

St. Norbert College Athletics Communications

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (3-2) at Lake Forest College (4-1) Wednesday, December 5, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. LFC Sports Center (1,200) - Lake Forest, Illinois

Game Overview:

St. Norbert continues a tough Midwest Conference slate to open the league season when it travels to fellow contender Lake Forest. Both teams have played in the Midwest Conference Tournament in each of the last three seasons.

Broadcast:

The games will be broadcast with video streaming and live stats at: https://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Lake Forest 46-21 in a series dating back to the 1983-84 season. The Green Knights have captured 21 of the last 25 meetings in the series.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert topped Lake Forest 78-68 on Feb. 13, 2018 in Lake Forest, Ill. The Green Knights, who led 36-29 at halftime, got 26 points from Mitchell Reinthaler and 22 points from Wade Geenen. St. Norbert shot 55.1 percent from the floor. Sean Espinosa and Aram Arslanian had 14 points apiece for the Foresters.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 235-75 in his 13th 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 286-106.

Lake Forest coach Ken Davis (Arizona State, 1983) is 57-44 in his fifth season in Lake Forest.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 3-2 overall and 2-0 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights got off to a good start in conference action with a 67-50 win over defending MWC champion Monmouth on Friday and an 84-42 rout of Knox on Saturday.

Junior forward Connor Curtis leads the Green Knights at 13.8 points and 8.8 rebounds per game. Junior guard Joe Ciriacks is averaging 11.4 points per game. Junior forward Joe Lemon is averaging 9.6 points and - MORE -

2018-2019 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 10	at Northwestern-Minn.	L 78-68
N 16	vs. Central #	W 76-68
N 17	vs. Neb. Wesleyan (1) #	L 77-67
N 30	Monmouth *	W 67-50
D 1	Knox *	W 84-42
D 5	at Lake Forest *	7:30 p.m.
D 8	Ripon *	3 p.m.
D 15	at UW-Eau Claire	5 p.m.
D 18	at UW-Oshkosh	7 p.m.
D 28	Alma %	7 p.m.
D 29	TBA %	7 p.m.
J 2	at Illinois College *	7:30 p.m.
J 5	Cornell *	5 p.m.
J 8	Beloit *	7:30 p.m.
J 12	at Knox *	3 p.m.
J 16	Lake Forest *	7:30 p.m.
J 19	at Ripon *	3 p.m.
J 25	at Grinnell *	7:30 p.m.
J 26	at Cornell *	3 p.m.
J 30	at Lawrence *	7:30 p.m.
F 2	Illinois College *	3 p.m.
F 5	at Beloit *	7:30 p.m.
F 9	Grinnell *	3 p.m.
F 13	Lawrence *	7:30 p.m.
F 16	at Monmouth *	3 p.m.
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* - Midwest Conference game; # - Pioneer Tip-Off Classic - Waukesha, Wis.; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis.; Note: Home games in bold and played at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center; (rankings) by D3hoops.com.

6.2 rebounds per game while shooting 61.8 percent from the floor. Sophomore guard Wade Geenen is averaging 6.8 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 72.4 points per game while shooting 43.2 percent from the floor, 34.4 percent on 3-pointers and 72.1 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 63.0 points per game while shooting 44.9 percent from the floor, 28.2 percent on 3-pointers and 66.7 percent at the free-throw line

About the Foresters:

Lake Forest enters the game 4-1 overall and 1-1 in the Midwest Conference. The Foresters split a pair of home conference games this past weekend, losing 108-100 to Grinnell on Friday before defeating Cornell 90-88 at the buzzer on Saturday.

Sophomore guard Sean Espinosa leads the Foresters in scoring at 20.6 points per game, while freshman guard Tashon Brown is averaging 16.4 points per game. Junior guard Aram Arslanian is averaging 14.2 points and a team-high 8.4 rebounds per game. Senior forward Danny Sotos is averaging 12.8 points per game.

Lake Forest is averaging 84.2 points per game while shooting 49.2 percent from the floor, 39.7 percent on 3-pointers and 63.9 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 78.0 points per game while shooting 40.4 percent from the floor, 32.2 percent on 3-pointers and 70.3 percent at the free-throw line.

Nifty Fifty:

St. Norbert has held each of its last two opponents to 50 points or less. The Green Knights defeated defending MWC champion Monmouth 67-50 on Friday before doubling up Knox 84-42 on Saturday.

The Green Knights had not held two consecutive opponents to 50 points or less in almost three seasons. St. Norbert defeated Lake Forest 69-44 on Feb. 9, 2016 and Knox 83-47 on Feb. 13, 2016.

In Gary Grzesk's 310-game tenure

at St. Norbert, the Green Knights have held their opponent to 50 points or less 51 times, going 51-0 in those games.

The Green Knights are currently leading the Midwest Conference in scoring defense, allowing just 63.0 points per game. Beloit is second at 67.0 points per game, while Ripon is third at 67.6 points per game.

