



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview

St. Norbert College (16-3) vs. Lawrence Univ. (9-10)

Wed., Feb. 5 - Mulva Sports Center (1,844) - De Pere, Wis. - 5:30 p.m.

St. Norbert College at Illinois College (5-14)

Sat., Feb. 8 - Sherman Gymnasium (1,600) - Jacksonville, Ill. - 1 p.m.

Week Overview:

St. Norbert continues its hunt for its ninth Midwest Conference championship in 11 years when it hosts Lawrence and travels to Illinois College. The Green Knights currently leads Ripon and Monmouth by three games with six games remaining.

Broadcast:

Both games will be broadcast with live video streaming at: <http://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/>

Live stats for Wednesday's game are available at: <https://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/livestats/xlive.htm>

Live stats for Saturday's game are available at: <http://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/>

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Lawrence 63-46 in an all-time series dating back to the 1917-18 season, making it one of the Green Knights' two oldest rivalries (along with UW-Oshkosh). The Green Knights have won 19 straight games in the series.

St. Norbert leads Illinois College 40-7 in an all-time series dating back to the 1985-86 season. The Green Knights have won the last 24 games against the Blueboys.

Last Meetings:

St. Norbert topped Lawrence 90-62 on Feb. 13, 2019 at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center in De Pere. The Green Knights led 41-34 at halftime and pulled away behind 49 second-half points. Wade Geenen paced St. Norbert with 20 points, while Drew Yetka added 18 points. Brad Sendell topped Lawrence with 21 points, while Quinn Fisher added 14 points.

St. Norbert bested Illinois College 96-67 on Jan. 8, 2020 at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center in De Pere. The Green Knights led 50-31 at halftime and cruised to the win in the second half. Jared Murphy led St. Norbert with 20 points, while Joe Ciriacks and Wade Geenen had 13 points apiece. Jaxson Dian led the Blueboys with 17 points off the bench.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 267-84 in his 14th 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 318-115.

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2019-2020 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
O 28	at UW-Green Bay (exh)	L 79-72
O 29	at Marquette (exh)	L 88-51
N 9	at Benedictine	L 87-79
N 16	at Elmhurst	L 75-50
N 23	Northland	W 97-57
D 4	Lake Forest *	W 84-71
D 7	at Ripon *	W 70-69
D 14	UW-Eau Claire	W 70-58
D 17	UW-Oshkosh	W 96-95/ot
D 29	UW-Superior %	W 76-46
D 30	UW-Stout %	W 81-53
J 3	at Monmouth *	W 66-44
J 4	at Knox *	W 86-63
J 8	Illinois College *	W 96-67
J 11	at Cornell *	W 87-62
J 15	at Beloit *	W 72-55
J 18	Knox *	W 83-55
J 21	at Lake Forest *	W 86-52
J 25	Ripon *	L 70-52
J 31	Grinnell *	W 109-79
F 1	Cornell *	W 77-57
F 5	Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
F 8	at Illinois College *	1 p.m.
F 12	Beloit *	5:30 p.m.
F 15	at Grinnell *	1 p.m.
F 19	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
F 22	Monmouth *	1 p.m.

* - Midwest Conference game; % - 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.

Lawrence coach Zach Filzen (Buffalo, 2012) is 20-24 in his second season in Appleton. Including a 64-21 in three seasons at Lancaster Bible, he is 84-45 in five seasons overall.

Illinois College coach Steve Schweer (Illinois Wesleyan, 2006) is 14-30 in his second season in Jacksonville.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game with a 16-3 overall record and an 11-1 mark in the Midwest Conference, holding a three-game lead with six games remaining. The Green Knights picked up a pair of home wins this past weekend, topping Grinnell 109-79 on Friday before beating Cornell 77-47 on Saturday.

Senior guard Joe Ciriacks is averaging 14.2 points per game to lead the Green Knights in scoring. Senior forward Connor Curtis is averaging 13.9 points per game and is shooting 61.1 percent from the floor. Junior guard Jared Murphy comes off the bench to average 13.5 points per game. Junior forward Nolan Beirne, this week's reigning MWC Player of the Week, is now averaging 10.3 points and 5.9 rebounds per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 79.8 points per game while shooting 48.7 percent from the floor, 38.7 percent on 3-pointers and 71.0 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 63.9 points per game while shooting 41.9 percent from the floor, 32.7 percent on 3-pointers and 68.9 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Vikings:

Lawrence enters the game at 9-10 overall and holds a 5-7 overall record in Midwest Conference action. The Vikings split a pair of home games this past weekend, falling to Cornell 79-70 before bouncing back to best Monmouth 82-77 on Saturday.

