



2009-10

# MEN'S BASKETBALL

## News & Notes

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### NEC Men's Basketball

#### Facts & Figures

#### Last Week's Results

Thursday, February 4

CCSU 60, BRYANT 34  
FDU 75, MONMOUTH 69  
LONG ISLAND 62, ST. FRANCIS (NY) 53  
MOUNT ST. MARY'S 69, WAGNER 44  
QUINNIPAC 86, SACRED HEART 71  
ROBERT MORRIS 76, SAINT FRANCIS (PA) 67

Saturday, February 6

CCSU 61, BRYANT 48  
FDU 71, MONMOUTH 65  
ST. FRANCIS (NY) 88, LONG ISLAND 83 (3 OT)  
MOUNT ST. MARY'S 66, WAGNER 50  
QUINNIPAC 90, SACRED HEART 87  
ROBERT MORRIS 75, SAINT FRANCIS (PA) 64

Home Team Underlined

#### Choice Hotels

##### NEC Player of the Week

Nov. 16 Corey Hassan, SHU  
Nov. 23 Jeremy Goode, MSM  
Justin Rutty, QU  
Nov. 30 Jaytornah Wisseh, LIU  
Dec. 7 Devin Sweetney, SFPA  
Dec. 14 Corey Hassan, SHU  
Travis Taylor, MU  
Dec. 21 Jaytornah Wisseh, LIU  
Jan. 4 Liam Potter, SHU  
Jan. 11 Sean Baptiste, FDU  
Jan. 18 James Feldeine, QU  
Travis Taylor, MU  
Jan. 25 Corey Hassan, SHU  
Feb. 1 Devin Sweetney, SFPA  
Feb. 8 Sean Baptiste, FDU  
James Feldeine, QU

#### Choice Hotels

##### NEC Rookie of the Week

Nov. 16 Will Felder, SFPA  
Nov. 23 Kenny Onyechi, LIU  
Nov. 30 Ed Waite, MU  
Dec. 7 Jamal Olasewere, LIU  
Dec. 14 Karon Abraham, RMU  
Dec. 21 Umar Shannon, SFPA  
Jan. 4 Karon Abraham, RMU  
Jan. 11 Kenny Onyechi, LIU  
Jan. 18 Karon Abraham, RMU  
Jan. 25 Russell Johnson, RMU  
Feb. 1 Velton Jones, RMU  
Feb. 8 Karon Abraham, RMU



### 2010 NEC Men's Basketball Tournament

All games at home of higher seed. Teams will be reseeded after quarterfinals.

<b>Thursday, March 4</b> <i>Quarterfinals</i> Times TBA	<b>Sunday, March 7</b> <i>Semifinals</i> TBA, 2:00 pm (MSG, FCS)	<b>Wednesday, March 10</b> <i>Championship</i> 7:00 pm (ESPN2)
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### NEC Website

For all the latest news, scores, statistics and notes, visit the NEC website at [www.northeastconference.org](http://www.northeastconference.org)

Standings and statistics are updated daily.

### Northeast Conference Men's Basketball

(Week 12 • February 8, 2010)

School	NEC Pct.	Overall Pct.	Streak	Home	Away	Neutral
1. Robert Morris	11-1 .917	16-8 .667	W9	9-2	6-5	1-1
2. Quinnipiac	10-2 .833	16-7 .696	W2	9-0	6-7	1-0
3. St. Francis (NY)	7-5 .583	10-13 .435	W1	5-6	5-7	0-0
Long Island	7-5 .583	9-14 .391	L1	7-3	2-10	0-1
Fairleigh Dickinson	7-5 .583	8-16 .333	W2	6-4	2-10	0-2
6. Monmouth	6-6 .500	10-14 .417	L2	7-4	3-8	0-2
Central Connecticut State	6-6 .500	9-14 .391	W4	6-2	2-11	1-1
Mount St. Mary's	6-6 .500	9-14 .391	W4	5-3	4-11	0-0
9. Sacred Heart	5-7 .417	12-11 .522	L4	8-2	3-9	1-0
Saint Francis (PA)	5-7 .417	7-16 .304	L2	7-5	0-11	0-0
11. Wagner	2-10 .167	4-21 .160	L2	1-8	2-12	1-1
12. Bryant	0-12 .000	0-24 .000	L24	0-7	0-15	0-2

