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2021-22 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FIGHTING ILLINI BASKETBALL

Big Ten/ACC Challenge // Game 7 // #14AP/15 Illinois (4-2) vs. Notre Dame (3-2)
Nov. 29, 2021 // 8 p.m. CT // Champaign, Ill. // State Farm Center

TV: ESPN2 – Jason Benetti (Play-by-Play), Robbie Hummel (Analyst)
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ILLINOIS 2021-22 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	TV
November (4-2)			
9	**JACKSON STATE**	**W, 71-47**	**BTN**
12	**ARKANSAS STATE**	**W, 92-53**	**B1G+**
15	at Marquette [1]	L, 66-67	FS1
22	vs. Cincinnati [2]	L, 51-71	ESPNEWS
23	vs. Kansas State [2]	W, 72-64	ESPNEWS
26	**UT RIO GRANDE VALLEY**	**W, 94-85**	**B1G+**
29	**NOTRE DAME [3]**	**8 p.m.**	**ESPN2**
December (0-0)			
3	**RUTGERS**	**6 p.m.**	**ESPN2**
6	at Iowa	6 p.m.	FS1
11	**ARIZONA**	**4 p.m.**	**FOX**
18	**SAINT FRANCIS (PA.)**	**12 p.m.**	**BTN**
22	vs. Missouri [4]	8 p.m.	BTN
29	**FLORIDA A&M**	**8 p.m.**	**BTN**
January (0-0)			
2	at Minnesota	5 p.m.	BTN
6	**#20 MARYLAND**	**6 p.m.**	**ESPN2**
11	at Nebraska	7:30 p.m.	BTN
14	**#4 MICHIGAN**	**8 p.m.**	**FS1**
17	**#6 PURDUE**	**11 a.m.**	**FOX**
21	at #20 Maryland	6 p.m.	FS1
25	**MICHIGAN STATE**	**6 p.m.**	**ESPN/2**
29	at Northwestern	3:30 p.m.	BTN
February (0-0)			
2	**WISCONSIN**	**8 p.m.**	**BTN**
5	at Indiana	11 a.m.	ESPN/2
10	at #6 Purdue	8 p.m.	ESPN/2
13	**NORTHWESTERN**	**1 p.m.**	**BTN**
16	at Rutgers	6 p.m.	BTN
19	at Michigan State	1:30 p.m.	FOX
24	**#19 OHIO STATE**	**8 p.m.**	**FS1**
27	at #4 Michigan	1 p.m.	CBS
March (0-0)			
3	**PENN STATE**	**6 p.m.**	**FS1**
6	**IOWA**	**6:30 p.m.**	**FS1**
9-13	at Big Ten Tournament [5]		

All Times Listed are Central
Remaining time and TV info. released when available
BOLD - State Farm Center, Champaign, Ill.
[1] – Gavitt Tipoff Games
[2] – Hall of Fame Classic, T-Mobile Center, Kansas City
[3] – Big Ten/ACC Challenge
[4] – McBride Homes Braggin' Rights, Enterprise Center, St. Louis
[5] – Gainbridge Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

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PROBABLE STARTERS (FROM THE LAST GAME)

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	APG	Note
G	20	Da'Monte Williams	6-3	215	Sr.	3.7	7.2	2.5	Career-high 8 assists vs UTRGV
G	11	Alfonso Plummer	6-1	180	Gr.	12.7	2.0	0.8	25.5 ppg over the last two games
G	22	Austin Hutcherson	6-6	190	Gr.	3.7	2.7	0.7	Made UI debut Nov. 22 vs Cincinnati
F	33	Coleman Hawkins	6-10	215	So.	10.7	6.2	2.7	Leads team in steals (9) and blocks (8)
C	21	Kofi Cockburn	7-0	285	Jr.	26.3	10.0	1.0	Shooting 71.4% from the field (30-42)

OFF THE BENCH

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	APG	Note
G	0	Brandin Podziemski	6-5	200	Fr.	0.3	0.8	0.5	2021 Wisconsin Mr. Basketball
G	1	Trent Frazier	6-2	175	Sr.	8.8	2.8	2.3	Game-high 23 pts (6 treys) at Marquette
F	2	Connor Serven	6-9	235	So.	0.0	0.0	0.0	Team's lone walkon in second season
G/F	3	Jacob Grandison	6-6	210	Gr.	10.8	4.2	1.2	UI career-high 20 pts vs Jackson St.
F	4	Omar Payne	6-10	240	Jr.	3.0	2.0	0.2	7 points & 5 rebounds at Marquette
G	5	Andre Curbelo	6-1	175	So.	9.3	4.3	5.5	Leads nation in assist rate (50.2)
G	10	Luke Goode	6-7	200	Fr.	3.8	3.0	0.5	2021 Indiana first-team All-State
C	12	Brandon Lieb	7-0	220	So.	1.3	1.0	0.3	Career-high 4 pts vs Arkansas St.
F	13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk	6-8	235	r-So.	2.5	4.7	1.5	Career-high 6 assists vs UTRGV
G	15	RJ Melendez	6-7	205	Fr.	3.8	1.8	0.3	2021 Florida SIAA Player of the Year

HEAD COACH BRAD UNDERWOOD

Career Record: 184-85 (.684), 9th year
At Illinois: 75-58 (.564), 5th year

SERIES NOTES VS. NOTRE DAME

Record: Illinois leads 27-15
Streak: Notre Dame W-3
Record in Champaign: Illinois leads 12-2
Last Meeting: Notre Dame 76, Illinois 74 (11/27/2018 at South Bend)
Last Meeting in Champaign: Notre Dame 84, Illinois 79, (12/2/2015)
Underwood vs. Notre Dame at Illinois / All-Time: 0-1 / 0-2

Opening Tips

- Two of the top 15 winningest teams in college basketball history meet on Monday night, as Illinois (1,839 wins, 15th) hosts Notre Dame (1,918 victories, 8th) in the 23rd annual Big Ten/ACC Challenge.
- The Illini carry an eight-game winning streak at State Farm Center.
- Illinois has had five different starting lineups through six games.
- Illinois has outrebounded five of six opponents and ranks seventh in the NCAA in rebound margin at +13.5 rpg.
- Illinois ranks fifth nationally in offensive rebound percentage (40.8) and 14th in average (14.8 orpg).
- Illinois has held all six opponents to less than 48% shooting.
- Illinois is shooting 44.4% from 3-point land over the last two games while making an average of 10.0 threes (20-45), compared to 23.9% the previous three games with an average of 5.6 makes (17-71).
- Preseason All-American/Big Ten Player of the Year **Kofi Cockburn** is the nation's leading scorer, averaging 26.3 points. He is coming off a career-high 38 points vs. UT Rio Grande Valley.
- **Cockburn** is one of four players nationally averaging at least 20 points and 10 rebounds.
- **Cockburn** has 30 career double-doubles, tied for the NCAA lead among active players since 2019-20.
- **Alfonso Plummer** is averaging 25.5 points over the last two games, shooting 65% from 3-point range. He drained seven threes vs. Kansas State (one shy of Illini record), then had six treys vs. UTRGV.
- **Da'Monte Williams** is averaging 8.5 rebounds over the last four games.

2021-22 ILLINOIS NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	Notable
0	Brandin Podziemski	G	6-5	200	Fr.	Muskego, Wis.	2021 Wisconsin Mr. Basketball & Wisconsin Gatorade Player of the Year
1	Trent Frazier	G	6-2	175	Sr.	Wellington, Fla.	Four-year starter enters fifth season No. 19 on UI career scoring list
2	Connor Serven	F	6-9	235	Fr.	Bushnell, Ill.	Turned down Div. II scholarship offers to walk on at Illinois
3	Jacob Grandison	G/F	6-6	210	Sr.	Oakland, Calif.	Averaged 6.2 ppg & 4.2 rpg in 16 games as starter (UI record 14-2)
4	Omar Payne	F	6-10	240	Jr.	Kissimmee, Fla.	Averaged 3.8 pts, 3.2 reb & 1.2 blk last season at Florida
5	Andre Curbelo	G	6-1	175	So.	Vega Baja, Puerto Rico	2021 Big Ten Sixth Man of the Year & Big Ten All-Freshman Team
10	Luke Goode	G	6-7	200	Fr.	Fort Wayne, Ind.	Winningest player and No. 2 all-time leading scorer at Homestead H.S.
11	Alfonso Plummer	G	6-1	180	Gr.	Fajardo, Puerto Rico	64 threes last year at Utah, leading Pac-12 with 2.6 made per game
12	Brandon Lieb	C	7-0	220	So.	Deerfield, Ill.	Played in five games last season as true freshman
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk	F	6-8	235	r-So.	Lommel, Belgium	Belgian power forward played on youth team of BC Oostende
15	RJ Melendez	G	6-7	205	Fr.	Arecibo, Puerto Rico	2021 Sunshine Independent Athletic Association Player of the Year
20	Da'Monte Williams	G	6-3	215	Sr.	Peoria, Ill.	Led NCAA in 3FG% last season (min. 2 att/g) at 54.7%
21	Kofi Cockburn	C	7-0	285	Jr	Kingston, Jamaica	2021 NCAA Consensus Second-Team All-American
22	Austin Hutcherson	G	6-6	190	Gr.	New York, N.Y.	Led NESCAC in scoring as Weseleyan sophomore in 2019 at 20.0 ppg
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	6-10	215	So.	Sacramento, Calif.	Illini's most improved player in offseason

Richmond Family Endowed Men's Head Basketball Coach: Brad Underwood (5th year at Illinois, 9th year overall)
Assistant Coaches: Geoff Alexander (5th year), Tim Anderson (1st year), Chester Frazier (1st year)
Assistant to the Head Coach: Zach Hamer (3rd year)
Strength & Conditioning Coach: Adam Fletcher (7th year)
Assistant Athletic Director: Joey Biggs (5th year)
Director of Recruiting and Scouting: Tyler Underwood (1st year)
Video Coordinator: Patrick Bittle (1st year)
Athletic Trainer: Paul Schmidt (10th year)
Director of Branding and Creative Media: Courtney Bay (1st year)
Graduate Managers: Bobby Gikas (1st year) & Marcus Anderson (1st year)

Pronunciation		Pronunciation	
KOFI COCKBURN	KO-fee KO-burn	Brandin PODZIEMSKI	pod-JIM-skee
Andre CURBELO	kur-BELL-oh	DA'MONTE Williams	da-MON-tay
Luke GOODE	GOOD-ee	Zach HAMER	HAY-mer
Brandon LIEB	LEEB		

RETURNING FOR THE ILLINI IN 2021-22

Category	20-21	Returning	Lost	Return Pct.
Minutes	6,275	3,973	2,302	63.3%
Points	2,497	1,499	998	60.0%
Field Goals	909	536	373	59.0%
3-Pt. FGs	203	115	88	56.7%
Free Throws	476	312	164	65.5%
Rebounds	1,239	799	357	69.1%
Assists	506	321	185	63.4%
Blocks	87	69	18	79.3%
Steals	176	120	56	68.2%

RETURNING ILLINI LEADERS

Category	Player	Stat	20-21 Rank
Minutes	Trent Frazier	1,039	1st
Min./Game	Trent Frazier	33.5	2nd
Points	Kofi Cockburn	548	2nd
Points/Game	Kofi Cockburn	17.7	2nd
Field Goals	Kofi Cockburn	214	1st
FG Pct.	Kofi Cockburn	.654	1st
3-Pt. FGs	Trent Frazier	55	1st
3-Pt. FG Pct.	Da'Monte Williams	.547	1st
Free Throws	Kofi Cockburn	120	1st
FT Pct.	Jacob Grandison	.957	1st
Off. Reb.	Kofi Cockburn	105	1st
Def. Reb.	Kofi Cockburn	188	1st
Tot. Reb.	Kofi Cockburn	293	1st
Reb./Game	Kofi Cockburn	9.5	1st
Assists	Andre Curbelo	129	2nd
Blocks	Kofi Cockburn	40	1st
Steals	Trent Frazier	39	1st

Illinois-Notre Dame Series History
Two Midwest programs located 200 miles apart are playing for only the fourth time since 1973, but the 43rd time overall. Illinois leads the all-times series 27-15, but Notre Dame has won the last three games. The Illini are 12-2 in games played in Champaign, but the Irish were victorious in their last visit to State Farm Center for the 2015 Big Ten/ACC Challenge.

Brad Underwood, meanwhile, has been involved in a pair of heartbreaking losses to Mike Brey's Irish.

Stephen F. Austin played a memorable game against Notre Dame in the second round of the 2016 NCAA Tournament during Underwood's final season. The 14th-seeded Lumberjacks led late before the No. 6-seed Irish won 76-75 on a tip-in with 1.5 seconds left to advance to the Sweet 16.

During Underwood's second UI season, the Illini trailed by 12 points with five minutes remaining before battling back in South Bend. Trent Frazier's 3-point attempt looked on target but spun out of the rim at the buzzer, preserving a 76-74 Notre Dame victory in the 2018 Big Ten/ACC Challenge.

Notes from the Last Time Out: #14 Illinois 94, UT Rio Grande Valley 85
• Illinois shot 62.3% from the field, its best performance since making 64.3% vs. Hampton on 11/23/19.

• **Kofi Cockburn** set a career high in scoring, pouring in 38 points on 15-of-19 shooting with 8-of-11 from the foul line. His 15 field goals also were a career high.

• It marked the second 30-point game of **Cockburn**'s career, eclipsing his previous career bests set last season when he had 33 points on 12-15 FG vs. Minnesota (12/15/20).

• It was the most points by an Illini player since Malcolm Hill scored 40 vs. Northern Kentucky on 11/13/16.

• **Cockburn**'s 38 are the second-most points without a 3-point field goal in the NCAA this season behind Indiana's Trayce Jackson-Davis (43 vs. Marshall, 11/24).

• **Cockburn** moved up to No. 49 on the UI all-time scoring list with 1,040 career points.

• **Cockburn** recorded his second straight double-double and 30th of his career, grabbing a game-high 10 rebounds to go along with his 38 points.

• **Cockburn** is just the second player in the NCAA this season to have a game with at least 38 points and 10 boards, joining Mercer's Felipe Haase (41 pts & 10 reb at Winthrop, 11/13).

Ticket Information
Illinois men's basketball tickets are still available for the majority of games and can be purchased online at fightingillini.com or by phone at 1-866-ILLINI-1. The Arizona (Dec. 11) and Michigan (Jan. 14) games are sold out, with Senior Night vs. Iowa (March 6) also approaching a sellout.

ILLINI RECORD UNDER BRAD UNDERWOOD

	2021-22	Total
Plays at home	3-0	50-17
Plays on the road	0-1	17-29
Plays at neutral site	1-1	8-12
Plays at United Center	0-0	1-3
Big Ten record	0-0	40-38
Big Ten at home	0-0	24-14
Big Ten on the road	0-0	15-23
Big Ten at neutral site	0-0	1-1
When ranked (AP)	4-2	33-14
Plays a ranked (AP) opponent	0-0	13-21
Plays a Top-10 (AP) opponent	0-0	9-8
Wins the game before	2-1	45-27
Loses the game before	1-1	25-30
Leading at the half	4-0	59-18
Tied at the half	0-0	4-1
Trailing at the half	0-2	12-39
Shoots 45% or better	3-0	51-15
Shoots less than 45%	1-2	24-42
Opp. shoots less than 45%	3-2	62-13
Opp. shoots 45% or better	1-0	13-45
Shoots better/same than opp.	4-0	65-7
Shoots worse than opp.	0-2	10-52
Shoots more/same FT than opp.	3-1	53-18
Shoots fewer FT than opp.	1-1	21-41
Makes more/same FT than opp.	3-0	53-14
Makes fewer FT than opp.	1-2	18-45
Grabs more/same reb. than opp.	4-1	57-25
Grabs fewer rebounds than opp.	0-1	18-33
Scores more/same bench pts than opp.	2-0	56-30
Scores fewer bench pts than opp.	2-2	19-28
Has fewer/equal turnovers than opp.	3-0	42-34
Has more turnovers than opp.	1-2	33-24
Scores 70 or more points	4-0	62-21
Has 15+ assists	3-0	43-18
Has a 20+ point scorer	3-1	42-27
Wears white uniforms	2-0	25-11
Wears orange uniforms	2-2	22-12
Wears blue uniforms	0-0	2-20
Wears orange throwback uniforms	0-0	16-10
Wears white throwback uniforms	0-0	7-4
NCAA Tournament	0-0	1-1
Big Ten Tournament	0-0	4-2
In November	4-2	21-9
In December	0-0	13-14
In January	0-0	15-15
In February	0-0	16-15
In March	0-0	10-5
Plays during the day	0-0	26-16
Plays at night (5 pm or after start)	4-2	49-42
Overtime	0-0	6-4
Margin is 5 points or less	0-1	21-14
Margin is 6-10 points	2-0	16-24
Margin is 11-20 points	0-1	18-15
Margin is more than 20	2-0	20-5
Scores 59 points or less	0-1	2-11
Scores 60-69 points	0-1	11-26
Scores 70-79 points	2-0	31-13
Scores 80-89 points	0-0	11-6
Scores 90-99 points	2-0	16-2
Scores 100+ points	0-0	4-0
On CBS	0-0	2-1
On ESPN	0-0	5-4
On FOX	0-0	2-1
On ESPN2	0-0	4-6
On BTN	1-0	36-22
On FS1	0-1	6-16
On ESPNU	0-0	4-4
On ESPNEWS	1-1	1-1
On TBS	0-0	1-0
On CBSSN	0-0	0-0
On B1G+	2-0	13-1

• **Alfonso Plummer** scored a season-high 30 points, draining six 3-pointers.

• **Plummer**'s six treys vs. UTRGV followed his seven triples on Tuesday vs. Kansas State. His combined 13 threes are third-most in consecutive games in Illini history.

• **Cockburn** (38) and **Plummer (**30) gave Illinois two 30-point scorers in the same game for the first time since 12/3/90, when Andy Kaufmann had 46 and Deon Thomas had 34 in a double overtime game vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

• **Da'Monte Williams** set a career high with eight assists.

• **Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk** had a career-high six assists in 12 minutes.

• **Austin Hutcherson** earned his first career start with the Fighting Illini.

• Illinois was without three starters for the game: **Andre Curbelo**, **Trent Frazier**, and **Jacob Grandison**.

Double-Double Machine

Kofi Cockburn has two double-doubles in three games to start his junior campaign. He continues to post double-doubles with regularity, setting the Illini freshman record with 12, then ranking third in the NCAA last season with 16. He now has 30 for his career, ranking seventh on the Illinois career list and tied for first among active players in the NCAA since the start of the 2019-20 season:

Kofi Cockburn, Illinois	**30**
Justin Bean, Utah State	30
James Butler, Drexel	30

1000-Point Club

Kofi Cockburn's basket with 1:27 left in the win over Kansas State was memorable not only because it was a rare face-up jumper for the center, but also because it marked his 1,000th career point. Cockburn became the 52nd player in Illini history to join the 1,000-point club.

TOP 25 NATIONAL RANKINGS

ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL (NOV. 22)

Rk.	School	Record	Points	Previous
1.	Gonzaga (55)	4-0	1,515	1
2.	UCLA (5)	4-0	1,443	2
3.	*Purdue (1)*	*5-0*	*1,391*	*6*
4.	Kansas	3-0	1,354	3
5.	Duke	5-0	1,225	7
6.	Baylor	4-0	1,154	9
7.	Villanova	3-2	1,090	5
8.	Texas	3-1	1,083	8
9.	Memphis	4-0	1,002	11
10.	Alabama	4-0	880	14
10.	Kentucky	3-1	880	13
12.	Houston	3-0	861	15
13.	*Arkansas*	*3-0*	*754*	*16*
14.	**ILLINOIS**	**2-1**	**624**	**10**
15.	Tennessee	3-1	558	17
16.	St. Bonaventure	5-0	517	22
17.	*Arizona*	*5-0*	*474*	-
18.	BYU	4-0	449	-
19.	Auburn	3-0	374	21
20.	*Michigan*	*3-2*	*367*	*4*
21.	Seton Hall	3-0	363	-
22.	Connecticut	4-0	342	23
23.	Florida	3-0	294	24
24.	USC	3-0	138	25
25.	Xavier	4-0	102	-

COACHES POLL (NOV. 22)

Rk.	School	Record	Points	Previous
1.	Gonzaga (30)	4-0	797	1
2.	UCLA (2)	4-0	751	2
3.	Kansas	3-0	725	4
4.	*Purdue*	*5-0*	*691*	*3*
5.	Baylor	4-0	635	6
6.	Duke	5-0	624	5
7.	Villanova	3-2	546	7
8.	Texas	3-1	479	8
9.	Alabama	4-0	472	10
10.	Memphis	4-0	441	9
11.	Houston	3-0	431	12
12.	*Arkansas*	*3-0*	*357*	*13*
13.	*Michigan*	*3-2*	*356*	*20*
13.	Kentucky	3-1	356	10
15.	**ILLINOIS**	**2-1**	**321**	**14**
16.	St. Bonaventure	5-0	261	16
17.	Tennessee	3-1	226	15
18.	BYU	4-0	205	18
19.	*Arizona*	*5-0*	*204*	*17*
20.	Seton Hall	3-0	187	21
21.	Connecticut	4-0	183	22
22.	Auburn	3-0	174	19
23.	Oregon	2-1	168	-
24.	Florida	3-0	162	23
25.	USC	3-0	92	24

ILLINI WEEK-BY-WEEK RANKINGS

	AP	Coaches		AP	Coaches
Preseason	11	10	Jan. 17		
Nov. 15	10	N/A	Jan. 24		
Nov. 22	14	15	Jan. 31		
Nov. 29			Feb. 7		
Dec. 6			Feb. 14		
Dec. 13			Feb. 21		
Dec. 20			Feb. 28		
Dec. 27			March 7		
Jan. 3			March 14		
Jan. 10					

ILLINOIS NOTES IN THE BIG TEN/ACC CHALLENGE

Big Ten/ACC Challenge Notes

• Illinois is 9-13 all-time in the Challenge. The Illini's nine victories are tied for the sixth-most wins by any Big Ten team in the event *(excludes Maryland).*

• After winning at No. 10 Duke last year, Illinois is looking for consecutive wins in the Challenge for the first time since claiming four in a row from 2009 through 2012.

• Illinois is looking for its first home victory in the Challenge since defeating N.C. State in 2016.

• Illinois and Notre Dame are meeting for the third time in the Challenge. The Irish won both previous match-ups, 84-79 in 2015 in Champaign, and 76-74 in 2018 in South Bend.

• Illinois is ranked for the second-straight year in the Challenge, and 12th time overall.

Illinois By the Numbers in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge
Record: 9-13
Current streak: W-1
At home: 5-4
On the road: 4-6
At neutral sites: 0-3
When ranked: 6-5
When unranked: 3-8
When playing a ranked opponent: 4-6
When playing an unranked opponent: 5-7
When both teams are ranked: 3-5
When neither team is ranked: 2-7
Longest winning streak: 4 (2009-12)
Longest losing streak: 3, four times (1999-2001, 2006-08, 2013-15, 2017-19)
Largest winning margin: 27 points (2002 vs. North Carolina)
Smallest winning margin: 2 points (2009 at Clemson)
Largest losing margin: 13 points (2001 at Maryland)
Smallest losing margin: 1 point (2000 vs. Duke)

Here is a look back at Illinois' previous games in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge:

Nov. 30, 1999 // #17 Duke 72, #16 Illinois 69 // United Center, Chicago
No. 16 Illinois shot just 34 percent from the field in dropping a three-point decision to No. 17 Duke at the United Center. Duke's Chris Carrawell led all scorers with 21 points while Frank Williams and Cory Bradford led the Illini with 14 each.

Nov. 28, 2000 // #1 Duke 78, #9 Illinois 77 // Greensboro (N.C.) Coliseum
Turnovers cost the No. 9 Fighting Illini a chance at knocking off No. 1 Duke as Illinois committed 26 turnovers in a one-point loss to the Blue Devils at Greensboro, N.C. Illinois controlled the glass, outrebounding Duke 42-27. Frank Williams led the Illini with 19 points while Jason Williams led Duke with a game-high 23 points and Mike Dunleavy scored 21.

