at Mississippi State.

"It's pretty unusual, I suppose, but we tend to do a lot of things differently," said 15th-year Demons' coach Mike McConathy, whose Demons played in last year's NCAA Tournament as the Southland Conference representative. "We're looking at it as a challenge and preparation for where we hope to be in March, playing on back-to-back nights in the semifinals and finals of the conference tournament. Our guys all dream of playing in the NBA and at that level, teams play in different cities night after night."

NSU's game at Auburn was initially penciled in for a Thursday night, but with a home football game Saturday, Auburn officials sweetened the deal to get the Demons to play Friday. NSU travelled to Meridian, Miss., Thursday, about a five-hour drive, and will go three more hours to Auburn on Friday. After the game, the Demons will head to Mobile, Ala., to stay overnight, and will take another three-hour ride to Baton Rouge on Saturday.

"It sounds unconventional, but we break up our longer bus trips in the conference the same way. It's an approach that has worked well for us," said McConathy. "This will be the first time we've played at one place and then traveled to play somewhere else the next night, but I think it's something we can manage."

The Demons, who typically distribute playing time with two five-man rotations and another 2-3 players fitting in, will do the two-day, two-game, two-city travel again Dec. 18-19 at Baylor and UTEP.

It's a new season, but a great run continues

After going 23-9 last year, and winning last Friday's opener, the Demons have won 21 of their last 27, including 14 of the last 17 games.

NSU hopes to end skid vs. SEC foes

The NCAA Tournament loss to Florida (79-43) last March 22 was the eighth consecutive loss to an SEC opponent by the Demons. NSU's last SEC win was 76-75 in OT on Nov. 26, 2005 at Mississippi State.

All-time against current SEC members, Northwestern is 12-39, including 7-16 vs. LSU.



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State collegiate coaching wins record set by McConathy

Demon coach Mike McConathy has become the winningest men's college coach in state history, and is one win away from having the most career victories by any college coach (men's or women's basketball). He has 576 victories early in his 31st season at NSU (15 years) and Bossier Parish Community College. The milestone win came in the 2013 regular-season finale over Sam Houston State.

Grambling's Fred Hobdy was 572-288 when he retired after 30 years in 1986 and is in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

In women's basketball, Leon Barmore won 576 games at Louisiana Tech on his way to the Basketball Hall of Fame (2003 inductee), as well as the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

McConathy is 150-115 (.566) against Southland opponents (133-108 regular season, 16-7 in conference tournament play).

His overall NSU record includes 64 regular-season "guarantee" road games, with three wins (2005 at Oklahoma State, at Mississippi State, vs. Oregon State), making him 221-150 (.595) otherwise — including two NCAA Tournament wins.

McConathy coached his state-record 900th career college game in 2012 and will coach his 949th Friday night. That includes 511 in 16 seasons at BPCC and 438 in his 14 years with Northwestern.

McConathy's extended tenure puts him in elite company

Out of 347 Division 1 basketball programs, Coach McConathy is 1 of only 22 current head coaches that have been head coach at the same school for 15 years or more. Others include Coach Mike Krzyzewski of Duke, Billy Donovan at Florida, Rick Barnes at Texas, Tom Izzo at Michigan State and Jim Boheim of Syracuse.

Coach McConathy a Top 25 voter for sixth straight season

For the sixth year, Demons' coach Mike McConathy is part of the ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Top 25 voting panel.

For the record, he does his own Top 25 research and voting each Sunday night, at times consulting basketball staff members and has been late only once in five-plus seasons (ending a trip from Hawaii).

Marquette's Williams, McNeese's Simmons, UNO's Slessinger all came from NSU and McConathy's staff

Three Division I head coaches sat alongside Mike McConathy as assistant coaches on the Demon staff.

In his 6th season as head coach at Marquette is Buzz Williams, who was an assistant coach on Mike McConathy's first NSU staff in 1999-2000, along with McNeese head coach Dave Simmons.

Williams spent one season at NSU before moving to Colorado State as an assistant. He has restored Marquette among national hoops powers.

Simmons was at NSU seven years before getting the head coaching post at McNeese and is in his 8th year there, earning Southland Coach of the Year honors in 2010-11 when the Cowboys won the regular-season league title and played in the NIT.

DEMON QUICK FACTS

Name: Northwestern State University
 Founded: 1884 as Louisiana Normal School
 Location: Natchitoches, Louisiana
 Enrollment: 8,944
 Nickname: Demons
 Conference: Southland
 All-Time W/L: 1,355-1,066 (.560),
 100th season, 101st year
 Colors: Purple & White with Orange trim
 Arena: Prather Coliseum (3,400)
 Head Coach: Mike McConathy
 Alma Mater: Louisiana Tech (1977)
 Record: 224-213 (.512, 15th season)
 Career Record: 576-372 (.608, 31st season)
 Starters R/L: 3/2
 Letterman R/L: 12/4
 Newcomers: 5
 Website: NSUDemons.com
 Twitter: @NSUDemonsMBB

DEMONS ON THE AIRWAVES

Northwestern State basketball games can be heard live on the Demon Sports Network. The network includes flagship station KZBL-FM (100.7) in Natchitoches along with KTEZ-FM (99.9) in Many, and KSYR-FM (92.1) in Shreveport. This weekend's Demon games are broadcast by Tony Taglavore.

NSUDEMONS.COM AND @NSUDEMONSMBB

NSU's official athletic website can be found at www.nsudemons.com. Updated statistics, game notes, player bios, schedules, and features are listed. Follow @NSUDemonsMBB on Twitter.