Top eight teams qualify for NEC Tournament

### Choice Hotels NEC Co-Players of the Week

#### Sean Baptiste, Fairleigh Dickinson

Sr., G, 6-3, 185 lbs., North Brunswick, NJ/St. Joseph's of Metuchen

In leading the third place Knights in a series sweep of Monmouth last week, Baptiste averaged 25.5 points, 8.0 rebounds and shot 61.3 percent from the floor. He hit 11-16 shots from the field and finished with 27 points and 10 rebounds in a 75-69 home victory over the Hawks on Thursday. Baptiste then notched his eighth 20-point game of the season on Saturday, netting a game-high 24 points - including a pair of key free throws with 14 seconds to play - to go along with six boards as FDU secured a 71-65 road triumph in West Long Branch. Baptiste, who hails from North Brunswick, NJ, leads all scorers in NEC games with 18.9 ppg and is seventh overall with 15.6 ppg. He also ranks 13th in the conference with 6.8 rpg.

#### James Feldeine, Quinnipiac

Sr., G, 6-4, 190 lbs., New York, NY/Cardinal Hayes

Feldeine averaged 24.5 points and 5.5 rebounds last week in a pair of Quinnipiac wins over Sacred Heart. He connected on 60.7 percent of his field goal attempts for the week, including an 11-14 performance from the field as part of a game-high 27-point effort in the Bobcats' 86-71 win at the Pitt Center on Thursday. Feldeine sank 3-4 shots from long range and pulled down three rebounds. Two days later, he scored 18 of his team-high 22 points in the second half, including six points in a decisive 12-0 run as Quinnipiac rallied for a 90-87 win over the visiting Pioneers. The New York City native added eight rebounds, two assists and two steals as the Bobcats improved to 10-2 in league play, one game behind first place Robert Morris. Feldeine ranks second in the NEC in scoring (18.1 ppg), and also sits among league leaders in rebounding (14th, 5.5 rpg), field goal percentage (12th, .453), free throw percentage (7th, .796) and steals (7th, 1.5 spg).

### Choice Hotels/NEC Rookie of the Week

#### Karon Abraham, Robert Morris

Fr., G, 5-9, 150 lbs., Paterson, NJ/Harp Academy

In winning his league-leading fourth Choice Hotels NEC Rookie of the Week award of the season, Abraham helped extend the first place Colonials' win streak to nine with a pair of victories over Saint Francis (PA). He averaged 13.5 points, 3.0 rebounds and 1.5 assists while shooting 57.1 percent from the field. He also hit 5-9 shots from three-point range and 6-7 from the line. Abraham began his week with 13 points and three rebounds as the Colonials went on the road to stop the Red Flash, 76-67. Robert Morris closed the game on a 15-4 run with Abraham scoring seven during the decisive spurt. The Paterson, NJ product went on to post a team-best 14 points, including 3-4 from beyond the arc, in Saturday's 75-63 win over Saint Francis. He added three rebounds, two assists and a steal. Abraham has already established a new Robert Morris freshman record with 88 free throws made and matched the school freshmen mark with 56 three-pointers. The Colonials are 12-1 since he was inserted into the starting lineup. Abraham leads all NEC freshman with 12.9 ppg, paces the conference in FT percentage (.880) and ranks second in 3PPG percentage (.459).

### This Week's Schedule

Tuesday, February 8

Longwood at FDU 7:00 pm  
ROBERT MORRIS at Pittsburgh 8:00 pm

Thursday, February 11

ROBERT MORRIS at CCSU 8:00 pm  
WAGNER at FDU 7:00 pm  
LONG ISLAND at SACRED HEART 7:45 pm  
MOUNT ST. MARY'S at MONMOUTH 7:30 pm  
ST. FRANCIS (NY) at QUINNIPAC 7:30 pm  
SAINT FRANCIS (PA) at BRYANT 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 13

ROBERT MORRIS at BRYANT 3:30 pm  
SAINT FRANCIS (PA) at CCSU 1:00 pm  
MOUNT ST. MARY'S at FDU 7:30 pm  
LONG ISLAND at QUINNIPAC 3:00 pm  
WAGNER at MONMOUTH 7:00 pm  
ST. FRANCIS (NY) at SACRED HEART 3:30 pm