Nov. 27, 2001 // #5 Maryland 76, #2 Illinois 63 // College Park, Md.
No. 5 Maryland won its 80th consecutive home game against non-conference opponents in the final season at Cole Field House, handing No. 2 Illinois its first loss of the season. Juan Dixon led all scorers with 25 points while Chris Wilcox scored 19. Blandon Ferguson scored 11 points off the bench to lead the Illini.

Dec. 3, 2002 // #25 Illinois 92, #12 North Carolina 65 // Champaign, Ill.
No. 25 Illinois won its first Challenge game with a 27-point rout of No. 12 North Carolina in Champaign. Seniors Brian Cook and Sean Harrington led the way for the Illini. Cook scored a game-high 22 points with eight rebounds and five assists. Harrington came off the bench to nail six 3-pointers and finish with 20 points and five steals. Sean May led UNC with 21 points.

Dec. 2, 2003 // #10 North Carolina 88, #11 Illinois 81 // Greensboro (N.C.) Coliseum
No. 10 North Carolina outlasted No. 11 Illinois to claim a seven-point victory at the Greensboro Coliseum. Illinois trailed by just one point late, 79-78, but could not stop Carolina down the stretch. Sean May scored a game-high 23 points while Rashad McCants added 20 for the Tar Heels. Deron Williams led the Illini with 22 points and Roger Powell added 20.

Dec. 1, 2004 // #5 Illinois 91, #1 Wake Forest 73 // Champaign, Ill.
No. 5 Illinois recorded its second win in school history over a top-ranked opponent, blowing past No. 1 Wake Forest in Champaign. Roger Powell was one of four Illini in double figures, scoring a game-high 19 points on 8-of-10 shooting. Dee Brown and Luther Head each scored 16 and Deron Williams dished out 11 assists to go along with eight points. Illinois came out of the game strong, was ahead 54-33 at halftime and led by as many as 32 points in the second half. Eric Williams led Wake Forest with 18 points. Following its victory, Illinois took over the No. 1 ranking in the polls and held that spot for the remainder of the regular season.

Nov. 29, 2005 // #12 Illinois 68, North Carolina 64 // Chapel Hill, N.C.
In a rematch of the 2005 NCAA Championship game, Illinois topped North Carolina to end the Tar Heels' 21-game winning streak at the Dean Smith Center. Dee Brown led the Illini with 14 points while James Augustine recorded a double-double with 14 points and game-high 13 rebounds, which included six offensive boards. Tyler Hansbrough scored a game-high 17 points for UNC.

Nov. 28, 2006 // #23 Maryland 72, Illinois 66 // Champaign, Ill.
No. 23 Maryland defeated Illinois by six points, breaking the Illini's 51-game home-court winning streak over non-conference opponents. Mike Jones had a game-high 19 points while Greivis Vasques added 17 points off the bench. Shaun Pruitt led the Illini with a double-double of 18 points and 11 rebounds, while Warren Carter also had a double-double, tallying 13 points and 11 boards.

Nov. 28, 2007 // Maryland 69, Illinois 61 // College Park, Md.
In a back-and-forth game that featured nine ties and 15 lead changes, Maryland went on a key 10-2 run midway through the second half to open up a 49-44 advantage. Illinois cut it to two late, but the Terrapins made 7-of-8 from the free throw line in the final minute to seal the win. Eric Hayes scored a game-high 18 points while James Gist added 12 points and nine rebounds for the Terps. Calvin Brock led the Illini with 13 points and seven rebounds, and Shaun Pruitt finished with 10 points and eight boards.

Dec. 2, 2008 // Clemson 76, Illinois 74 // Champaign, Ill.
The Illini dropped a two-point heartbreaker at home to Clemson. After the Illini led at halftime and for much of the second half, Clemson went on a 9-1 run to go up by five with two minutes remaining. Illinois made it a one-possession game and had the ball with a chance to win or force overtime, but the Illini could not get a shot off before the buzzer. Mike Davis erupted for a career-high 28 points while Demetri McCamey scored 20. Many of the baskets came courtesy of Chester Frazier, who dished out a career-high 12 assists. Demontez Stitt was one of four Clemson players to score in double figures, leading the Tigers with 18 points. Trevor Booker added 16 points and eight rebounds.

Dec. 2, 2009 // Illinois 76, #18 Clemson 74 // Clemson, S.C.
Illinois trailed by as many as 23 points early in the second half before pulling off the biggest comeback in school history to defeat 18th-ranked Clemson on its homecourt. The Illini trailed 60-41 with 14:35 left but then went on a remarkable 22-1 run in less than six minutes to take a 63-61 lead with 8:47 remaining. Mike Tisdale hit a driving layup to put the Illini up 75-74 with 41 seconds left. Tisdale then blocked a shot on the defensive end and Brandon Paul hit one free throw with :8.4 remaining to make it a 2-point lead. Demontez Stitt missed a runner on Clemson's final possession. Mike Davis led the Illini with a game-high 22 points on 9-of-11 shooting and nine rebounds while Brandon Paul scored 20. Stitt led the Tigers with 15 points.

Nov. 30, 2010 // #20 Illinois 79, North Carolina 67 // Champaign, Ill.
Illinois played well from start to finish in a 12-point victory over North Carolina in Champaign. The Illini had five players score in double figures, led by Mike Davis, who tallied a double-double with 20 points and 10 rebounds. Demetri McCamey added 17 points and eight assists. Illinois shot 50.8 percent overall and was effective from long distance, hitting 8-of-12 three-pointers. John Henson led the Tar Heels with 16 points. The biggest difference in the game was Illinois' ability to capitalize off of turnovers. North Carolina had 18 turnovers, which the Illini converted into 26 points. UNC, meanwhile, scored just eight points off of Illinois' 14 turnovers.

Nov. 30, 2011 // Illinois 71, Maryland 62 // College Park, Md.
Illinois improved to 7-0 on the season with a nine-point road win over Maryland. Illinois trailed by as many as nine points and faced its first halftime deficit of the year. But the Illini outscored the Terps 40-27 in the second half to secure the victory. Sam Maniscalco scored 24 points, hitting 5-of-8 from 3-point land. Brandon Paul had 17 points, 13 of which came in the first half. Maryland's Terrell Stoglin led all scorers with 25 points on the night.

ILLINOIS NOTES IN THE BIG TEN/ACC CHALLENGE

Nov. 28, 2012 // #22 Illinois 75, Georgia Tech 62 // Champaign, Ill.
Illinois won its fourth-straight Big Ten/ACC Challenge game, and recorded its seventh Challenge win overall, defeating Georgia Tech by 13 points. With the Illini trailing 58-54 late in the second half, Joseph Bertrand went on a solo 10-0 run to put the Illini in control. Illinois finished the game on a 21-4 run over the last six-and-a-half minutes. Bertrand and Brandon Paul finished with game-highs of 15 points each. The Illini made a season-high 14 three-pointers. Kammeon Holsey led Georgia Tech with 14 points off the bench.

Dec. 3, 2013 // Georgia Tech 67, Illinois 64 // Atlanta
Illinois was unable to maintain a late lead, suffering its first loss of the season at Georgia Tech. The Illini led by as many as 12 points in the second half, but the Yellow Jackets ended the game on a 19-4 run over the final 6:22 to claim the 3-point win. Rayvonte Rice led the Illini in scoring, pouring in a game-high 24 points. Robert Carter had 21 points and nine boards for Georgia Tech.

Dec. 2, 2014 // #15 Miami 70, #24 Illinois 61 // Miami
Illinois suffered its first loss of the season at No. 15 Miami. After falling behind by as many as 13 points, the Illini opened the second half with a 10-0 run. Later on, Kendrick Nunn scored eight straight to pull Illinois within two. But Miami answered with a 7-0 run of its own, putting the game out of reach. Rayvonte Rice registered a double-double with 22 points and career-high 12 rebounds to lead the Illini, while Malcolm Hill added 13 points. Deandre Burnett had 19 points for Miami.

Dec. 2, 2015 // Notre Dame 84, Illinois 79 // Champaign, Ill.
A key 25-9 second-half run pushed Notre Dame to a road victory, snapping the Illini's 36-game home court non-conference winning streak. Illinois had just three turnovers on the night, equaling the school record for fewest turnovers at State Farm Center. That helped the Illini own a 14-to-4 edge in points-off-turnovers. But Notre Dame shot 57.1 percent in the second half, scoring 51 points after the break. Malcolm Hill led the Illini with 19 points, while Demetrius Jackson and Steve Vasturia had 21 points apiece for the Irish.

Nov. 29, 2016 // Illinois 88, N.C. State 74 // Champaign, Ill.
Illinois snapped its three-game skid in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge, using a strong second half to defeat N.C. State in the dedication game of renovated State Farm Center. Illinois shot 67.9 percent after intermission, outscoring the Wolfpack 56-41. Malcolm Hill led all scorers with 22 points and nine rebounds while Tracy Abrams had 17 points on 6-of-10 shooting and Leron Black came off the bench to record 15 points and eight boards. Torin Dorn had 17 points and seven boards for N.C. State.

Nov. 28, 2017 // Wake Forest 80, Illinois 73 // Winston-Salem, N.C.
Illinois' six-game winning streak to open the season came to an end at Wake Forest. The Illini trailed by 10 early in the second half before clawing their way to within two points. Illinois also made in a one-possession game twice down the stretch but could not get over the hump. Illinois drained 12 three-pointers but struggled from 2-point range, making just 12-of-39 inside the arc. The Illini also had 19 turnovers leading to 28 Wake Forest points. Aaron Jordan led the way with a career-high 20 points, while Kipper Nichols added 14. Bryant Crawford led Wake with 20 as well.

Nov. 27, 2018 // Notre Dame 76, Illinois 74 // South Bend, Ind.
Illinois' late-game comeback fell just short, as Trent Frazier's potential game-winning 3-pointer spun out at the buzzer. The Illini responded from a 13-point second-half deficit with a 15-4 run and had a chance to win it on the final possession, but Frazier's three would not fall despite. Aaron Jordan scored a career- and game-high 23 points while Giorgi Bezhanishvili recorded his first 20-point game with 22 to lead the Illini. D.J. Harvey and T.J. Gibbs scored 19 apiece for the Irish.

Dec. 2, 2019 // Miami 81, Illinois 79 // Champaign, Ill.
Illinois' furious second-half comeback could not erase its poor start in a 2-point home loss to Miami. The Illini trailed by as many as 27 in the first half, and by 17 with nine minutes remaining before roaring back to within one. Illinois had the ball in the final seconds, looking to secure what would have been the largest come-from-behind win in school history. But Ayo Dosunmu was called for an offensive foul driving to the basket with 2.7 seconds left, ending the comeback bid. Kofi Cockburn had 23 points, hitting all eight field goal attempts and 7-of-8 from the line. Chris Lykes scored a game-high 28 points to lead Miami.

Dec. 8, 2020 // #6 Illinois 83, #10 Duke 68 // Durham, N.C.
Illinois jumped out to a 14-2 lead and never looked back, routing the Blue Devils by 15 points at Cameron Indoor Stadium. After making 6-of-8 from 3-point land in the opening stanza, Illinois did its damage at the rim in the second half. Illinois connected on 14-of-20 two-pointers while taking just three 3-point shots in the final 20 minutes, as the lead never fell below double digits. Illinois shot 58% on the night, the program's best mark in the Challenge. Ayo Dosunmu was one of six Illini in double figures, leading the team with 18 points and career-high 12 rebounds. Matthew Hurt scored a game-high 19 for Duke. Illinois handed coach Mike Krzyzewski the largest nonconference home loss of his 41-year Duke career, and gave the Blue Devils its first-ever home loss in the Challenge.

Illinois Individual Bests in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge

Points	28, Mike Davis vs. Clemson, 12/2/08
Field Goals	12, Mike Davis vs. Clemson, 12/2/08
Field Goal Att.	19, Cory Bradford vs. Duke, 11/30/99
	19, Dee Brown at North Carolina, 11/29/05
	19, Mike Davis vs. Clemson, 12/2/08
Field Goal Pct. (min. 5 att.)	1.000 (8-8), Kofi Cockburn vs. Miami, 12/2/19
3-Point Field Goals	6, Sean Harrington vs. North Carolina, 12/3/02
3-Point Field Goal Att.	12, Demetri McCamey vs. Clemson, 12/2/08
3-Point Field Goal Pct. (min. 5 att.)	.800 (4-5), Trent Frazier vs. Miami, 12/2/19
Free Throws	12, Malcolm Hill vs. N.C. State, 11/29/16
Free Throw Att.	15, Malcolm Hill vs. N.C. State, 11/29/16
Free Throw Pct. (min. 8 att.)	1.000 (9-9), Frank Williams vs. Duke, 11/28/00
Total Rebounds	13, James Augustine at North Carolina, 11/29/05
Offensive Rebounds	6, Marcus Griffin vs. Duke, 11/28/00
	6, James Augustine at North Carolina, 11/29/05
	6, Warren Carter vs. Maryland, 11/28/06
Defensive Rebounds	12, Ayo Dosunmu at Duke, 12/8/20
Assists	12, Chester Frazier vs. Clemson, 12/2/08
Blocked Shots	4, Marcus Griffin vs. Duke, 11/30/99
	4, Mike Tisdale at Clemson, 12/2/09
Steals	5, Sean Harrington vs. North Carolina, 12/3/02
Minutes	38, James Augustine at North Carolina, 11/29/05
	38, Dee Brown at North Carolina, 11/29/05
	38, Mike Davis vs. North Carolina, 11/30/10
	38, Brandon Paul vs. Georgia Tech, 11/28/12

Illinois Team Bests in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge

Points	92, vs. North Carolina, 12/3/02
Field Goals	38, vs. Wake Forest, 12/1/04
Field Goal Att.	75, vs. North Carolina, 12/2/03
Field Goal Pct.	.580 (29-50), at Duke, 12/8/20
3-Point Field Goals	14, vs. Georgia Tech, 11/28/12
3-Point Field Goal Att.	30, at Miami, 12/2/14
3-Point Field Goal Pct. (min. 10 att.)	.667 (8-12), vs. North Carolina, 11/30/10
Free Throws	21, vs. N.C. State, 11/29/16
Free Throw Att.	28, vs. Duke, 11/28/00
Free Throw Pct. (min. 15 att.)	.929 (13-14) , at Wake Forest, 11/28/17
Total Rebounds	45, vs. Duke, 11/30/99
Offensive Rebounds	21, vs. Duke, 11/30/99
	21, vs. Maryland, 11/28/06
Defensive Rebounds	33, at Duke, 12/8/20
Assists	27, vs. Wake Forest, 12/1/04
Blocked Shots	8, vs. Duke, 11/30/99
	8, at Clemson, 12/2/09
Steals	12, vs. North Carolina, 12/3/02
	12, at North Carolina, 11/29/05

ILLINOIS SEASON/CAREER TOTALS

	2021-22	Career
Starts		
Trent Frazier	4	112
Kofi Cockburn	3	65
Da'Monte Williams	3	63
Jacob Grandison	4	20
Coleman Hawkins	6	6
Andre Curbelo	4	4
Omar Payne	3	3
Alfonso Plummer	2	2
Austin Hutcherson	1	1
Leads Team in Scoring		
Kofi Cockburn	3	24
Trent Frazier	1	19
Andre Curbelo	0	2
Jacob Grandison	1	1
Coleman Hawkins	1	1
Leads Team in Rebounding		
Kofi Cockburn	2	46
Da'Monte Williams	2	11
Jacob Grandison	0	3
Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk	1	1
Coleman Hawkins	1	1
Andre Curbelo	0	1
Double-Digit Scoring Games		
Trent Frazier	2	72
Kofi Cockburn	3	56
Andre Curbelo	2	15
Da'Monte Williams	0	11
Jacob Grandison	3	7
Coleman Hawkins	4	4
Alfonso Plummer	2	2
20+ Point Games		
Kofi Cockburn	2	17
Trent Frazier	1	15
Alfonso Plummer	2	2
Jacob Grandison	1	1
10+ Rebound Games		
Kofi Cockburn	2	31
Da'Monte Williams	2	4
Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk	2	2
Coleman Hawkins	1	1
Andre Curbelo	0	1
Jacob Grandison	0	1
Double-Doubles		
Kofi Cockburn	2	30
Da'Monte Williams	0	2
Coleman Hawkins	1	1
Andre Curbelo	0	1
Jacob Grandison	0	1
5+ Three-Point FG Games		
Trent Frazier	1	11
Alfonso Plummer	2	2
5+ Assist Games		
Trent Frazier	1	18
Andre Curbelo	3	16
Da'Monte Williams	1	5
Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk	1	1
Jacob Grandison	0	1
3+ Steal Games		
Trent Frazier	0	22
Da'Monte Williams	1	11
Andre Curbelo	0	3
Coleman Hawkins	1	1
Alfonso Plummer	1	1
Kofi Cockburn	0	1
3+ Block Games		
Kofi Cockburn	0	7
Coleman Hawkins	1	1
Omar Payne	1	1

Game 5 Notes: #14 Illinois 72, Kansas State 64

• Illinois posted its seventh straight win over K-State and defeated the Wildcats in the first match-up against its former head coach Bruce Weber.

• Illinois drained 12 three-pointers, the most since last year's season opener when it made a school-record 17 treys vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20).

• Illinois connected on 46.2% from behind the arc (12-26), its best 3-point percentage since making the same rate last season at Michigan on 6-of-13 shooting (3/3/21).

• Illinois recorded 20 assists on 25 baskets, with the 80% assist rate its best in a game since 1/19/12 at Penn State (14 assists on 17 FG).

• **Kofi Cockburn** tallied his 29th double-double with game highs of 23 points and 13 rebounds. It was his ninth career 20-point, 10-rebound game, and first since 2/12/21 at Nebraska (21 pts, 12 reb).

• It also marked **Cockburn**'s 11th career game shooting at least 80% from the field (min. 5 attempts).

• **Alfonso Plummer** had 21 points on seven 3-pointers, one shy of the Illinois record. He tied for fifth on the school's single-game 3-pointers list, becoming the 10th Illini to make seven treys in a game.

• **Plummer** is one of only four high-major conference players to make at least seven threes in a game so far this season.

• **Cockburn** (23) and **Plummer** (21) gave the Illini two 20-point scorers for the first time since Feb. 12, 2021 at Nebraska (Dosunmu-31, Cockburn-21).

Ranked Illini

Illinois is ranked 14th in the current AP Top 25. The Illini have now been ranked for 23 straight weeks spanning three seasons of the Underwood era, a streak that began with the March 2, 2020 poll.

This is Illinois' longest run in the Top 25 since spending 42 consecutive weeks ranked from Feb. 23, 2004 through the final 2006 poll.

Underwood Beats the Heat on Hot Ones

The hit show Hot Ones features host Sean Evans interviewing guests over buffalo wings, with the sauces getting progressively hotter over the course of the conversation. Evans is a 2008 University of Illinois graduate in broadcast journalism. He also is a Fighting Illini basketball fanatic who has been fully immersed in Illinois' resurgence on the national scene.

After watching every Illini game from his New York-based home, Evans returned to the U of I campus in August to record a special edition of Hot Ones with Coach Underwood. Evans and Underwood devoured five wings over the course of the 15-minute interview from center court at State Farm Center, with the heat reaching its pinnacle on wing No. 4 topped with Da'Bomb Beyond Insanity hot sauce (135,600 Scoville scale). The Underwood episode of Hot Ones debuted Nov. 20, and is already approaching 300,000 views. It can be found on YouTube on the First We Feast channel.

Honors Rolling In for Illini Duo

The preseason accolades were plentiful for Fighting Illini junior center **Kofi Cockburn** and sophomore point guard **Andre Curbelo**.

2021-22 BIG TEN STANDINGS (THROUGH NOV. 27)

	Big Ten	Overall
Indiana	0-0	6-0
Iowa	0-0	6-0
Purdue	0-0	6-0
Minnesota	0-0	5-0
Northwestern	0-0	5-1
Wisconsin	0-0	5-1
Maryland	0-0	5-2
Michigan State	0-0	5-2
Nebraska	0-0	5-2
ILLINOIS	0-0	**4-2**
Michigan	0-0	4-2
Ohio State	0-0	4-2
Penn State	0-0	4-2
Rutgers	0-0	3-3

CURRENT ILLINOIS STREAKS

All Games	2 W
At State Farm Center	8 W
On the Road	1 L
At Neutral Sites	1 W
Big Ten	4 W
Big Ten (Home)	5 W
Big Ten (Road)	3 W
Big Ten (Neutral)	1 W
Ranked Opponents	1 L
Ranked Opponents (Home)	2 W
Ranked Opponents (Road)	3 W
Ranked Opponents (Neutral)	1 L
Ranked Big Ten Opponents	5 W
Ranked Big Ten Opponents (Home)	2 W
Ranked Big Ten Opponents (Road)	3 W
Ranked Big Ten Opponents (Neutral)	1 W
Non-Conference (Home)	8 W
Non-Conference (Road)	2 L
Non-Conference (Neutral)	1 W

Cockburn averaged 17.7 points on 65.4% shooting, 9.5 rebounds and 1.3 blocks assists last season, earning NCAA Consensus Second-Team All-America honors. Curbelo, meanwhile, was named 2021 Big Ten Sixth Man of the Year after averaging 9.1 points, 4.2 assists and 4.0 rebounds.