ON THE INTERNET

AUDIO BROADCAST - All of NSU's games can be heard on the internet, free of charge, by logging onto NSUDemons.com/Showcase.

VIDEO BROADCAST - All of NSU's home games and many road games can be seen on the internet, at a charge, by logging onto NSUDemons.com/Showcase. \$6.95 - 24 hour, \$10.95 - monthly, \$79.95 - yearly access.

INTERVIEW POLICY

During the week, player interviews should be set up through SID Doug Ireland at least one day in advance to minimize demands on the student-athletes' busy schedule. Brief face-to-face post-practice interviews may be conducted if time permits, but academic and travel responsibilities could preclude those opportunities. The Demon basketball program is very committed to being accessible to the media and we will make every effort to accommodate your needs. Please work with us and plan in advance whenever possible to facilitate the best possible arrangements for all parties.

Interviews with Coach McConathy or any assistant coach can be arranged by calling administrative assistant Marcia Bolton at (318) 357-4274.



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After 11 years on McConathy's staff following in Williams' footsteps, Mark Slessinger got a well-deserved break when the University of New Orleans hired him as head coach three years ago. The Privateers are new Southland Conference members this year.

Notre Dame's Mike Brey made Demons' All-Century team

In his 14th season in South Bend, head coach Mike Brey has Notre Dame among the nation's top programs. In 2012, he signed a long-term deal to coach the Irish through 2022. Brey won the 2010-11 Henry Iba Award as the national coach of the year from the U.S. Basketball Writers Association.

The Rockville, Md.-DeMatha product played point guard for the Demons (1977-80) and is eighth in school history with 311 assists (4.3 pg), an average of 4.3 per game. He left NSU after his junior season following a coaching change and finished at George Washington.

Last March he was named to the Demons' All-Century Fab 50 Team for the Modern Era (1976-2012) as NSU played its 100th year of basketball.

Academic achievement, an NSU standard in the McConathy era

The Demons have been standouts over the past eight years since the NCAA began its Academic Progress Rate and the Graduation Success Rate. NSU had a perfect 1,000 APR last spring and is projected to have another outstanding score this May.

Twice NSU has earned national recognition from the NCAA for outstanding APR scores in men's basketball.

In coach Mike McConathy's 15 seasons, nearly 90 percent of the seniors who have played for him, including those he inherited in 1999-2000, have graduated.

Coach Mike: Guardian of the Game

At the 2012 Final Four, coach Mike McConathy, son of career educators, was presented with a "Guardian of the Game" award for education from the National Association of Basketball Coaches for work with local and area elementary and junior high schools. That continues. A large group of Zwolle Junior High who participated in an NABC reading program with McConathy attended the Demons' game with Sam Houston.

Demons are homegrown

Throughout the 14+ seasons of the Mike McConathy's reign, coach Mike has only increased the amount of players recruited from Louisiana, ranging from 23% of the roster in the 1999 season to a century-high 86% in 2010.

Currently, the Demons have 12 of their 17 players (71%) from the Pelican State.

The Demons have 11 players on average from Louisiana each season, with the highest amount escalating to 17 of 20 players in 2005, and the lowest number dropping to 3 of 13, a mere 23%, in McConathy's first season before he got to recruit on a broad scale.

Demons know championships

Along with 11 players who contributed to the 2013 Southland Conference Tournament title, NSU has seven players whose teams won a combined 12 high school state championships.

Patrick Robinson played on three state title winners at Baton Rouge-Christian Life HS, and a semifinal berth in his senior season.

Sabri Thompson was part of three state championship teams at Sanford School in Hockessin, Delaware. His team was a state finalist in his senior year.

Marvin Frazier's Zwolle Hawks won two state championships, and also were state runner-ups once and reached the semifinals another time.

Zikiteran Woodley's Pelican-All Saints HS won state in his last two seasons after a semifinal trip in his sophomore year.

Gary Stewart led Vidalia HS to a state title in his senior season. The Vikings were state runner-ups a year earlier.

Jalan West guided Bossier HS to a state crown as a senior after two straight runner-up finishes.

Brandon Williams played on a state championship team as a junior at Summit Christian HS in West Palm Beach Fla.

Other Demons had near-misses: Dadrian Harris led Castor HS to the state semifinals as a senior. Austin and Dustin Adams helped Salmen HS to the semifinals as juniors. Tyler Washington helped Port Allen HS to the semifinals in his sophomore year. Tra'von Joseph played in a pair of state semifinals for North Central HS.

They're identical twins

Freshmen Austin and Dustin Adams are identical twins. Good news: their girlfriends can tell them apart. Austin is 35 minutes older.

Incoming for 2014-15

NSU has signed 6-foot-11, 190-pound Florida high school standout Reggie Kissoonlal to join the Demons beginning in 2014-15.


Kissoonlal, a wing/forward, averaged 12 points, 7 rebounds and 3 blocks last season at Williams M. Raines High School in Jacksonville. He won honorable mention all-conference honors as he made 92 percent of his free throws. As a sophomore, he averaged 9.2 points, 4.6 rebounds and shot 86 percent at the line. He also plays golf and tennis.