Rebounding Report:

St. Norbert currently has a plus-9.4 rebounding margin, tops in the Midwest Conference.

The Green Knights outrebounded Knox 49-25 in this past Saturday's 84-42 win. St. Norbert totaled a whopping 20 offensive rebounds in the game.

St. Norbert has rebounded 79.4 percent of its opponents' missed shots, the best in the MWC. The Green Knights have also grabbed 37.0 percent of their own misses, second in the conference to Grinnell's 42.7 percent.

Building a Winner:

St. Norbert has six 20-win seasons in the last nine years. 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 224-55. 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	d			
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. Norb	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	19-7	14-4	T2nd	
2018-19	3-2	2-0		
Totals	235-75	171-39		

Grzesk vs MWC at St Norbert

286-106

Career

GIZESK VS. WIVVE at St. 1401DEIL												
Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral								
Beloit	20-4	11-1	9-3	0-0								
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1								
Cornell	11-1	6-0	5-1	0-0								
Grinnell	17-8	12-1	4-7	1-0								
Illinois Coll	. 20-0	10-0	10-0	0-0								
Knox	21-2	11-1	10-1	0-0								
Lake Forest	20-4	10-3	10-1	0-0								
Lawrence	18-7	9-3	9-4	0-0								
Monmouth	18-3	10-1	8-2	0-0								
Ripon	21-8	14-2	7-5	0-1								
Totals	183-44	105-14	77-28	1-2								

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

St. Norbert Quick Facts

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Nickname:Green Knights
Location:
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
Enrollment:
President:Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
Capacity:
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
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Record at St. Norbert:
Record Overall: 286-106 (16th year)
Assistant Coaches:Keil Ganz,
Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:96
All-Time Overall Record:
All-Time MWC Record:
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)
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D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #3 - Dec. 3, 2018

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Place		Pts.	Record						
1	Nebraska Wesleyan (25)	625	8-0						
2	Williams	567	7-0						
3	Augustana	546	5-1						
4	Hamilton	541	7-0						
5	Whitman	515	6-1						
6	UW-Stevens Point	488	4-1						
7	UW-Oshkosh	439	4-1						
8	Illinois Wesleyan	438	7-0						
9	MIT	390	5-1						
10	Plattsburgh State	368	6-0						
11	Whitworth	344	5-1						
12	UW-Whitewater	338	5-0						
13	Marietta	322	7-0						
14	Wittenberg	315	5-1						
15	Wooster	302	6-0						
16	Randolph-Macon	288	9-0						
17	Rochester	230	6-0						
18	Middlebury	197	5-1						
19	Amherst	99	5-0						
20	North Central-Ill.	86	5-0						
21	Loras	85	4-1						
22	Lynchburg	76	7-0						
23	Swarthmore	74	4-2						
24	St. John's	70	5-1						
25	Nichols	68	6-0						
Others receiving votes: Salishury 57 Christopher									

Others receiving votes: Salisbury 57, Christopher Newport 49, Wheaton-Ill. 26, Montclair State 25, New Jersey City 22, UW-Platteville 21, Johns Hopkins 20, Pomona-Pitzer 19, Scranton 16, Oswego State 12, WPI 10, Eastern Connecticut St. 9, Emory 7, John Carroll 6, Centre 4, Endicott 4, Roanoke 3, St. Thomas 2, Hope 1, Keene St. 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#0 - Logan Krekling

Points: 5 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 4 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (12/1/18 vs. Knox)

#1 - Riley Haas

Points: 13 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: 8 (2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 4 (2 times, last 2/10/18 vs. Grinnell)

#2 - Ethan Riniker

Points: 12 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 6 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 2 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan)

#3 - Jack Pettit

Points: 4 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (11/16/18 vs. Central) Assists: 2 (12/1/18 vs. Knox)

#4 - Jared Davis

Points: 7 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 7 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: n/a

#5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 17 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 5 (2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 4 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#10 - Nick LeCaptain

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

#11 - Jared Murphy

Points: 13 (2 times, last 11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Rebounds: 3 (3 times, last 11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Assists: 3 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan)

#12 - Michael Payant

Points: 3 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Rebounds: n/a Assists: n/a

#13 - Jayland Peterson

Points: 2 (2 times, last 11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Rebounds: 2 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern)

Assists: 2 (11/16/18 vs. Central)

#15 - Matt Lynch

Points: 3 (2/10/18 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 1 (2 times, last 12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: n/a

#20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: 11 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 7 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan)

#21 - Jacob Bolwerk

Points: 3 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Rebounds: 1 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Assists: 1 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern)

#22 - Wade Geenen

Points: 22 (2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest) Rebounds: 7 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern) Assists: 7 (11/16/18 vs. Central)

#23 - Drew Yetka

Points: 18 (2/10/18 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 5 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Assists: 2 (2 times, last 2/10/18 vs. Grinnell)