They are projected to be one of the most prolific point guard-center tandems in college basketball this season:

Cockburn Preseason Recognition

- Associated Press All-America Team
- Big Ten Player of the Year (conference media)
- Wooden Award Top-50 Watch List (Los Angeles Athletic Club)
- Naismith Trophy Watch List (Atlanta Tipoff Club)
- NABC Div. I Player of the Year Watch List
- Lute Olson Award Watch List
- Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Center of the Year Award Watch List (Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame)
- First-team All-American (Sporting News, CBS Sports, Blue Ribbon Yearbook, The Athletic, Athlon Sports, Dick Vitale & College Hoops Today)
- Second-Team All-American (Lindy's, Field of 68)
- No. 2, CBS Sports' Top 101 Players
- No. 3, March Madness 365's Top 25 Returning Players
- No. 4, Athlon Sports' Top 100 Players & Lindy's Top 150 Players
- Big Ten Player of the Year (The Athletic, Blue Ribbon & Lindy's)

Curbelo Preseason Recognition

- Wooden Award Top-50 Watch List (Los Angeles Athletic Club)
- Naismith Trophy Watch List (Atlanta Tipoff Club)
- Lute Olson Award Watch List
- Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year Award Watch List (Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame)
- First-Team All-American (Field of 68)
- Third-Team All-American (College Hoops Today)
- Fourth-Team All-American (Dick Vitale)
- All-Big Ten Team (conference media)
- No. 3, The Athletic's Top 20 Guards
- No. 24, CBS Sports' Top 101 Players

2021-22 FIGHTING ILLINI STARTING LINE-UPS

Date	Game	G	G	G	F	C	Record*
Nov. 9	Jackson State	Williams	Plummer	Grandison	Hawkins	Payne	1-0 (1)
Nov. 12	Arkansas State	Curbelo	Frazier	Grandison	Hawkins	Payne	1-0 (2)
Nov. 15	at Marquette	Curbelo	Frazier	Grandison	Hawkins	Payne	1-1 (2)
Nov. 22	vs. Cincinnati	Curbelo	Frazier	Grandison	Hawkins	Cockburn	0-1 (3)
Nov. 23	vs. Kansas State	Curbelo	Frazier	Williams	Hawkins	Cockburn	1-0 (4)
Nov. 26	UT Rio Grande Valley	Williams	Plummer	Hutcherson	Hawkins	Cockburn	1-0 (5)
Nov. 29	Notre Dame						
Dec. 3	Rutgers						
Dec. 6	at Iowa						
Dec. 11	Arizona						
Dec. 18	Saint Francis (Pa.)						
Dec. 22	vs. Missouri						
Dec. 29	Florida A&M						
Jan. 2	at Minnesota						
Jan. 6	Maryland						
Jan. 11	at Nebraska						
Jan. 14	Michigan						
Jan. 17	Purdue						
Jan. 21	at Maryland						
Jan. 25	Michigan State						
Jan. 29	at Northwestern						
Feb. 2	Wisconsin						
Feb. 5	at Indiana						
Feb. 10	at Purdue						
Feb. 13	Northwestern						
Feb. 16	at Rutgers						
Feb. 19	at Michigan State						
Feb. 24	Ohio State						
Feb. 27	at Michigan						
March 3	Penn State						
March 6	Iowa						

** - Running total of Illinois' overall record when this line-up is starting*

ILLINOIS CAREER RECORDS TO WATCH

Scoring Total

1.	2,129	Deon Thomas, 1991-94
2.	1,948	Kiwane Garris, 1994-97
3.	1,846	Malcolm Hill, 2014-17
4.	1,812	Dee Brown, 2003-06
5.	1,748	Brian Cook, 2000-03
11.	1,533	Andy Kaufmann, 1989-93
12.	1,504	Ayo Dosunmu, 2019-21
13.	1,487	Efrem Winters, 1983-86
14.	1,481	Nick Weatherspoon, 1970-73
15.	1,477	D.J. Richardson, 2010-13
16.	**1,469**	**Trent Frazier, 2018-**
45.	1,111	Deron Williams, 2003-05
46.	1,105	Rick Schmidt, 1973-75
47.	1,078	Greg Jackson, 1969-71
48.	1,058	Sean Pruitt, 2005-08
49.	**1,040**	**Kofi Cockburn, 2019-**

Field Goal Percentage

1.	.617	James Augustine, 2003-06 (534-865)
2.	.609	Ken Norman, 1985-87 (558-916)
3.	**.605**	**Kofi Cockburn, 2020- (395-653)**
4.	.601	Deon Thomas, 1991-94 (803-1336)
5.	.591	Kenny Battle, 1988-89 (415-702)

Three-Point Field Goals

1.	327	Cory Bradford, 1999-2002
2.	299	Dee Brown, 2003-06
3.	278	D.J. Richardson, 2010-13
4.	**255**	**Trent Frazier, 2018-**

Rebounding Average

1.	11.3	Nick Weatherspoon, 1971-73
2.	11.2	Skip Thoren, 1963-65
3.	11.0	Dave Downey, 1961-63
4.	10.3	Don Freeman, 1964-66
5.	9.7	Dave Scholz, 1967-69
6.	9.6	Bill Burwell, 1961-63
7.	**9.2**	**Kofi Cockburn, 2020-**
8.	8.7	John Wessels, 1959-61

Double-Doubles

1.	41	Skip Thoren, 1963-65
2.	40	Nick Weatherspoon, 1971-73
3.	39	Dave Downey, 1961-63
4.	36	Don Freeman, 1964-66
5.	34	Dave Scholz, 1967-69
6.	33	Bill Burwell, 1961-63
7.	**30**	**Kofi Cockburn, 2020-**

Blocked Shots Average

1.	2.0	Derek Holcomb, 1979-81
2.	1.5	Nnanna Egwu, 2012-15
	1.5	Deon Thomas, 1990-94
4.	1.4	Marcus Griffin, 2000-01
5.	**1.3**	**Kofi Cockburn, 2020-**
	1.3	Mike Tisdale, 2008-11
	1.3	James Griffin, 1979-82

Steals

1.	324	Bruce Douglas, 1983-86
2.	231	Dee Brown, 2003-06
3.	218	Kendall Gill, 1987-90
4.	212	Frank Williams, 2000-02
5.	210	Sergio McClain, 1998-2001
6.	178	Derek Harper, 1981-83
7.	**171**	**Trent Frazier, 2018-**

Minutes

1.	4,698	Dee Brown, 2003-06
2.	4,374	Demetri McCamey, 2008-11
3.	4,373	Bruce Douglas, 1983-86
4.	4,351	Cory Bradford, 1999-2002
5.	4,347	D.J. Richardson, 2010-13
6.	4,033	Efrem Winters, 1983-86
7.	**3,933**	**Trent Frazier, 2018-**

THE LAST TIME

AN ILLINOIS PLAYER HAD

40+ points	Malcolm Hill (40) vs. Northern Kentucky, 11/13/16
35-39 points	Kofi Cockburn (38) vs. UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
30-34 points	Alfonso Plummer (30) vs. UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
25-29 points	Kofi Cockburn (26) vs. Iowa, 3/13/21
20-24 points	Cockburn (23) & Plummer (21) vs. Kansas State, 11/23/21
2, 20-29 pt. scorers	Cockburn (23) & Plummer (21) vs. Kansas State, 11/23/21
2, 30+ pt. scorers	Cockburn (38) & Plummer (30) vs. UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
20+ rebounds	Nick Weatherspoon (22) vs. DePauw, 12/2/72
15-19 rebounds	Kofi Cockburn (15) Indiana, 12/26/20
10-14 rebounds	Kofi Cockburn (10) vs. UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
Double-Double	Kofi Cockburn (38 pts, 10 reb) vs. UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
15+ assists	Demetri McCamey (16) at Purdue, 2/20/10
10-14 assists	Ayo Dosunmu (10) at Minnesota, 2/20/21
Triple-Double	Ayo Dosunmu (19 p, 10 r, 10 a) at Minnesota, 2/20/21
6+ 3-pointers	Alfonso Plummer (6) vs. UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
7+ steals	Kendall Gill (7) vs. Iowa, 3/4/90
6 steals	Trent Frazier at Minnesota, 2/20/21
5+ blocks	Kofi Cockburn (6) vs. Indiana, 3/1/20

AN ILLINOIS TEAM HAD

100+ points	122 vs. North Carolina A&T, 11/25/20
under 50 points	43 vs. Wisconsin, 1/31/17
50+ rebounds	50 vs. Marquette, 11/15/21
25+ off. reb.	27 vs. Longwood, 12/13/17
overtime	W (77-72) at Nebraska, 2/12/21

AN OPPOSING PLAYER HAD

40+ points	Carsen Edwards (40) Purdue, 2/22/18
35-39 points	Keita Bates-Diop (35) Ohio State, 2/4/18
30-34 points	Duane Washington Jr. (32) Ohio State, 3/14/21
25-29 points	Justin Johnson (28) UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
20-24 points	Marek Nelson (23) UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
2, 20+ pt. scorers	Johnson (28) & Nelson (23) UT Rio Grande Valley, 11/26/21
20+ rebounds	Joe Franklin (23) Wisconsin, 12/19/66
15-19 rebounds	Josh Langford (16) Michigan State, 2/23/21
10-14 rebounds	Jayveous McKinnis (12) Jackson State, 11/9/21
15+ assists	never, Quinn Buckner (14) Indiana, 2/18/74
10-14 assists	Corey Sanders (12) Rutgers, 2/3/16
7+ steals	Delfincko Bogan (7) UT Martin, 11/12/17
5+ blocks	Kur Kuath (5) Marquette, 11/15/21

AN OPPOSING TEAM HAD

100+ points	104, Iowa, 1/11/18
under 50 points	47, Jackson State, 11/9/21
under 40 points	38, Chicago State, 11/26/20
50+ rebounds	50, Nebraska, 2/2/19
20+ off. reb.	20, The Citadel, 11/20/19

Building a Winner

Coach Underwood came to Champaign to recapture the success the program has achieved historically. The transformation happened in a relatively short amount of time.

In his third season in 2019-20, the Illini finished one-game back of the league title, placing fourth and earning a bye to the Big Ten Tournament quarterfinals for the first time since 2011.

His fourth Illini squad last season led the league with 16 Big Ten wins while playing the full conference schedule, but was designated as runner-up because an unequal number of games played creating a win percentage differential of .024.

Illinois owns the top winning percentage and the most victories over the last two Big Ten seasons, a significant achievement during a span when the conference has reached unprecedented levels of competitiveness top-to-bottom.

Big Ten Wins (2020 & 2021)

1.	**Illinois**	**29**
2.	Iowa	25
3.	Michigan	24
	Wisconsin	24

Big Ten Win Percentage (2020 & 2021)

1.	**Illinois**	**.725**	**(29-11)**
2.	Michigan	.649	(24-13)
3.	Iowa	.625	(25-15)
4.	Wisconsin	.600	(24-16)

Accomplished Ayo

Former Fighting Illini star **Ayo Dosunmu** is enjoying a strong start to his rookie NBA season in his hometown of Chicago, earning a spot in the Bulls rotation and scoring a career-high 15 points Nov. 8 in a win over Brooklyn. Dosunmu was selected by the Bulls with the No. 38 overall pick in the second round of the 2021 NBA Draft, becoming the first Illini player drafted since 2012.

Dosunmu averaged 20.1 points, 6.3 rebounds and 5.3 assists during his junior season at Illinois, becoming the first NCAA player since 2010 and just the second Big Ten player since 1993 to average at least 20 points, six rebounds and five assists. He accumulated the most impressive single-season list of accolades ever by an Illini player, highlighted by USA Today National Player of the Year, Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year, and consensus first-team All-American.

Ubben Upgrade

Construction began during the summer on a $40 million renovation and expansion of the Ubben Basketball Practice Facility. The project will add approximately 40,000 square feet to the existing structure, while remodeling large portions of the existing building. Two new half courts will be added to both the men's and women's current gym space, giving the programs additional areas to work on development while not disrupting full-court action. The project will feature a new strength and conditioning addition, significantly increase the size of the locker rooms and players lounges and include a state-of-the-art sports medicine area. New coaches' office spaces and a grand entry lobby also are included in the project.

The men's program continues to practice at Ubben this season. Construction is occurring both outside and inside the building, with the exception of the men's gym and locker room, men's coaches offices, training room, and weight room. The women's program has relocated to State Farm Center until the project is finished, in time for the 2022-23 season.

Winning B1G

Illinois' 16-4 Big Ten record last season marked the winningest conference campaign in school history. The 1984 Big Ten co-champion Illini went 15-3 to set the previous school record for league wins, equaled by the 2005 Big Ten champion Illini who went 15-1.

Coach Underwood now owns the No. 1 and No. 6 spots for Illinois' Big Ten wins in a single season.

Rk.	B1G Wins	Year	Head Coach
1.	**16**	**2021**	**Brad Underwood**
2.	15	2005	Bruce Weber
	15	1984	Lou Henson
4.	14	1989	Lou Henson
	14	1953	Harry Combes

Rk.	B1G Wins	Year	Head Coach
6.	**13**	**2020**	**Brad Underwood**
	13	2004	Bruce Weber
	13	2001	Bill Self
	13	1998	Lon Kruger
	13	1987	Lou Henson
	13	1951	Harry Combes
	13	1942	Doug Mills

Following a 13-7 record in 2020, the program has combined for 29 Big Ten wins over the last two seasons. That surpassed the 2004 and '05 seasons as the winningest 2-year run in school history

Rk.	B1G Wins	Years	Head Coach
1.	**29**	**2020, 21**	**Brad Underwood**
2.	28	2004, 05	Bruce Weber
3.	27	1984, 85	Lou Henson
4.	26	1988, 89	Lou Henson
	26	1952, 53	Harry Combes

Illini Ink Trio of Four-Star Recruits in Class of 2022
Illinois signed four-star recruits **Ty Rodgers**, **Jayden Epps** and **Sencire Harris** to national letters of intent during the early signing period. Illinois' class is ranked No. 18 by 247Sports and No. 23 by Rivals.

Ty Rodgers is a 6-foot, 6-inch, 200-pound guard/forward from Saginaw, Michigan. He is now at Thornton Township in Harvey, Illinois, for his senior season after previously attending Grand Blanc High School. Rodgers is the No. 49 player in the Class of 2022 by ESPN, No. 53 by 247Sports Composite and No. 66 by Rivals. He also ranks as the No. 16 small forward by 247Sports and No. 19 by Rivals.

Rodgers was named 2021 Michigan Division 1 Player of the Year by the Associated Press after leading Grand Blanc to its first state championship in school history. He averaged 17.8 points, 9.4 rebounds, 3.7 assists and 2.3 steals as a junior, helping Grand Blanc to a 15-2 record. Rodgers was a Dream Team all-state selection by the Detroit Free Press and was also named to the Flint-area Dream Team by MLive.

Jayden Epps is a 6-foot, 2-inch, 190-pound guard from Suffolk, Virginia. He is at Combine Academy in Lincolnton, North Carolina for his senior season after previously attending King's Fork High School in Suffolk. Epps is the No. 59 player overall by 247Sports Composite, No. 94 by ESPN, and No. 105 by Rivals. He also ranks as the No. 12 combo guard in the country by 247Sports.

Epps did not have a junior season due to the COVID-19 pandemic. He averaged 26 points, six rebounds, six assists and four steals as a sophomore, leading King's Fork to a 24-3 record, Class 4A Region championship and share of the Virginia Class 4 state title. He was named 2020 Class 4 Player of the Year by the Virginia High School League and All-Tidewater Player of the Year. Epps is off to a strong start to his senior year after averaging 36 points in the Overtime Elite Prep Challenge (Nov. 1-2), with 39 in game one and 33 in game two.

Sencire Harris is a 6-foot, 4-inch, 180-pound guard from North Canton, Ohio. He is in his third year at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School in Akron after attending North Canton Hoover as a freshman. Harris is ranked No. 62 overall by Rivals, No. 98 by Top247 and No. 110 by 247Sports Composite. He is the No. 1-rated senior in the state of Ohio by 247Sports, the No. 11 shooting guard by Top247 and No. 12 shooting guard by Rivals.

Harris averaged 14.4 points, 4.7 rebounds, 3.2 steals and 3.1 assists as a junior, helping lead St. Vincent-St. Mary to the 2021 Ohio Division II state championship and a 25-2 record. He was a second-team All-Ohio selection by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association after earning third-team All-Ohio honors as a sophomore when he averaged 14 points, five rebounds, three assists and three steals.

Revamped Coaching Staff
One of the by-products of a team's success can be new opportunities for members of the coaching staff. Illinois experienced attrition during the offseason, but has reloaded with another strong staff sharing the same championship vision.

Geoff Alexander has been elevated to assistant coach, moving to an on-court coaching and recruiting position after spending the last four seasons on the Fighting Illini staff as assistant to the head coach. Alexander has been Underwood's right-hand man throughout their tenure in Champaign and has had a fingerprint on every area of the program's success the last two seasons.

Chester Frazier is back in Champaign, in his first season as assistant coach. A former Illini starting point guard and one of the toughest players and best defenders ever to wear the Orange and Blue, Frazier brings nearly a decade of experience as a power five assistant.

Frazier spent the last two seasons as associate head coach for Mike Young at Virginia Tech. The Hokies had a breakout 15-7 campaign in 2021, finishing third in the ACC, advancing to the NCAA Tournament and ending the year ranked No. 25 in the final AP poll. He previously served seven seasons as an assistant at Kansas State for former Illini head coach Bruce Weber. During his time in Manhattan the Wildcats captured a pair of Big 12 championships and made five NCAA Tournament appearances, highlighted by a trip to the Elite Eight in 2018.

Chicago native **Tim Anderson** is also in his first season as assistant coach. Anderson spent the last four years as an assistant coach at DePaul. During his time in Lincoln Park the Blue Demons had notable achievements, including the most combined wins for the program in 15 years over a two-year stretch and Big East Tournament wins in back-to-back seasons for the only time in school history. Prior to his tenure at DePaul, Anderson led Ground Zero Training in Chicago, preparing college players for the NBA Draft while also working out numerous NBA and overseas professional players. He also served as program director for MeanStreets, one of the most successful AAU programs in the country on the EYBL circuit.

Zach Hamer, who spent the last two years as video coordinator, has been promoted to assistant to the head coach. **Tyler Underwood** has joined the staff as director of recruiting and scouting, fresh off his four years as an Illini player, And former UI student manager **Patrick Bittle** is in his first year as video coordinator.

Underwood Extended
Head Coach **Brad Underwood** received an extension Sept. 23 that will keep him on a six-year contract through the 2026-27 season.

Underwood's fourth year produced one of the best seasons in school history. Illinois went 16-4 in conference play to mark its winningest Big Ten season. The Illini went on to win the Big Ten Tournament, earning the program's first conference tournament title since 2005. The total of 19 wins against conference foes in 2021 also set a school record.

Illinois earned the fourth NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed in school history after winning 14 of 15 games over a two-month stretch leading into NCAA March Madness. The remarkable run included seven wins over ranked teams, with five coming against top-10 opponents.

Illinois finished the season with a total of six victories over top-10 teams, breaking the previous school record of five set by the 1989 Flyin' Illini. The Illini also won nine road games to lead all high-major conference teams.

Illinois made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament in eight years, advancing to the Round of 32 to finish with a record of 24-7. Illinois ended the season at No. 4 in kenpom's team adjusted efficiency margin, the second-highest rating ever for the program. The Illini excelled on both sides of the ball, one of three teams nationally to rank in the top 10 in both offensive (8th) and defensive (7th) efficiency.

Illinois is now 29-11 (.726) in Big Ten play the last two years of the Underwood era, owning both the most wins and best winning percentage in the league over the last two seasons.

Season Outlook
Illinois put together one of the best seasons in school history last year, going 24-7 overall, leading the Big Ten with 16 wins, capturing the Big Ten Tournament championship, earning an NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed, and ending the year ranked No. 2 in the final AP poll. Illinois welcomes back six of its top nine players from last year's rotation, returning 63% of its minutes, 60% of the points and 69% of the rebounds from the successful 2020-21 campaign.

Returning for the Illini
• Leading the charge is **Kofi Cockburn**, a dominant force in the paint. After exploring the NBA Draft, Cockburn ultimately decided to return to Illinois. An elite scorer and rebounder at the center position, he averaged 17.7 points and 9.5 rebounds last season en route to second-team consensus All-America honors. He shot 65.4% from the field, led the NCAA with 78 dunks, and recorded 16 double-doubles. Cockburn is a preseason All-American and national player of the year candidate heading into his junior campaign.

• Two mainstays in the lineup the last four seasons are back for year five, as super seniors **Trent Frazier** and **Da'Monte Williams** elected to take the additional year of competition opportunity brought on by the pandemic.

• **Frazier** is a complete all-around player; one of the best perimeter defenders in the college game as well as a deft shooter and ballhandler. He was third on the Illini in scoring last season at 10.2 points per game and has amassed 1,434 career points to stand at No. 19 on the Illini all-time scoring list. A 2021 Big Ten All-Defensive Team selection, Frazier ranks fourth on the career 3-pointers list with 247 treys and is seventh in UI history with 166 career steals.

• **Williams** is the ultimate glue-guy, a tough, versatile player who does whatever is asked, whether it's starting or coming off the bench, or defending a guard or a post player. He has made key plays in crunch time throughout his career while developing into a lethal threat from long range. A 27.6% three-point shooter through his first three years, Williams led the nation in 3-point accuracy last season (min. two attempts per game) at 54.7%.

• Illinois lost starting point guard and consensus first-team All-American Ayo Dosunmu to the NBA. But ready to step in and take over at the point is sophomore **Andre Curbelo**, who starred in his role as a freshman and was named Big Ten Sixth Man of the Year. Curbelo is a brilliant playmaker and passer, excelling in ballscreens. He averaged 9.1 points, 4.2 assists and 4.0 rebounds on the season and hit his stride late in the year when Illinois was playing its toughest competition, averaging 12.7 points, 5.6 rebounds and 4.0 assists over the final 10 games.

• Another key returner is **Jacob Grandison**, who started 16 of the last 17 games a year ago with the Illini going 14-2 in his starts. The Holy Cross transfer averaged 4.6 points and 3.4 rebounds while shooting nearly 53% from the field and better than 41% from three in his first season with the Orange and Blue. Grandison can play either on the wing or at power forward and is an outstanding passer and aggressive on the offensive glass.

• **Coleman Hawkins** saw valuable minutes as a freshman and added a solid offseason of development. He is a talented forward who can stretch the defense with his 3-point shooting and passing ability.

• **Austin Hutcherson** is in his third year with the Illini but has yet to take the court. After sitting out as a transfer from Wesleyan two years ago, Hutcherson missed last season with a back injury. He is now healthy and has the potential to play a key role this season. Hutcherson is another player known for his versatility. A dynamic scorer at the Division III level who averaged 20 points in 2019, he can play in ball screens and on the wing.

• Rounding out the Illini returners are three post players: redshirt sophomore forward **Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk**, who is healthy after battling foot injuries the last two seasons, sophomore center **Brandon Lieb**, and sophomore walkon **Connor Serven.**

Productive Transfers Bolster UI Depth
Illinois adds five newcomers this season, highlighted by a pair of power five transfers in **Alfonso Plummer** and **Omar Payne**. Coach Underwood went to the portal to add these accomplished players who will impact the lineup.

• **Alfonso Plummer** is also taking advantage of the extra year of competition waiver. The former Utah Utes standout averaged 13.6 points last season while leading the Pac-12 with an average of 2.6 made threes per game. He shot 40% from 3-point land over his two seasons at Utah, highlighted by a school and Pac-12 record 11 treys against Oregon State in the 2020 conference tournament en route to a career-high 35 points.

• **Omar Payne**, a top-50 recruit in the 2019 class, will bolster the Illini frontcourt after playing the last two seasons at Florida. He averaged 3.8 points, 3.4 rebounds and 1.2 blocks in 15 minutes per game during his career with the Gators while shooting nearly 67% from the field. He is adept at scoring off pick-and-rolls, and on defense can alter shots with his 7-foot, 5.5-inch wingspan.

Touted Freshmen Join the Mix
Illinois has brought in a strong recruiting class in the form of a trio of four-star big guards with bright futures and strong work ethic: **Luke Goode, RJ Melendez** and **Brandin Podziemski**.

• **Goode** hails from Fort Wayne, Indiana and was a first-team all-state selection after averaging 19.4 points, 8.3 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 1.2 steals as a senior. He helped lead Homestead to a No. 1 ranking and undefeated regular season before finishing with a 25-1 record. Goode ended his career as the No. 2 scorer in school history (1,480 points).

• **Melendez** is from Puerto Rico but attended Central Pointe Christian Academy in Kissimmee, Florida. He averaged 24.3 points, 6.1 rebounds, 3.4 assists 2.2 steals and 2.3 blocks as a senior and was named the Player of the Year in the Sunshine Independent Athletic Association.

• **Podziemski** is the 2021 Mr. Basketball and Gatorade Player of the Year in Wisconsin. One of the most prolific scorers in state history, Podziemski averaged 35.1 points, 10 rebounds, 5.6 assists and 4.0 steals as a senior. He scored 2,154 career points at St. John's Northwestern Academy, becoming the first Wisconsin player ever to eclipse 2,000 points in just three varsity seasons.

UNDERWOOD MEDIA SCHEDULE

Coach Underwood will hold an in-person press conference at State Farm Center (SFC) prior to every home game (unless otherwise denoted in below schedule due to arena conflicts), and a zoom press conference prior to every road/neutral game. Select players will also be available prior to each game, either preceding or following Underwood, dependent on that day's practice/travel schedule.

All in-person press conferences will be held in the State Farm Center Media Room. Enter through the guard shack north of the arena. Courtesy parking is available in the northeast lot of State Farm Center (enter off Fourth St.). All in-person press conferences also will be streamed live on fightingillini.com. Following every press conference (in-person and zoom), video will be available for download via the Illinois Media Box and viewable on the Fighting Illini Athletics Youtube page.

Note: All press conference times will be determined on a weekly basis as dictated by practice and travel schedules. Media will be alerted to exact times via email advisory the day prior. If you are not receiving those emails, please contact SID Derrick Burson.

3:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 8 (SFC) – Jackson State
3:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 10 (SFC) – Signing Day
4 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 11 (SFC) – Arkansas State
10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 14 (zoom) – Marquette
2:45 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 21 (zoom) – Cincinnati
3:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 24 (zoom) – UT Rio Grande Valley
1 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 28 (SFC) – Notre Dame

10 a.m, Thursday, Dec. 2 (SFC) – Rutgers
Sunday, Dec. 5 (zoom) – Iowa
Friday, Dec. 10 (SFC) – Arizona
Friday, Dec. 17 (SFC) – Saint Francis (Pa.)
Tuesday, Dec. 22 (zoom) – Missouri
Tuesday, Dec. 28 (SFC) – Florida A&M
Saturday, Jan. 1 (zoom) – Minnesota
Wednesday, Jan. 5 (SFC) – Maryland
Monday, Jan. 10 (zoom) – Nebraska
Thursday, Jan. 13 (SFC) – Michigan
Sunday, Jan. 16 (zoom) – Purdue
Thursday, Jan. 20 (zoom) – Maryland
Monday, Jan. 24 (SFC) – Michigan State
Friday, Jan. 28 (zoom) – Northwestern
Tuesday, Feb. 1 (SFC) – Wisconsin
Friday, Feb. 4 (zoom) – Indiana
Wednesday, Feb. 9 (zoom) – Purdue
Saturday, Feb. 12 (SFC) – Northwestern
Tuesday, Feb. 15 (zoom) – Rutgers
Friday, Feb. 18 (zoom) – Michigan State
Wednesday, Feb. 23 (SFC) – Ohio State
Saturday, Feb. 26 (zoom) – Michigan
Wednesday, March 2 (SFC) – Penn State
Saturday, March 5 (SFC) – Iowa
TBD (zoom) – Big Ten Tournament

COACH UNDERWOOD RADIO SHOW

Program airs Mondays from 7-8 p.m. on the Busey Bank Illini Sports Network and locally on WDWS-AM 1400, the flagship station for the network. The host is Brian Barnhart. Shows will be held at Papa Del's Pizza Factory in Champaign.

Underwood Radio Show Dates

Nov. 8	Jan. 31
Dec. 13	Feb. 7
Dec. 20	Feb. 14
Dec. 27	Feb. 21
Jan. 3	Feb. 28
Jan. 24	March 7

BUSEY BANK ILLINI SPORTS NETWORK (55 stations)

Aledo, WRMJ-FM 102.3
Alton, WBGZ-AM 1570
Alton, WBGZ-FM 94.3
Canton, WBYS-AM 1560
Canton, WBYS-FM 93.7
Carbondale, WINI-FM 93.5
Carthage, WCAZ-AM 1510
Carthage, WCAZ-FM 93.1
Champaign, WDWS-AM 1400
Champaign, WDWS-FM 93.9
Champaign, WHMS-FM 97.5
Chicago, WLS-AM 890
Danville, WDAN-AM 1490
Danville, WDNL-FM 102.1
Davenport, IA, WFXN-AM 1230
Decatur, WSOY-AM 1340
Decatur, WSOY-FM 103.3
Dwight, WJEZ-FM 98.9
Effingham-Mattoon, WHQQ-FM 98.9
Fairfield, WFIW-AM 1390
Fairfield, WFIW-FM 103.3
Farmington (Peoria), WHPI-FM, 96.5
Galesburg, WGIL-AM 1400
Galesburg, WGIL-FM 93.7
Jacksonville, WJIL-AM 1550
Jacksonville, WJIL-FM 102.9
Jerseyville, WJBM-AM 1480
Litchfield, WAOX-FM 105.3
Marion, WGGH-AM 1150
Marion, WGGH-FM 98.5
Marshall, WMMC-FM 105.9
Mt. Carmel, WSJD-FM 100.5
Murphysboro, WINI-AM 1420
Murphysboro, WINI-FM 93.5
Olney, WSEI-FM 92.9
Paxton, WPXN-FM 104.9
Peoria, WZPN-FM 101.1
Pittsfield, WBBA-FM 97.5
Quincy, WTAD-AM 930
Quincy, WTAD-FM 103.3
Robinson, WTAY-AM 1570
Robinson, WTAY-FM 94.3
Rockford, WROK-AM 1440
Rushville, WKXQ-FM 92.5
Salem, WJBD-AM 1350
Salem, WJBD-FM 100.1
Sparta, WHCO-AM 1230
Springfield, WFMB-AM 1450
Springfield, WFMB-FM 107.1
Springfield, WCVS-FM 96.7
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ILLINOIS BASKETBALL QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Champaign-Urbana, Ill.
Founded: 1867
Enrollment: 56,299
Nickname: Fighting Illini
Colors: Orange and Blue
Arena: State Farm Center
Opened: 1963
Capacity: 15,544
Conference: Big Ten
President: Timothy L. Killeen
Chancellor: Robert J. Jones
Director of Athletics: Josh Whitman
Ticket Office Phone: 217-333-3470 or 1-866-ILLINI-1

HISTORY

Seasons of Basketball: 117th
First Year of Basketball: 1906
All-Time Record: 1,839-1,031 (.641)
All-Time Big Ten Record: 963-738 (.566)
NCAA Tournament Appearances / Last: 31 / 2021
All-Time NCAA Tournament Record: 41-32 (.562)
NCAA Final Four Appearances / Last: 5 / 2005
Big Ten Championships / Last: 17 / 2005
Big Ten Tournament Championships / Last: 3 / 2021

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Brad Underwood, 5th year
Alma Mater, Year: Kansas State University '86
Career Record / Years: 184-85 (.684) / 9th
Record at Illinois / Years: 75-58 (.564) / 5th
Assistant Coaches: Geoff Alexander, Tim Anderson, Chester Frazier
Assistant to the Head Coach: Zach Hamer
Strength and Conditioning Coach: Adam Fletcher
Assistant Athletic Director: Joey Biggs
Director of Recruiting and Scouting: Tyler Underwood
Video Coordinator: Patrick Bittle
Athletic Trainer: Paul Schmidt
Director of Branding and Creative Media: Courtney Bay
Graduate Managers: Marcus Anderson, Bobby Gikas
Administrative Secretary: Nicole Anderson

2020-21 TEAM INFORMATION

Overall Record: 24-7
Big Ten Record / Finish: 16-4 / 2nd
Postseason: NCAA Tournament Round of 32
Final Ranking: AP - 2 / Coaches - 8
Starters Returning / Lost: 3 / 2
Lettermen Returning / Lost: 9 / 7
Newcomers: 5

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5th Year at Illinois // 9th Year as Div. I Head Coach // 35th Year in Coaching

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McPherson, Kan.

FAMILY
Wife, Susan
Son, Tyler; Daughters, Katie & Ashley

EDUCATION
Kansas State University,
B.S., Radio & TV Communications, 1986

PLAYING EXPERIENCE
1983 Hardin-Simmons University
1984 Independence Community College
1985-86 Kansas State University

COACHING EXPERIENCE
1988 (1 YR) Graduate Assistant
Hardin-Simmons University

1989 (1 YR) Assistant Coach
Dodge City Community College

1990-93 (4 YRS) Head Coach
Dodge City Community College

1994-2003 (10 YRS) Assistant Coach
Western Illinois University

2004-06 (3 YRS) Head Coach
Daytona Beach Community College

2007 (1 YR) Director of Operations
Kansas State University

2008-11 (4 YRS) Assistant Coach
Kansas State University

2012 (1 YR) Associate Head Coach
Kansas State University

2013 (1 YR) Associate Head Coach
University of South Carolina

2014-16 (3 YRS) Head Coach
Stephen F. Austin University

2017 (1 YR) Head Coach
Oklahoma State University

2018- (5th YR) Head Coach
University of Illinois

Brad Underwood has reinvigorated the Illinois Basketball program, bringing the Fighting Illini back to the national stage and building a title contender during his four seasons in Champaign.

Underwood is the 18th head coach in Illinois history, hired in March 2017 as the Richmond Family Endowed Men's Head Basketball Coach. He has won more than 68 percent of his games during his eight years as a Division I head coach, recording six 20-win seasons. Underwood has made five appearances in the NCAA Tournament, with a sixth precluded by the cancellation of the 2020 postseason due to COVID-19.

Underwood's fourth Illini team in 2021 put together one of the best seasons in school history, ending the year ranked No. 2 in the final AP poll, winning the Big Ten Tournament championship, and earning a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament.

Illinois went 16-4 in conference play to mark its winningest Big Ten season ever. Illinois led the Big Ten in victories while playing a full conference schedule, but missed out on the regular season title due to an unequal number of games played creating a win percentage differential of .024. The Illini went on to win the Big Ten Tournament, earning the program's first conference tournament title since 2005.

In all, Illinois totaled 19 wins against conference foes in 2021, setting a school record and tying the second-most wins ever by a Big Ten school against league competition in a single season.

Illinois earned the fourth NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed in school history after winning 14 of 15 games over a two-month stretch leading into NCAA March Madness. The remarkable run included seven wins over ranked teams, with five coming against top-10 foes.

Illinois defeated No. 2 Michigan, 76-53, in Ann Arbor on March 2, recording its highest ranked road win in program history. The 23-point margin was the largest victory in the NCAA on the road over a top-2 team since 1995. Four days later, the Illini won at No. 7 Ohio State to notch its first back-to-back wins over top-10 teams since 2005.

Not finished with that accomplishment, Illinois again defeated back-to-back top-10 opponents the following week at the Big Ten Tournament, beating No. 5 Iowa in the semifinal and No. 9 Ohio State in the championship to win the title.

Illinois finished the season with a total of six victories over top-10 teams, breaking the previous school record of five set by the 1989 Flyin' Illini. Illinois led the country with 12 Quad 1 wins and a combined 17 wins in Quads 1 and 2. The Illini also won nine road games, leading all high-major conference teams.

Illinois made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament in eight years, advancing to the Round of 32 to finish with a record of 24-7. Illinois ended the season at No. 4 in kenpom's team adjusted efficiency margin, the second-highest rating ever for the program. The Illini excelled on both sides of the ball, finishing the year as one of only three teams ranked in the top 10 nationally in both offensive (8th) and defensive (7th) efficiency.

Illinois had a pair of consensus All-Americans leading the way in 2021. Junior Ayo Dosunmu was a first-team All-America selection by every organization and finalist for every player of the year award. The USA Today National Player of the Year and Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year, Dosunmu became the first NCAA player in the last 11 years to average at least 20 points, six rebounds and five assists. Sophomore Kofi Cockburn was a second-team All-America pick by every outlet, totaling 16 double-doubles and standing as the only player in the country to average at least 15 points and nine rebounds on 60+ percent shooting.

Illinois is now 29-11 (.726) in Big Ten play the last two years of the Underwood era, owning both the most wins and best winning percentage in the league over the last two conference campaigns.

Underwood directed Illinois to the largest turnaround among schools from the six major conferences in 2020 (+10.0), while standing seventh across all of Div. I for most improved teams. Illinois was ranked for eight weeks, checking in at No. 21 in the final Associated Poll to finish a season ranked in the Top 25 for the first time since 2006.

The Illini recorded 21 victories during the regular season and won 13 Big Ten games – its most league wins since 2005 – to finish just one game back of the conference title. The Illini's .650 winning percentage in league play was its best since 2006 and the program earned a bye to the Big Ten Tournament Quarterfinal round for the first time since 2011.

Underwood installed a new defense prior to year three and retooled the offense during the season, schematic changes that led to Illinois ranking in the top 40 nationally in both offensive and defensive efficiency (kenpom) for the first time in nine years. Those changes complemented the trademark of Underwood-led teams that excel in transition and on the glass. The Illini averaged more than 20 points per game in possessions under seven seconds and ranked 11th in the nation in both offensive rebound rate (35.6) and rebound margin (+7.5).

Illinois notched six Quad 1 wins on the season and was one of only two teams in the country to earn four road wins over teams in the top 35 of the NET. The Illini's five Big Ten road victories were its most in 10 years, highlighted by its first win at Purdue since the 2009 season and its first wins at Wisconsin and at Michigan since 2010.

The UI's top two performers were once again underclassmen. Sophomore Ayo Dosunmu led the team in scoring (16.6 ppg) and assists (3.3 apg), becoming the first Illini player in 10 years to earn first-team All-Big Ten accolades. Kofi Cockburn was the team's second-leading scorer (13.3 ppg) and leading rebounder (8.8 rpg) en route to being named 2020 Big Ten Freshman of the Year.

Brad and his wife, Susan, have a son, Tyler, and two daughters, Katie and Ashley. Tyler is in his first year on the Illinois staff as director of recruiting and scouting after playing the last four seasons with the Fighting Illini. Katie is a U of I student, and Ashley attends Miami-Ohio.

Complete Underwood Bio Available at FightingIllini.com

UNDERWOOD'S DIVISION I HEAD COACHING RECORD

Season	School	Overall	Conf. (Finish)	Postseason
2013-14	Stephen F. Austin	32-3	18-0 (1st)	NCAA Round of 32
2014-15	Stephen F. Austin	29-5	17-1 (1st)	NCAA First Round
2015-16	Stephen F. Austin	28-6	18-0 (1st)	NCAA Round of 32
2016-17	Oklahoma State	20-13	9-9 (5th)	NCAA First Round
2017-18	Illinois	14-18	4-14 (11th)	–
2018-19	Illinois	12-21	7-13 (10th)	–
2019-20	Illinois	21-10	13-7 (4th)	*Canceled Due to COVID-19*
2020-21	Illinois	24-7	16-4 (2nd)	NCAA Round of 32
2021-22	Illinois	4-2		
Total	**9th Year**	**184-85 (.684)**		

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LOMMEL, BELGIUM // KA PEGASUS

2021-22 NOTES

- Career-high six assists in just 12 minutes vs. UTRGV (11/26)
- Has 15 points and 28 rebounds through six games after totaling 13 points and 13 boards in 17 games over his first two seasons
- Set career high in scoring with 8 points and equaled career high with 10 rebounds for second consecutive game vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- Career-high 10 rebounds (5 offensive) with 5 points and 3 assists in career-best 21 minutes in opener vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Jan. 30, 2001
- Majoring in psychology

2020-21

- Academic All-Big Ten selection
- Played in eight games after making season debut Jan. 7 at Northwestern
- 2 rebounds in Big Ten Tournament win over Rutgers (3/12/21)
- 2 points and 1 rebound in win at Minnesota (2/20/21)
- Missed first 11 games while recovering from foot injury

2019-20

- Played in nine games as a true freshman, totaling 11 points and 10 rebounds
- Missed final 19 games with foot injury, receiving medical hardship waiver
- Season-best four assists and career-high two steals vs. Hampton (11/23/19)
- Season highs of six points and four rebounds with two blocks vs. The Citadel (11/20/19)

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		21	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	5	5	10	10.0	3	3	2	0	1	5	5.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		12	3-5	.600	0-0	.000	2-4	.500	4	6	10	10.0	4	0	2	0	0	8	6.5
11/15/21	at Marquette		9	0-4	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	2	4	8.0	2	0	0	0	1	0	4.3
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		6	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	0	2	6.5	0	0	0	0	0	2	3.8
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	5.4	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.0
11/26/21	UTRGV		12	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	4.7	4	6	1	0	0	0	2.5
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
01/06/22	Maryland																			
01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 8
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 3
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG ATT: 5 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 1 (twice)
last vs. The Citadel (11/20/19)

FT: 2 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 4 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 10 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 6
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

STL: 2
vs. Hampton (11/23/19)

BLK: 2
vs. The Citadel (11/20/19)

MIN: 20:44
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 8
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 3
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG ATT: 5
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 4 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 10 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 6
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

STL: 1 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

BLK: 0

MIN: 20:44
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2019-20	9	0	58	6.4	4	11	.364	0	2	.000	3	4	.750	6	4	10	1.1	6	0	6	0.7	5	2	3	11	1.2
2020-21	8	0	18	2.3	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	3	0.4	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	2	0.3
2021-22	6	0	64	10.6	6	15	.400	0	0	.000	3	8	.375	15	13	28	4.7	14	0	9	1.5	5	0	2	15	2.5
TOTAL	**23**	**0**	**138**	**6.0**	**11**	**29**	**.379**	**0**	**2**	**.000**	**6**	**12**	**.500**	**22**	**19**	**41**	**1.8**	**20**	**0**	**15**	**0.6**	**11**	**2**	**5**	**28**	**1.2**

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KINGSTON, JAMAICA // OAK HILL ACADEMY (VA.)

2021-22 NOTES

• Career-high 38 points vs. UTRGV (11/26) on 15-19 FG and 8-11 FT with 10 rebounds for 30th career double-double

• 23 points and season-high 13 rebounds vs. Kansas State (11/23). Scored 1,000th career point on jumper vs. Wildcats with 1:27 remaining.

• Made season debut vs. Cincinnati (11/22), recording 18 points and seven rebounds

• Served NCAA suspension for first three games, scheduled to return Nov. 22 vs. Cincinnati

PRESEASON HONORS

• Associated Press All-America Team

• Watch Lists: Wooden Award, Naismith Trophy, NABC Div. I Player of the Year, Lute Olson Award, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Award

• First-team All-American: Sporting News, CBS Sports, Blue Ribbon Yearbook, The Athletic, Athlon Sports, Dick Vitale, College Hoops Today

• Big Ten Player of the Year: conference media, The Athletic, Blue Ribbon, Lindy's

CAREER NOTES

• Born Sept. 1, 1999

• Majoring in community health

2020-21

• NCAA Consensus Second-Team All-American
• Only player in NCAA to average 15+ points and 9+ rebounds while shooting at least 60%
• Wooden Award All-American Team
• Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Center of the Year Finalist
• Big Ten All-Tournament Team, first-team All-Big Ten and USBWA All-District V Team
• Third nationally with 16 double-doubles
• Fourth in the NCAA in field goal shooting at 65.4% (214-327)
• Led the nation with 78 dunks
• Fifth in Big Ten in scoring (17.7 ppg)
• First in B1G and 24th in NCAA in rebounding (9.5 rpg)
• 26 points on 11-17 FG with 8 boards in Big Ten Tournament win over No. 5 Iowa (3/13/21)
• 23 points, school-record 8 dunks and 14 boards in win over No. 19 Wisconsin (2/6/21)
• Season-high 15 boards in win over Indiana (12/26/20)
• Season-high 33 points on 12-15 FG and 13 rebounds in Minnesota win (12/15/20)

2019-20

• Big Ten Freshman of the Year & third-team All-Big Ten
• 12 double-doubles, doubling the previous Illini freshman season record
• Second on team in scoring (13.3 ppg) and led team in rebounding (8.8 rpg)
• Top rebounding freshman in Illini history and No. 5 freshman scorer in school history
• Career-high tying 17 boards in win over Rutgers (1/11/20)
• Season-high 26 points in win over North Carolina A&T (12/29/19)
• 17 boards vs. Citadel (11/20/19), setting Illini single-game freshman rebounding record

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		DNP-Susp.																	
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		DNP-Susp.																	
11/15/21	at Marquette		DNP-Susp.																	
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati	*	27	7-13	.538	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	2	5	7	7.0	1	0	3	1	1	18	18.0
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.	*	32	8-10	.800	0-0	.000	7-13	.538	4	9	13	10.0	4	2	4	1	1	23	20.5
11/26/21	UTRGV	*	38	15-19	.789	0-0	.000	8-11	.727	1	9	10	10.0	2	1	2	1	1	38	26.3
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
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01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 38
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG: 15
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG ATT: 19
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 1
vs. Michigan (12/11/19)

FT: 9 (twice)
last vs. Penn State (1/19/21)

FT ATT: 15
vs. Minnesota (12/15/20)

REB: 17 (twice)
last vs. Rutgers (1/11/20)

AST: 2 (three times)
last vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

STL: 3
at Rutgers (2/15/20)

BLK: 6
vs. Indiana (3/1/20)

MIN: 39:24
at Nebraska (2/12/21)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 38
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG: 15
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG ATT: 19
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

3-PT:

3-PT ATT:

FT: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FT ATT: 13
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

REB: 13
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

AST: 2
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

STL: 1 (three times)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

BLK: 1 (three times)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

MIN: 37:57
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2019-20	31	31	851	27.5	151	284	.532	0	1	.000	111	164	.677	107	165	272	8.8	81	1	20	0.6	59	44	17	413	13.3
2020-21	31	31	838	27.0	214	327	.654	0	0	.000	120	217	.553	105	188	293	9.5	78	0	5	0.2	54	40	10	548	17.7
2021-22	3	3	97	32.5	30	42	.714	0	0	.000	19	28	.679	7	23	30	10.0	7	0	3	1.0	9	3	3	79	26.3
TOTAL	**65**	**65**	**1786**	**27.5**	**395**	**653**	**.605**	**0**	**1**	**.000**	**250**	**409**	**.611**	**219**	**376**	**595**	**9.2**	**166**	**1**	**28**	**0.4**	**122**	**87**	**30**	**1040**	**16.0**

5 ANDRE CURBELO

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VEGA BAJA, PUERTO RICO // LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN H.S. (N.Y.)

2021-22 NOTES

- Game-high 7 assists vs.Kansas State (11/23)
- 12 points and game-high 5 assists vs. Cincinnati (11/22)
- 11 points and 8 rebounds at Marquette (11/15)
- Game-high 7 assists in season debut vs. Arkansas State (11/12)

PRESEASON HONORS

- Watch Lists: Wooden Award, Naismith Trophy, Lute Olson Award, Bob Cousy Award
- First-Team All-American, Field of 68
- Third-Team All-American, College Hoops Today
- Fourth-Team All-American, Dick Vitale
- All-Big Ten Team, conference media

CAREER NOTES

- Born Oct. 13, 2001
- Majoring in recreation, sport and tourism

2020-21

- Big Ten Sixth Man of the Year and Big Ten All-Freshman Team
- Fourth on team in scoring and rebounding, averaging 9.1 ppg and 4.0 rpg
- Averaged 12.7 points and 5.6 rebounds over the final 10 games
- Third in Big Ten in assists during league play (4.6 apg); sixth in all games (4.2 apg)
- Team-high 16 points with 6 boards and 5 assists in Big Ten Tournament title game win over No. 9 Ohio State (3/14)
- Season-high 19 points on 6-8 FG and 6-7 FT with game-high 6 assists and 5 boards in win at No. 7 Ohio State (3/6)
- 17 points and 6 rebounds in win at No. 2 Michigan (3/2)
- Big Ten Freshman of the Week (3/1)
- 17 points and 7 boards in win at No. 23 Wisconsin (2/27)
- 10 points, season-high 12 rebounds, and 8 assists in Nebraska win (2/25)
- Season-high 9 assists with 9 points and 6 rebounds in win over Minnesota (12/15)

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		DNP-Inj.																	
11/12/21	Arkansas St.	*	19	3-8	.375	0-4	.000	2-4	.500	1	3	4	4.0	2	7	2	0	2	8	8.0
11/15/21	at Marquette	*	26	4-18	.222	0-3	.000	3-4	.750	3	5	8	6.0	4	3	7	1	1	11	9.5
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati	*	24	4-12	.333	1-4	.250	3-3	1.000	0	2	2	4.7	3	5	5	0	1	12	10.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.	*	20	2-5	.400	1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	1	2	3	4.3	1	7	2	0	0	6	9.3
11/26/21	UTRGV		DNP-Inj.																	
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
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12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
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01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 19
at Ohio State (3/6/21)

FG: 9
vs. Chicago State (11/26/20)

FG ATT: 18
at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT: 1 (seven times)
last vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT ATT: 4 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FT: 9
at Penn State (12/23/20)

FT ATT: 9 (twice)
last at Indiana (2/2/21)

REB: 12
vs. Nebraska (2/25/21)

AST: 9
vs. Minnesota (12/15/20)

STL: 3 (three times)
last vs. Iowa (3/13/21)

BLK: 1 (four times)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

MIN: 35:41
vs. Ohio State (3/14/21)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 12
vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FG: 4 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FG ATT: 18
at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT: 1 (twice)
last vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT ATT: 4 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FT: 3 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FT ATT: 4 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

REB: 8
at Marquette (11/15/21)

AST: 7 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

STL: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

BLK: 1
at Marquette (11/15/21)

MIN: 25:37
at Marquette (11/15/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2020-21	31	0	667	21.5	109	219	.498	5	31	.161	59	81	.728	14	109	123	4.0	84	1	129	4.2	80	3	28	282	9.1
2021-22	4	4	88	22.0	13	43	.302	2	12	.167	9	12	.750	5	12	17	4.3	10	0	22	5.5	16	1	4	37	9.3
TOTAL	**35**	**4**	**752**	**21.5**	**122**	**262**	**.466**	**7**	**43**	**.163**	**68**	**93**	**.731**	**19**	**121**	**140**	**4.0**	**94**	**1**	**151**	**4.3**	**96**	**4**	**32**	**319**	**9.1**

1 TRENT FRAZIER

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WELLINGTON, FLA. // WELLINGTON H.S.