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DEMON PLAYER CAPSULES

To check career and single-season statistical highs, see the graphic on pages following

3 AUSTIN ADAMS - sophomore forward...saw action in 9 games last season... scored a season-high 3 points in the first game of his college career vs. ETBU and again at Lamar... registered a season-best 3 rebounds against LeTourneau...father used to be a Coast Guard rescue swimmer and now is a federal agent... criminal justice major

1 DUSTIN ADAMS - sophomore forward...saw action in 9 games last season...scored his first collegiate field goal against Missouri Valley... recorded as season-bests: four points, four rebounds and one block against SLU...father used to be a Coast Guard rescue swimmer and now is a federal agent...criminal justice major

40 MARVIN FRAZIER - junior forward with good shooting range, athleticism... played in all 32 games and started in 26 last season, averaged 4.9 ppg, 49.6% shooting...scored a career-high 11 points at UCA (1/12) and again vs. SHSU in the SLC semi-finals...pulled down a career-high 9 rebounds vs. LeTourneau (12/31) — and did it again against LeTourneau in the 2013-14 season opener... slapped away a career-best 7 shots last Friday night...registered a career-high 3 steals last year against UCA (2/9)... father is police chief in Zwolle ... avid squirrel hunter and fisherman ... engineering major.

20 DADRIAN HARRIS - sophomore guard ... dangerous shooter ... filled in for DeQuan Hicks in 3 games late last season ... nephew of MLB baseball relief pitching great and ex-NSU basketball player Lee Smith.

32 DEQUAN HICKS - senior forward ... 17 points, 10 rebounds, 5-5 FTs in opening win ... 36 of his last 44 (82%) on FTs going back to last season ... USA Today lists him as one of 10 mid-major stars to watch this season ... the Indianapolis Star listed Hicks among 13 players who “narrowly missed the cut” on its list of Top 50 players in college hoops this season ... Southland and All-Louisiana Newcomer of the Year, 2nd-team All-Southland, All-NABC District 24 and All-Louisiana ... All-Southland Tournament ... 2nd nationally in points p/40 minutes (28.3) ... missed last 3 regular-season games, beginning with 2nd SFA contest, with ankle injury ... returned to get his 1st start, posting 11 points, 7 rebs in Southland Tournament semifinal win ... 13 points, key offensive rebound, game-clinching steal with 0:02 to go in tourney championship win ... was team’s top scorer (14.0, 9th in SLC), rebounder (5.9) ... 11th nationally in FG% (58.3) ... in SLC, 3rd in FG%, 6th in steals (1.6 pg) ... 70% overall on FTs ... 1.6 assists in 20 minutes pg ... led team in scoring 9 times ... SLC Player of the Week 1/14 with 18 ppg, 8 rpg in 3g ... 12-18 in season-hi 28-point outing at LSU ... double-digit scoring 22g, missing at SLU (8), at Oklahoma (4), vs. LeTourneau (8) ... 3 double-doubles, vs. Campbell (19/10), La. Tech (13/10) and SHSU (24/13) ... 3 20-point g.

0 TRA’VON JOSEPH - True freshman guard who started his first college game and scored 9 points ... averaged 25 points, 12 rebounds, 5 assists, 5 blocks last year at North Central HS to earn All-State honors.

13 MATT KILLIAN - Sophomore walk-on who started last year vs. Missouri Valley ... scored 9 points in 16 games.

33 RYAN KING - DNP in opener (injured) but may be ready this weekend ... JC transfer forward ... won team’s dunk contest at preseason Basketball Slamboree to open practice ... attended powerful Oak Ridge Military (Va.) prep school after winning district MVP honors at Eastern Alamance HS in Greensboro, NC as a junior ... had 91 blocked shots last year at Wallace CC in Alabama.

42 MATT LEBATO - junior transfer with an ankle injury likely to sideline him for the season.

10 PATRICK ROBINSON - senior forward ... DNP in opener (coach’s decision) ... his shooting vastly improved last year ... contributions rarely are reflected on box score ... shot 45%, well over career average of 37% and sophomore year’s 39% ... his 71% FT aim is way over career 50% and sophomore year’s 57% ... matched career high with 13 points vs. LeTourneau last year, his second-ever double-digit scoring total... tenacious defender ... 35 career starts, including 23 of last 24g a year ago... plans to become an orthodontist ... nickname is “Slim” ... WR on HS football team ... dad is a minister.

44 GARY STEWART - senior guard ... 7 rebounds in season opener ... 33 career starts, including the last 26g... 55% of his career shots (82 of 150) are 3s ... he sank 5 of 8 3s, including 3 on consecutive possessions, in career-best 19-point outburst at UCA ... career 35% shooter on 3s, 31% last season... 16 career double-digit scoring games, 6 last season... Academic All-America and NABC Good Works Team nominee ... 2012-13 Southland Conference Basketball Scholar-Athlete of the Year (3.4 GPA) ... 2011-12 SLC Steve McCarty Citizenship Award winner for community activism, leadership and athletic performance ... 4.0 GPA, All-State WR in football and All-State for Class 3A state hoop champs at Vidalia HS ... Academic All-Southland last two seasons (3.4 GPA in psychology) ... plans to be a counselor.

21 SABRI THOMPSON - true freshman combo guard who had 7 points and 3 assists in his collegiate debut vs. LeTourneau ... will play point guard at times with the second wave ... helped Sanford School win three Delaware state championships ... 2012 -13 Gatorade Player of the Year for Delaware ... ranked No. 2 recruit in the state by MaxPreps ... graduated with a 3.6 GPA.



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2 TYLER WASHINGTON - junior combo guard back from a medical redshirt year after knee surgery ... won team's 3-point shooting competition during the Basketball Slamboree event at the outset of preseason practice ... 23 of his career 40 baskets are 3s.