#24 - Jordan Newman

Points: 4 (12/1/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (2 times, last 12/1/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 2 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#32 - Patrick Danen

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

#41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 22 (2 times, last 11/16/18 vs. Central) Rebounds: 20 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan) Assists: 2 (8 times, last 2/13/18 vs. Lake Forest)

#52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 20 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 15 (12/29/17 vs. Blackburn) Assists: 5 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Dec 01, 2018) All games



Overall record: 3-2 Conf: 2-0 Home: 2-0 Away: 0-1 Neutral: 1-1

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro)W		Rebou	nds									
##	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
41	Connor Curtis	5-5	133	26.6	28-56	.500	1-8	.125	12-16	.750	18	26	44	8.8	9	0	4	10	1	3	69	13.8
05	Joe Ciriacks	5-5	121	24.2	20-47	.426	14-33	.424	3-4	.750	2	8	10	2.0	17	1	6	7	1	0	57	11.4
52	Joe Lemon	5-5	115	23.0	21-34	.618	2-6	.333	4-5	.800	11	20	31	6.2	10	0	7	7	6	1	48	9.6
22	Wade Geenen	5-5	152	30.4	10-39	.256	6-21	.286	8-12	.667	2	11	13	2.6	6	0	17	9	0	4	34	6.8
02	Ethan Riniker	5-2	101	20.2	11-39	.282	8-29	.276	2-4	.500	0	11	11	2.2	6	0	3	4	1	3	32	6.4
23	Drew Yetka	5-0	57	11.4	9-17	.529	4-9	.444	5-6	.833	5	8	13	2.6	5	0	2	2	0	1	27	5.4
20	Nolan Beirne	5-0	64	12.8	10-20	.500	0-0	.000	6-7	.857	12	7	19	3.8	8	0	1	6	0	1	26	5.2
11	Jared Murphy	2-0	39	19.5	9-17	.529	6-9	.667	2-2	1.000	0	4	4	2.0	0	0	3	5	0	1	26	13.0
04	Jared Davis	3-0	17	5.7	4-7	.571	0-1	.000	4-5	.800	3	5	8	2.7	0	0	0	2	0	1	12	4.0
00	Logan Krekling	2-0	40	20.0	2-5	.400	1-2	.500	0-3	.000	2	5	7	3.5	4	0	1	1	1	3	5	2.5
03	Jack Pettit	3-0	28	9.3	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	2	2	0.7	1	0	2	3	0	1	4	1.3
13	Jayland Peterson	3-0	26	8.7	2-7	.286	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	3	3	1.0	3	0	2	3	0	1	4	1.3
24	Jordan Newman	3-0	18	6.0	2-6	.333	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	2	3	1.0	3	0	1	2	0	1	4	1.3
01	Riley Haas	4-3	58	14.5	1-5	.200	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	1	5	6	1.5	2	0	5	1	0	1	3	0.8
21	Jacob Bolwerk	1-0	10	10.0	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3	3.0
32	Patrick Danen	2-0	6	3.0	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	1-1	1.000	0	1	1	0.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.5
12	Michael Payant	2-0	6	3.0	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	1.5
15	Matt Lynch	2-0	5	2.5	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	0	1	1	0.5	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1.0
10	Nick LeCaptain	1-0	4	4.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										10	7	17					2				
	Total	5	1000		134-310	.432	45-131	.344	49-68	.721	67	127	194	38.8	77	1	56	65	10	24	362	72.4
	Opponents	5	1000		118-263	.449	31-110	.282	48-72	.667	33	114	147	29.4	73	0	63	69	9	30	315	63.0

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
SCORING	362	315
Points per game	72.4	63.0
Scoring margin	+9.4	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT	134-310	118-263
Field goal pct	.432	.449
3 POINT FG-ATT	45-131	31-110
3-point FG pct	.344	.282
3-pt FG made per game	9.0	6.2
FREE THROWS-ATT	49-68	48-72
Free throw pct	.721	.667
F-Throws made per game	9.8	9.6
REBOUNDS	194	147
Rebounds per game	38.8	29.4
Rebounding margin	+9.4	-
ASSISTS	56	63
Assists per game	11.2	12.6
TURNOVERŠ	65	69
Turnovers per game	13.0	13.8
Turnover margin	+0.8	-
Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	0.9
STEALS	24	30
Steals per game	4.8	6.0
BLOCKS	10	9
Blocks per game	2.0	1.8
ATTENDANCE	1024	771
Home games-Avg/Game	2-512	1-360
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	2-206

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	162	200	362
Opponents	127	188	315

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	11/10/18	at Northwestern	L	68-78	360
#	11/16/18	vs Central College	W	76-68	213
#	11/17/18	vs Nebraska Wesleyan	L	67-77	198
*	11/30/18	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	W	67-50	508
*	12/1/18	KNOX COLLEGE	W	84-42	516

^{# -} Carroll Tip-Off Classic (Waukesha, Wis.)
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