



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview

St. Norbert College (10-2) vs. Grinnell College (8-3)

Saturday, January 6, 2018 - 1 p.m.

Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert closes out a lengthy homestand when it hosts high-scoring Grinnell. The Green Knights are finishing a stretch where they opened the season with 12 of 13 games at home.

Broadcast:

The game will be broadcast with video streaming at: <http://portal.stretch-internet.com/snc/>

Live stats are available at: <http://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/lives-tats/xlive.htm>

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Grinnell 30-17 in an all-time series dating back to the 1983-84 season. The Green Knights are 19-4 all-time at home in the series.

Last Meeting:

Grinnell tipped St. Norbert 91-87 on Feb. 11, 2017 at Darby Gym in Grinnell, Iowa. The Green Knights led 43-40 at halftime before the Pioneers rallied in the second half. Ben Bobinski and Mitchell Reinthaler had 20 points apiece for the Green Knights, who shot 56.6 percent from the floor. Vinny Curta had 20 points and Ky-Sean Johnson 17 points for the Pioneers, who were 18-for-47 from beyond the three-point arc.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 223-68 in his 12th season in De Pere. He was 51-31 in three seasons at Lakeland before arriving at St. Norbert to give him an overall mark of 274-99.

Grinnell coach David Arsenault Jr. (Grinnell, 2009) is 24-10 in his second season in Grinnell.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 10-2 overall and is tied with Lake Forest at 5-0 atop the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights defeated Beloit 73-57 on Wednesday to win for the eighth time in their last nine games.

Senior guard D.J. DeValk tops the Green Knights in scoring at 17.0 points per game. Senior forward Mitchell Reinthaler is averaging 15.7 points and

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2017-2018 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 15	UW-Eau Claire	W 77-69
N 18	Benedictine	W 70-53
N 21	UW-Oshkosh	L 60-57
N 25	UW-Stevens Point	W 58-54
D 1	Knox *	W 81-69
D 2	Illinois College *	W 75-56
D 6	at Lawrence *	W 73-59
D 9	Cornell *	W 61-51
D 19	North Central-Minn.	W 75-62
D 29	Blackburn %	W 65-52
D 30	UW-Whitewater (11) %	L 89-78
J 3	Beloit *	W 73-57
J 6	Grinnell *	1 p.m.
J 12	at Illinois College *	5:30 p.m.
J 13	at Monmouth *	1 p.m.
J 17	Ripon *	7 p.m.
J 20	at Knox *	1 p.m.
J 24	Lawrence *	7 p.m.
J 27	at Cornell *	1 p.m.
J 30	at Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
F 3	Monmouth *	1 p.m.
F 7	Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 10	at Grinnell *	1 p.m.
F 13	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 17	at Beloit *	1 p.m.

* - Midwest Conference game; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - Green Bay, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold** and played at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center; (rankings) by D3hoops.com.

a team-high 8.1 rebounds per game. Sophomore forward Connor Curtis is scoring 12.3 points per game, while junior guard Taylor Penn is scoring an average of 7.8 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 70.2 points per game while shooting 43.8 percent from the floor, 35.8 percent on 3-pointers and 75.7 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 60.9 points per game while shooting 42.2 percent from the floor, 36.6 percent on 3-pointers and 73.3 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Pioneers:

Grinnell enters the game 8-3 overall and 3-2 in the Midwest Conference. The Pioneers topped Ripon 95-81 at home this past Wednesday.

Junior guard Vinny Curta leads NCAA Division III in scoring at 35.8 points per game, and through 11 games is 126-for-167 at the free-throw line. Junior guard Ky-Sean Johnson is averaging 18.0 points per game, while freshman guard Hannes Kogelnik is netting 16.8 points per game. Senior guard Sean Cullinane is posting 11.0 points per game.

Grinnell is averaging 121.7 points per game while shooting 44.6 percent from the floor, 35.0 percent on 3-pointers and 70.6 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 101.1 points per game while shooting 54.2 percent from the floor, 41.7 percent on 3-pointers and 65.1 percent at the free-throw line.

Contrasting Styles:

The game against St. Norbert and Grinnell features a pair of teams with two different approaches to style of basketball.

The Green Knights enter the contest yielding just 60.9 points per game, currently the sixth best mark in Division III.

Grinnell comes into the game posting an average of 121.7 points per game, a total that is second in Division III. Only Greenville's 126.0 points per game is higher.

Grinnell also leads Division III in turnovers forced at 30.6 per game. St. Norbert is 22nd nationally in fewest turnovers per game with 11.3.

Thousand Talk:

St. Norbert senior guard D.J. DeValk scored five points in Wednesday's 73-57 win over Beloit in De Pere.