2021-22 NOTES

- Season-high 5 assists vs. Kansas State (11/23)
- Game-high 23 points with 6 three-pointers and 5 rebounds at Marquette (11/15)
- 12 points in season debut vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- No. 16 on Illinois career scoring list with 1,469 points
- Fourth on Illini all-time made 3-pointers list with 255 treys
- Seventh on UI career steals list with 171

CAREER NOTES

- Born Sept. 8, 1998
- Majoring in recreation, sport and tourism

2020-21
- Big Ten All-Defensive Team and honorable mention All-Big Ten
- Third on team in scoring with an average of 10.2 points
- Led Illini with 55 three-pointers, ranking 15th in the Big Ten averaging 1.8 treys
- Career-high 6 steals in win at Minnesota (2/20), the most steals by an Illini in 16 years.
- Season-high 24 points on 8-13 FG and four treys in win over No. 7 Iowa (1/29)

2019-20
- Fourth on the team in scoring as a junior, averaging 9.1 points
- Led team with 51 three-pointers (1.6 avg) and 29 steals
- Season-high 21 points on just seven shot attempts (5-7 3FG, 6-6 FT) in win at Purdue (1/21/20)

2018-19
- Honorable mention All-Big Ten as a sophomore
- Second on Illini in scoring at 13.7 ppg
- Finished 43rd in the NCAA in 3-point accuracy, shooting 40.6% (80-197)
- Season-high 30 points on 10-14 shooting with five threes at Minnesota (1/30/19)
- 29 points (27 in 2nd half) with 6 threes and season-high 5 steals vs. No. 3 Gonzaga (11/19/18)

2017-18
- Big Ten All-Freshman Team and honorable mention All-Big Ten
- Led all B1G frosh in scoring (12.5 ppg), assists (3.1 apg), steals (1.7 spg), and threes (1.9 avg)
- Career-high 32 points vs. Wisconsin (2/8/18), fourth-most ever by an Illini freshman

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		DNP-Inj.																	
11/12/21	Arkansas St.	*	29	4-9	.444	2-5	.400	2-2	1.000	0	4	4	4.0	0	0	1	0	2	12	12.0
11/15/21	at Marquette	*	37	7-15	.467	6-10	.600	3-3	1.000	0	5	5	4.5	3	2	3	0	2	23	17.5
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati	*	33	0-9	.000	0-5	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	3.3	2	2	1	0	1	0	11.7
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.	*	27	0-5	.000	0-4	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	2.8	3	5	3	0	0	0	8.8
11/26/21	UTRGV		DNP-Inj.																	
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
01/06/22	Maryland																			
01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 32
vs. Wisconsin (2/8/18)

FG: 10 (four times)
last at Minnesota (1/30/19)

FG ATT: 20 (three times)
last vs. Missouri (12/22/18)

3-PT: 7 (twice)
last vs. Wisconsin (2/8/18)

3-PT ATT: 13 (twice)
last vs. Missouri (12/22/18)

FT: 10
vs. Missouri (12/23/17)

FT ATT: 11
vs. Missouri (12/23/17)

REB: 6 (twice)
last at Wisconsin (2/27/21)

AST: 7 (twice)
last vs. Evansville (11/8/18)

STL: 6
at Minnesota (2/20/21)

BLK: 2
vs. Iowa (3/13/21)

MIN: 42:57
vs. Ohio State (3/14/21)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 23
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FG: 7
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FG ATT: 15
at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT: 6
at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT ATT: 10
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FT: 3
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FT ATT: 3
at Marquette (11/15/21)

REB: 5
at Marquette (11/15/21)

AST: 5
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

STL: 2 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

BLK: 0

MIN: 36:34
at Marquette (11/15/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS									
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2017-18	32	16	842	26.3	140	346	.405	61	176	.347	58	90	.644	7	49	56	1.8	68	2	99	3.1	71	1	54	399	12.5
2018-19	32	31	978	30.6	148	360	.411	80	197	.406	63	83	.759	10	65	75	2.3	74	1	82	2.6	65	1	44	439	13.7
2019-20	31	30	946	30.5	86	263	.327	51	165	.309	58	68	.853	7	62	69	2.2	77	0	60	1.9	28	0	29	281	9.1
2020-21	31	31	1044	33.7	98	245	.400	55	152	.362	64	77	.831	5	80	85	2.7	77	2	85	2.7	46	4	39	315	10.2
2021-22	4	4	125	31.2	11	38	.289	8	24	.333	5	5	1.000	0	11	11	2.8	8	0	9	2.2	8	0	5	35	8.8
TOTAL	**130**	**112**	**3933**	**30.3**	**483**	**1252**	**.386**	**255**	**714**	**.357**	**248**	**323**	**.768**	**29**	**267**	**296**	**2.3**	**304**	**4**	**335**	**2.6**	**217**	**6**	**171**	**1469**	**11.3**

10 LUKE GOODE

FRESHMAN // GUARD // 6-7 // 200
FORT WAYNE, IND. // HOMESTEAD H.S.

2021-22 NOTES

- 5 points and 3 boards in season-high 18 minutes vs. UTRGV (11/26)
- 4 points and 5 rebounds in 13 minutes vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- 6 points on pair of 3-pointers and 4 boards in college debut vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Aug. 24, 2002
- Majoring in business

HIGH SCHOOL

- Averaged 19.4 points, 8.3 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 1.2 steals while shooting 40.4% from 3-point range as a senior
- Helped lead Homestead to a 25-1 record, undefeated regular season (22-0) and No. 1 ranking in Class 4A, Summit Athletic Conference championship, and sectional title
- First-team All-State by the Associated Press
- Senior All-State Supreme 15 Team by the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA)
- Selected to the Indiana All-Stars team for its annual series vs. the Kentucky All-Stars
- Scored a career-high 41 points vs. North Side (1/22/21), setting the Homestead school record with 10 three-pointers
- Finished his high school career as the winningest player in Homestead history (79) and ranked No. 2 on the school's career scoring list (1,480 points), No. 1 in made 3-pointers (232), No. 4 in rebounds (499) and No. 4 in assists (293)
- Was a successful high school quarterback before electing to focus on basketball, earning Class 6A All-State Junior Team Offense honors in 2019 while setting the Homestead record for single-season passing yards (2,778)

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		17	2-4	.500	2-3	.667	0-1	.000	1	3	4	4.0	1	0	0	0	0	6	6.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		13	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	3	2	5	4.5	1	0	0	0	0	4	5.0
11/15/21	at Marquette		1	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	3.0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3.3
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		DNP-Inj.																	
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		DNP-Inj.																	
11/26/21	UTRGV		18	2-6	.333	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	1	2	3	3.0	2	1	0	1	0	5	3.8
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
01/06/22	Maryland																			
01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER/SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 6
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FG: 2 (twice)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG ATT: 6
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

3-PT: 2
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

3-PT ATT: 4
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FT: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 5
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 1 (twice)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

STL: 0

BLK: 1
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

MIN: 17:20
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2021-22	4	0	48	12.1	5	13	.385	3	8	.375	2	4	.500	5	7	12	3.0	4	0	2	0.5	0	1	0	15	3.8

3 JACOB GRANDISON

GRADUATE STUDENT // GUARD/FORWARD // 6-6 // 210

OAKLAND, CALIF. // PHILLIPS EXETER ACADEMY (N.H.) // HOLY CROSS

2021-22 NOTES

- 8 points on 3-4 FG vs. Kansas State (11/23)
- 10 points, 5 rebounds and 3 assists at Marquette (11/15)
- 15 points and 6 boards vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- Set Illini career-high with 20 points on 7-10 FG in opener vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born April 2, 1998
- Enrolled in the Gies College of Business master's degree program in management
- Earned bachelor's degree in earth, society, and environmental sustainability in May 2021

2020-21

- Averaged 4.6 points and 3.4 rebounds on the year, and 6.2 ppg & 4.2 rpg over last 16 games
- Season-high 14 points and career-high 6 made free throws in Nebraska win (2/25/21)
- 11 points and season-high 10 boards for first Illini double-double in win over No. 7 Iowa (1/29/21)

2019-20

- Sat out the season at Illinois after transferring from Holy Cross

2018-19

- Led Holy Cross and ranked 11th in Patriot League in scoring with an average of 13.9 ppg and was second on team in rebounding (5.0 rpg) and third in assists (2.9 apg)
- Career-high 25 points at Iona (12/30/18)
- First double-double with 21 points and career-high 10 assists vs. Stony Brook (11/16/18)
- Also had double-double with 22 points and career-high 16 boards at Lafayette (3/5/19)

2017-18

- Averaged 9.0 points, 4.5 rebounds and 2.0 steals as a freshman

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.	*	23	7-10	.700	2-4	.500	4-4	1.000	1	4	5	5.0	2	1	2	0	0	20	20.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.	*	27	5-9	.556	1-3	.333	4-4	1.000	2	4	6	5.5	0	1	2	0	0	15	17.5
11/15/21	at Marquette	*	30	4-9	.444	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	3	2	5	5.3	4	3	2	0	0	10	15.0
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati	*	15	0-3	.000	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	1	2	4.5	3	1	1	0	0	1	11.5
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		18	3-4	.750	1-1	1.000	1-2	.500	1	2	3	4.2	1	0	0	0	0	8	10.8
11/26/21	UTRGV		DNP-III																	
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
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01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
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01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 25
at Iona (12/30/18)

FG: 9 (twice)
last at Lafayette (3/5/19)

FG ATT: 19
at Lafayette (3/5/19)

3-PT: 6 (twice)
last vs. Navy (1/26/19)

3-PT ATT: 10
vs. Siena (11/18/18)

FT: 6
vs. Nebraska (2/25/21)

FT ATT: 7 (twice)
last vs. Nebraska (2/25/21)

REB: 16
at Lafayette (3/5/19)

AST: 10
vs. Stony Brook (11/16/18)

STL: 3 (seven times)
last at Colgate (2/27/19)

BLK: 2
vs. Bucknell (2/17/18)

MIN: 41
vs. Bucknell (2/17/18)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 20
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FG: 7
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FG ATT: 10
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

3-PT: 2 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT ATT: 4 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

FT: 4 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 4 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 6
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 3
at Marquette (11/15/21)

STL: 0

BLK: 0

MIN: 29:57
at Marquette (11/15/21)

CAREER STATISTICS AT HOLY CROSS

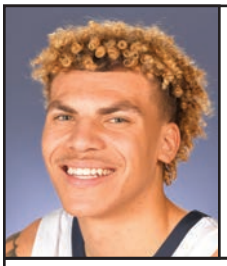
					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS									
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2017-18	31	18	852	27.5	100	226	.442	38	120	.317	40	54	.741	24	117	141	4.5	74	3	61	2.0	55	5	24	278	9.0
2018-19	33	33	1142	34.6	169	394	.429	69	189	.365	52	65	.800	26	138	164	5.0	72	1	97	2.9	62	11	36	459	13.9
TOTAL	**64**	**51**	**1994**	**31.2**	**269**	**620**	**.434**	**107**	**309**	**.346**	**92**	**119**	**.773**	**50**	**255**	**305**	**4.8**	**146**	**4**	**158**	**2.5**	**117**	**16**	**60**	**737**	**11.5**

CAREER STATISTICS AT ILLINOIS

2020-21	30	16	459	15.3	50	95	.526	17	41	.415	22	23	.957	29	73	102	3.4	35	0	38	1.3	23	2	16	139	4.6
2021-22	5	4	113	22.6	19	35	.543	6	13	.462	10	12	.833	8	13	21	4.2	10	0	6	1.2	7	0	0	54	10.8
TOTAL	**35**	**20**	**569**	**16.3**	**69**	**130**	**.531**	**23**	**54**	**.426**	**32**	**35**	**.914**	**37**	**86**	**123**	**3.5**	**45**	**0**	**44**	**1.2**	**30**	**2**	**16**	**193**	**5.5**

COMBINED CAREER STATISTICS

TOTAL	**99**	**71**	**2563**	**25.9**	**338**	**750**	**.451**	**130**	**363**	**.358**	**124**	**154**	**.805**	**87**	**341**	**428**	**4.3**	**191**	**4**	**202**	**2.0**	**147**	**18**	**76**	**930**	**9.4**



33 COLEMAN HAWKINS

SOPHOMORE // FORWARD // 6-10 // 215

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. // PROLIFIC PREP

2021-22 NOTES

- Has 64 points and 37 rebounds through six games after totaling 36 points and 21 boards in 25 games last season
- 13 points (4-5 FG) and tied career high with four assists vs. UTRGV (11/26)
- 13 points and 8 rebounds in career-high 32 minutes at Marquette (11/15)
- First double-double with career highs of 17 points and 12 boards along with career highs of 4 assists and 4 blocks vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- 13 points, 8 rebounds and career-high 4 steals in first start vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Dec. 10, 2001
- Enrolled in the Division of General Studies (undeclared)
- Three-star recruit ranked No. 142 by Rivals and No. 156 by 247Sports
- Averaged 12.5 points, 4.5 rebounds and a team-high 6.5 assists as senior at Prolific Prep

2020-21

- Played in 25 games on the season, averaging 6.3 minutes
- 3 points and 3 rebounds in win at No. 2 Michigan (3/2)
- Tied season high with 5 points in win at Nebraska (2/12)
- Season-high tying 5 points with career-high 3 blocks in win over Penn State (1/19)
- Equaled season of 5 points with 3 boards in win over Purdue (1/2)
- 5 points and 4 rebounds in college debut vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25)

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
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11/09/21	Jackson St.	*	29	4-10	.400	2-6	.333	3-4	.750	1	7	8	8.0	2	3	4	1	4	13	13.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.	*	27	5-7	.714	0-1	.000	7-13	.538	6	6	12	10.0	1	4	3	4	1	17	15.0
11/15/21	at Marquette	*	32	6-12	.500	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	2	6	8	9.3	3	1	5	0	0	13	14.3
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati	*	23	1-4	.250	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	7.3	4	1	1	1	2	2	11.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.	*	25	2-5	.400	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	0	4	4	6.6	3	3	3	0	1	6	10.
11/26/21	UTRGV	*	26	4-5	.800	1-2	.500	4-4	1.000	0	4	4	6.2	1	4	2	2	1	13	10.7
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
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02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 17
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 6
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FG ATT: 12
at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT: 2 (twice)
last vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT ATT: 6
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FT: 7
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 13
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 12
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 4 (twice)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26)

STL: 4
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

BLK: 4
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

MIN: 32
at Marquette (11/15/21)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 17
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 6
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FG ATT: 12
at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT: 2 (twice)
last vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT ATT: 6
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FT: 7
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 13
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 12
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 4 (twice)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26)

STL: 4
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

BLK: 4
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

MIN: 32:56
at Marquette (11/15/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2020-21	25	0	157	6.3	10	29	.345	3	13	.231	13	19	.684	9	12	21	0.8	16	0	11	0.4	6	9	2	36	1.4
2021-22	6	6	163	27.1	22	43	.512	6	20	.300	14	22	.636	10	27	37	6.2	14	0	16	2.7	18	8	9	64	10.7
TOTAL	**31**	**6**	**319**	**10.3**	**32**	**72**	**.444**	**9**	**33**	**.273**	**27**	**41**	**.659**	**19**	**39**	**58**	**1.9**	**30**	**0**	**27**	**0.9**	**24**	**17**	**11**	**100**	**3.2**

22 AUSTIN HUTCHERSON

GRADUATE STUDENT // GUARD // 6-6 // 190

NEW YORK, N.Y. // THE HUN SCHOOL (N.J.) // WESLEYAN

2021-22 NOTES

- First start as an Illini vs. UTRGV (11/26)
- 4 points, 4 boards and 2 assists in 20 minutes vs. Kansas State (11/23)
- Made Illinois debut vs. Cincinnati (11/22), recording five points and two rebounds

CAREER NOTES

- Born April 7, 1998 in Boston
- Enrolled in the Gies College of Business master's degree program in management
- Earned bachelor's degree in psychology in May 2021

2020-21
- Academic All-Big Ten selection
- Missed the season with a back injury

2019-20
- Sat out the season at Illinois after transferring from Wesleyan

2018-19
- First-team all-league in the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC)
- Led the NESCAC in scoring, 3-pointers and free throw percentage
- Averaged 20.0 points, 5.6 rebounds and 3.2 assists on the season
- Scored career-high 37 points vs. Bowdoin (2/9/19)
- Made career-high nine treys at Bates (1/25/19)

2017-18
- 2018 NESCAC Rookie of the Year
- Averaged 12.0 points, 3.7 assists, 2.6 assists and 1.2 steals and shot 44.3% from three
- Season-high 33 points vs Southern Vermont (3/2/18), Wesleyan's first-ever NCAA Tournament win

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS										POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		DNP-Inj.																		
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		DNP-Inj.																		
11/15/21	at Marquette		DNP-Inj.																		
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		10	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	5-6	.833	2	0	2	2.0	0	0	0	1	1	5	5.0
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		20	2-4	.500	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0	4	4	3.0	2	2	1	0	0	4	4.5
11/26/21	UTRGV	*	27	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.7	1	0	5	0	0	2	3.7
11/29/21	Notre Dame																				
12/03/21	Rutgers																				
12/06/21	at Iowa																				
12/11/21	Arizona																				
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																				
12/22/21	vs Missouri																				
12/29/21	Florida A&M																				
01/02/22	at Minnesota																				
01/06/22	Maryland																				
01/11/22	at Nebraska																				
01/14/22	Michigan																				
01/17/22	Purdue																				
01/21/22	at Maryland																				
01/25/22	Michigan St.																				
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02/02/22	Wisconsin																				
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02/10/22	at Purdue																				
02/13/22	Northwestern																				
02/16/22	at Rutgers																				
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																				
02/24/22	Ohio St.																				
02/27/22	at Michigan																				
03/03/22	Penn St.																				
03/06/22	Iowa																				

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 37
vs. Bowdoin (2/9/19)

FG: 13 (three times)
last vs. Bowdoin (2/9/19)

FG ATT: 22 (three times)
last vs. Colby (2/8/19)

3-PT: 9
at Bates (1/25/19)

3-PT ATT: 14
at Bates (1/25/19)

FT: 9
vs. Hamilton (1/11/19)

FT ATT: 11
at Tufts (1/26/19)

REB: 10 (twice)
last vs. Purchase State (1/21/19)

AST: 8 (twice)
last at Bowdoin (2/10/19)

STL: 4 (twice)
last vs. Brandeis (12/9/17)

BLK: 3
at Johnson & Wales (1/18/18)

MIN: 39 (twice)
last vs. Williams (12/1/18)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 5
vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FG: 2
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

FG ATT: 4
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT:

3-PT ATT: 2
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

FT: 5
vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

FT ATT: 6
vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

REB: 4
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

AST: 2
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

STL: 1
vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

BLK: 1
vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

MIN: 26:02
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

CAREER STATISTICS AT WESLEYAN

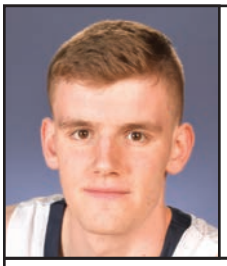
					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS									
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2017-18	29	26	813	28.0	118	282	.418	54	122	.443	57	69	.826	13	93	106	3.7	44	0	79	2.7	61	23	35	347	12.0
2018-19	25	25	879	35.2	175	394	.444	65	166	.392	85	96	.885	17	123	140	5.6	51	0	79	3.2	83	18	23	500	20.0
TOTAL	**54**	**51**	**1692**	**31.3**	**293**	**676**	**.433**	**119**	**288**	**.413**	**142**	**165**	**.861**	**30**	**216**	**246**	**4.6**	**95**	**0**	**158**	**2.9**	**144**	**41**	**58**	**847**	**15.7**

CAREER STATISTICS AT ILLINOIS

2021-22	3	1	57	19.1	3	8	.375	0	4	.000	5	7	.714	2	6	8	2.7	3	0	2	0.7	6	1	1	11	3.7

COMBINED CAREER STATISTICS

TOTAL	**57**	**52**	**1749**	**30.7**	**296**	**684**	**.433**	**119**	**292**	**.408**	**147**	**172**	**.855**	**32**	**222**	**254**	**4.5**	**98**	**0**	**160**	**2.8**	**150**	**42**	**59**	**858**	**15.1**



12 BRANDON LIEB

SOPHOMORE // CENTER // 7-0 // 220

DEERFIELD, ILL. // DEERFIELD H.S.

2021-22 NOTES

- Career-high 4 points and career-high tying 3 rebounds vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- Recorded an assist in opener vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born April 19, 2002
- Majoring in business
- Third-team All-State by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association
- Averaged 13.5 points, 9.3 rebounds and 2.5 blocks as a senior at Deerfield

2020-21

- Played in five games, totaling 4 points and 6 rebounds
- 2 rebounds vs. Chicago State (11/26)
- Made college debut vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25), totaling 4 points and 3 rebounds

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		2	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		4	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	2	1	3	1.5	1	0	0	1	0	4	2.0
11/15/21	at Marquette		DNP																	
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		1	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		DNP																	
11/26/21	UTRGV		DNP																	
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
01/06/22	Maryland																			
01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 4 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG ATT: 3
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 2
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

FT ATT: 2
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

REB: 3 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 1 (twice)
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

STL: 0

BLK: 1 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

MIN: 5:10
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 4
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG ATT: 3
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 0

FT ATT: 1
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

REB: 3
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

AST: 1
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

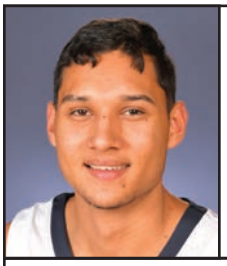
STL: 0

BLK: 1
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

MIN: 4:52
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2020-21	5	0	12	2.4	1	7	.143	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	4	2	6	1.2	0	0	1	0.2	3	1	0	4	0.8
2021-22	3	0	8	2.5	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	0	1	.000	2	1	3	1.0	1	0	1	0.3	0	1	0	4	1.3
TOTAL	**8**	**0**	**20**	**2.5**	**3**	**10**	**.300**	**0**	**0**	**.000**	**2**	**3**	**.667**	**6**	**3**	**9**	**1.1**	**1**	**0**	**2**	**0.2**	**3**	**2**	**0**	**8**	**1.0**



15 RJ MELENDEZ

FRESHMAN // GUARD // 6-7 // 205

ARECIBO, PUERTO RICO // CENTRAL POINTE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (FLA.)

