

# St. Norbert College **Athletics Communications**

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# St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (15-4) at Ripon College (12-5) Tuesday, January 30, 2018 - 5:30 p.m. Willmore Center (1,200) - Ripon, Wisconsin

# Game Overview:

St. Norbert travels to Ripon for a key Midwest Conference game. The Green Knights lead Ripon, Lake Forest and Monmouth by one game in the league standings with six games remaining.

### **Broadcast:**

The game will be broadcast with video streaming at: http://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/

Live stats will be available at the same link.

### The Series:

Ripon holds a 63-57 series lead over St. Norbert in a spirited rivalry dating back to the 1932-33 season. The Green Knights have narrowed the gap by winning 21 of the last 25 meetings over the last 10 seasons.

# Last Meeting:

Ripon defeated St. Norbert 69-61 on Jan. 17, 2018 at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center in De Pere. The Red Hawks led 36-33 at halftime and pulled away in the second half. D.J. DeValk led the Green Knights with 21 points, while Connor Curtis added 16 points and nine rebounds. Isaac Masters had 24 points for the Red Hawks, while Tyler Semenas added 22 points.

# The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 228-70 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 279-101.

Ripon coach Ryan Kane (St. Norbert, 1999) is 90-49 in his sixth season in Ripon.

# About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 15-4 overall and 10-2 in the Midwest Conference after Saturday's 66-49 road win Saturday at Cornell. The Green Knights lead Ripon, Monmouth and Lake Forest by one game in the league standings.

Senior guard D.J. DeValk leads the Green Knights in scoring at 16.4 - MORE -

# 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	<b>UW-Stevens Point</b>	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 *	W 97-85
J 12	at Illinois College *	W 73-63
J 13	at Monmouth *	L 70-67/ot
J 17	Ripon *	L 69-61
J 20	at Knox *	W 76-41
J 24	Lawrence *	W 85-52
J 27	at Cornell *	W 66-49
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.
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\* - 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.

points per game, while senior forward Mitchell Reinthaler is averaging 14.4 points and 7.6 rebounds per game. Sophomore forward Connor Curtis is netting 13.4 points per game while shooting 65.8 percent from the floor. Junior guard Taylor Penn is averaging 7.4 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 72.0 points per game while shooting 46.1 percent from the floor, 37.2 percent on 3-pointers and 77.8 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 61.1 points per game while shooting 41.5 percent from the floor, 36.5 percent on 3-pointers and 71.9 percent at the free-throw line.

#### About the Red Hawks:

Ripon enters the game 12-5 overall and 9-3 in the Midwest Conference. The Red Hawks have won seven consecutive games, including an 88-64 win at Illinois College this past Saturday.

Senior guard Isaac Masters leads the Red Hawks in scoring at 16.8 points per game. Senior guard Tyler Semenas is averaging 14.1 points per game, while junior guard Cal Schultz is netting 12.4 points per game. Sophomore guard Trent Jones is averaging 11.8 points per game.

Ripon is averaging 76.8 points per game while shooting 49.2 percent from the floor, 40.0 percent on 3pointers and 69.7 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 69.4 points per game while shooting 42.1 percent from the floor, 33.3 percent on 3-pointers and 68.6 percent at the free-throw line.

#### Thousand Talk:

St. Norbert senior guard D.J. DeValk scored 22 points in this past Saturday's game against Cornell to move into the Top 10 in St. Norbert career scoring.

DeValk currently has 1,326 points to reside in 10th place all-time in St. Norbert career scoring. LeRoy Weyenberg is ninth all-time with 1,379 points from 1961-65.

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 Schroeder as the only St. Norbert players to reach that mark during their junior year since 1975.

#### **Stopper Stuff:**

St. Norbert enters the game fifth in Division III in scoring defense at 61.1 points per game. Penn State-Behrend is the national leader at 58.2 points per game.

In their last three games, the Green Knights are allowing just 47.3 points per game. St. Norbert defeated Knox 76-41, Lawrence 85-52 and Cornell 66-49. The two games below 50 points are the Green Knights' best two defensive performances of the season.

In Gary Grzesk's 298-game tenure at St. Norbert, the Green Knights have held their opponent to 50 points or less 47 times, going 47-0 in those games.

#### **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 fouryear total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 217-51. 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).