12 JALAN WEST - sophomore point guard ... Preseason 1st team All-Southland Conference ... 17 points, 3 assists, 4 steals in season opener, 5-5 on FTs, 6-12 on FGs ... has hit 33 of last 36 FTs (92%) since last 1/17, with streak of 21 ended at Niagara ... last season's Southland Freshman of the Year, also All-Defensive Team member and honorable mention All-SLC... led SLC in steals (2.4), FT% (83.6), assist-turnover ratio (+2.8), 3rd in assists (5.3), 8th in 3s pg(1.6), 10th in 3FG% (35.6) ... 10th nationally in assist/turnover ratio, 14th in steals, 44th in assists ... 1st career double-double (11 points, 12 assists) in regular season finale vs. SHS, also 0 turnovers ... 12 dimes best in SLC last year, only 40 better in NCAA in '12-'13... steal, 4-4 FTs in final minute of 79-76 comeback win at SLU ... 9 assists vs. McN and ORU ... 4th leading scorer (10.2) ... perfect shooting (5-5 FG, 3-3 3s, 2-2 FTs), 15 point, 7 assists in 1/19 win over SLU ... was over 50% on FGs, 3s first 9g ... 17g in double figures ... season-hi 26 vs. ETBU ... 7 steals vs. Lamar ... 8+ assists in 7 games ... finished 1 steal away from single-season school record 76 ... started first 5 games, then played in second wave ... redshirted in 2011-12 due to NCAA Clearinghouse issue.

22 BRISON WHITE - high-flying senior guard who was a nice addition as a JC transfer last year (fifth-leading scorer, 8.0 ppg) ... 12 points in season-opening win over LeTourneau ... last year, had season-hi 20 points vs. McNeese and UCA ... 6 steals vs. UCA, 4 at Nicholls and Niagara, ... his 1.6 steals pg was 5th in SLC ... impressive 70/43 assist-turnover ratio ... was 18-24 (75%) on FTs last 7g, moved him to 60% season after being under 50% in midseason... explosive leaper with good quickness ... will be a nominee for State Farm Slam Dunk contest ... his mother was a Wichita State high jumper ... criminal justice major.

11 BRANDON WILLIAMS - sophomore forward not on the trip ... did not score in 9 games last season.

23 ZIKITERAN WOODLEY - true freshman guard who scored 17 and had 7 rebounds in his college debut in 18 minutes last Friday vs. LeTourneau ... shot 6-9 on FGs ... Three-time Class C (smallest classification) Most Outstanding Player on All-State team at Pelican-All Saints HS ... was tournament MVP each of his final two seasons while leading All Saints to state titles, after a state finals appearance in his sophomore season ... nickname is "Zeek"

NSU Player Season and Career Highs

Austin Adams

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 0		3, 2x, last at Lamar (1/31/13)
Reb 0		3 v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
FGM..... 0/1		1 vs. ETBU (11/9/12)
3FGM..... 0		1 at Lamar (1/31/13)
FTM 0	1/2, 2x last v. HLU (11/17/12)	
Ast 0		0
Stl 0	1 v. HLU (11/17/12)	
Blk 0	1 v. ETBU (11/9/12)	
TO 0	1, 4x, last at Lamar (1/31/13)	
PF 0	1 v. ETBU (11/9/12)	
Min 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5 v. HLU (11/17/12)

Dustin Adams

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 0	4, 2x, last vs. SLU (1/19/13)	
Reb 0	4 vs. SLU (1/19/13)	
FGM..... 0	2 vs. SLU (1/19/13)	
3FGM..... 0		0
FTM 0	4/6, 2x last vs. LeTourneau (12/31/12)	
Ast 0		0
Stl 0		0
Blk 0	1 vs. SLU (1/19/13)	
TO 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	1 v. HLU (11/17/12)
PF 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	2 v. SLU (1/9/13)
Min 3	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6 vs. SLU (1/19/13)

Marvin Frazier

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 5	5 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	11, 2x, last vs. SHSU (3/15/13)
Reb 9	9 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	9 vs. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
FGM..... 1/3	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 2x last at SFA (3/2/13)
3FGM..... 0/1	0	1 at Campbell (11/12/12)
FTM 3/3	3/3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5/5, 2x, last vs. SHSU (3/15/13)
Ast 0	0	3 vs. UCA (2/9/13)
Stl 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	3, 2x, last vs. UCA (2/9/13)
Blk 7	7 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 2x, last at Lamar (1/31/13)
TO 3	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	3 v. La Tech (12/4/12)
PF 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 4x last at Oral Roberts (1/10/13)
Min 14	14 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	21, 2x, last vs. McNeese (1/3/13)

Dadrian Harris

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6 v. A&M-Corpus Christi (3/7/13)
Reb 0	0	3, 2x, last v. A&M-CC (3/7/13)
FGM..... 1/2	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	2, 2x, last v. A&M-CC (3/7/13)
3FGM..... 0/1	0	2 v. A&M-CC (3/7/13)
FTM 0/0	0	0
Ast 0	0	1, 2x last vs. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Stl 0	0	0
Blk 0	0	0
TO 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	1, 8x, Last v. SHSU (3/9/13)
PF 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	2 at Nicholls (2/16/2013)
Min 6	6 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	12 vs. A&M-CC (3/7/13)



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DeQuan Hicks

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 17	17 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	28 at LSU (11/20/12)
Reb 10	10 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	13 at Sam Houston State (1/7/13)
FGM 6/15	6 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	12 at LSU (11/20/12)
3FGM 0/1		0
FTM 5/5	5 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	8 (of 10) at Texas A&M (11/26/12)
Ast 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 3x, last at Nicholls (2/16/13)
Stl 4	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4 at A&M-Corpus Christi (2/19/13)
Blk 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	3 vs. McNeese (1/3/13)
TO 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	8 v. Central Arkansas (2/9/13)
PF 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5, 2x, last at Arkansas (12/29/12)
Min 24	24 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	28 at Texas A&M (11/26/12)