# 2009-10 NEC Men's Basketball Schedule

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## Bryant (0-24, 0-12 NEC)

at Providence Tournament		
N 13	at Providence	L 53-96
N 14	vs. Mercer	L 56-80
N 15	vs. Bucknell	L 56-59
N 20	at Harvard	L 55-71
N 25	Brown	L 68-70
N 30	at Army	L 58-64
D 3	at LONG ISLAND	L 46-62
D 5	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 48-54
D 9	at Yale	L 54-69
D 12	Columbia	L 57-69
D 20	at Boston College	L 46-72
D 23	at St. John's	L 44-80
D 28	at Indiana	L 42-90
J 2	at Cornell	L 49-75
J 7	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 50-66
J 9	at MONMOUTH	L 62-67
J 14	SACRED HEART	L 60-72
J 16	QUINNIPIAC	L 66-80
J 21	at QUINNIPIAC	L 59-84
J 23	at SACRED HEART	L 60-84
J 28	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 55-67
J 30	MONMOUTH	L 46-50
F 4	CCSU	L 34-60
F 6	at CCSU	L 48-61
F 11	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:00 pm
F 13	ROBERT MORRIS	3:30 pm
F 18	at WAGNER	7:00 pm
F 20	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:00 pm
F 25	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	7:30 pm
F 27	LONG ISLAND	3:30 pm

NEC Games in CAPS

## Central Connecticut State (9-14, 6-6 NEC)

Connecticut 6 Classic at Harbor Yard		
N 13	at Fairfield	L 58-67
N 16	at Savannah State	L 45-53
CollegelInsider.com Skip Prosser Tournament at Citadel		
N 28	vs. Savannah State	W 51-44
N 29	at Citadel	L 53-67
D 3	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 63-50
D 5	at LONG ISLAND	L 65-69
D 9	at New Hampshire	L 55-67
D 12	Albany	W 70-68 (OT)
D 22	at Northwestern	L 54-74
D 30	UMBC	W 89-86 (2 OT)
J 2	vs. Holy Cross (at Mohegan Sun)	L 53-70
J 4	at Colgate	L 45-64
J 7	at MONMOUTH	L 42-55
J 9	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 74-83
J 11	Savannah State	L 63-73
J 14	QUINNIPIAC	L 45-76
J 16	SACRED HEART	W 88-65
J 21	at SACRED HEART	L 53-71
J 24	at QUINNIPIAC	L 62-75
J 28	MONMOUTH	W 66-44
J 30	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 77-67
F 4	at Bryant	W 60-34
F 6	BRYANT	W 61-48
F 11	ROBERT MORRIS	8:00 pm
F 13	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	1:00 pm
F 18	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:00 pm
F 20	at WAGNER	7:00 pm
F 25	LONG ISLAND	7:30 pm
F 27	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	1:00 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

NEC Games in CAPS

## Fairleigh Dickinson (8-16, 7-5 NEC)

N 13	at #6 Villanova	L 61-84
at EBC Classic		
N 15	at Wichita State	L 64-80
N 21	Central Michigan	W 62-53
at EBC Classic		
N 23	at Eastern Kentucky	L 39-68
N 24	vs. Texas-San Antonio	L 61-75
N 25	vs. UC-Irvine	L 54-75
D 2	at Houston Baptist	L 77-92
D 5	at QUINNIPIAC	L 52-73
D 7	Army	L 40-61
D 9	at Lafayette	L 57-73
D 12	at Missouri	L 36-87
D 19	Saint Peter's	L 68-83
D 23	Iona	L 60-82
J 2	SACRED HEART	W 88-85
J 7	BRYANT	W 66-50
J 9	CCSU	W 83-74
J 14	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 73-80
J 16	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 52-54
J 21	ROBERT MORRIS	L 50-65
J 23	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 78-75
J 28	at BRYANT	W 67-55
J 30	at CCSU	L 67-77
F 4	MONMOUTH	W 75-69
F 6	at MONMOUTH	W 71-65
F 8	Longwood	7:00 pm
F 11	WAGNER	7:00 pm
F 13	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:30 pm
F 18	at LONG ISLAND	7:30 pm
F 20	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	4:30 pm
F 25	at SACRED HEART	7:45 pm
F 27	QUINNIPIAC	7:30 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

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## Long Island (9-14, 7-5 NEC)

N 13	at St. John's	L 70-83
N 17	at Army	L 56-63
N 21	Navy	W 83-72
N 24	Saint Peter's	W 77-71
N 28	at Seton Hall	L 66-95
D 3	BRYANT	W 62-46
D 5	CCSU	W 69-65
D 9	at Iona	L 64-80
D 12	at Lafayette	L 63-77
D 19	Manhattan	L 61-71
at Chattanooga Tournament		
D 29	at Chattanooga	L 59-76
D 30	vs. Eastern Kentucky/Morgan St.	L 70-87
J 4	at Bethune Cookman	L 69-78
J 7	ROBERT MORRIS	W 74-64
J 9	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 89-80
J 14	at WAGNER	W 79-64
J 16	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 67-86
J 21	WAGNER	L 59-65 (OT)
J 23	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 67-58
J 28	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 58-66
J 30	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 73-74 (OT)
F 4	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 62-53
F 6	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 84-88 (3 OT)
F 11	at SACRED HEART	7:45 pm
F 13	at QUINNIPIAC	3:00 pm
F 18	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:30 pm
F 20	MONMOUTH	4:30 pm
F 25	at CCSU	7:30 pm
F 27	at BRYANT	3:30 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