DeValk currently has 1,217 points to be five points shy of 16th on the St. Norbert career scoring list. Gary Herold is 16th on the list, with 1,222 points from 1956 to 1958. Romie Kosnar is 15th with 1,237 points from 1947 to 1951.

DeValk, who reached 1,000 career points late in his junior season, joined Andrew Schwoerer (1,439, 2012-15), Joe Emmerich (1,811, 1980-84) and Lee Schroeder (1,308, 1986-90) as the only St. Norbert players to reach that mark during their junior year since 1975.

Building a Winner:

St. Norbert has won the Midwest Conference title the last five years and seven times in the last eight seasons. The Green Knights are the first team to win at least four consecutive MWC men's basketball titles since Beloit won six straight from 1946-51.

The Green Knights have won 20 games six times in the last eight years under Gary Grzesk. In the program's previous 86 seasons, St. Norbert had 20-win seasons just twice.

St. Norbert's 25 wins in 2014 and 2016 is the school record. The Green Knights won 24 games in 2015, 23 games in 2010 and 21 games twice (1984 and 2002). St. Norbert won 20 games in 2011 and 2013.

St. Norbert's 94-13 record from 2013 to 2016 marks the best four-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 212-49. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 17-year history of the D3hoops.com Top 25 with a No. 3 ranking the week of Feb. 23, 2015.

Head Coach Gary Grzesk

Education: Bachelor's degree in Spanish at UW-Green Bay (1996); master's degree in education administration at Youngstown State (1998).

Playing Experience: Four-year letterman at UW-Green Bay (1993-96).

Coaching Experience: Assistant coach at Youngstown State (1996-2002); assistant coach at UW-Green Bay (2002-03); head coach at Lakeland (2003-06); head coach at St. Norbert (April 13, 2006 to present).



Grzesk's Head Coaching Record

Lakeland				
Year	Overall	LMC	Place	NCAA
2003-04	16-13	8-4	3rd	First Rd.
2004-05	14-12	7-5	T3rd	
2005-06	21-6	13-1	1st	
Totals	51-31	28-10		

St. Norbert				
Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
2006-07	9-13	8-8	6th	
2007-08	14-10	10-6	T3rd	
2008-09	18-6	12-4	T3rd	
2009-10	23-4	14-2	1st	Second Rd.
2010-11	20-6	14-4	1st	First Rd.
2011-12	16-9	12-6	3rd	
2012-13	20-6	15-3	1st	First Rd.
2013-14	25-2	18-0	1st	Second Rd.
2014-15	24-2	18-0	1st	First Rd.
2015-16	25-3	18-0	1st	Sweet 16
2016-17	19-5	16-2	1st	
2017-18	10-2	5-0		
Totals	223-68	160-35		
Career	274-99			

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	19-4	11-1	8-3	0-0
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1
Cornell	10-1	6-0	4-1	0-0
Grinnell	15-8	11-1	3-7	1-0
Illinois Coll.	19-0	10-0	9-0	0-0
Knox	19-2	10-1	9-1	0-0
Lake Forest	18-4	9-3	9-1	0-0
Lawrence	17-7	8-3	9-4	0-0
Monmouth	17-1	9-0	8-1	0-0
Ripon	21-5	14-1	7-4	0-0
Totals	172-39	100-12	71-26	1-1

MWC Glance

Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	5-0	10-2
Lake Forest	5-0	9-3
Monmouth	4-1	7-5
Grinnell	3-2	8-3
Lawrence	3-2	7-4
Cornell	2-3	7-5
Ripon	2-3	5-5
Illinois College	1-4	6-5
Beloit	0-5	1-11
Knox	0-5	2-10

St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
Location:De Pere, WI 54115
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:1898
Enrollment:2,168
President:Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:Midwest Conference
Facility: ..Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
Capacity:1,844
Year Opened:2017
Head Coach:Gary Grzesk
Record at St. Norbert:223-68 (12th year)
Record Overall:274-99 (15th year)
Assistant Coaches:Woody Wilson
 Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
 Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly, Keil Ganz
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:95
All-Time Overall Record:1,076-866
All-Time MWC Record:344-183
MWC Championships:Nine
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Nine
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16)
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three
(1961, '62, '65)

D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #6 - Jan. 2, 2018

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Whitman (25)	625	11-0
2	Augustana	599	10-1
3	UW-River Falls	516	9-1
4	Middlebury	514	7-1
5	UW-Whitewater	500	10-1
6	Lycoming	493	13-0
7	UW-Oshkosh	447	10-1
8	Whitworth	392	10-1
9	Ohio Wesleyan	379	9-2
10	Washington-Mo.	370	9-2
11	Williams	362	9-2
12	Swarthmore	326	9-1
13	York-Pa.	320	11-0
14	Wesleyan	310	9-1
15	MIT	259	10-1
16	St. John's	206	8-1
17	Wittenberg	203	11-0
18	Wartburg	200	9-2
19	Ramapo	143	9-3
20	New Jersey City	125	10-1
21	Nichols	114	8-1
22	Rochester	111	8-2
23	Juniata	83	11-0
24	Hamilton	80	10-0
25	Marietta	67	8-3