Tra'von Joseph

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 9	9 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	NEWCOMER
Reb 6	6 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
FGM 4/6	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
3FGM 0/2		
FTM 1/1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Ast 0		
Stl 3	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Blk 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
TO 0		
PF 3	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Min 22	22 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	

Matt Killian

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4 v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Reb 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6 v. ETBU (11/9/12)
FGM 0/3		1, 3x last v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
3FGM 0/2		0
FTM 2/2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	2/2 v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Ast 0		3 v. A&M-Corpus Christi (3/7/13)
Stl 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	2 v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Blk 3	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	1 v. ETBU (11/9/12)
TO 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	1, 3x, last v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
PF 0		2, 2x, last at Lamar (1/31/13)
Min 14	14 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	16 v. ETBU (11/9/12)

Ryan King

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts DID		NEWCOMER
Reb NOT		
FGM PLAY		
3FGM		
FTM		
Ast		
Stl		
Blk		
TO		
PF		
Min		

Patrick Robinson

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts DID		13, 2x, last v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Reb NOT		7 v. Missouri Valley (12/17/11)
FGM PLAY		5 v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
3FGM		1, 10x last at SLU (2/14/13)
FTM		6/7 v. Campbell (2/18/12)
Stl		4, 3x last at Arkansas (12/29/12)
Ast		4, 4x last v. ETBU (11/9/12)
Blk		3, 2x, last v. HLU (11/17/12)
TO		4, 6x, last at Nicholls (2/16/13)
PF		5, 8x, last at Central Arkansas (1/12/13)
Min		29 v. McNeese St. (2/13/12)

Gary Stewart

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 4	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	19 at UCA (1/12/13)
Reb 7	7 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	8 v. Centenary (11/30/10)
FGM 1/7	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6, 3x, last at UCA (1/12/13)
3FGM 0/1		5/8 at UCA (1/12/13)
FTM 2/2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	8 v. Central Baptist (12/2/10)
Ast 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5, 2x last v. UALR (11/29/11)
Stl 0		4 at Louisiana-Monroe (12/15/11)
Blk 0		2, 2x, last at SLU (2/14/13)
TO 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 6x, last v. La Tech (12/4/12)
PF 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 3x, last v. SHSU (3/9/13)
Min 24	24 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	24 at Louisiana-Monroe (12/15/11)

Sabri Thompson

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 7	7 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	NEWCOMER
Reb 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
FGM 1/5	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
3FGM 0/2		
FTM 5/6	5 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Stl 0		
Ast 3	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Blk 0		
TO 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
PF 2	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Min 14	14 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	

Tyler Washington

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts 0		11 at Lamar (2/8/12)
Reb 0		4 at Lamar (2/18/12)
FGM 0/3		4 at Lamar (2/8/12)
3FGM 0/2		3 at Lamar (2/8/12)
FTM 0/0		3 at UT-Arlington (3/25/12)
Stl 0		3 v. A&M-Corpus Christi (2/4/12)
Ast 0		5 v. Nicholls (2/29/12)
Blk 0		1 v. A&M-Corpus Christi (2/4/12)
TO 1	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	3, 2x, last at UTSA (1/18/12)
PF 0		4, 2x, last at SFA (3/3/2012)
Min 14	14 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	23 at Lamar (2/18/12)



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Demon Trends

2012-13 2013-14

NSU RECORD...

In November	3-3	1-0
In December	3-1	
In January	7-2	
In February	6-1	
In March	3-2	

NSU vs. AP RANKED OPPONENTS...

At home	0-0
On the road	0-0
Neutral	0-1

NSU'S RECORD IN GAMES...

Decided by 5 pts or less	5-2
Decided by 10 pts or less	2-2
Decided by 11 pts or more	15-5 1-0
At night	11-7 1-0
During the day	10-1
Decided in Overtime	0-0
Televised	2-6

NSU'S RECORD WHEN SCORING...

Less than 60 points	1-1
60-69 points	2-4
70-79 points	4-3
80-89 points	8-0
90-99 points	3-1 1-0
100 or more points	4-0

NSU'S RECORD WHEN ALLOWING...

Less than 60 points	6-0
60-69 points	5-2
70-79 points	9-3 1-0
80-89 points	2-1
90-99 points	0-2
100 or more points	0-1

NSU'S RECORD WHEN...

Leading at the half	19-2 1-0
Trailing at the half	2-7
Tied at the half	1-0
Lead 10 minutes left	17-0 1-0
Trail 10 minutes left	4-8
Tied 10 minutes left	0-1
Lead 5 minutes left	17-1 1-0
Trail with 5 minutes left	3-8
Tied with 5 minutes left	1-0

NSU'S RECORD WHEN SHOOTING...

50% or higher	7-0
Less than 50%	15-9 1-0
Better than opponent	16-1 1-0
Worse than opponent	6-8
Even shooting	0-0
More 3PT FGs than opponent	11-2

NSU'S RECORD WHEN...

Outrebounding opponent	11-1
Outrebounded by opponent	9-6 1-0
Equal rebounds	2-2

NSU'S RECORD WHEN COMMITTING...