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## Monmouth (10-14, 6-6 NEC)

N 13	Florida International	W 99-70
N 15	Seton Hall	L 72-87
N 18	at Saint Peter's	L 34-58
N 23	at Lehigh	L 74-86
at World Vision Basketball Challenge		
N 27	at Wyoming	W 75-73
N 28	vs. Pepperdine	L 73-82
N 29	vs. Hampton	L 56-59
D 5	at SACRED HEART	L 73-81
D 9	at Rutgers	L 52-66
D 12	Penn	W 80-75
D 16	at Princeton	L 42-46
D 19	Rider	L 63-70
D 23	Texas A&M Corpus Christi	W 65-51
J 2	QUINNIPIAC	W 72-60
J 7	CCSU	W 55-42
J 9	BRYANT	W 67-62
J 14	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 63-53
J 16	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 67-78
J 21	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 69-40
J 23	ROBERT MORRIS	L 53-66
J 28	at CCSU	L 44-66
J 30	at BRYANT	W 50-46
F 4	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 69-75
F 6	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 65-71
F 11	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:30 pm
F 13	WAGNER	7:00 pm
F 18	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	7:30 pm
F 20	at LONG ISLAND	4:30 pm
F 25	at QUINNIPIAC	7:30 pm
F 27	SACRED HEART	7:00 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

NEC Games in CAPS

## Mount St. Mary's (9-14, 6-6 NEC)

N 14	at #17 Oklahoma	L 71-95
N 18	at American	W 73-62
N 21	Loyola (MD)	W 63-44
N 25	Niagara	L 64-74
N 28	at Navy	W 65-56 (OT)
N 30	at #18 Georgetown	L 62-83
D 3	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 57-63
D 5	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 66-73
D 8	at Old Dominion	L 38-64
D 19	at Pittsburgh	L 48-66
D 22	at Boston University	L 77-86
D 30	Vermont	L 69-71
J 2	at Siena	L 76-79 (OT)
J 7	at QUINNIPIAC	L 63-64
J 9	at SACRED HEART	W 69-65
J 14	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 58-61
J 16	LONG ISLAND	W 86-67
J 21	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 60-63
J 23	at LONG ISLAND	L 58-67
J 28	SACRED HEART	W 64-52
J 30	QUINNIPIAC	W 61-56
F 4	WAGNER	W 69-44
F 6	at WAGNER	W 66-50
F 11	at MONMOUTH	7:30 pm
F 13	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:30 pm
F 18	CCSU	7:00 pm
F 20	BRYANT	7:00 pm
F 25	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:30 pm
F 27	ROBERT MORRIS	4:00 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

NEC Games in CAPS



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## Quinnipiac (16-7, 10-2 NEC)

Connecticut 6 Classic at Harbor Yard		
N 13	vs. Hartford	W 85-74
N 18	at Lehigh	L 71-79
N 21	at Yale	W 71-64
N 24	at Maine	W 59-56
N 30	at Navy	L 62-65
D 2	at Massachusetts	L 58-62
D 5	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 73-52
D 8	at Rhode Island	L 74-83
D 13	at Vermont	L 77-80
D 23	Columbia	W 63-51
D 30	Dartmouth	W 73-51
J 2	at MONMOUTH	L 60-72
J 7	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 64-63
J 9	WAGNER	W 78-66
J 11	Brown	W 88-75
J 14	at CCSU	W 76-45
J 16	at BRYANT	W 80-66
J 21	BRYANT	W 84-59
J 24	CCSU	W 75-62
J 28	at WAGNER	W 66-57
J 30	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 56-61
F 4	at SACRED HEART	W 86-71
F 6	SACRED HEART	W 90-87
F 11	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	7:30 pm
F 13	LONG ISLAND	3:00 pm
F 18	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:30 pm
F 20	at ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F 25	MONMOUTH	7:30 pm
F 27	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:30 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

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## Robert Morris (16-8, 11-1 NEC)