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. Norbe	ert			
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	15-4	10-2		
Totals	228-70	165-37		
Career	279-101			
Grze	sk vs. N	<b>IWC</b> at	t St. N	Norbert
Team	Overall	Home	Aw	ay Neutral
Beloit	19-4	11-1		3-3 0-0
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6	6-4 0-1
Cornell	11-1	6-0	5	5-1 0-0
Grinnell	16-8	12-1	Э	3-7 1-0
Illinois Co	oll. 20-0	10-0	10	0-0 0-0
Knox	20-2	10-1	10	)-1 0-0
Lake Fore	est 18-4	9-3	ç	0-1 0-0
Lawrence	18-7	9-3	ç	9-4 0-0

MWC Glance									
Team	MWC	Overall							
St. Norbert	10-2	15-4							
Monmouth	9-3	12-7							
Lake Forest	9-3	13-6							
Ripon	9-3	12-5							
Lawrence	7-5	11-7							
Grinnell	6-6	11-7							
Cornell	5-7	10-9							
Illinois College	2-10	7-11							
Knox	2-10	4-15							
Beloit	1-11	2-17							

9-0

14-2

102-13

8-2

7-4

74-27

0-0

0-0

1-1

Monmouth

Ripon

Totals

17-2

21-6

177-41



# St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
<b>Location:</b>
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
Enrollment:
President:Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
<b>Capacity:</b>
<b>Year Opened:</b>
Head Coach:Gary Grzesk
Record at St. Norbert:
<b>Record Overall:</b>
Assistant Coaches:Woody Wilson
Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly, Keil Ganz
First Season of Men's Basketball:
Seasons of Men's Basketball:
All-Time Overall Record:
All-Time MWC Record:
MWC Championships:Nine
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Nine
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three

# D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #9 - Jan. 22, 2018

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Whitman (25)	625	17-0
2	Washington-Mo.	585	14-2
3	Wittenberg	574	17-0
4	Whitworth	486	15-2
5	Augustana	480	14-3
6	St. John's	461	14-1
7	York-Pa.	449	16-1
8	UW-Whitewater	439	14-3
9	Lycoming	431	17-1
10	Middlebury	399	14-3
11	Swarthmore	392	15-2
12	MIT	321	15-2
13	Emory	320	14-2
14	Wesleyan	268	13-3
15	Williams	241	13-4
16	Hamilton	209	15-1
17	Eastern Connecticut	t 196	15-2
18	Illinois Wesleyan	194	14-3
19	UW-Oshkosh	183	13-4
20	UW-River Falls	161	12-4
21	Emory and Henry	131	16-1
22	Rochester	112	13-3
23	John Carroll	76	14-3
24	Baldwin Wallace	71	14-3
25	Marietta	54	13-4
Others	s receiving votes:		Point 45,

UW-Platteville 31, New Jersey City 28, Nichols 25, Franklin and Marshall 24, Salem State 19, Nebraska Wesleyan 18, Ramapo 17, Wheaton-Ill. 14, Cabrini 11, Ohio Wesleyan 9, Hanover 8, Maryville-Tenn. 6, Gwynedd Mercy 5, Wooster 4, Juniata 1, Plattsburgh State 1, Sul Ross 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: 4 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)

**#2 - Ethan Riniker** Points: 3 (1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 1 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence) Assists: n/a

#3 - Dylan Bunders

Points: 2 (2 times, last 1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 3 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 12/1/17 vs. Knox)

#### #**4 - Jared Davis** Points: n/a

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: 6 (1/6/18 vs. Grinnell)

#**15 - Matt Lynch** Points: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: 1 (1/3/18 vs. Beloit) Assists: n/a

**#20 - Nolan Beirne** Points: 4 (1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (12/1/17 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (1/20/18 vs. Knox)

#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: 5 (1/20/18 vs. Knox)

# #23 - Drew Yetka

Points: 6 (2 times, last 1/6/18 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 4 (1/13/18 vs. Monmouth) 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: 7 (1/13/18 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 6 (1/27/18 vs. Cornell)

# #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: 10 (1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 3 (2 times, last 1/20/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)

# #41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 22 (1/13/18 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 9 (2 times, last 1/17/17 vs. Ripon) Assists: 2 (7 times, last 1/20/18 vs. Knox)

# #52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 17 (12/19/17 vs. North Central) Rebounds: 15 (12/29/17 vs. Blackburn) Assists: 5 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)