2021-22 NOTES

- 6 points in 8 minutes vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- 5 points and 3 rebounds in college debut vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Dec. 3, 2002
- Majoring in recreation, sport and tourism

HIGH SCHOOL

- Four-star recruit ranked No. 56 by ESPN, No. 93 by 247Sports Composite and No. 117 by Rivals
- Averaged 24.3 points, 6.1 rebounds, 3.4 assists, 2.2 steals and 2.3 blocks as a senior, leading Central Pointe (CPCA) to a 33-7 record
- Sunshine Independent Athletic Association (SIAA) Player of the Year and first-team All-SIAA
- Grind Session World Championship All-Star after averaging 24 points and helping CPCA advance to the quarterfinals
- Averaged 18.6 points as a junior, guiding CPCA to its first-ever SIAA state title and earning finals MVP honors
- Finished his career as CPCA's all-time leading scorer with 2,006 points
- Played in the 2019 U17 Centrobasket Championships, averaging 9.2 points and 3.2 rebounds while helping Puerto Rico to a silver medal

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		18	2-7	.286	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	3	0	3	3.0	1	0	2	0	0	5	5.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		8	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	1	0	1	2.0	2	1	0	0	0	6	5.5
11/15/21	at Marquette		DNP																	
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		5	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	0	3	3	2.3	0	0	0	0	0	2	4.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		DNP																	
11/26/21	UTRGV		7	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	1.8	0	0	0	0	0	2	3.8
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
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02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER/SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 6
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG: 2 (twice)
last vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FG ATT: 7
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

3-PT: 1
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

3-PT ATT: 2
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FT: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT ATT: 2 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

REB: 3 (twice)
last vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

AST: 1
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

STL: 0

BLK: 0

MIN: 17:51
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2021-22	4	0	38	9.6	6	13	.462	1	3	.333	2	4	.500	4	3	7	1.8	3	0	1	0.2	2	0	0	15	3.8

4 OMAR PAYNE

JUNIOR // FORWARD // 6-10 // 240

KISSIMMEE, FLA. // MONTVERDE ACADEMY // FLORIDA

2021-22 NOTES

- 7 points and 5 rebounds at Marquette (11/15)
- 5 points in 6 minutes vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- 4 points, 3 rebounds and 3 blocks in Illini debut vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Nov. 2, 2000 in Miami
- Majoring in communication

2020-21

- Started eight of 24 games, averaging 3.8 points and 3.2 rebounds on 75% FG (39-52)
- Second on the team with 29 blocked shots, ranking 10th in the SEC (1.2 bpg)
- Scored in double figures three times, with season-high 10 points vs. Boston College (12/3/20), Georgia (1/23/21) and South Carolina (2/3/21)
- Set season high in rebounding with nine boards in back-to-back games vs. Tennessee (1/19/21) and Georgia (1/23/21)
- Career-high five blocks vs. Tennessee (1/19/21)

2019-20

- Played in 30 games with seven starts, averaging 3.8 points and 3.6 rebounds
- Ranked second on team with 34 blocks
- Notched first career double-double vs. No. 4 Auburn (1/18/20) with career-high 19 points on perfect 9-of-9 shooting and career-high 11 rebounds
- 11 points and nine boards in first career start vs. Long Beach State (12/28/19)

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.	*	17	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	2	3	3.0	3	0	3	3	1	4	4.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.	*	6	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	1-3	.333	0	1	1	2.0	5	0	1	0	0	5	4.5
11/15/21	at Marquette	*	21	3-3	1.000	0-0	.000	1-3	.333	4	1	5	3.0	4	1	3	1	1	7	5.3
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		6	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	2.5	1	0	0	0	0	1	4.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	2.2	1	0	0	0	0	1	3.6
11/26/21	UTRGV		2	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	2.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3.0
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
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02/10/22	at Purdue																			
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02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 19
vs. Auburn (1/18/20)

FG: 9
vs. Auburn (1/18/20)

FG ATT: 9
vs. Auburn (1/18/20)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 2 (eight times)
last vs. Missouri (3/3/21)

FT ATT: 5 (twice)
last vs. Vanderbilt (2/15/20)

REB: 11
vs. Auburn (1/18/20)

AST: 2 (three times)
last at Auburn (2/23/21)

STL: 2 (three times)
last vs. Tennessee (3/12/21)

BLK: 5
vs. Tennessee (1/19/21)

MIN: 32
vs. Auburn (1/18/20)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 7
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FG: 3
at Marquette (11/15/21)

FG ATT: 3 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 1 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

FT ATT: 3 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

REB: 5
at Marquette (11/15/21)

AST: 1
at Marquette (11/15/21)

STL: 1 (twice)
last at Marquette (11/15/21)

BLK: 3
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

MIN: 21:55
at Marquette (11/15/21)

CAREER STATISTICS AT FLORIDA

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS									
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2019-20	30	7	454	15.1	51	83	.614	0	0	.000	13	35	.371	54	53	107	3.6	66	1	7	0.2	18	34	8	115	3.8
2020-21	24	8	377	15.7	39	52	.750	0	0	.000	12	21	.571	29	47	76	3.2	58	0	9	0.4	14	29	10	90	3.8
TOTAL	**54**	**15**	**831**	**15.4**	**90**	**135**	**.667**	**0**	**0**	**.000**	**25**	**56**	**.446**	**83**	**100**	**183**	**3.4**	**124**	**1**	**16**	**0.3**	**32**	**63**	**18**	**205**	**3.8**

CAREER STATISTICS AT ILLINOIS

2021-22	6	3	58	9.6	7	11	.636	0	0	.000	4	10	.400	6	6	12	2.0	15	1	1	0.2	7	5	2	18	3.0

COMBINED CAREER STATISTICS

TOTAL	**60**	**18**	**885**	**14.7**	**97**	**146**	**.664**	**0**	**0**	**.000**	**29**	**66**	**.439**	**89**	**106**	**195**	**3.3**	**139**	**2**	**17**	**0.3**	**39**	**68**	**20**	**223**	**3.7**

11 ALFONSO PLUMMER

GRADUATE STUDENT // GUARD // 6-1 // 180

FAJARDO, PUERTO RICO // COLEGIO LA LUZ JUNCOS // ARIZONA WESTERN // UTAH

2021-22 NOTES

- 13 treys over last two games (7-Kansas State, 6-UTRGV) is third-most in consecutive games in Illinois history
- Illini career-high 30 points on 8-14 FG with six threes and 8-8 FT vs. UTRGV (11/26)
- 21 points vs. Kansas State (11/23), draining 7-of-9 threes. His seven treys were one shy of the UI single-game record
- 9 points, career-high tying 4 assists and 3 steals in Illini debut vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Sept. 4, 1997
- Pursuing a master's degree in recreation, sport and tourism
- Earned bachelor's degree in international study/parks, recreation and tourism from Utah in 2021

2020-21

- Pac-12 Academic Honor Roll
- Started 17 of 25 games and ranked second on the team in scoring, averaging 13.6 points
- Made 64 three-pointers on the season, leading the Pac-12 with an average of 2.6 threes per game
- Shot 38.3 percent from 3-point range (64-167)
- Scored season-high 23 points at Colorado on 8-of-13 shooting with four treys (1/30/21)
- Made season-high six 3-pointers vs. Washington in Pac-12 Tournament First Round (3/10/21)

2019-20

- Fourth on the team in scoring at 8.4 ppg
- Shot 42% from 3-point land, making 50-of-119 attempts
- Scored career-high 35 points vs. Oregon State in Pac-12 Tournament First Round (3/11/20)
- Made 11 threes during his career night against the Beavers, with the 11 triples setting Utah and Pac-12 Conference single-game records and ranking as the most in the NCAA on the season
- Earned first career start vs. Colorado (3/7/21), scoring 21 points with five 3-pointers

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.	*	36	3-7	.429	1-4	.250	2-2	1.000	1	3	4	4.0	0	4	3	0	3	9	9.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		27	3-10	.300	2-7	.286	0-0	.000	1	1	2	3.0	1	0	2	0	0	8	8.5
11/15/21	at Marquette		13	1-3	.333	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.7	1	0	2	0	0	2	6.3
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		19	2-6	.333	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	2	0	2	2.5	1	0	0	0	0	6	6.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		19	7-10	.700	7-9	.778	0-0	.000	0	0	0	2.0	1	0	2	0	0	21	9.2
11/26/21	UTRGV	*	38	8-14	.571	6-11	.545	8-8	1.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	1	3	0	1	30	12.7
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
12/29/21	Florida A&M																			
01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
01/06/22	Maryland																			
01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
01/29/22	at Northwestern																			
02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
02/05/22	at Indiana																			
02/10/22	at Purdue																			
02/13/22	Northwestern																			
02/16/22	at Rutgers																			
02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 35
vs. Oregon State (3/11/20)

FG: 12
vs. Oregon State (3/11/20)

FG ATT: 17 (twice)
last vs. Washington (12/3/20)

3-PT: 11
vs. Oregon State (3/11/20)

3-PT ATT: 16
vs. Oregon State (3/11/20)

FT: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FT ATT: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

REB: 6
at UCLA (12/31/20)

AST: 4 (twice)
last vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

STL: 4
vs. Washington (12/3/20)

BLK: 1 (twice)
last vs. Idaho (12/18/20)

MIN: 45
vs. USC (3/11/21)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 30
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG ATT: 11
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

3-PT: 7
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT ATT: 11
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FT: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FT ATT: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

REB: 4
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

AST: 4
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

STL: 3
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

BLK: 0

MIN: 38:15
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

CAREER STATISTICS AT UTAH

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2019-20	26	2	396	15.2	77	165	.467	50	119	.420	15	20	.750	5	23	28	1.1	20	0	10	0.4	15	1	11	219	8.4
2020-21	25	17	703	28.1	124	281	.441	64	167	.383	28	34	.824	7	47	54	2.2	30	0	25	1.0	34	1	18	340	13.6
TOTAL	**51**	**19**	**1099**	**21.5**	**201**	**446**	**.451**	**114**	**286**	**.399**	**43**	**54**	**.796**	**12**	**70**	**82**	**1.6**	**50**	**0**	**35**	**0.7**	**49**	**2**	**29**	**559**	**11.0**

CAREER STATISTICS AT ILLINOIS

2021-22	6	2	151	25.2	24	50	.480	18	38	.474	10	10	1.000	4	8	12	2.0	5	0	5	0.8	12	0	4	76	12.7

COMBINED CAREER STATISTICS

TOTAL	**57**	**21**	**1248**	**21.9**	**225**	**496**	**.454**	**132**	**324**	**.407**	**53**	**64**	**.828**	**16**	**78**	**94**	**1.6**	**55**	**0**	**40**	**0.7**	**61**	**2**	**33**	**635**	**11.1**

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MUSKEGO, WIS. // ST. JOHN'S NORTHWESTERN ACADEMY

2021-22 NOTES

- 1 assist and 1 board vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- 1 point and 2 rebounds in college debut vs. Jackson State (11/9)

CAREER NOTES

- Born Feb. 5, 2003
- Majoring in recreation, sport and tourism

HIGH SCHOOL

- Four-star recruit ranked No. 62 by Rivals, No. 70 by Top247 and No. 107 by 247Sports Composite
- 2021 Wisconsin Mr. Basketball as voted on by the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association
- 2021 Wisconsin Gatorade Player of the Year
- Averaged 35.1 points, 10.0 rebounds, 5.6 assists and 4.0 steals as a senior
- Totaled 974 points, the seventh-highest single-season total in state history
- Led the state with 108 made 3-pointers
- Set the SJNA single-game scoring record with 50 points vs. Pewaukee (1/30/21)
- Finished his SJNA career with 2,154 points, becoming the first player in Wisconsin state history to eclipse 2,000 points in just three varsity seasons

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		5	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	1	1	2	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		7	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.5
11/15/21	at Marquette		DNP																	
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		3	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.3
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		DNP																	
11/26/21	UTRGV		2	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
12/22/21	vs Missouri																			
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01/02/22	at Minnesota																			
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01/11/22	at Nebraska																			
01/14/22	Michigan																			
01/17/22	Purdue																			
01/21/22	at Maryland																			
01/25/22	Michigan St.																			
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02/02/22	Wisconsin																			
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02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER/SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 1
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FG: 0

FG ATT: 3
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 2
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

FT: 1
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FT ATT: 2
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

REB: 2
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

AST: 1 (twice)
last vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

STL: 0

BLK: 0

MIN: 6:43
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2021-22	3	0	14	4.7	0	4	.000	0	3	.000	1	2	.500	1	2	3	1.0	1	0	2	0.7	0	0	0	1	0.3

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BUSHNELL, ILL. // ST. RITA H.S.

2021-22 NOTES

- Walkon has played in three games

CAREER NOTES

- Born May 17, 2002
- Majoring in agricultural and consumer economics
- Averaged 8.3 points, 7.0 rebounds and 2.4 assists as a senior
- Named Chicago Catholic League honorable mention all-conference
- Helped lead St. Rita to first place in the CCL White division with an 11-4 conference record and perfect 7-0 mark versus division foes

2020-21

- Played in seven games on the season
- Made debut vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25), recording first career basket and rebound

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
Date	Opponent	GS	MIN	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	OFF	DEF	REB	RPG	PF	A	TO	B	S	PTS	PPG
11/09/21	Jackson St.		2	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		3	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
11/15/21	at Marquette		DNP																	
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		1	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.		DNP																	
11/26/21	UTRGV		DNP																	
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
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02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 2
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

FG: 1
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

FG ATT: 1
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 0

FT ATT: 0

REB: 1
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

AST: 0

STL: 0

BLK: 0

MIN: 3:04
vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/20)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 0

FG: 0

FG ATT: 0

3-PT: 0

3-PT ATT: 0

FT: 0

FT ATT: 0

REB: 0

AST: 0

STL: 0

BLK: 0

MIN: 2:50
vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2020-21	7	0	13	1.9	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0.3	2	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	2	0.3
2021-22	3	0	6	1.9	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TOTAL	**10**	**0**	**18**	**1.8**	**1**	**1**	**1.000**	**0**	**0**	**.000**	**0**	**0**	**.000**	**1**	**1**	**2**	**0.2**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0.2**

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PEORIA, ILL. // MANUAL H.S.

2021-22 NOTES

- Played point guard vs. UTRGV (11/26), recording career-high 8 assists
- Game-high 10 rebounds vs. Cincinnati (11/22)
- Career-high 11 rebounds at Marquette (11/15/21)
- 5 points and 5 rebounds vs. Arkansas State (11/12)
- Played point guard vs. Jackson State (11/9), tallying 8 points, 4 assists and 3 steals

CAREER NOTES

- Born Nov. 2, 1998
- Majoring in sociology with a minor in recreation, sport and tourism
- Son of Illini all-time great point guard and 2001 Big Ten Player of the Year Frank Williams

2020-21

- Averaged 5.5 points and ranked third on team in rebounding at 5.3 rpg
- Led nation in 3-point percentage among players with at least 2 attempts per game
- Season-high 13 points in Big Ten Tournament title game win over No. 9 Ohio State (3/14/21)
- 7 points, including game-tying 3-pointer with 1:31 left, in win at No. 7 Ohio State (3/6/21)
- Second double-double with 12 points and season-high tying 10 boards in win over Purdue (1/2/21)
- First career double-double vs. Ohio (11/27/20) with 11 points and season-high 10 boards

2019-20

- Started 22 of the last 23 games as a junior, averaging 2.8 points and 3.6 rebounds
- Career-high 18 points with five rebounds vs. Lindenwood (11/26/19)

2018-19

- Started 18 games as a sophomore, averaging 3.4 points and 3.5 rebounds (4th on team)
- Tied season highs with 11 points and four steals vs. Georgetown (11/13/18)

2017-18

- Averaged 3.5 points and 2.9 rebounds as a freshman
- Season-high 11 points on 4-4 FG with three 3-pointers vs. Purdue (1/22/18)

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

				FIELD GOALS		THREES		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDS									POINTS	
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11/09/21	Jackson St.	*	30	2-11	.182	1-2	.500	3-4	.750	1	3	4	4.0	2	4	2	0	3	8	8.0
11/12/21	Arkansas St.		18	2-7	.286	0-2	.000	1-3	.333	2	3	5	4.5	0	0	0	0	0	5	6.5
11/15/21	at Marquette		31	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	4	7	11	6.7	3	2	1	0	2	0	4.3
11/22/21	vs Cincinnati		27	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	3	7	10	7.5	1	0	1	0	2	2	3.8
11/23/21	vs Kansas St.	*	31	1-5	.200	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	1	6	7	7.4	1	1	3	0	0	3	3.6
11/26/21	UTRGV	*	30	2-4	.500	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	2	4	6	7.2	5	8	0	0	1	4	3.7
11/29/21	Notre Dame																			
12/03/21	Rutgers																			
12/06/21	at Iowa																			
12/11/21	Arizona																			
12/18/21	St. Francis PA																			
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02/19/22	vs Michigan St.																			
02/24/22	Ohio St.																			
02/27/22	at Michigan																			
03/03/22	Penn St.																			
03/06/22	Iowa																			

CAREER HIGHS

PTS: 18
vs. Lindenwood (11/26/19)

FG: 4 (seven times)
last vs. Ohio State (3/14/21)

FG ATT: 11
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

3-PT: 4
at Rutgers (12/20/20)

3-PT ATT: 5 (twice)
last vs. Purdue (1/2/21)

FT: 8 (twice)
last vs. Lindenwood (11/26/19)

FT ATT: 10 (twice)
last vs. Lindenwood (11/26/19)

REB: 11
at Marquette (11/15/21)

AST: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21

STL: 4 (three times)
last vs. Nebraska (2/25/21)

BLK: 2 (seven times)
last vs. Iowa (3/13/21)

MIN: 33:18
at Northwestern (2/27/20)

SEASON HIGHS

PTS: 8
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FG: 2 (three times)
last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

FG ATT: 11
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

3-PT: 1 (twice)
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

3-PT ATT: 4
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

FT: 3
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

FT ATT: 4
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

REB: 11
at Marquette (11/15/21)

AST: 8
vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

STL: 3
vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

BLK: 0

MIN: 31:15
vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

CAREER STATISTICS

					FIELD GOALS			THREE-POINTERS			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS										
	G	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	3PM	3PA	PCT.	FTM	FTA	PCT.	OREB.	DREB.	REB.	AVG.	PF	FO	AST	AST/G	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	PPG
2017-18	31	3	523	16.9	35	104	.337	9	40	.225	31	44	.705	31	58	89	2.9	43	1	33	1.1	28	4	23	110	3.5
2018-19	33	18	711	21.5	32	93	.344	13	41	.317	35	50	.700	28	89	117	3.5	66	3	41	1.2	22	8	27	112	3.4
2019-20	31	22	671	21.6	26	75	.347	13	46	.283	21	30	.700	16	97	113	3.6	42	0	41	1.3	22	11	21	86	2.8
2020-21	31	17	771	24.9	52	101	.515	35	64	.547	32	47	.681	31	133	164	5.3	63	1	52	1.7	21	10	25	171	5.5
2021-22	6	3	169	28.1	7	31	.226	2	12	.167	6	10	.600	13	30	43	7.2	12	1	15	2.5	7	0	8	22	3.7
TOTAL	**132**	**63**	**2845**	**21.6**	**152**	**404**	**.376**	**72**	**203**	**.355**	**125**	**181**	**.691**	**119**	**407**	**526**	**4.0**	**226**	**3**	**182**	**1.4**	**99**	**33**	**104**	**501**	**3.8**

2021-22 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
Nov. 9	Jackson State	W, 71-47	14,032	20 – Grandison	10 – Bosmans-Verdonk
Nov. 12	Arkansas State	W, 92-53	14,327	17 – Hawkins	12 – Hawkins
Nov. 15	at Marquette	L, 66-67	**14,631**	23 – Frazier	11 – Williams
Nov. 22	vs. Cincinnati	L, 51-71	9,409	18 – Cockburn	10 – Williams
Nov. 23	vs. Kansas State	W, 72-64	7,255	23 – Cockburn	**13** – Cockburn
Nov. 26	UT Rio Grande Valley	W, **94**-85	12,782	**38** – Cockburn	10 – Cockburn
Nov. 29	Notre Dame				
Dec. 3	Rutgers				
Dec. 6	at Iowa				
Dec. 11	Arizona				
Dec. 18	Saint Francis (Pa.)				
Dec. 22	vs. Missouri				
Dec. 29	Florida A&M				
Jan. 2	at Minnesota				
Jan. 6	Maryland				
Jan. 11	at Nebraska				
Jan. 14	Michigan				
Jan. 17	Purdue				
Jan. 21	at Maryland				
Jan. 25	Michigan State				
Jan. 29	at Northwestern				
Feb. 2	Wisconsin				
Feb. 5	at Indiana				
Feb. 10	at Purdue				
Feb. 13	Northwestern				
Feb. 16	at Rutgers				
Feb. 19	at Michigan State				
Feb. 24	Ohio State				
Feb. 27	at Michigan				
March 3	Penn State				
March 6	Iowa				
March 9-13	at Big Ten Tournament				

ATTENDANCE

	Games	Totals	Average	High Game	Sellouts
HOME	3	41,141	13,713	14,327	0
AWAY	1	14,631	14,631	14,631	0
NEUTRAL	2	16,664	8,332	9,409	0
TOTAL	**6**	**72,436**	**12,073**	**14,631**	**0**

GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

	GAME	FGM-A/%	3PM-A/%	FTM-A/%	OR-DR—TOT	PF	A	TO	S	B	PTS (1st-2nd-OT)
Nov. 9	Illinois	24-55/.436	9-21/.429	14-21/.667	17-28–45	**14**	15	19	**12**	4	71 (30-41)
	Jackson State	19-51/.373	7-16/.438	2-5/.400	6-19–25	22	7	20	11	4	47 (17-30)
Nov. 12	Illinois	32-**70**/.457	5-25/.200	**23**-**38**/.605	**24**-32–**56**	18	14	**13**	5	**5**	92 (**48**-44)
	Arkansas State	18-59/.305	3-16/.188	14-16/.875	10-22–32	29	9	19	4	2	53 (26-27)
Nov. 15	Illinois	25-66/.379	9-24/.375	7-11/.636	19-31–50	24	13	26	7	2	66 (27-39)
	at Marquette	22-54/.407	5-17/.294	18-31/.581	7-23–30	16	9	14	10	7	67 (28-39)
Nov. 22	Illinois	16-57/.281	3-22/.136	16-21/.762	14-22–36	16	10	14	8	3	51 (31-20)
	vs. Cincinnati	24-58/.414	6-21/.286	17-20/.850	13-27–40	19	6	11	8	5	71 (34-37)
Nov. 23	Illinois	25-48/.521	**12-26/.462**	10-20/.500	9-**33**–42	18	20	18	2	1	72 (34-38)
	vs. Kansas State	25-65/.385	6-21/.286	8-9/.889	5-21–26	20	9	4	11	1	64 (31-33)
Nov. 26	Illinois	**33**-53/**.623**	8-19/.421	20-24/**.833**	6-25–31	17	**21**	**13**	4	**5**	**94** (39-**55**)
	UT Rio Grande Valley	29-61/.475	6-20/.300	21-27/.778	9-17–26	23	9	8	7	2	85 (37-48)
Nov. 29	Illinois										
	Notre Dame										
Dec. 3	Illinois										
	Rutgers										
Dec. 6	Illinois										
	at Iowa										
Dec. 11	Illinois										
	Arizona										
Dec. 18	Illinois										
	Saint Francis (Pa.)										
Dec. 22	Illinois										
	vs. Missouri										
Dec. 29	Illinois										
	Florida A&M										
Jan. 2	Illinois										
	at Minnesota										
Jan. 6	Illinois										
	Maryland										
Jan. 11	Illinois										
	at Nebraska										
Jan. 14	Illinois										
	Michigan										
Jan. 17	Illinois										
	Purdue										
Jan. 21	Illinois										
	at Maryland										
Jan. 25	Illinois										
	Michigan State										
Jan. 29	Illinois										
	at Northwestern										
Feb. 2	Illinois										
	Wisconsin										
Feb. 5	Illinois										
	at Indiana										
Feb. 10	Illinois										
	at Purdue										
Feb. 13	Illinois										
	Northwestern										
Feb. 16	Illinois										
	at Rutgers										
Feb. 19	Illinois										
	at Michigan State										
Feb. 24	Illinois										
	Ohio State										
Feb. 27	Illinois										
	at Michigan										
March 3	Illinois										
	Penn State										
March 6	Illinois										
	Iowa										
March 9-13	Illinois										
	at Big Ten Tournament										

TEAM SUPERLATIVES

ILLINOIS	HIGHS	LOWS
Points	94 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	51 vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
First-Half Points	48 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	27 at Marquette (11/15/21)
Second-Half Points	55 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	20 vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Overtime Points	N/A	N/A
Winning Margin	39 (92-53) vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	8 (72-64) vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Field Goals	33 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	16 vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Field Goal Attempts	70 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	48 vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Field Goal Percentage	.623 (33-53) vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	.281 (16-57) vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
3-Point Field Goals	12 vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)	5 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	26 vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)	19 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
3-Point Field Goal Percentage	.462 (12-26) vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)	.200 (5-25) vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Free Throws	23 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	7 at Marquette (11/15/21)
Free Throw Attempts	38 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	11 at Marquette (11/15/21)
Free Throw Percentage	.833 (20-24) vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	.500 (10-20) vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Rebounds	56 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	31 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Offensive Rebounds	24 vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	6 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Defensive Rebounds	33 vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)	22 vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Personal Fouls	24 at Marquette (11/15/21)	14 vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
Assists	21 vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	10 vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Turnovers	26 at Marquette (11/15/21)	13 (twice), last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Steals	12 vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)	2 vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Blocked Shots	5 (twice), last vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	1 vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Largest Lead	41 (92-51) vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	
Largest Deficit	23 (48-71) vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)	
Largest Deficit Overcome in a Win	12 (12-24) vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)	
Largest Lead Relinquished in a Loss	15 (23-8) vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)	
Largest Halftime Lead	22 (48-26) vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)	
Largest Halftime Deficit	3 (31-34) vs. Cincinnati (11/23/21)	
Largest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win	N/A	
Largest Halftime Lead Relinquished in a Loss	N/A	