Junior guard Brad Sendell is averaging 22.9 points per game to lead the Midwest Conference in scoring. Junior forward Bryce Denham is averaging 14.4 points and 7.2 rebounds per game. Junior forward Mason Materna is averaging 13.5 points per game, while sophomore guard Brandon Danowski is regis-

tering numbers of 12.4 points and 7.0 rebounds per game.

Lawrence is averaging 81.2 points per game while shooting 48.4 percent from the floor, 37.9 percent on 3-pointers and 74.0 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 80.8 points per game while shooting 45.8 percent from the floor, 35.2 percent on 3-pointers and 67.1 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Blueboys:

Illinois College enters Wednesday's game at Knox with a 5-14 overall record and a 3-9 Midwest Conference ledger. The Blueboys are coming off a 73-70 loss Saturday at Beloit.

Freshman forward Jake Mazrimas leads the Blueboys with 15.6 points and 8.6 rebounds per game. Sophomore guard Tre Rogers is averaging 11.2 points per game, while junior guard Deandre Enoch is averaging 9.9 points per game. Senior guard Riley Mehrens is collecting 8.5 points per game.

Illinois College is averaging 76.7 points per game while shooting 48.0 percent from the floor, 39.2 percent on 3-pointers and 71.4 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 82.6 points per game while shooting 48.2 percent from the floor, 41.1 percent on 3-pointers and 73.6 percent at the free-throw line.

Building a Winner:

St. Norbert has six 20-win seasons in the last nine years, with the other three seasons all 19-win campaigns. 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 256-66. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 21-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	19-8	16-2	1st	
2019-20	16-3	11-1		
Totals	267-84	194-42		
Career	318-115			

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	23-4	12-1	11-3	0-0
Carroll *	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1
Cornell	15-1	8-0	7-1	0-0
Grinnell	19-9	14-1	4-8	1-0
Illinois Coll.	23-0	12-0	11-0	0-0
Knox	24-2	12-1	12-1	0-0
Lake Forest	24-5	12-4	12-1	0-0
Lawrence	20-7	10-3	10-4	0-0
Monmouth	20-4	11-1	9-3	0-0
Ripon	24-9	15-3	9-5	0-1
Totals	209-48	118-16	90-30	1-2

MWC Glance

Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	11-1	16-3
Ripon	8-4	12-7
Monmouth	8-4	13-6
Lake Forest	6-5	9-9
Grinnell	6-6	10-9
Beloit	6-6	8-11
Lawrence	5-7	9-10
Cornell	4-7	9-9
Illinois College	3-9	5-14
Knox	2-10	6-13

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:267-84 (14th year)
Record Overall:318-115 (17th year)
Assistant Coaches:Joel Cline,
 Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk,
 Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:97
All-Time Overall Record:1,120-882
All-Time MWC Record:381-190
MWC Championships:10
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '19)
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 #10 - Feb. 3, 2020

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Swarthmore (21)	620	19-0
2	St. John's (3)	599	19-1
3	Randolph-Macon (1)	570	19-1
4	St. Thomas	522	17-2
5	Wittenberg	498	18-1
6	Emory	491	16-2
7	Nebraska Wesleyan	471	18-2
8	Elmhurst	464	18-2
9	Colby	452	18-1
10	Johns Hopkins	378	17-2
11	Washington-Mo.	328	15-3
12	UW-Platteville	324	16-3
13	Middlebury	308	18-3
14	Mount Union	248	16-3
15	Virginia Wesleyan	235	16-3
16	Marietta	230	16-3
17	North Central-Ill.	217	16-4
18	UW-La Crosse	178	16-3
19	Centre	172	20-2
20	Babson	126	16-3
21	Tufts	125	16-4
22	Yeshiva	96	17-1
23	Springfield	95	16-3
24	Albion	63	17-2
25	Brandeis	56	14-4

Others receiving votes: St. Joseph-Conn. 55, **St. Norbert 39**, Whitman 29, Christopher Newport 26, Benedictine 19, RPI 17, UW-Oshkosh 15, Whitworth 12, WPI 9, Wooster 8, Brockport State 6, Augustana 6, Illinois Wesleyan 5, Rochester 4, Widener 2, Hobart 1, LeTourneau 1, Washington & Lee 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#1 - Tyler Gouin