BLOCKS

Blocks per game

Home games-Avg/Game

Neutral site-Avg/Game

ATTENDANČE

Score by Periods

St. Norbert College

Opponents

65

3.4

OT Totals

1368

1160

10168

14-726

9

12

1st 2nd

642 717

542 606

45

2.4

1697

5-339

0-0

# St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 27, 2018) All games



Overall record: 15-4 Conf: 10-2 Home: 11-3 Away: 4-1 Neutral: 0-0

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro	w		Rebou	inds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	а	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
10	D.J. DeValk	18-18	582	32.3	104-219	.475	41-98	.418	47-51	.922	1	55	56	3.1	36	0	66	34	15	22	296	16.4
24	Mitchell Reinthaler	19-19	597	31.4	100-202	.495	17-43	.395	56-72	.778	36	108	144	7.6	48	0	33	31	17	18	273	14.4
30	Taylor Penn	19-19	511	26.9	51-114	.447	27-55	.491	12-20	.600	13	29	42	2.2	25	0	34	22	0	5	141	7.4
41	Connor Curtis	10-8	223	22.3	48-73	.658	7-13	.538	31-37	.838	17	32	49	4.9	29	1	8	17	4	8	134	13.4
52	Joe Lemon	19-14	444	23.4	45-107	.421	3-33	.091	30-36	.833	27	89	116	6.1	33	0	27	25	21	12	123	6.5
22	Wade Geenen	19-6	425	22.4	34-85	.400	26-58	.448	21-28	.750	4	41	45	2.4	21	0	38	14	1	11	115	6.1
32	Brian Luteyn	19-0	202	10.6	29-44	.659	0-0	.000	18-26	.692	17	20	37	1.9	21	0	7	25	5	10	76	4.0
05	Joe Ciriacks	17-11	248	14.6	20-57	.351	14-39	.359	10-14	.714	9	15	24	1.4	26	0	14	11	2	8	64	3.8
11	Brennen Banks	11-0	133	12.1	16-42	.381	5-23	.217	2-6	.333	2	8	10	0.9	13	0	15	7	0	3	39	3.5
23	Drew Yetka	9-0	93	10.3	10-29	.345	4-17	.235	6-8	.750	3	9	12	1.3	8	0	5	6	0	2	30	3.3
35	Jared Murphy	8-0	51	6.4	11-23	.478	4-11	.364	4-6	.667	6	4	10	1.3	9	0	3	4	0	2	30	3.8
01	Riley Haas	18-0	198	11.0	9-30	.300	4-12	.333	3-5	.600	12	25	37	2.1	13	0	20	11	0	17	25	1.4
21	Brett O'Sullivan	7-0	26	3.7	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	4-4	1.000	2	0	2	0.3	2	0	0	1	0	3	6	0.9
20	Nolan Beirne	7-0	16	2.3	3-5	.600	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4	2	6	0.9	4	0	1	0	0	0	6	0.9
03	Dylan Bunders	9-0	42	4.7	2-7	.286	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	2	4	6	0.7	8	0	2	3	0	2	5	0.6
02	Ethan Riniker	5-0	8	1.6	1-3	.333	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	0.6
15	Matt Lynch	5-0	7	1.4	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.4
25	Jordan Newman	7-0	12	1.7	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
00	Jalen Brooks	3-0	5	1.7	0-5	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0.0
04	Jared Davis	2-0	2	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										36	38	74					14				
	Total	19	3825		485-1053	.461	153-411	.372	245-315	.778	192	481	673	35.4	299	1	276	227	65	125	1368	72.0
	Opponents	19	3825		400-964	.415	160-438	.365	200-278	.719	124	413	537	28.3	327	7	204	276	45	106	1160	61.1

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP		Date	Opponent		Score	Att.			
SCORING	1368	1160	_	11/15/17	UW-EAU CLAIRE	W	77-69	1027			
Points per game	72.0	61.1		11/18/17	BENEDICTINE UNIV.	W	70-53	898			
Scoring margin	+10.9	-		11/21/17	UW-OSHKOSH	L	57-60	822			
FIELD GOALS-ATT	485-1053	400-964		11/25/17	UW-STEVENS POINT	W	58-54	920			
Field goal pct	.461	.415	*	12/1/17	KNOX COLLEGE	W	81-69	452			
3 POINT FG-ATT	153-411	160-438	*	12/2/17	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	75-56	460			
3-point FG pct	.372	.365	*	12/6/17	at Lawrence Univ.	W	73-59	672			
3-pt FG made per game	8.1	8.4	*	12/9/17	CORNELL COLLEGE	W	61-51	610			
FREE THROWS-ATT	245-315	200-278		12/19/17	NORTH CENTRAL (MN)	W	75-62	374			
Free throw pct	.778	.719	#	12/29/17	BLACKBURN COLLEGÉ	W	65-52	767			
F-Throws made per game	12.9	10.5	#	12/30/17	UW-WHITEWATER	L	78-89	682			
REBOUNDS	673	537	*	1/3/18	BELOIT COLLEGE	W	73-57	440			
Rebounds per game	35.4	28.3	*	1/6/18	GRINNELL COLLEGE	W	97-85	1127			
Rebounding margin	+7.2	-	*	1/12/18	at Illinois College	W	73-63	150			
ASSISTS	276	204	*	1/13/18	at Monmouth College	Lot	67-70	175			
Assists per game	14.5	10.7	*	1/17/18	RIPON COLLEGE	L	61-69	781			
TURNOVERS	227	276	*	1/20/18	at Knox College	W	76-41	150			
Turnovers per game	11.9	14.5	*	1/24/18	LAWRENCE UNIV.	W	85-52	808			
Turnover margin	+2.6	-	*	1/27/18	at Cornell College	W	66-49	550			
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	0.7									
STEALS	125	106	*	= Midwest Co	onference game						
Steals per game	6.6	5.6		# - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)							
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