Fewer TO than opponent	15-3 1-0
More TO than opponent	7-3
Equal TO	0-2
15 or fewer TO	12-6

Jalan West

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts.....17.....	17 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	26 v. East Texas Baptist (11/9/12)
Reb.....1.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6 at LSU (11/20/12)
FGM.....6/12.....	6 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	11 v. East Texas Baptist (11/9/12)
3FGM.....0/2.....		4, 3x last v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
FTM.....5/5.....	5/5 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6/6 at LSU (11/20/12)
Ast.....3.....	3 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	12 v. Sam Houston State (3/9/13)
Stl.....4.....	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	7 v. Lamar(1/5/13)
Blk.....0.....		0
TO.....2.....	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5, 2x, last v. McNeese St. (1/3/13)
PF.....4.....	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5, 2x, last at TAMU (11/26/12)
Min.....22.....	22 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	36 at Arkansas (12/19/12)

Brisan White

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts.....12.....	12 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	20, 2x, last v. UCA (2/9/13)
Reb.....2.....	2 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 2x last at Arkansas (12/29/12)
FGM.....5/12.....	5 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	8, 2x, last v. UCA (2/9/13)
3FGM.....0/3.....		3 v. La Tech (12/4/12)
FTM.....2/4.....	2/4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	7/8 at Nicholls (2/16/13)
Ast.....1.....	5 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	5, 2x last v. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Stl.....2.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	6 v. UCA (2/9/13)
Blk.....0.....		1, 2x last at Texas A&M (11/26/12)
TO.....1.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4 v. SHSU (3/9/13)
PF.....1.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	4, 3x, last v. TAMU-CC (3/7/13)
Min.....23.....	23 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	24 at Nicholls (2/16/13)

Brandon Williams

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts.....		0
Reb.....		1, 5x last vs. SLU (1/19/13)
FGM.....		0
3FGM.....		0
FTM.....		0
Ast.....		0
Stl.....		2 vs. LeTourneau (12/31/12)
Blk.....		1 vs. East Texas Baptist (11/9/12)
TO.....		0
PF.....		2 v. Southeastern La (1/19/13)
Min.....		4 vs. East Texas Baptist (11/9/12)

Zikiteran Woodley

Last Game	Season High	Career High thru 2012-13
Pts.....17.....	17 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	NEWCOMER
Reb.....7.....	7 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
FGM.....6/9.....	6 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
3FGM.....0/0.....		
FTM.....5/7.....	5/7 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Ast.....1.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Stl.....1.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Blk.....1.....	1 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
TO.....4.....	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
PF.....4.....	4 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	
Min.....18.....	18 v. LeTourneau (11/8)	



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A "Demon" in the Rough - Mike McConathy

31st season in college coaching, 35th overall • 576-372 career record (.608) • 224-213 (.512) in 15 seasons at NSU

Times have changed with Coach Mike in charge

When he was hired as head coach at his father's alma mater in March 1999, Mike McConathy took the helm of a basketball program that was, to put it kindly, struggling.

Prior to Coach Mike's arrival, NSU had only five winning seasons in 24 years of NCAA Division I competition. The high points of modern-day Demon basketball before McConathy were a stunning upset win on Dec. 7, 1988 at Rupp Arena to hand Kentucky its first home-opening loss in 21 seasons, and a 1994 NCAA team scoring title. Five previous coaches, including a couple who had been highly successful elsewhere (Wayne Yates, J.D. Barnett), had been unable to establish sustained success.

Then, and now:

Then - 5 winning seasons in 24 years, 5 straight losing seasons going into 1999-2000

Now - 8 winning seasons in 14 years, including the last 3

Then - no 20-win seasons in 23 years of Division I membership; only one since 1960

Now - 3 20-win seasons in the last 10 years, back-to-back 20-win seasons in 2004-06; all-time best 26-8 mark in 2005-06

Then - No postseason tournament appearances

Now - 2-3 record in three NCAA Tournaments (2001, 2006, 2013)

Then - no conference championship in 13 seasons in the SLC, 3 seasons in the Gulf Star Conference and 3 in the Trans-America Conference

Now - Southland Conference regular-season crowns in 2005, 2006; SLC Tournament titles in 2001, 2006, 2013; 2007 SLC East Division championship

Then - no conference tournament championship game appearances

Now - 7 SLC Tournament championship game appearances in 11 tourney appearances (2000, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2013), with two wins (2001, 2006). Each of the losses came down to the final minute.

Then - attendance for NSU home games in Prater Coliseum was about 1,200 per game.

Now - in 14 home games in 2005-06, the Demons set an all-time record with an average of 2,340 fans. Four of the top five crowds in 45 seasons in Prather Coliseum, all exceeding seating capacity (baseline to baseline) of 3,400, have come under Coach Mike. Five 2,100-plus crowds watched the Demons play at home last season. A 2,703 crowd was in Prather on 12/4/12 and 2,832 vs. Nicholls on 1/17/13 was the season high. NSU averaged 1,742 per game at home in 2012-13. and had 1,612 in the 2013-14 season opener.

Then - no national television appearances, 4 regional television appearances

Now - 18 national telecasts (4 on CBS, 9 on ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNU, 2 on Big Ten Network, 3 on ESPN3), 26 more regional telecasts in 14 seasons, producing a total of 44 TV games.

Then - Demons had won 62% of their home games in 33 seasons in Prather Coliseum

Now - Demons have won 72% of their home games (134-

54) under Coach Mike, including a 38-7 (85%) record in the last three+ seasons.

Then - NSU's graduation rate for basketball was below par nationally

Now - The Demons have graduated nearly 90% of the seniors who have played under Coach Mike. NSU had a perfect NCAA APR (Academic Progress Rate) score last spring to earn its second "public recognition" among the NCAA's top 10% in that report (also 2006). Another strong score is projected in May.