Coaches vs. Cancer Classic		
N 11	at Syracuse	L 60-100
N 16	at Penn State	L 61-80
Coaches vs. Cancer Classic (at Albany, NY)		
N 20	vs. Detroit Mercy	L 59-71
N 21	vs. Alcorn State	W 107-76
N 22	at Albany	L 66-71
D 3	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 63-57
D 5	WAGNER	W 73-70
D 12	at Duquesne	L 54-59
D 15	at Cleveland State	W 78-70
D 19	Appalachian State	L 52-65
D 22	Kent State	L 57-71
D 30	at Youngstown State	W 72-67
J 2	Ohio	W 81-79
J 4	Morgan State	W 78-75
J 7	at LONG ISLAND	L 64-74
J 9	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 67-63
J 14	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 80-73
J 16	MONMOUTH	W 78-67
J 21	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 65-50
J 23	at MONMOUTH	W 66-53
J 28	LONG ISLAND	W 66-58
J 30	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 74-56
F 4	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 76-67
F 6	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 75-64
F 8	at Pittsburgh	8:00 pm
F 11	at CCSU	8:00 pm
F 13	at BRYANT	3:30 pm
F 18	SACRED HEART	7:00 pm
F 20	QUINNIPIAC	7:00 pm
F 25	at WAGNER	7:00 pm
F 27	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	4:00 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

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## Sacred Heart (12-11, 5-7 NEC)

Connecticut 6 Classic at Harbor Yard		
N 13	vs. Yale	W 92-86
N 15	Lafayette	W 81-70
N 18	at Fordham	L 66-76
N 21	at Xavier	L 65-105
N 25	at Penn State	L 75-87
N 30	Columbia	W 60-55
D 5	MONMOUTH	W 81-73
D 11	at Hartford	W 76-65
D 13	at Fairfield	L 77-80
D 21	Stony Brook	W 78-70
D 22	at Holy Cross	W 82-79
D 30	Brown	W 83-78
J 2	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 85-88
J 7	WAGNER	W 75-59
J 9	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 65-69
J 14	at BRYANT	W 72-60
J 16	at CCSU	L 65-88
J 21	CCSU	W 71-53
J 23	BRYANT	W 84-60
J 28	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 52-64
J 30	at WAGNER	L 73-74
F 4	QUINNIPIAC	L 71-86
F 6	at QUINNIPIAC	L 87-90
F 11	LONG ISLAND	7:45 pm
F 13	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	3:30 pm
F 18	at ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F 20	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	4:00 pm
F 25	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:45 pm
F 27	at MONMOUTH	7:00 pm
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## St. Francis (NY) (10-13, 7-5 NEC)

N 13	Brown	L 64-68
N 17	at Boston College	L 44-72
N 21	Canisius	L 69-79
N 24	at Massachusetts	L 65-83
N 28	at Colgate	W 66-65
D 3	CCSU	L 50-63
D 5	BRYANT	W 54-48
D 8	Hartford	W 63-60
D 13	at #6 Syracuse	L 51-75
D 22	Lafayette	L 69-74
D 29	at Fairfield	L 58-65
J 7	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 69-57
J 9	ROBERT MORRIS	L 63-67
J 11	at Columbia	W 59-53
J 14	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 61-58
J 16	at WAGNER	W 60-53
J 18	at Dartmouth	L 64-65
J 21	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 63-60
J 23	WAGNER	W 57-54
J 28	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 63-71
J 30	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 56-74
F 4	LONG ISLAND	L 53-62
F 6	at LONG ISLAND	W 88-84 (3 OT)
F 11	at QUINNIPIAC	7:30 pm
F 13	at SACRED HEART	3:30 pm
F 18	MONMOUTH	7:30 pm
F 20	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	4:30 pm
F 25	at BRYANT	7:30 pm
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## St. Francis (PA) (7-16, 5-7 NEC)

N 13	American	W 65-61
N 16	at Notre Dame	L 72-95
N 19	Lafayette	L 77-88
N 21	at Bucknell	L 58-70
N 25	Lehigh	L 67-76
N 28	at #17 Ohio State	L 47-110
D 3	WAGNER	W 69-42
D 5	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 73-66
D 13	at Drexel	L 35-57
D 16	Youngstown State	L 65-74
D 20	at Akron	L 51-80
D 22	at Duquesne	L 56-86
J 2	Hartford	W 64-52
J 7	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 57-69
J 9	at LONG ISLAND	L 80-89
J 14	MONMOUTH	L 53-63
J 16	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 54-52
J 21	at MONMOUTH	L 40-69
J 23	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 75-78
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## Wagner (4-21, 2-10 NEC)

