



St. Norbert College

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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 faces another key early-season Midwest Conference game when it hosts Ripon. The Green Knights are currently part of a three-way tie atop the MWC.

Broadcast:

The games will be broadcast with video streaming at: <https://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/>
 Live stats will be available at: <https://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/livestats/xlive.htm>

The Series:

Ripon holds a 65-57 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 27 meetings over the last 10 seasons.

Last Meeting:

Ripon beat St. Norbert 82-60 in the semifinals of the Midwest Conference Tournament on Feb. 23, 2018 at Glennie Gym in Monmouth, Ill. The Red Hawks led 35-28 at halftime and pulled away in the second half. Isaac Masters led Ripon with 22 points, while Cal Schultz added 19 points and Trent Jones 18 points. Mitchell Reinthaler finished with 24 points for the Green Knights, while Connor Curtis and Wade Geenen had 10 points apiece.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 236-75 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 287-106.

Ripon coach Ryan Kane (St. Norbert, 1999) is 100-53 in his seventh season in Ripon.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 4-2 overall and is 3-0 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights have won their last three games, including a tough 57-47 road win Wednesday at Lake Forest.

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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 *	W 57-47
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.

* - 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.

Sophomore guard Jared Murphy leads the Green Knights in scoring, averaging 13.0 points per game coming off the bench. Junior forward Connor Curtis is averaging 12.7 points and a team-high 8.0 rebounds per game. Junior forward Joe Lemon is averaging 10.7 points and 7.7 rebounds per game after scoring 16 points with 15 rebounds in the win over the Foresters. Junior guard Joe Ciriacks is averaging 10.3 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 69.8 points per game while shooting 42.5 percent from the floor, 34.5 percent on 3-pointers and 75.3 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 60.3 points per game while shooting 42.3 percent from the floor, 27.7 percent on 3-pointers and 65.5 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Red Hawks:

Ripon enters the game 4-2 overall and 2-1 in the Midwest Conference. The Red Hawks were surprised Wednesday in a 62-53 home loss to Beloit.

Senior guard Cal Schultz is averaging 22.5 points and 5.8 rebounds per game. Junior guard Trent Jones is averaging 17.5 points and 6.8 rebounds per game. Freshman guard Ryan Steffes is netting 8.5 points per game, while freshman guard Tyson Tully is averaging 6.2 points per game.

Ripon is averaging 72.0 points per game while shooting 46.7 percent from the floor, 42.9 percent on 3-pointers and 65.4 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 66.7 points per game while shooting 40.4 percent from the floor, 34.5 percent on 3-pointers and 71.4 percent at the free-throw line.

Nifty Fifty:

St. Norbert has held each of its last three opponents to 50 points or less. The Green Knights defeated defending MWC champion Monmouth 67-50 on Nov. 30 before doubling up Knox 84-42 last

Saturday. St. Norbert then defeated Lake Forest 57-47 on Wednesday.

The Green Knights had not held three consecutive opponents to 50 points or less in 70 years. St. Norbert held its first four opponents of the 1948-49 season all under 50 points.

In Gary Grzesk's 311-game tenure at St. Norbert, the Green Knights have held their opponent to 50 points or less 52 times, going 52-0 in those games.

The Green Knights are currently leading the Midwest Conference in scoring defense, allowing just 60.3 points per game. Beloit is second at 65.0 points per game, while Ripon is third at 66.7 points per game.

St. Norbert is also tops in the MWC in three-point field-goal percentage defense at 27.7 percent.

Rebounding Report:

St. Norbert currently has a plus-9.2 rebounding margin to lead the Midwest Conference.