OPPONENTS	HIGHS	LOWS
Points	85, UTRGV (11/26/21)	47, Jackson State (11/9/21)
First-Half Points	37, UTRGV (11/26/21)	17, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Second-Half Points	48, UTRGV (11/26/21)	27, Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Overtime Points	N/A	N/A
Winning Margin	20 (71-51), Cincinnati (11/22/21)	1 (67-66), Marquette (11/15/22)
Field Goals	29, UTRGV (11/26/21)	18, Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Field Goal Attempts	65, Kansas State (11/23/21)	51, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Field Goal Percentage	.475 (29-61), UTRGV (11/26/21)	.305 (18-59), Arkansas State (11/12/21)
3-Point Field Goals	7, Jackson State (11/9/21)	3, Arkansas State (11/12/21)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	21 twice, last Kansas State (11/23/21)	16 twice, last Arkansas State (11/12/21)
3-Point Field Goal Percentage	.438 (7-16), Jackson State (11/9/21)	.188 (3-16), Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Free Throws	21, UTRGV (11/26/21)	2, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Free Throw Attempts	31, Marquette (11/15/21)	5, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Free Throw Percentage	.889 (8-9), Kansas State (11/23/21)	.400 (2-5), Jackson State (11/9/21)
Rebounds	40, Cincinnati (11/22/21)	25, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Offensive Rebounds	13, Cincinnati (11/22/21)	5, Kansas State (11/23/21)
Defensive Rebounds	27, Cincinnati (11/22/21)	17, UTRGV (11/26/21)
Personal Fouls	29, Arkansas State (11/12/21)	16, Marquette (11/15/21)
Assists	9 (four times), last UTRGV (11/26/21)	6, Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Turnovers	20, Jackson State (11/9/21)	4, Kansas State (11/23/21)
Steals	11 twice, last Kansas State (11/23/21)	4, Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Blocked Shots	7, Marquette (11/15/21)	1, Kansas State (11/23/21)

INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

ILLINOIS HIGHS

Points	38, Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Field Goals	15, Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Field Goal Attempts	19, Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Field Goal Percentage (min. 6 att.)	.800 (8-10), Kofi Cockburn vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
3-Point Field Goals	7, Alfonso Plummer vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	11, Alfonso Plummer vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
3-Point Field Goal Percentage (min. 4 att.)	.777 (7-9), Alfonso Plummer vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Free Throws	8, Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
	8, Alfonso Plummer vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Free Throw Attempts	13, Kofi Cockburn vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
	13, Coleman Hawkins vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 6 att.)	1.000 (8-8), Alfonso Plummer vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Rebounds	13, Kofi Cockburn vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Offensive Rebounds	6, Coleman Hawkins vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Defensive Rebounds	9, Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
	9, Kofi Cockburn vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
Assists	8, Da'Monte Williams vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
Turnovers	7, Andre Curbelo at Marquette (11/15/21)
Steals	4, Coleman Hawkins vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
Blocked Shots	4, Coleman Hawkins vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
Minutes	38:15, Alfonso Plummer vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)

OPPONENT HIGHS

Points	28, Justin Johnson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
Field Goals	7, Marek Nelson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
	7, Ricky Nelson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
	7, Justin Johnson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
	7, Markquis Nowell, Kansas State (11/23/21)
	7, Darryl Morsell, Marquette (11/15/21)
Field Goal Attempts	16, Marek Nelson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
Field Goal Percentage (min. 6 att.)	.583 (7-12), Darryl Morsell, Marquette (11/15/21)
3-Point Field Goals	4, Jeremiah Davenport, Cincinnati (11/22/21)
	4, Coltie Young, Jackson State (11/9/21)
3-Point Field Goal Attempts	8, Marek Nelson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
	8, Jeremiah Davenport, Cincinnati (11/22/21)
3-Point Field Goal Percentage (min. 4 att.)	..750 (3-4), Darryl Morsell, Marquette (11/15/21)
Free Throws	11, Justin Johnson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
Free Throw Attempts	14, Justin Johnson, UTRGV (11/26/21)
Free Throw Percentage (min. 6 att.)	.900 (9-10), Mike Saunders Jr., Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Rebounds	12, Jayveous McKinnis, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Offensive Rebounds	4, Viktor Lakhin, Cincinnati (11/22/21)
Defensive Rebounds	10, Jayveous McKinnis, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Assists	5, Caleb Fields, Arkansas State (11/12/21)
	5, Tyler Kolek, Marquette (11/15/21)
Turnovers	6, Chance Moore, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Steals	5, Jayveous McKinnis, Jackson State (11/9/21)
Blocked Shots	5, Kur Kuath, Marquette (11/15/21)
Minutes	39:20, Justin Johnson, UTRGV (11/26/21)

ILLINOIS' TOP INDIVIDUAL GAMES

POINTS

1. 38 . . . . . .Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
2. 30 . . . . . Alfonso Plummer vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
3. 23 . . . . Kofi Cockburn vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
   23 . . . . . .Trent Frazier at Marquette (11/15/21)
5. 21 . . Alfonso Plummer vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)

REBOUNDS

1. 13 . . . . . Kofi Cockburn vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
2. 12 . .Coleman Hawkins vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
3. 11 . . . .Da'Monte Williams at Marquette (11/15/21)
4. 10 . . . . . Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
   10 . . . . .Da'Monte Williams vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
   10 . . Ben Bosmans-Verdonk vs. Arkansas St. (11/12/21)
   10 . . Ben Bosmans-Verdonk vs. Jackson St. (11/9/21)

ASSISTS

1. 8 . . . . . Da'Monte Williams vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
2. 7 . . . . . Andre Curbelo vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
   7 . . . .Andre Curbelo vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
4. 6 . .Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
5. 5 . . . . . .Trent Frazier vs. Kansas State (11/23/21)
   5 . . . . . .Andre Curbelo vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

STEALS

1. 4 . . . Coleman Hawkins vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
2. 3 . . . .Alfonso Plummer vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
   3 . . Da'Monte Williams vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
4. 2 . . . . .Coleman Hawkins vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
   2 . . . . Da'Monte Williams vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
   2 . . . . . .Trent Frazier at Marquette (11/15/21)
   2 . . . . .Da'Monte Williams at Marquette (11/15/21)
   2 . . . .Andre Curbelo vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
   2 . . . . . Trent Frazier vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)

BLOCKED SHOTS

1. 4 . . Coleman Hawkins vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
2. 3 . . . . . .Omar Payne vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
3. 2 . . . . . .Coleman Hawkins vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
4. 1 . . . . . .Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
   1 . . . . . .Luke Goode vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
   1 . . . . . Omar Payne vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
   1 . . . . . .Kofi Cockburn vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
   1 . . . . .Coleman Hawkins vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
   1 . . . . Austin Hutcherson vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)
   1 . . . . . Andre Curbelo at Marquette (11/15/21)
   1 . . . . . Omar Payne at Marquette (11/15/21)
   1 . . . . Brandon Lieb vs. Arkansas State (11/12/21)
   1 . . . Coleman Hawkins vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)

MINUTES

1. 38:15 . . . . . Alfonso Plummer vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
   37:57 . . . . . .Kofi Cockburn vs. UTRGV (11/26/21)
3. 36:30 . . . . . .Trent Frazier at Marquette (11/15/21)
4. 35:56 . .Alfonso Plummer vs. Jackson State (11/9/21)
5. 33:08 . . . . . .Trent Frazier vs. Cincinnati (11/22/21)

SPECIALTY STATISTICS

	OPPONENT	Pts off TO (ILL-Opp.)	Pts in Paint (ILL-Opp.)	2nd Chance Pts (ILL-Opp.)	Fast Break Pts (ILL-Opp.)	Bench Pts (ILL-Opp.)	Largest Lead	Largest Deficit	Lead Changes	Ties
Nov. 9	Jackson State	18-12	28-16	17-4	9-6	17-19	27 (71-44)	–	0	0
Nov. 12	Arkansas State	**28**-5	**46**-18	**25**-7	**23**-10	**35**-18	**41** (92-51)	–	0	1
Nov. 15	at Marquette	9-28	26-24	17-10	20-19	2-8	12 (58-46)	5 (27-32)	5	4
Nov. 22	vs. Cincinnati	12-13	22-28	8-16	0-10	18-33	15 (23-8)	23 (48-71)	3	1
Nov. 23	vs. Kansas State	3-23	24-28	8-9	5-6	34-28	13 (65-52)	3 (34-37)	6	1
Nov. 26	UT Rio Grande Valley	12-18	42-34	6-12	9-17	7-13	9 (94-85)	12 (12-24)	**20**	**15**
Nov. 29	Notre Dame									
Dec. 3	Rutgers									
Dec. 6	at Iowa									
Dec. 11	Arizona									
Dec. 18	Saint Francis (Pa.)									
Dec. 22	vs. Missouri									
Dec. 29	Florida A&M									
Jan. 2	at Minnesota									
Jan. 6	Maryland									
Jan. 11	at Nebraska									
Jan. 14	Michigan									
Jan. 17	Purdue									
Jan. 21	at Maryland									
Jan. 25	Michigan State									
Jan. 29	at Northwestern									
Feb. 2	Wisconsin									
Feb. 5	at Indiana									
Feb. 10	at Purdue									
Feb. 13	Northwestern									
Feb. 16	at Rutgers									
Feb. 19	at Michigan State									
Feb. 24	Ohio State									
Feb. 27	at Michigan									
March 3	Penn State									
March 6	Iowa									
March 9-13 at Big Ten Tournament										
Totals		82-99	188-148	81-58	66-68	113-119				
Average		16.4-19.8	37.6-29.6	16.2-11.6	13.2-13.6	22.6-23.8				
Margin		-3.4	+8.0	+4.6	-0.4	-1.2				

GAME 1
#11/10 ILLINOIS 71, JACKSON STATE 47
NOV. 9 2021 // STATE FARM CENTER // CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Official Basketball Box Score - Final
Jackson State at Illinois
11/09/21 State Farm Center, Champaign, Il.
2021-22 Men's Basketball

Game Time: 7:00 PM
Game Duration: 2:05
Attendance: 14,032

Officials: Lewis Garrison, Mark Riggs, Chad Barlow

Jackson State - 47 **Record: 0-1**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
11	Jayveous McKinnis	F	35:43	5-12	0-0	1-2	2	10	12	1	5	11	0	3	5	2	2	-20
31	Jamarcus Jones	F	03:48	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	-5
2	Ken Evans	G	22:46	1-3	0-1	0-0	1	3	4	4	0	2	2	2	0	1	1	-7
3	Jonas James	G	22:13	4-8	2-2	1-1	0	0	0	1	2	11	0	1	3	0	0	-13
10	Dyllan Taylor	G	26:47	2-5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1	4	2	2	1	0	0	-21
13	Isaiah Williams		24:17	2-8	0-3	0-2	1	1	2	4	3	4	1	3	0	0	0	-19
22	Chance Moore		18:07	1-4	1-3	0-0	0	1	1	2	2	3	1	6	0	1	1	-16
4	Coltie Young		18:13	4-9	4-7	0-0	0	3	3	2	1	12	0	1	1	0	0	-7
34	Terence Lewis II		11:51	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-11
12	Darrian Wilson		11:54	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-8
1	Darius Hicks		04:21	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7
Team								1	0	1		0		1				
Totals				19-51	7-16	2-5	6	19	25	22	14	47	7	20	11	4	4	-24

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	7-21	33.3%
3PT%	1-5	20.0%
FT%	2-3	66.7%
2nd FG%	12-30	40.0%
3PT%	6-11	54.5%
FT%	0-2	0%
GM FG%	19-51	37.3%
3PT%	7-16	43.8%
FT%	2-5	40.0%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 1, 0

Illinois - 71 **Record: 1-0**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
3	Jacob Grandison	F	23:03	7-10	2-4	4-4	1	4	5	2	3	20	1	2	0	0	0	22
4	Omar Payne	F	17:24	2-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	3	2	4	0	3	1	3	0	14
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	29:01	4-10	2-6	3-4	1	7	8	2	6	13	3	4	4	1	0	18
11	Alfonso Plummer	G	36:13	3-7	1-4	2-2	1	3	4	0	3	9	4	3	3	0	2	24
20	Da'Monte Williams	G	30:46	2-11	1-2	3-4	1	3	4	2	3	8	4	2	3	0	1	22
10	Luke Goode		16:38	2-4	2-3	0-1	1	3	4	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	7
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk		20:44	2-4	0-0	1-4	5	5	10	3	2	5	3	2	1	0	0	10
15	RJ Melendez		17:51	2-7	1-2	0-0	3	0	3	1	1	5	0	2	0	0	1	4
0	Brandin Podziemski		04:36	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Connor Serven		01:52	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
12	Brandon Lieb		01:52	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Team							2	0	2			0		1				
Totals				24-55	9-21	14-21	17	28	45	14	22	71	16	19	12	4	4	24

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	10-30	33.3%
3PT%	2-9	22.2%
FT%	8-14	57.1%
2nd FG%	14-25	56.0%
3PT%	7-12	58.3%
FT%	6-7	85.7%
GM FG%	24-55	43.6%
3PT%	9-21	42.9%
FT%	14-21	66.7%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 2, 0

	JSU	ILL
Biggest lead	0 (1st 20:00)	27 (2nd 0:33)
Best Scoring Run	5(1st 8:21)	12(1st 14:45)
Lead Changes	0	
Times Tied	0	
Time with Lead	00:00	37:54

Points from	JSU	ILL
Turnovers	12	18
Paint	16	28
Second Chance	4	17
Fast Breaks	6	9
Bench	19	17

Period by Period Scoring	1st	2nd	TOT
JSU	17	30	47
ILL	30	41	71

Game 1 Recap – #11 Illinois 71, Jackson State 47

With three starters sidelined, Illinois had a number of players step up in a 24-point season-opening victory over Jackson State.

Illinois played great defense from the outset, opening the game on a 21-2 run while holding the Tigers to just one field goal over the first 11-plus minutes, a basket at the 13:32 mark.

While the Illini offense eventually slowed down, the defense remained steadfast over the entirety of the evening, with Jackson State finishing with just 47 points on 37.3% shooting. Illinois collected 12 steals while forcing 20 turnovers, converting those into 18 points.

Illinois relied on the experience of **Da'Monte Williams** and **Jacob Grandison** to lead the way and they delivered.

Grandison erupted for a game-high 20 points, his highest scoring total as an Illini. He went 7-of-10 from the field with two 3-pointers and made all four of his free throws.

Williams, meanwhile, played the point guard spot for the first time in his college career. He ran the team and finished with eight points, four rebounds, four assists and three steals.

Coleman Hawkins excelled in his first start, setting career highs with 13 points, eight rebounds, three assists and four steals. And **Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk** was active on the glass with a career-high 10 rebounds, including five offensive.

Illinois dominated the boards, outrebounding JSU 45-25 and scoring 17 second-chance points off 17 offensive rebounds.

GAME 2
#11/10 ILLINOIS 92, ARKANSAS STATE 53
NOV. 12, 2021 // STATE FARM CENTER // CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Official Basketball Box Score - Final
Arkansas State at Illinois
11/12/21 State Farm Center, Champaign, Il.
2021-22 Men's Basketball

Game Time: 8:00 PM
Game Duration: 2:10
Attendance: 14,327

Officials: Steve Honacki, Ed Phillips, Dan Dorian

Arkansas State - 53 **Record: 1-1**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
15	Norchad Omier	F	13:45	2-2	0-0	0-0	3	2	5	5	4	4	0	5	0	1	0	-11
22	Keyon Wesley	F	09:48	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	-13
0	Caleb Fields	G	31:52	3-10	0-1	0-1	0	2	2	4	4	6	5	3	0	0	1	-25
3	Desi Sills	G	24:35	3-13	0-4	2-2	0	0	0	4	1	8	0	4	1	0	1	-33
23	Marquis Eaton	G	33:00	5-14	1-1	4-5	0	4	4	3	2	15	3	2	0	0	1	-33
1	Markise Davis		17:10	1-3	1-3	2-2	0	2	2	3	1	5	0	1	1	0	0	-18
10	Malcolm Farrington		11:32	0-4	0-3	0-0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	-12
50	Antwon Jackson		18:45	2-2	0-0	4-4	1	2	3	3	3	8	1	0	1	0	0	-22
24	Caleb London		13:29	1-3	1-2	0-0	1	1	2	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	-13
11	Lazar Grbovic		09:45	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	-9
5	Christian Willis		09:52	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-9
12	Nick Tingling		02:50	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	2	2	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	2
13	Mario Fantina		01:50	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Team							4	1	5			0		1				
Totals				18-59	3-16	14-16	10	22	32	29	17	53	9	19	4	2	5	-39

Technical Fouls: Omier 2nd 17:36 Coach 2nd 16:33

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	10-33	30.3%
3PT%	2-11	18.2%
FT%	4-4	100%
2nd FG%	8-26	30.8%
3PT%	1-5	20.0%
FT%	10-12	83.3%
GM FG%	18-59	30.5%
3PT%	3-16	18.8%
FT%	14-16	87.5%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 0, 0

Illinois - 92 **Record: 2-0**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
3	Jacob Grandison	F	26:30	5-9	1-3	4-4	2	4	6	0	4	15	1	2	0	0	0	33
4	Omar Payne	F	06:54	2-3	0-0	1-3	0	1	1	5	2	5	0	1	0	0	0	5
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	27:00	5-7	0-1	7-13	6	6	12	1	10	17	4	3	1	4	0	36
1	Trent Frazier	G	28:35	4-9	2-5	2-2	0	4	4	0	0	12	0	1	2	0	0	32
5	Andre Curbelo	G	19:13	3-8	0-4	2-4	1	3	4	2	3	8	7	2	2	0	0	21
11	Alfonso Plummer		26:18	3-10	2-7	0-0	1	1	2	1	1	8	0	2	0	0	1	28
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk		11:56	3-5	0-0	2-4	4	6	10	4	2	8	0	2	0	0	0	12
20	Da'Monte Williams		18:25	2-7	0-2	1-3	2	3	5	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	1	19
10	Luke Goode		13:06	1-3	0-1	2-2	3	2	5	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	3
12	Brandon Lieb		04:52	2-3	0-0	0-1	2	1	3	1	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	-1
15	RJ Melendez		07:34	2-3	0-0	2-2	1	0	1	2	1	6	1	0	0	0	0	8
0	Brandin Podziemski		06:43	0-3	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
2	Connor Serven		02:50	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2
Team							2	0	2			0		0				
Totals				32-70	5-25	23-38	24	32	56	18	28	92	14	13	5	5	2	39

Technical Fouls: Curbelo 1st 6:31 Coach 1st 6:31

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	15-34	44.1%
3PT%	3-12	25.0%
FT%	15-21	71.4%
2nd FG%	17-36	47.2%
3PT%	2-13	15.4%
FT%	8-17	47.1%
GM FG%	32-70	45.7%
3PT%	5-25	20.0%
FT%	23-38	60.5%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 7, 1

	ASU	ILL
Biggest lead	0 (1st 20:00)	41 (2nd 5:12)
Best Scoring Run	6(1st 11:37)	11(1st 0:33)
Lead Changes	0	
Times Tied	1	
Time with Lead	00:00	37:47

Points from	ASU	ILL
Turnovers	5	28
Paint	18	46
Second Chance	7	25
Fast Breaks	10	23
Bench	18	35

Period by Period Scoring	1st	2nd	TOT
ASU	26	27	53
ILL	48	44	92

Game 2 Recap – #11 Illinois 92, Arkansas State 53

Illinois finished the first half on a flurry and carried that momentum the rest of the way in a 39-point blowout of Arkansas State at State Farm Center.

The Illini welcomed back starting guards **Andre Curbelo** and **Trent Frazier** to the lineup and the duo set the tone early, helping Illinois to an early 18-4 lead.

The Red Wolves had cut the deficit to six when Illinois broke the game open with an 18-2 run over the final six minutes to take a 48-26 lead into halftime. Illinois cruised after the break to cruise en route to its seventh-straight home win.

Coleman Hawkins recorded his first double-double while setting career highs in four categories with 17 points, 12 rebounds, four assists and four blocks.

He was joined in double figures by **Jacob Grandison** (15 points) and **Frazier** (12). **Curbelo**, meanwhile, had eight points and game-high seven assists in just 19 minutes.

Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk gave the Illini interior a big boost once again, setting a career high with eight points and grabbing a career-best 10 boards for the second straight game.

Illinois dominated the glass, outrebounding Arkansas State 56-32. Illinois corralled 52% of its misses, totaling 24 offensive boards that were converted into 25 second-chance points.

The Illini also forced 19 Arkansas State turnovers, leading to a 28-to-5 advantage in points off turnovers.

GAME 3
MARQUETTE 67, #10/10 ILLINOIS 66
NOV. 15 2021 // FISERV FORUM // MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Official Basketball Box Score - Final
Illinois at Marquette
11/15/21 Fiserv Forum, Milwaukee
2021-22 Men's Basketball

Game Time: 6:00 PM
Game Duration: 2:22
Attendance: 14,631

Officials: Paul Szelc, Bo Boroski, Larry Scirotto

Illinois - 66 **Record: 2-1**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
3	Jacob Grandison	F	29:57	4-9	2-4	0-0	3	2	5	4	3	10	3	2	0	0	0	1
4	Omar Payne	F	21:55	3-3	0-0	1-3	4	1	5	4	2	7	1	3	1	1	0	0
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	32:56	6-12	1-4	0-1	2	6	8	3	3	13	1	5	0	0	2	-5
1	Trent Frazier	G	36:34	7-15	6-10	3-3	0	5	5	3	3	23	2	3	2	0	1	7
5	Andre Curbelo	G	25:37	4-18	0-3	3-4	3	5	8	4	3	11	3	7	1	1	3	4
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk		08:45	0-4	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
20	Da'Monte Williams		30:56	0-2	0-1	0-0	4	7	11	3	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	-5
11	Alfonso Plummer		12:23	1-3	0-2	0-0	0	2	2	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	-7
10	Luke Goode		00:57	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Team							1	1	2			0		3				
Totals				25-66	9-24	7-11	19	31	50	24	16	66	13	26	7	2	7	-1

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	11-34	32.4%
3PT%	3-13	23.1%
FT%	2-4	50%
2nd FG%	14-32	43.8%
3PT%	6-11	54.5%
FT%	5-7	71.4%
GM FG%	25-66	37.9%
3PT%	9-24	37.5%
FT%	7-11	63.6%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 2, 1

Marquette - 67 **Record: 3-0**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
10	Justin Lewis	F	35:40	5-10	0-3	7-8	0	4	4	4	6	17	0	1	1	0	0	13
12	Olivier-Maxence Prosper	F	17:12	0-2	0-1	2-2	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	-6
35	Kur Kuath	F	23:06	2-5	0-0	3-6	1	4	5	1	4	7	0	1	2	5	1	11
22	Tyler Kolek	G	37:40	5-11	2-3	0-1	0	5	5	2	2	12	5	2	2	0	1	9
32	Darryl Morsell	G	34:07	7-12	3-4	4-9	0	5	5	0	6	21	1	3	1	0	0	0
23	David Joplin		08:08	1-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	-5
1	Kam Jones		15:44	2-7	0-3	2-3	2	0	2	1	2	6	2	1	2	0	0	-8
13	Oso Ighodaro		12:21	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-14
4	Stevie Mitchell		14:28	0-2	0-1	0-2	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	6
2	Emarion Ellis		01:34	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Team							2	1	3			0		0				
Totals				22-54	5-17	18-31	7	23	30	16	24	67	9	14	10	7	2	1

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	10-29	34.5%
3PT%	2-8	25.0%
FT%	6-9	66.7%
2nd FG%	12-25	48.0%
3PT%	3-9	33.3%
FT%	12-22	54.5%
GM FG%	22-54	40.7%
3PT%	5-17	29.4%
FT%	18-31	58.1%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 6, 1

	ILL	MAR
Biggest lead	12 (2nd 10:14)	5 (2nd 19:14)
Best Scoring Run	9(2nd 16:49)	9(2nd 7:27)
Lead Changes	5	
Times Tied	4	
Time with Lead	29:44	05:49

Points from	ILL	MAR
Turnovers	9	28
Paint	26	24
Second Chance	17	10
Fast Breaks	20	19
Bench	2	8

Period by Period Scoring	1st	2nd	TOT
ILL	27	39	66
MAR	28	39	67

Game 3 Recap – Marquette 67, #10 Illinois 66

Turnovers plagued the Illini in a heartbreaking 1-point loss at Marquette in the Gavitt Tipoff Games.