Points: 6 (11/16/19 vs. Elmhurst)
 Rebounds: 2 (12/29/19 vs. UW-Superior)
 Assists: 1 (1/8/20 vs. Illinois College)

#3 - Jack Pettit

Points: 9 (1/8/20 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 3 (2 times, last 1/11/20 vs. Cornell)
 Assists: 3 (1/11/20 vs. Cornell)

#4 - Jared Davis

Points: 11 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 7 (12/1/18 vs. Knox)
 Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/8/19 vs. Beloit)

#5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 32 (1/26/19 vs. Cornell)
 Rebounds: 6 (11/29/19 vs. UW-Superior)
 Assists: 4 (4 times, last 1/21/20 vs. Lake Forest)

#10 - Josh Nicklaus

Points: 9 (1/11/20 vs. Cornell)
 Rebounds: 4 (12/30/19 vs. UW-Stout)
 Assists: 2 (2 times, last 1/31/20 vs. Grinnell)

#11 - Jared Murphy

Points: 20 (2 times, last 1/21/20 vs. Lake Forest)
 Rebounds: 9 (1/8/20 vs. Illinois College)
 Assists: 4 (4 times, last 1/31/20 vs. Grinnell)

#12 - Michael Payant

Points: 15 (1/4/20 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 9 (1/15/20 vs. Beloit)
 Assists: 4 (1/4/20 vs. Knox)

#15 - Matt Lynch

Points: 10 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 5 (2/5/19 vs. Beloit)
 Assists: 4 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)

#20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: 32 (1/31/20 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 13 (1/31/20 vs. Grinnell)
 Assists: 6 (2/13/19 vs. Lawrence)

#21 - Jacob Bolwerk

Points: 17 (2/9/19 vs. Grinnell)
 Rebounds: 8 (1/3/20 vs. Monmouth)
 Assists: 6 (2 times, last 1/8/20 vs. Illinois College)

#22 - Wade Geenen

Points: 22 (2 times, last 1/18/20 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 7 (11/10/18 vs. Northwestern)
 Assists: 8 (1/11/20 vs. Illinois College)

#23 - Nate Verstegen

Points: 2 (1/3/20 vs. Monmouth)
 Rebounds: 4 (1/3/20 vs. Monmouth)
 Assists: 1 (1/31/20 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)

#30 - Carson Talbert

Points: 6 (2 times, last 12/29/19 vs. UW-Superior)
 Rebounds: 3 (2 times, last 1/31/20 vs. Grinnell)
 Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/21/20 vs. Lake Forest)

#32 - Patrick Danen

Points: 4 (1/12/19 vs. Knox)
 Rebounds: 2 (1/2/19 vs. Illinois College)
 Assists: 1 (2/13/19 vs. Lawrence)

#35 - Luke Rogers

Points: 2 (2 times, last 1/8/20 vs. Illinois College)
 Rebounds: 1 (2 times, last 12/29/19 vs. UW-Superior)
 Assists: 1 (2 times, last 12/30/19 vs. UW-Stout)

#41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 29 (11/9/19 vs. Benedictine)
 Rebounds: 20 (11/17/18 vs. Nebraska Wesleyan)
 Assists: 7 (1/31/20 vs. Grinnell)

#52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 20 (11/30/18 vs. Monmouth)
 Rebounds: 15 (2 times, last 12/5/18 vs. Lake Forest)
 Assists: 6 (1/26/19 vs. Cornell)



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball
 St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 01, 2020)
All games