St. Norbert has rebounded 79.1 percent of its opponents' missed shots, the best in the MWC. The Green Knights have also grabbed 35.5 percent of their own misses, second in the conference to Grinnell's 42.3 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 225-55. 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				
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	19-7	14-4	T2nd	
2018-19	4-2	3-0		
Totals	236-75	172-39		
Career	287-106			

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

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	21-4	10-3	11-1	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	184-44	105-14	78-28	1-2

MWC Glance

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

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:236-75 (13th year)
Record Overall:287-106 (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:1,089-873
All-Time MWC Record:357-187
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 #3 - Dec. 3, 2018

Place	School (1st-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: 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 (2 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest)

#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 (3 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest)
 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 (3 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest)
 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 (2 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest)
 Assists: 5 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball
 St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Dec 05, 2018)
All games



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

#	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								
41	Connor Curtis	6-6	152	25.3	30-62	.484	2-10	.200	14-18	.778	20	28	48	8.0	13	0	5	11	1	3	76	12.7
52	Joe Lemon	6-6	149	24.8	27-45	.600	3-7	.429	7-8	.875	14	32	46	7.7	13	0	9	8	6	2	64	10.7
05	Joe Ciriacks	6-6	150	25.0	21-55	.382	15-37	.405	5-6	.833	3	10	13	2.2	20	1	9	8	1	0	62	10.3
22	Wade Geenen	6-6	179	29.8	12-45	.267	6-22	.273	9-14	.643	2	11	13	2.2	8	0	17	13	0	5	39	6.5
11	Jared Murphy	3-0	58	19.3	14-28	.500	7-11	.636	4-4	1.000	1	6	7	2.3	1	0	3	6	1	2	39	13.0
02	Ethan Riniker	6-3	117	19.5	13-42	.310	9-31	.290	2-4	.500	0	13	13	2.2	6	0	3	5	2	3	37	6.2
20	Nolan Beirne	6-0	82	13.7	12-24	.500	0-0	.000	8-9	.889	13	8	21	3.5	8	0	1	7	0	1	32	5.3
23	Drew Yetka	6-0	66	11.0	9-19	.474	4-10	.400	5-6	.833	6	8	14	2.3	5	0	3	2	0	1	27	4.5
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	3-0	56	18.7	2-5	.400	1-2	.500	0-3	.000	2	8	10	3.3	6	0	2	1	1	3	5	1.7
03	Jack Pettit	4-0	30	7.5	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	2	2	0.5	1	0	3	3	0	1	4	1.0
24	Jordan Newman	4-0	29	7.3	2-7	.286	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	1	4	5	1.3	3	0	1	2	0	1	4	1.0
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
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	13	23				2					
Total.....		6	1200		154-362	.425	50-145	.345	61-81	.753	76	159	235	39.2	92	1	65	75	12	27	419	69.8
Opponents.....		6	1200		134-317	.423	39-141	.277	55-84	.655	42	138	180	30.0	89	0	73	78	9	36	362	60.3

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	419	362	11/10/18	at Northwestern	L 68-78	360
Points per game	69.8	60.3	# 11/16/18	vs Central College	w 76-68	213
Scoring margin	+9.5	-	# 11/17/18	vs Nebraska Wesleyan	L 67-77	198
FIELD GOALS-ATT	154-362	134-317	* 11/30/18	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	w 67-50	508
Field goal pct	.425	.423	* 12/1/18	KNOX COLLEGE	w 84-42	516
3 POINT FG-ATT	50-145	39-141	* 12/5/18	at Lake Forest College	w 57-47	246
3-point FG pct	.345	.277				
3-pt FG made per game	8.3	6.5				
FREE THROWS-ATT	61-81	55-84				
Free throw pct	.753	.655				
F-Throws made per game	10.2	9.2				
REBOUNDS	235	180				
Rebounds per game	39.2	30.0				
Rebounding margin	+9.2	-				
ASSISTS	65	73				
Assists per game	10.8	12.2				
TURNOVERS	75	78				
Turnovers per game	12.5	13.0				
Turnover margin	+0.5	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	0.9				
STEALS	27	36				
Steals per game	4.5	6.0				
BLOCKS	12	9				
Blocks per game	2.0	1.5				
ATTENDANCE	1024	1017				
Home games-Avg/Game	2-512	2-303				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	2-206				

- Carroll Tip-Off Classic (Waukesha, Wis.)
 % - St. Norbert Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)
 * - Midwest Conference game

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	190	229	419
Opponents	147	215	362