Noteworthy on Coach Mike

- Three of his former assistant coaches, Dave Simmons (8th year, McNeese State), Mark Slessinger (3rd year, New Orleans) and Buzz Williams (6th year, Marquette) have become head coaches of Division I programs. Simmons and Williams were his two primary assistants in his first NCAA Tournament season (2000-01)
- He was the first Northwestern State head coach in any sport to receive a multiple-year contract, getting a four-year package at a base of \$99,000 per year in spring 2006 and having the package extended and upgraded in 2008 to \$125,000. Louisiana law requires one-year contracts for state employees unless guaranteed with private funds (or by elections!).
- His record includes 64 games played at a "power conference" foe, winning at Oklahoma State and Mississippi State
- UTEP head coach Tim Floyd and McConathy were roommates and teammates at Louisiana Tech, where they were recruited by future NBA head coach (Jazz, Bulls, Pistons) Scotty Robertson. Floyd and McConathy stay in contact.
- He is married to his college sweetheart. Connie McConathy, a former HS English teacher, manages the Bossier Parish Community College branch located on the NSU campus.
- His father, Johnny, starred for Northwestern in 1947-51 and was the No. 5 pick in the 1951 NBA Draft, going to Syracuse.
- He does a live pregame radio interview courtside on the Demon Sports Network. In the half hour before tipoff at home games, he doesn't sequester himself in the locker room or his office. He goes through the stands and into the booster room, greeting fans. He's also typically out visiting around the court pregame for road games.
- He is on the voting panel for the ESPN/USA Today coaches' Top 25 poll for the 6th straight season.
- A thoroughbred horse named for him, "Coach Mike," has won \$300,000 in the past 4 years. The horse is a filly and just like Coach Mike's teams, loves to run.





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McConathy's Magic

THE COACH

McConathy at Northwestern State

1999-00	17-13	Championship Game, CenturyTel SLC Classic; most wins at NSU in 18 years
2000-01	19-13	NCAA Tournament win; CenturyTel SLC Classic
2001-02	13-18	Win over NCAA Tournament entry Siena
2001-03	6-21	Youngest team in NCAA D-1; top 8 scorers freshmen
2003-04	11-17	Youngest Team in NCAA D-1; started 5-0 in SLC
2004-05	21-12	First SLC title; most wins since 1974; SLC Coach of the Year
2005-06	26-8	SLC title; SLC tourney title; NCAA First Round win
2006-07	17-15	SLC East Division title; SLC tourney finalist
2007-08	15-18	SLC Tournament finalist
2008-09	11-20	12 different starters
2009-10	10-19	Top 50 NCAA Rankings in blocks, steals, scoring
2010-11	18-14	2nd in SLC race, led nation in team blocks, 9th in steals
2011-12	16-16	Ranked 6th in blocks, 11th in steals per game
2012-13	23-9	SLC Tournament Champs, NCAA Tournament; became state's all-time career wins leader
15 seasons	224-213	Seven SLC Tournament title game appearances in the last 12 seasons

McConathy at Bossier Parish CC

1983-84	10-16	
1984-85	16-16	
1985-86	15-16	
1986-87	24-8	NJCAA Region 23 Tournament
1987-88	22-9	NJCAA Region 23 Tournament
1988-89	19-12	NJCAA Region 23 Tournament Semifinalist
1989-90	24-8	NJCAA Region 23 Tournament
1990-91	22-11	Miss-Lou champion; NJCAA Region 23 semis
1991-92	15-15	
1992-93	28-9	NJCAA Region 23 Tournament Semifinalist
1993-94	28-6	Miss-Lou; Region 23 champions; NJCAA tourney
1994-95	25-7	Miss-Lou champion; Region 23 runner-up
1995-96	23-9	Miss-Lou champion; Region 23 runner-up
1997-98	27-3	Miss-Lou champion; 3rd nationally in final NJCAA poll
1998-99	26-5	Miss Lou champion; 8th nationally in final NJCAA poll
16 seasons	352-159	won 69% of his games, including 79% in the last 7 years

- In 13 of his last 14 seasons, BPCC participated in the NJCAA Region 23 Tournament after finishing either first or second in the Miss-Lou Conference
- The Cavaliers won six straight Miss-Lou Conference championships from 1994-99
- BPCC won two NJCAA Region 23 championships
- The Cavaliers were NJCAA Region 23 finalist two more times
- Twice, Coach Mac led Bossier Parish to the NJCAA Tournament

THE PLAYER

Mike "Opie" McConathy

1973-74	12.3 ppg	Starter as a true freshman at Louisiana Tech
1974-75	16.8 ppg	All-Southland Conference, second team
1975-76	24.7 ppg	All-America, honorable mention; SLC Player of the Year; 13th leading scorer in NCAA D-1
1976-77	27.5 ppg	1st Team All-SLC; 7th leading scorer in D-1
Career	20.7 ppg	(98 games, 2,033 points)

Today he ranks 10th all-time in career scoring average in SLC history

Tied Louisiana Tech single-game scoring record with 47 vs. Lamar, 2/23/76 (14-21 FGs, 19-20 FTs)

Set Prather Coliseum single-game scoring record with 45 vs. NSU, 12/11/76 (16-26 FGs, 13-15 FTs)

Scored 41 points vs. East Tennessee State, 11/29/76 (11-23 FGs, 11-16 FTs)

Scored 41 points vs. NSU, 2/28/77 (14-23 FGs, 13-14 FTs)

Scored 41 points vs. McNeese, 2/24/77 (15-25 FGs, 13-16 FTs)

Scored 40 points vs. Lamar, 2/13/75 (15-25 FGs, 10-11 FTs)