Others receiving votes: Hanover 65, Albright 46, Christopher Newport 39, Amherst 35, Nebraska Wesleyan 34, Baldwin-Wallace 32, Skidmore 29, Eastern Connecticut 19, Franklin & Marshall 19, John Carroll 19, **St. Norbert 16**, Emory 10, UW-Platteville 8, Bethel 3, North Central-Ill. 3, Westminster-Pa. 2, Gwynedd Mercy 1, Salem State 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#0 - Jalen Brooks

Points: n/a
 Rebounds: n/a
 Assists: n/a

#1 - Riley Haas

Points: 13 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)
 Rebounds: 7 (2 times, last 12/19/17 vs. North Central)
 Assists: 3 (2 times, last 12/6/17 vs. Lawrence)

#2 - Ethan Riniker

Points: n/a
 Rebounds: n/a
 Assists: n/a

#3 - Dylan Bunders

Points: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)
 Rebounds: 3 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)
 Assists: 1 (2 times, last 12/1/17 vs. Knox)

#4 - Jared Davis

Points: n/a
 Rebounds: n/a
 Assists: n/a

#5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 14 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 4 (11/21/17 vs. UW-Oshkosh)
 Assists: 4 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#10 - D.J. DeValk

Points: 30 (12/9/17 vs. Cornell)
 Rebounds: 7 (2 times, last 12/6/17 vs. Lawrence)
 Assists: 9 (2 times, last 1/25/17 vs. Lawrence)

#11 - Brennen Banks

Points: 12 (12/19/17 vs. North Central)
 Rebounds: 4 (1/3/18 vs. Beloit)
 Assists: 2 (12/19/17 vs. North Central)

#15 - Matt Lynch

Points: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)
 Rebounds: 1 (1/3/18 vs. Beloit)
 Assists: n/a

#20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: 2 (1/3/18 vs. Beloit)
 Rebounds: 2 (12/1/17 vs. Knox)
 Assists: n/a

#21 - Brett O'Sullivan

Points: 6 (11/15/16 vs. UW-Eau Claire)
 Rebounds: 5 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)
 Assists: 3 (12/10/16 vs. Cornell)

#22 - Wade Geenen

Points: 16 (12/19/17 vs. North Central)
 Rebounds: 6 (12/19/17 vs. North Central)
 Assists: 3 (2 times, last 1/3/18 vs. Beloit)

#23 - Drew Yetka

Points: 6 (12/30/17 vs. UW-Whitewater)
 Rebounds: 1 (12/30/17 vs. UW-Whitewater)
 Assists: 2 (12/30/17 vs. UW-Whitewater)

#24 - Mitchell Reinthaler

Points: 24 (2 times, last 12/19/17 vs. North Central)
 Rebounds: 13 (11/15/17 vs. UW-Eau Claire)
 Assists: 5 (2 times, last 12/19/17 vs. North Central)

#25 - Jordan Newman

Points: 3 (1/13/17 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 2 (12/2/16 vs. Knox)
 Assists: 2 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#30 - Taylor Penn

Points: 20 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 6 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine)
 Assists: 4 (3 times, last 12/30/17 vs. UW-Whitewater)

#32 - Brian Luteyn

Points: 18 (12/1/17 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 6 (2 times, last 12/20/16 vs. UW-Oshkosh)
 Assists: 4 (12/2/16 vs. Knox)

#35 - Jared Murphy

Points: 6 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 3 (12/1/17 vs. Knox)
 Assists: n/a

#41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 19 (12/30/16 vs. UW-Platteville)
 Rebounds: 9 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell)
 Assists: 2 (5 times, last 2/11/17 vs. Grinnell)

#52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 17 (12/19/17 vs. North Central)
 Rebounds: 15 (12/29/17 vs. Blackburn)
 Assists: 3 (3 times, last 12/9/17 vs. Cornell)



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball
 St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 03, 2018)
All games