N 13	at Lafayette	L 72-81
N 21	Stony Brook	L 48-72
N 24	at NJIT	L 51-56
N 28	Bucknell	L 61-85
D 3	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 42-69
D 5	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 70-73
D 8	Columbia	L 91-102
D 12	at Saint Peter's	W 59-58
at Las Vegas Classic		
D 17	at Brigham Young	L 61-77
D 19	at Nevada	L 61-74
D 22	vs. Jackson St.	W 71-62
D 23	vs. Chicago St.	L 63-78
D 28	NJIT	L 56-65
D 30	at Princeton	L 42-45
J 4	at Brown	L 71-72 (OT)
J 7	at SACRED HEART	L 59-75
J 9	at QUINNIPIAC	L 66-78
J 14	LONG ISLAND	L 64-79
J 16	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 53-60
J 21	at LONG ISLAND	W 65-59 (OT)
J 23	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 54-57
J 28	QUINNIPIAC	L 57-66
J 30	SACRED HEART	W 74-73
F 4	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 64-69
F 6	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 50-66
F 11	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:00 pm
F 13	at MONMOUTH	7:00 pm
F 18	BRYANT	7:00 pm
F 20	CCSU	7:00 pm
F 25	ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F 27	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:00 pm
NEC Tournament (all games at higher seed)		
M 4	Quarterfinals	
M 7	Semifinals	
M 10	Championship	

NEC Games in CAPS

# NEC Men's Basketball Notes:

(through games of February 6)



## NEC Rivalry Week Wrap Up

The inaugural NEC Rivalry Week featured six pairs of rivals squaring off in home-and-home contests. The pairings included Long Island-St. Francis (NY), Fairleigh Dickinson-Monmouth, Robert Morris-Saint Francis (PA), Quinnipiac-Sacred Heart, CCSU-Bryant and Mount St. Mary's-Wagner. Strangely enough, five of the six series resulted in sweeps with only Long Island and St. Francis (NY) splitting the two games. The innovative concept of playing back-to-back contests against a local rival in a 48-hour span is the only one of its kind among the nation's 31 NCAA Division I conferences.

## Breaking Away From The Pack

With Robert Morris off to an 11-1 start in NEC play, followed closely behind by Quinnipiac's 10-2 mark, the two programs have pulled away from the pack in a big way. Three teams are tied for third (FDU, Long Island and St. Francis (NY)) at 7-5, with three more teams (CCSU, Monmouth and Mount St. Mary's) clumped together in sixth place with 6-6 records. With its next victory, Robert Morris will clinch an NEC playoff berth. Looking ahead, the biggest game of the season could be on February 20th, when the Colonials host Quinnipiac in the lone meeting this season between the two programs.

## Garden State Rivalry Series Goes To...

Monmouth, by a hair. While FDU swept Monmouth on the men's side with a pair of six-point wins, it was the Hawks who collected this year's newly renamed Governor Codey Trophy, which goes to the winner of the Garden State Rivalry Series. The Monmouth women took both games from the Knights and won the trophy based on point differential. FDU had won the series in each of the first two seasons of the rivalry. On the men's side, the Knights have swept the Hawks two straight years. Over the weekend, FDU senior guard **Sean Baptiste (North Brunswick, NJ/St. Joseph's of Metuchen)** was the star performer, averaging 25.5 points in the two wins. Baptiste leads the NEC in scoring in league games with 18.9 ppg.

## Battle of Brooklyn Turns Into Game of the Year

In perhaps the best game of the year thus far in the NEC, it was St. Francis (NY) that snared this year's Battle of Brooklyn trophy with an 88-84 triple overtime victory over Long Island at the Wellness, Recreation & Athletic Center. The triple overtime game was the longest in the conference since Saint Francis (PA) defeated St. Francis (NY), 92-84, on January 24, 2008. The game featured 14 ties and 11 lead changes until St. Francis (NY) was able to finally pull away in the third extra session and snap a four-game losing streak in the series. The first and second overtime periods featured no lack of drama.

With St. Francis (NY) trailing by three in the first overtime, the Terriers' **Stefan Perunicic (Belgrade, Serbia/Dimitrije Tucovic)** drilled a long three with 16 seconds left on the clock to knot the score at 66. LIU's **Jaytornah Wisseh (Brooklyn, NY/Banneker Academy)** had a chance for the win, but his shot was blocked at the buzzer by **Herman Wrice (Philadelphia, PA/Riverside (Monroe CC))**.

LIU appeared to have the game in hand in the second extra session after it rattled off eight straight points, but the Terriers rallied with a Herman Wrice layup followed by a **Ricky Cadell (New York, NY/The Patterson School (NC))** three-point play to cut a seven-point lead down to one with 36 seconds remaining. LIU's **Kyle Johnson (Ajax, Ontario/West Hill)** hit two foul shots for LIU to make it 76-73 with 15 seconds to play. On the ensuing possession, Cadell was able to get free for a three-pointer and tie the contest with 6.1 seconds left. LIU freshman **Corey Wright (Harlem, NY/Marianapolis Prep (CT))** drove the length of the court on the inbounds play, but his shot was off the mark at the buzzer.