Illinois led for the majority of the evening, riding **Trent Frazier**'s hot hand and dominating the glass. But the inability to take care of the ball eventually caught up to the Illini, who totaled 26 turnovers on the night that the Golden Eagles turned in to 28 points.

Illinois led by as many as 12 with 10 minutes remaining, and still held a 65-57 lead after a **Coleman Hawkins** putback slam with 5:33 left.

But over the last five minutes Illinois missed all eight of its shot attempts and had four turnovers, managing just one free throw while being outscored 10-1 to the finish.

Frazier led all scorers with 23 points. He drained six 3-pointers, one shy of his career high, while also coming within one of his career rebounding high with five boards.

Hawkins had 14 points and 8 rebounds while **Da'Monte Williams** set a career high with 11 boards.

GAME 4
CINCINNATI 71, #14/15 ILLINOIS 51
NOV. 22, 2021 // T-MOBILE CENTER // KANSAS CITY, MO.

Official Basketball Box Score - Final
Illinois at Cincinnati
11/22/21 T-Mobile Center, Kansas City
2021-22 Men's Basketball

Game Time: 5:31 PM
Game Duration: 2:08

Officials: Gary Maxwell, Jeb Hartness, Paul Szelc

Illinois - 51 **Record: 2-2**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
3	Jacob Grandison	F	15:11	0-3	0-1	1-2	1	1	2	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	-7
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	22:33	1-4	0-2	0-0	1	0	1	4	1	2	1	1	2	1	0	-14
21	Kofi Cockburn	C	27:39	7-13	0-0	4-4	2	5	7	1	5	18	0	3	1	1	1	-22
1	Trent Frazier	G	33:12	0-9	0-5	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	-20
5	Andre Curbelo	G	23:29	4-12	1-4	3-3	0	2	2	3	3	12	5	5	1	0	0	-11
11	Alfonso Plummer		18:59	2-6	2-5	0-0	2	0	2	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	-6
4	Omar Payne		05:25	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
20	Da'Monte Williams		27:17	0-2	0-2	2-2	3	7	10	1	3	2	0	1	2	0	0	-13
15	RJ Melendez		05:36	1-2	0-1	0-2	0	3	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk		06:03	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
22	Austin Hutcherson		10:03	0-2	0-1	5-6	2	0	2	0	3	5	0	0	1	1	1	-10
0	Brandin Podziemski		02:47	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	-3
2	Connor Serven		00:53	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
12	Brandon Lieb		00:53	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Team							1	2	3			0		2				
Totals				16-57	3-22	16-21	14	22	36	16	18	51	10	14	8	3	5	-20

Technical Fouls: Curbelo 1st 1:30

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	11-31	35.5%
3PT%	2-11	18.2%
FT%	7-9	77.8%
2nd FG%	5-26	19.2%
3PT%	1-11	9.1%
FT%	9-12	75%
GM FG%	16-57	28.1%
3PT%	3-22	13.6%
FT%	16-21	76.2%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 5, 0

Cincinnati - 71 **Record: 5-0**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
00	Abdul Ado	F	18:00	2-2	0-0	0-0	3	2	5	5	0	4	1	2	3	1	0	16
5	David DeJulius	G	27:28	3-9	1-4	0-0	1	2	3	0	0	7	0	1	2	0	0	12
15	John Newman III	G	25:18	1-5	0-1	0-0	0	3	3	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	14
23	Mika Adams-Woods	G	29:16	2-11	0-4	2-2	1	2	3	3	1	6	2	2	1	0	1	16
24	Jeremiah Davenport	G	22:08	5-12	4-8	5-6	3	4	7	0	2	19	0	2	0	0	0	11
3	Mike Saunders Jr.		23:57	5-6	1-1	9-10	0	4	4	2	6	20	0	0	1	0	0	15
33	Ody Oguama		12:19	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	6
30	Viktor Lakhin		15:22	4-7	0-0	1-2	4	4	8	2	4	9	0	0	1	1	2	8
45	Mason Madsen		11:58	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	5
25	Hayden Koval		11:35	0-3	0-3	0-0	0	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	C.J. Anthony		00:53	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
31	Sam Martin		00:53	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
32	Jarrett Hensley		00:53	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
Team							1	3	4			0		1				
Totals				24-58	6-21	17-20	13	27	40	19	15	71	6	11	8	5	3	20

Technical Fouls: Saunders Jr. 1st 4:11

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	10-27	37.0%
3PT%	3-11	27.3%
FT%	11-12	91.7%
2nd FG%	14-31	45.2%
3PT%	3-10	30.0%
FT%	6-8	75%
GM FG%	24-58	41.4%
3PT%	6-21	28.6%
FT%	17-20	85.0%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 2, 0

	Illini	Cincy
Biggest lead	15 (1st 13:33)	23 (2nd 6:51)
Best Scoring Run	10(1st 13:33)	10(2nd 13:37)
Lead Changes	3	
Times Tied	1	
Time with Lead	16:54	22:02

Points from	Illini	Cincy
Turnovers	12	13
Paint	22	28
Second Chance	8	16
Fast Breaks	0	10
Bench	18	33

Period by Period Scoring	1st	2nd	TOT
Illini	31	20	51
Cincy	34	37	71

Game 4 Recap – Cincinnati 71, #14 Illinois 51

Illinois was on the wrong end of a 35-point swing in the semifinal round of the Hall of Fame Classic, falling to Cincinnati in Kansas City.

Bolstered by the return of **Kofi Cockburn** to the lineup, Illinois shot out of the gate. Cockburn scored the game's first six points as the Illini grabbed a quick 9-2 lead. After UC's first basket of the night, Illinois then ran off 10 unanswered to make it 19-4.

Illinois still led by 15 points at 23-8 when the game completely changed. Cincinnati outscored the Illini 48-13 over the next 23 minutes, opening up a commanding 56-36 lead with nine minutes remaining to put the game out of reach.

Cockburn led Illinois with 18 points in his first game action of the season. He made five of his first six shot attempts, scoring 12 in the first eight minutes. He finished 7-of-13 from the field with seven rebounds.

Da'Monte Williams grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds, reaching double figures for the second straight game (11 at Marquette). It was his fourth career game with 10+ boards.

Andre Curbelo finished with a season-high 12 points and **Austin Hutcherson** scored five in 10 minutes in his Illini debut.

GAME 5
#14/15 ILLINOIS 72, KANSAS STATE 64
NOV. 23, 2021 // T-MOBILE CENTER // KANSAS CITY, MO.

Official Basketball Box Score - Final
Illinois at Kansas St.
11/23/21 T-Mobile Center, Kansas City
2021-22 Men's Basketball

Game Time: 6:00 PM
Game Duration: 2:07

Officials: . Kissinger, . Self, . Cassell

Illinois - 72 **Record: 3-2**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	24:55	2-5	2-5	0-0	0	4	4	3	0	6	3	3	1	0	0	15
21	Kofi Cockburn	C	31:27	8-10	0-0	7-13	4	9	13	4	12	23	2	4	1	1	0	18
1	Trent Frazier	G	26:20	0-5	0-4	0-0	0	1	1	3	3	0	5	3	0	0	1	-3
5	Andre Curbelo	G	19:30	2-5	1-1	1-1	1	2	3	1	1	6	7	2	0	0	0	17
20	Da'Monte Williams	G	31:15	1-5	1-4	0-1	1	6	7	1	1	3	1	3	0	0	0	3
3	Jacob Grandison		18:17	3-4	1-1	1-2	1	2	3	1	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	-9
4	Omar Payne		04:25	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	-5
22	Austin Hutcherson		20:47	2-4	0-2	0-1	0	4	4	2	1	4	2	1	0	0	0	-4
11	Alfonso Plummer		18:56	7-10	7-9	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	21	0	2	0	0	0	13
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk		04:08	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-5
Team							1	4	5			0		0				
Totals				25-48	12-26	10-20	9	33	42	18	20	72	20	18	2	1	1	8

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	12-20	60.0%
3PT%	5-12	41.7%
FT%	5-8	62.5%
2nd FG%	13-28	46.4%
3PT%	7-14	50.0%
FT%	5-12	41.7%
GM FG%	25-48	52.1%
3PT%	12-26	46.2%
FT%	10-20	50.0%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 2, 1

Kansas St. - 64 **Record: 2-2**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
3	Selton Miguel	F	18:07	0-4	0-1	0-0	0	2	2	3	2	0	4	0	1	0	0	-8
20	Kaosi Ezeagu	F	11:43	2-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	3	2	4	0	0	1	1	0	1
25	Ismael Massoud	F	31:51	4-10	3-5	2-2	0	2	2	1	2	13	0	0	2	0	0	-17
13	Mark Smith	G	26:03	2-8	0-2	0-0	2	1	3	2	1	4	3	1	2	0	1	-4
24	Nijel Pack	G	30:22	6-14	1-4	2-2	0	4	4	2	2	15	0	0	2	0	0	-8
21	Davion Bradford		18:07	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
00	Mike McGuirl		22:02	2-8	1-3	0-0	1	3	4	2	1	5	0	1	1	0	0	-5
1	Markquis Nowell		24:33	7-15	1-5	4-5	0	6	6	3	3	19	2	1	2	0	0	-1
22	Luke Kasubke		07:10	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	11
33	Logan Landers		10:02	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-12
Team							0	1	1			0		1				
Totals				25-65	6-21	8-9	5	21	26	20	18	64	9	4	11	1	1	-8

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	13-29	44.8%
3PT%	3-8	37.5%
FT%	2-2	100%
2nd FG%	12-36	33.3%
3PT%	3-13	23.1%
FT%	6-7	85.7%
GM FG%	25-65	38.5%
3PT%	6-21	28.6%
FT%	8-9	88.9%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 2, 1

	Illini	Cats
Biggest lead	13 (2nd 5:57)	3 (2nd 17:54)
Best Scoring Run	9(2nd 11:26)	9(2nd 17:54)
Lead Changes	6	
Times Tied	1	
Time with Lead	34:36	04:35

Points from	Illini	Cats
Turnovers	3	23
Paint	24	28
Second Chance	8	9
Fast Breaks	5	6
Bench	34	28

Period by Period Scoring	1st	2nd	TOT
Illini	34	38	72
Cats	31	33	64

Game 5 Recap – #14 Illinois 72, Kansas State 64

Illinois rode its best shooting night of the young season to an 8-point victory over Kansas State in the consolation game of the Hall of Fame Classic.

Illinois went on a 13-4 spree during the first half to open up a 29-22 lead. **Alfonso Plummer** began the run with 3-pointers on three consecutive possessions, and **Kofi Cockburn** finished it off with a pair of buckets.

K-State opened the second half with six unanswered to take the lead, and the Wildcats still held a 42-41 advantage when the Illini went on a game-changing 9-0 run.

In a span of just one minute and 45 seconds, **Plummer** and **Jacob Grandison** nailed back-to-back 3-pointers, **Grandison** scored on a fastbreak layup, and **Cockburn** capped the run with a free throw to put the Illini up 50-42 with 11:26 remaining.

Plummer continued to rain threes, hitting his sixth triple to give Illinois its biggest lead of the night at 13 points and added his seventh and final triple to again make it a 13-point game with 4:15 left.

Cockburn recorded his 29th career double-double, tallying game highs of 23 points and 13 rebounds. His final basket of the game, a jumper with 1:27 remaining, put him over the 1,000-career point mark as the 52nd 1,000-point scorer in Illini history.

Plummer scored all 21 of his points from behind the arc, going 7-of-9. He equaled the fifth-most 3-point field goals in a game in Illini history, just one shy of the school record.

GAME 6
#14/15 ILLINOIS 94, UT RIO GRANDE VALLEY 85
NOV. 26, 2021 // STATE FARM CENTER // CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Official Basketball Box Score - Final
UT Rio Grande Valley at Illinois
11/26/21 State Farm Center, Champaign, Ill.
2021-22 Men's Basketball

Game Time: 7:00 PM
Game Duration: 2:10
Attendance: 12,782

Officials: Rob Kueneman, Brandon Cruz, Brian McNutt

UT Rio Grande Valley - 85 **Record: 4-3**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
11	Marek Nelson	F	37:46	7-16	2-8	7-9	2	5	7	5	6	23	2	0	2	1	1	-12
23	Donte Houston Jr.	F	18:24	0-2	0-1	0-0	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-8
0	Mike Adewunmi	G	34:08	3-8	0-3	0-0	3	2	5	4	0	6	0	2	3	0	1	-17
1	Justin Johnson	G	39:20	7-13	3-5	11-14	0	3	3	4	6	28	2	3	0	1	2	-9
5	Ricky Nelson	G	39:02	7-14	0-0	1-2	0	2	2	2	2	15	4	2	0	0	1	-5
30	RayQuan Taylor		22:05	3-4	0-1	1-1	2	3	5	0	2	7	1	0	1	0	0	-3
13	Xavier Johnson		09:15	2-4	1-2	1-1	0	1	1	5	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	9
Team							1	0	1			0		0				
Totals				29-61	6-20	21-27	9	17	26	23	17	85	9	8	7	2	5	-9

Technical Fouls: Adewunmi 2nd 8:24

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	14-33	42.4%
3PT%	2-11	18.2%
FT%	7-8	87.5%
2nd FG%	15-28	53.6%
3PT%	4-9	44.4%
FT%	14-19	73.7%
GM FG%	29-61	47.5%
3PT%	6-20	30.0%
FT%	21-27	77.8%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 4, 0

Illinois - 94 **Record: 4-2**

NO.	Name		Min	FG M-A	3P M-A	FT M-A	Rebounds OR	DR	TOT	Fouls PF	FD	TP	AS	TO	ST	Blocks BS	BA	+/-
33	Coleman Hawkins	F	26:25	4-5	1-2	4-4	0	4	4	1	2	13	4	2	1	2	0	4
21	Kofi Cockburn	C	38:18	15-19	0-0	8-11	1	9	10	2	10	38	1	2	1	1	1	17
11	Alfonso Plummer	G	38:36	8-14	6-11	8-8	0	2	2	1	6	30	1	3	1	0	0	13
20	Da'Monte Williams	G	29:51	2-4	0-1	0-0	2	4	6	5	2	4	8	0	1	0	0	7
22	Austin Hutcherson	G	26:23	1-2	0-1	0-0	0	2	2	1	1	2	0	5	0	0	0	-2
10	Luke Goode		17:41	2-6	1-4	0-1	1	2	3	2	1	5	1	0	0	1	0	5
15	RJ Melendez		07:15	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
4	Omar Payne		01:42	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	-8
0	Brandin Podziemski		01:52	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-5
13	Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk		11:57	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	4	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	9
Team							0	2	2			0		0				
Totals				33-53	8-19	20-24	6	25	31	17	23	94	21	13	4	5	2	9

Technical Fouls::NONE

Shooting By Period		
1st FG%	16-27	59.3%
3PT%	5-11	45.5%
FT%	2-3	66.7%
2nd FG%	17-26	65.4%
3PT%	3-8	37.5%
FT%	18-21	85.7%
GM FG%	33-53	62.3%
3PT%	8-19	42.1%
FT%	20-24	83.3%

Dead Ball Rebounds: 1, 0

	RGV	ILL
Biggest lead	12 (1st 11:39)	9 (2nd 0:28)
Best Scoring Run	11(1st 13:02)	9(1st 2:23)
Lead Changes	20	
Times Tied	15	
Time with Lead	19:53	16:13

Points from	RGV	ILL
Turnovers	18	12
Paint	34	42
Second Chance	12	6
Fast Breaks	17	9
Bench	13	7

Period by Period Scoring	1st	2nd	TOT
RGV	37	48	85
ILL	39	55	94

Game 6 Recap – #14 Illinois 94, UT Rio Grande Valley 85

A career performance from **Kofi Cockburn** and another hot shooting night by **Alfonso Plummer** carried the Illini to victory over a tough UT Rio Grande Valley squad at State Farm Center.

With three starters out, Illinois altered its lineup for the fifth time in six games. **Plummer**, who poured in 21 points off the bench the previous game, started against UTRGV and picked up right where he had left off against K-State.

Plummer drained five 3-pointers in the first half to open up the court against the UTRGV defense. That allowed the Illini to begin getting the ball inside to **Cockburn**, and he racked up 16 first-half points to help the Illini go on a late 13-2 run and take a 39-37 lead into intermission.

The second half was tightly contested until the end. The lead changed hands 14 times with both teams trading baskets seemingly every trip down the court. **Cockburn** continued to be the focal point of the Illini attack, and he delivered with 22 second-half points.

The game was tied at 82 with three minutes remaining when the Illini closed with a flurry, outscoring UTRGV 12-3 the rest of the way. **Da'Monte Williams** hit a big basket, scoring on a putback to put the Illini up 86-82, and **Cockburn**'s 15th and final field goal, a dunk, gave Illinois its biggest lead of the night at the time at 88-83. The Illini closed it out with six free throws in the last minute.

Cockburn ended with a career-high 38 points, going 15-of-19 from the field and 8-of-11 from the foul line. He also grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds to record his 30th career double-double.

Plummer had 30 points, finishing with six 3-pointers and making all eight of his free throws.

It marked the first time Illinois had two 30-point scorers in the same game since Dec. 3, 1990.

STATISTICS – ALL GAMES

2021-22 Illinois Men's Basketball
Combined Team Statistics
All games

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	4-2	3-0	0-1	1-1
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	4-2	3-0	0-1	1-1

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
Illinois	209	237	0	446
Opponents	173	214	0	387

Team Box Score

No.	Player				Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds											
		GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
21	COCKBURN, Kofi	3-3	97:24	32.5	30-42	.714	0-0	.000	19-28	.679	7	23	30	10.0	7	0	3	9	3	3	79	26.3
11	PLUMMER, Alfonso	6-2	151:25	25.2	24-50	.480	18-38	.474	10-10	1.000	4	8	12	2.0	5	0	5	12	0	4	76	12.7
3	GRANDISON, Jacob	5-4	112:58	22.6	19-35	.543	6-13	.462	10-12	.833	8	13	21	4.2	10	0	6	7	0	0	54	10.8
33	HAWKINS, Coleman	6-6	162:50	27.1	22-43	.512	6-20	.300	14-22	.636	10	27	37	6.2	14	0	16	18	8	9	64	10.7
5	CURBELO, Andre	4-4	87:49	22.0	13-43	.302	2-12	.167	9-12	.750	5	12	17	4.3	10	0	22	16	1	4	37	9.3
1	FRAZIER, Trent	4-4	124:41	31.2	11-38	.289	8-24	.333	5-5	1.000	0	11	11	2.8	8	0	9	8	0	5	35	8.8
10	GOODE, Luke	4-0	48:22	12.1	5-13	.385	3-8	.375	2-4	.500	5	7	12	3.0	4	0	2	0	1	0	15	3.8
15	MELENDEZ, RJ	4-0	38:16	9.6	6-13	.462	1-3	.333	2-4	.500	4	3	7	1.8	3	0	1	2	0	0	15	3.8
20	WILLIAMS, Da'Monte	6-3	168:30	28.1	7-31	.226	2-12	.167	6-10	.600	13	30	43	7.2	12	1	15	7	0	8	22	3.7
22	HUTCHERSON, Austin	3-1	57:13	19.1	3-8	.375	0-4	.000	5-7	.714	2	6	8	2.7	3	0	2	6	1	1	11	3.7
4	PAYNE, Omar	6-3	57:45	9.6	7-11	.636	0-0	.000	4-10	.400	6	6	12	2.0	15	1	1	7	5	2	18	3.0
13	BOSMANS-VERDONK, Benjamin	6-0	63:33	10.6	6-15	.400	0-0	.000	3-8	.375	15	13	28	4.7	14	0	9	5	0	2	15	2.5
12	LIEB, Brandon	3-0	07:37	2.5	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	2	1	3	1.0	1	0	1	0	1	0	4	1.3
0	PODZIEMSKI, Brandin	4-0	15:58	4.0	0-4	.000	0-3	.000	1-2	.500	1	2	3	0.8	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0.3
2	SERVEN, Connor	3-0	05:35	1.9	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											7	9	16					6				
Total		**6**	**1200**		**155-349**	**.444**	**46-137**	**.336**	**90-135**	**.667**	**89**	**171**	**260**	**43.3**	**107**	**2**	**94**	**103**	**20**	**38**	**446**	**74.3**
Opponents		**6**	**1198**		**137-348**	**.394**	**33-111**	**.297**	**80-108**	**.741**	**50**	**129**	**179**	**29.8**	**129**	**4**	**49**	**76**	**21**	**51**	**387**	**64.5**

Team Statistics

	ILLINI	OPP
Scoring	**446**	**387**
Points per game	74.3	64.5
Scoring margin	+9.8	-
Field goals-att	**155-349**	**137-348**
Field goal pct	.444	.394
3 point fg-att	**46-137**	**33-111**
3-point FG pct	.336	.297
3-pt FG made per game	7.7	5.5
Free throws-att	**90-135**	**80-108**
Free throw pct	.667	.741
F-Throws made per game	15.0	13.3
Rebounds	**260**	**179**
Rebounds per game	43.3	29.8
Rebounding margin	+13.5	-
Assists	**94**	**49**
Assists per game	15.7	8.2
Turnovers	**103**	**76**
Turnovers per game	17.2	12.7
Turnover margin	-4.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	0.6
Steals	**38**	**51**
Steals per game	6.3	8.5
Blocks	**20**	**21**
Blocks per game	3.3	3.5
Winning streak	**2**	**-**
Home win streak	3	-
Attendance	**41141**	**14631**
Home games-Avg/Game	3-13714	1-14631
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	2-3628

Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
11/09/2021	Jackson St.	W	71-47	14032
11/12/2021	Arkansas St.	W	92-53	14327
11/15/2021	at Marquette	L	66-67	14631
11/22/2021	vs Cincinnati	L	51-71	0
11/23/2021	vs Kansas St.	W	72-64	7255
11/26/2021	UTRGV	W	94-85	12782

BRANDIN **PODZIEMSKI**
FR. / G / 6-5 / 200
MUSKEGO, WIS.
ST. JOHN'S NORTHWESTEN

TRENT **FRAZIER**
SR. / G / 6-2 / 175
WELLINGTON, FLA.
WELLINGTON

CONNOR **SERVEN**
SO. / 6-9 / 235
BUSHNELL, ILL.
ST. RITA

JACOB **GRANDISON**
GR. / G/F / 6-6 / 210
OAKLAND, CALIF.
HOLY CROSS

OMAR **PAYNE**
JR. / F / 6-10 / 240
KISSIMMEE, FLA.
FLORIDA

ANDRE **CURBELO**
SO. / G / 6-1 / 175
VEGA BAJA, PUERTO RICO
LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN
(N.Y.)

LUKE **GOODE**
FR. / G / 6-7 / 200
FORT WAYNE, IND.
HOMESTEAD

ALFONSO **PLUMMER**
GR. / G / 6-1 / 180
FAJARDO, PUERTO RICO
UTAH

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SO. / C / 7-0 / 220
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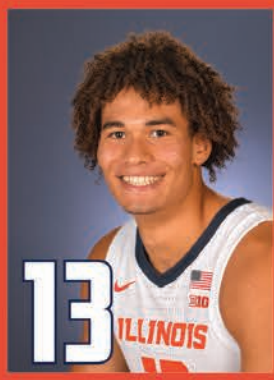

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ARECIBO, PUERTO RICO
CENTRAL POINTE
CHRISTIAN (FLA.)

DA'MONTE **WILLIAMS**
SR. / G / 6-3 / 215
PEORIA, ILL.
MANUAL

KOFI **COCKBURN**
JR. / C / 7-0 / 285
KINGSTON, JAMAICA
OAK HILL ACADEMY (VA.)

AUSTIN **HUTCHERSON**
GR. / G / 6-6 / 190
NEW YORK, N.Y.
WESLEYAN (CONN.)

COLEMAN **HAWKINS**
SO. / F / 6-10 / 215
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TIM **ANDERSON**
ASSISTANT COACH
1ST YEAR AT ILLINOIS

CHESTER **FRAZIER**
ASSISTANT COACH
1ST YEAR AT ILLINOIS