Overall record: 16-3 Conf: 11-1 Home: 10-1 Away: 6-2 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								
05	Joe Ciriacks	19-19	558	29.4	94-200	.470	59-131	.450	22-33	.667	10	56	66	3.5	27	0	35	18	6	11	269	14.2
41	Connor Curtis	19-19	469	24.7	102-167	.611	8-27	.296	52-69	.754	40	76	116	6.1	39	2	33	21	9	23	264	13.9
11	Jared Murphy	19-0	407	21.4	96-182	.527	27-60	.450	37-44	.841	22	48	70	3.7	19	0	23	27	1	13	256	13.5
20	Nolan Beirne	19-19	499	26.3	78-137	.569	4-11	.364	36-48	.750	61	52	113	5.9	34	0	24	31	4	12	196	10.3
22	Wade Geenen	19-19	519	27.3	52-135	.385	31-88	.352	18-26	.692	4	25	29	1.5	30	0	55	24	1	13	153	8.1
12	Michael Payant	19-0	378	19.9	38-101	.376	19-39	.487	19-32	.594	13	77	90	4.7	28	0	31	21	11	25	114	6.0
21	Jacob Bolwerk	19-19	394	20.7	38-94	.404	5-32	.156	18-26	.692	24	57	81	4.3	42	0	54	31	3	22	99	5.2
03	Jack Pettit	19-0	230	12.1	22-38	.579	0-0	.000	13-19	.684	5	12	17	0.9	27	0	17	19	1	7	57	3.0
30	Carson Talbert	13-0	77	5.9	13-26	.500	0-0	.000	3-7	.429	7	7	14	1.1	11	0	2	2	0	1	29	2.2
10	Josh Nicklaus	10-0	75	7.5	9-20	.450	2-4	.500	7-8	.875	6	10	16	1.6	7	0	6	5	0	2	27	2.7
01	Tyler Gouin	11-0	46	4.2	8-15	.533	1-3	.333	2-2	1.000	2	3	5	0.5	1	0	1	5	1	3	19	1.7
15	Matt Lynch	11-0	44	4.0	1-6	.167	1-3	.333	8-15	.533	0	11	11	1.0	7	0	4	9	0	3	11	1.0
24	Jordan Newman	13-0	39	3.0	4-12	.333	1-7	.143	1-2	.500	0	3	3	0.2	0	0	5	2	0	0	10	0.8
35	Luke Rogers	12-0	26	2.2	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.2	2	0	2	1	0	2	4	0.3
04	Jared Davis	1-0	1	1.0	1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
23	Nate Verstegen	9-0	23	2.6	1-5	.200	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	2	6	8	0.9	8	0	1	1	1	0	3	0.3
02	Ethan Riniker	6-0	37	6.2	1-6	.167	0-4	.000	0-0	.000	1	8	9	1.5	3	0	3	4	0	0	2	0.3
32	Patrick Danen	1-0	3	3.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											32	43	75				7					
Total.....		19	3825		560-1150	.487	159-411	.387	238-335	.710	229	497	726	38.2	285	2	296	228	38	137	1517	79.8
Opponents.....		19	3825		443-1058	.419	152-465	.327	177-257	.689	162	408	570	30.0	328	2	206	270	52	107	1215	63.9

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	1517	1215	11/9/19	at Benedictine Univ.	L 79-87	518
Points per game	79.8	63.9	11/16/19	at Elmhurst College	L 50-75	728
Scoring margin	+15.9	-	11/23/19	NORTHLAND COLLEGE	w 97-57	563
FIELD GOALS-ATT	560-1150	443-1058	* 12/4/19	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	w 84-71	470
Field goal pct	.487	.419	* 12/7/19	at Ripon College	w 70-69	321
3 POINT FG-ATT	159-411	152-465	12/14/19	UW-EAU CLAIRE	w 70-58	713
3-point FG pct	.387	.327	12/17/19	UW-OSHKOSH	wot 96-95	810
3-pt FG made per game	8.4	8.0	# 12/29/19	UW-SUPERIOR	w 76-46	898
FREE THROWS-ATT	238-335	177-257	# 12/30/19	UW-STOUT	w 81-53	673
Free throw pct	.710	.689	* 1/3/20	at Monmouth College	w 66-44	225
F-Throws made per game	12.5	9.3	* 1/4/20	at Knox College	w 86-63	200
REBOUNDS	726	570	* 1/8/20	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	w 96-67	414
Rebounds per game	38.2	30.0	* 1/11/20	at Cornell College	w 87-62	158
Rebounding margin	+8.2	-	* 1/15/20	at Beloit College	w 72-55	176
ASSISTS	296	206	* 1/18/20	KNOX COLLEGE	w 83-55	433
Assists per game	15.6	10.8	* 1/21/20	at Lake Forest College	w 86-52	146
TURNOVERS	228	270	* 1/25/20	RIPON COLLEGE	L 52-70	896
Turnovers per game	12.0	14.2	* 1/31/20	GRINNELL COLLEGE	w 109-79	841
Turnover margin	+2.2	-	* 2/1/20	CORNELL COLLEGE	w 77-57	535
Assist/turnover ratio	1.3	0.8				
STEALS	137	107				
Steals per game	7.2	5.6				
BLOCKS	38	52				
Blocks per game	2.0	2.7				
ATTENDANCE	7246	2472				
Home games-Avg/Game	11-659	8-309				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

* = Midwest Conference game
 # - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Totals
St. Norbert College	714	792	11	1517
Opponents	565	640	10	1215