Cadell earned the Lai-Lynch Trophy as the game's Most Valuable Player after scoring 21 points for the Terriers in a career-high 52 minutes of action.

## Quinnipiac Sets New NEC Free Throw Mark

Quinnipiac remained one game behind Robert Morris in the NEC standings (10-2 NEC) with its sweep of Sacred Heart over the weekend. The Bobcats averaged 88.0 points in the two outings, including 50.9 percent from the field and 83.8 percent from the line. In Saturday's 90-87 win over the Pioneers, the Bobcats hit an astounding 45-52 shots from the charity stripe. The 45 makes established a new NEC record, one more than the 44 made by FDU against Saint Francis (PA) on February 9, 1991. Four Quinnipiac players made at least nine free throws.

## Power Outage Can't Stop League-Leading RMU

In Robert Morris' 75-63 win over Saint Francis (PA), the snowy weather outside - over 21 inches fell in the Pittsburgh area - made for technical issues inside the Sewall Center on Saturday. At the second media timeout, the lights went out inside the gymnasium, which caused an 18-minute delay. While power was restored somewhat, the scoreboard over the court remained dark, forcing the teams to use flip cards to keep score. A bullhorn was also used to replicate the scoreboard buzzer. All this couldn't stop the Colonials from shooting an NEC single-game season-best 64.1 percent from the field and win their ninth straight game to maintain a one-game lead over Quinnipiac in the NEC standings.

## Record Defensive Effort For CCSU

When CCSU held Bryant to just 34 points in a 60-34 win on Thursday, it tied the long-standing NEC record for fewest points allowed in a league game. One would have to go back 23 years to find the last such occurrence. In that game, St. Francis (NY) was limited to 34 points in a loss to Robert Morris on January 17, 1987. The 34 points were also the fewest allowed by the Blue Devils in the shot clock era, and the lowest total since a 21-18 win over Southern Connecticut during the 1983-84 season. In the second half of their home-and-home with the Bulldogs, the Blue Devils held Bryant to just 48 points in a 61-48 victory on Saturday. CCSU has now won four straight games to even their record at 6-6 in league play. During the four-game streak, the Blue Devils have yielded just 48.3 ppg on 35.7 percent shooting from the field and 16.1 percent (9-56) from outside the arc.

## Defense Keys Mount Surge

Mount St. Mary's has turned its season around with four straight wins to reach .500 against NEC competition with a 6-6 record. In the four victories, the Mount has relied on a stifling defense, allowing just 50.5 ppg on 35.7 percent shooting from the floor. Opponents have also hit just 13-57 (22.8 percent) from beyond the arc during this span.

## RMU's Run In Perspective

Robert Morris currently ranks sixth in the nation in winning percentage against conference opposition over the last three years, a remarkable run which coincides with Mike Rice's arrival on the scene back in 2007. The Colonials are 42-6 (.875) versus NEC opponents in that span, beginning with a 16-2 mark in 2007-08, followed by a 15-3 record in 2008-09 and this year's 11-1 mark. Robert Morris sits behind two national powers (Memphis and Gonzaga), along with three mid-major powers (Cornell, Butler and Davidson). In total conference wins over the last three years, the Colonials rank third. Additionally, the Colonials have won 18 straight against NEC foes at the Sewall Center, including 15 consecutive regular-season games and all three contests in the 2009 NEC Tournament. Robert Morris has also posted winning streaks of at least nine games in each of the last three years. Finally, the second victory over Saint Francis (PA) last week marked the 83rd victory for the senior class of **Mezie Nwigwe (Hyattsville, MD/High Point)**, **Jimmy Langhurst (Willard, OH/Willard)** and **Dallas Green (Indianapolis, IN/Northwest)**, the most wins by a class in school history. The trio snapped former guard Jeremy Chappell's (2005-09) mark of 82.