Holds school records for free throws made in a game (19 vs. Lamar, 2/23/76), season (200, 1976-77) and career (465), and most free throw attempts in a season (246, 1976-77)

Holds school record by hitting 16 of 16 free throws vs. Southern Mississippi, 2/9/77

Chosen to play in Big Apple Classic, New York City, 1977

Drafted by Chicago Bulls, 1977, fourth round of NBA Draft

Signed at La. Tech by Scotty Robertson, future NBA head coach, assistant coach and scout

Coached by Emmitt Hendricks, who was the owner of Nicky's Mexican Restaurant in Natchitoches before his death

Inducted in the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Foundation Hall of Fame for his playing career at Airline and in college

Inducted in the Louisiana Tech Athletic Hall of Fame in 2011

"Mike is remarkably relaxed in this pressure cooker. You can tell his players hold a reverence toward him. If you didn't meet him, you'd think he was too good to be true. He's a quality human being, more concerned about his kids getting through school and doing well in life than anything else, and they know it"

-- **Bill Raftery, CBS Sports**
2006 NCAA Tournament

"I've seen and coached a lot of athletes down through the years but even today I can say that Mike McConathy is the most dedicated athlete I have ever been around. He was unrelenting in his drive to improve. He would often wear ankle weights, and he was constantly jumping rope. Even after practice, many nights he would return to the gym, calling a manager to come shag balls for him as he shot and shot and shot to improve. It was obvious to me early on that Mike was going to be a special player, but it was definitely his work ethic that set him apart over the course of his career."

-- **college teammate, Cal-Riverside**
head coach Jim Woolridge

"I have never seen the drive Mike had in any other player on any level. Looking back, I realize that the things we coaches try to emphasize each day to our players are the things that Mike did back then. He was completely self-made and his numbers each year reflected how hard he was working. He could have started for North Carolina, UCLA or anybody else."

-- **college teammate, now UTEP**
head coach Tim Floyd

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics
LeTourneau vs Northwestern State
11/08/13 at Natchitoches, La. (Prather Coliseum)

LeTourneau 76 • 0-0

##	Player	*	Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
03	Chris Hynes	*	3-7	0-1	4-4	2	0	2	3	10	3	3	0	2	28
04	Jake Kennedy	*	5-8	0-0	0-1	3	2	5	5	10	2	1	0	0	18
23	Ladaria Brown	*	5-17	1-7	3-5	2	6	8	1	14	1	5	0	0	26
34	Justin Jones	*	6-16	0-2	1-1	10	9	19	1	13	2	4	1	2	29
44	Chad Williams	*	3-10	0-0	1-2	3	4	7	3	7	0	2	0	1	16
01	Kurt Morris		2-5	0-3	0-0	2	0	2	2	4	1	2	0	1	10
02	Josh Thornton		3-7	2-4	0-1	2	2	4	3	8	1	2	0	0	18
11	Aaron Frizell		2-4	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	3	4	0	3	0	1	9
14	Lane Scruggs		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
15	Austin Horton		2-10	2-8	0-0	0	3	3	2	6	3	1	0	1	14
32	Ben Jacobson		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
33	Cameron Ransome		0-5	0-2	0-0	2	3	5	3	0	3	0	1	1	15
35	Antione Ross		0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	9
40	Giovanny Thompson		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Team						4	0	4							
Totals			31-92	5-28	9-14	32	32	64	27	76	16	25	3	10	200

FG % 1st Half: 15-42 35.7% 2nd half: 16-50 32.0% Game: 31-92 33.7%
 3FG % 1st Half: 3-12 25.0% 2nd half: 2-16 12.5% Game: 5-28 17.9%
 FT % 1st Half: 1-2 50.0% 2nd half: 8-12 66.7% Game: 9-14 64.3%

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			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
00	Joseph, Tra'von	*	4-6	0-2	1-1	1	5	6	3	9	0	0	2	3	22
12	West, Jalan	*	6-12	0-2	5-5	0	1	1	4	17	3	2	0	4	22
22	White, Brison	*	5-12	0-3	2-4	2	0	2	1	12	1	1	0	2	23
32	Hicks, DeQuan	*	6-15	0-1	5-5	6	4	10	1	17	2	1	2	4	24
44	Stewart, Gary	*	1-7	0-1	2-2	2	5	7	1	4	2	1	0	0	24
01	Adams, Dustin		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
02	Washington, Tyler		0-3	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	14
03	Adams, Austin		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
13	Killian, Matt		0-3	0-2	2-2	0	2	2	0	2	0	1	3	1	14
20	Harris, Dadrian		1-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	6
21	Thompson, Sabri		1-5	0-2	5-6	1	1	2	2	7	3	2	0	0	14
23	Woodley, Zikiteran		6-9	0-0	5-7	4	3	7	4	17	1	4	1	1	18
40	Frazier, Marvin		1-3	0-1	3-3	0	9	9	1	5	0	3	7	1	14
Team						2	2	4							
Totals			31-78	0-17	30-35	18	32	50	19	92	12	18	15	16	200

FG % 1st Half: 14-41 34.1% 2nd half: 17-37 45.9% Game: 31-78 39.7%
 3FG % 1st Half: 0-11 0.0% 2nd half: 0-6 0.0% Game: 0-17 0.0%
 FT % 1st Half: 11-12 91.7% 2nd half: 19-23 82.6% Game: 30-35 85.7%

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Officials: Buddy Daughdrill, Doug George, Steven Chiara
 Technical fouls: LeTourneau-None. Northwestern State-None.
 Attendance: 1612

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
LeTourneau	34	42	76
Northwestern State	39	53	92