Overall record: 10-2 Conf: 5-0 Home: 9-2 Away: 1-0 Neutral: 0-0

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg		
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg										
24	Mitchell Reinthaler	12-12	385	32.1	68-137	.496	11-27	.407	41-52	.788	26	71	97	8.1	32	0	22	21	12	11	188	15.7		
10	D.J. DeValk	11-11	354	32.2	64-140	.457	26-65	.400	33-37	.892	0	32	32	2.9	25	0	42	23	8	15	187	17.0		
30	Taylor Penn	12-12	336	28.0	33-75	.440	18-38	.474	10-18	.556	10	19	29	2.4	19	0	17	16	0	4	94	7.8		
52	Joe Lemon	12-11	306	25.5	32-83	.386	2-29	.069	25-30	.833	18	56	74	6.2	23	0	15	11	17	10	91	7.6		
22	Wade Geenen	12-2	247	20.6	21-51	.412	16-31	.516	14-19	.737	2	28	30	2.5	14	0	17	8	1	8	72	6.0		
32	Brian Luteyn	12-0	144	12.0	21-32	.656	0-0	.000	15-22	.682	12	13	25	2.1	14	0	5	17	3	8	57	4.8		
05	Joe Ciriacks	12-11	218	18.2	16-48	.333	11-34	.324	10-14	.714	8	11	19	1.6	23	0	13	9	2	8	53	4.4		
41	Connor Curtis	3-1	58	19.3	13-20	.650	1-3	.333	10-13	.769	5	5	10	3.3	7	0	2	3	1	2	37	12.3		
01	Riley Haas	11-0	155	14.1	6-22	.273	3-10	.300	3-5	.600	9	19	28	2.5	7	0	15	7	0	14	18	1.6		
11	Brennen Banks	5-0	70	14.0	7-22	.318	3-15	.200	1-2	.500	0	7	7	1.4	3	0	4	1	0	0	18	3.6		
23	Drew Yetka	2-0	24	12.0	3-7	.429	3-6	.500	1-2	.500	0	1	1	0.5	3	0	3	2	0	0	10	5.0		
35	Jared Murphy	5-0	18	3.6	3-6	.500	2-4	.500	1-2	.500	3	2	5	1.0	2	0	0	2	0	0	9	1.8		
03	Dylan Bunders	7-0	38	5.4	1-6	.167	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	4	5	0.7	8	0	2	3	0	1	3	0.4		
21	Brett O'Sullivan	4-0	16	4.0	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	0	2	0.5	2	0	0	1	0	2	2	0.5		
20	Nolan Beirne	4-0	9	2.3	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3	2	5	1.3	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.5		
15	Matt Lynch	3-0	3	1.0	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.7		
25	Jordan Newman	4-0	8	2.0	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0		
02	Ethan Riniker	3-0	6	2.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0		
00	Jalen Brooks	2-0	4	2.0	0-4	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0.0		
04	Jared Davis	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0		
Team											28	22	50											10
Total.....		12	2400		291-664	.438	96-268	.358	165-218	.757	128	293	421	35.1	186	0	159	135	44	84	843	70.2		
Opponents.....		12	2400		254-602	.422	97-265	.366	126-172	.733	75	273	348	29.0	218	5	121	173	25	62	731	60.9		

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	843	731	11/15/17	UW-EAU CLAIRE	w 77-69	1027
Points per game	70.2	60.9	11/18/17	BENEDICTINE UNIV.	w 70-53	898
Scoring margin	+9.3	-	11/21/17	UW-OSHKOSH	L 57-60	822
FIELD GOALS-ATT	291-664	254-602	11/25/17	UW-STEVENS POINT	w 58-54	920
Field goal pct	.438	.422	* 12/1/17	KNOX COLLEGE	w 81-69	452
3 POINT FG-ATT	96-268	97-265	* 12/2/17	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	w 75-56	460
3-point FG pct	.358	.366	* 12/6/17	at Lawrence University	w 73-59	672
3-pt FG made per game	8.0	8.1	* 12/9/17	CORNELL COLLEGE	w 61-51	610
FREE THROWS-ATT	165-218	126-172	12/19/17	NORTH CENTRAL (MN)	w 75-62	374
Free throw pct	.757	.733	# 12/29/17	BLACKBURN COLLEGE	w 65-52	767
F-Throws made per game	13.8	10.5	# 12/30/17	UW-WHITWATER	L 78-89	682
REBOUNDS	421	348	* 1/3/18	BELOIT COLLEGE	w 73-57	440
Rebounds per game	35.1	29.0	* = Midwest Conference game			
Rebounding margin	+6.1	-	# - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)			
ASSISTS	159	121				
Assists per game	13.3	10.1				
TURNOVERS	135	173				
Turnovers per game	11.3	14.4				
Turnover margin	+3.2	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	0.7				
STEALS	84	62				
Steals per game	7.0	5.2				
BLOCKS	44	25				
Blocks per game	3.7	2.1				
ATTENDANCE	7452	672				
Home games-Avg/Game	11-677	1-672				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	400	443	843
Opponents	353	378	731