## Conference Winning Percentage (2007-08 season to Present)

School	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	TOTALS
Memphis	16-0 (1.000)	16-0 (1.000)	6-2 (.750)	38-2 (.950)
Gonzaga	13-1 (.929)	14-0 (1.000)	7-1 (.875)	34-2 (.944)
Cornell	14-0 (1.000)	11-3 (.786)	6-0 (1.000)	31-3 (.912)
Butler	16-2 (.889)	15-3 (.833)	13-0 (1.000)	44-5 (.898)
Davidson	20-0 (1.000)	18-2 (.900)	7-4 (.636)	45-6 (.882)
<b>Robert Morris</b>	<b>16-2 (.889)</b>	<b>15-3 (.883)</b>	<b>9-1 (.900)</b>	<b>42-6 (.875)</b>
Morgan State	14-2 (.875)	13-3 (.813)	8-0 (1.000)	35-5 (.875)
Kansas	13-3 (.813)	14-2 (.875)	8-0 (1.000)	35-5 (.875)
Siena	13-5 (.722)	16-2 (.889)	13-0 (1.000)	42-7 (.857)
St. Mary's	12-2 (.857)	10-4 (.714)	8-1 (.889)	30-7 (.811)
Utah State	12-4 (.750)	14-2 (.875)	8-2 (.750)	34-8 (.810)
Xavier	14-2 (.875)	12-4 (.750)	8-2 (.800)	34-8 (.810)
BYU	14-2 (.875)	12-4 (.750)	7-2 (.778)	33-8 (.805)
Alabama State	15-3 (.833)	16-2 (.889)	6-4 (.600)	37-9 (.804)
Oral Roberts	16-2 (.889)	14-4 (.778)	9-4 (.692)	39-10 (.796)
Michigan State	12-6 (.667)	15-3 (.833)	9-2 (.818)	36-11 (.766)

## This Week on NEC-TV

A pair of games are on tap this Thursday on NEC-TV, including the first game out of Bryant's Chace Athletic Center as the Bulldogs host Saint Francis (PA). Tipoff is at 7:00 pm with the game to air live on Cox Cable, FSN-Pittsburgh and ESPN Full Court. Fox College Sports will pick up the game on delay. Matt Harmon (play-by-play), Terry O'Connor (color) and Jaclyn Vocell (sideline) have the call. MSG and Fox College Sports will pick up Wagner at Fairleigh Dickinson at 7:00 pm that same evening. Paul Dottino (play-by-play), Tim Capstraw (color) and Keith Irizarry (sideline) will provide commentary. These games are part of a 21-game package that concludes in March with the airing of the men's and women's title games on ESPN2 and ESPNU, respectively.

## SFPA's Hoffman Named To ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District 2 First Team

Saint Francis (PA) senior forward **Kurt Hoffman (Johnstown, PA/Greater Johnstown)** was named to the *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District 2 Men's Basketball First Team last week, as announced by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). By earning first team honors, Hoffman advances to the national ballot where CoSIDA's Academic All-America Committee and the CoSIDA Board of Directors will vote for the Academic All-America teams.

Hoffman is a two-year team captain who has started 14 of 21 games this year, helping the Red Flash play into contention for one of the Northeast Conference's eight playoff spots. He is averaging 3.7 ppg, 3.3 rpg and leads the team in field goal percentage at 55.0 percent.

The former President (2009) of the Saint Francis Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, Hoffman is currently juggling the requirements of a Division I men's basketball player, as well as taking classes and student-teaching. He has a 3.81 grade-point-average (GPA) in Mathematics/Secondary Education.

## On Board With MU's Waite

Monmouth rookie forward **Ed Waite (Ft. Lauderdale, FL/Pine Crest)** did all he could for the Hawks in a 71-65 setback to Fairleigh Dickinson on Saturday. In his first career double-double effort, the Fort Lauderdale, FL native scored 10 points and matched an NEC single-game season-high with a career-best 17 rebounds. The 17 boards were the most by an NEC freshman since CCSU's Rob Robinson - the all-time rebounder leader in the conference - snared 21 caroms against Mount St. Mary's on February 5, 2001. Waite's rebound-total was also the highest for the program since Corey Albano's 20 rebounds against Long Island on February 20, 1997.

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## Stellar Game Review

As expected, NEC scoring leader **Corey Hassan (Merrimack, NH/Merrimack)** of Sacred Heart leads the league with three games with 30+ points. He also ranks second in 20+ point outings with 11. Quinnipiac senior forward **James Feldeine (New York, NY/Cardinal Hayes)** has posted an NEC-best 12 games of 20 or more points. Robert Morris freshman guard **Karon Abraham (Paterson, NJ/Harp Academy)** tops all NEC freshman with five 20-point scoring efforts. No other freshman has hit 20 more than once. Here are the league leaders in both categories.

### 30+ Point Games

1. Corey Hassan (SHU)	3
2. Sean Baptiste (FDU)	1
Chris Martin (WC)	1
Justin Rutty (QU)	1
Devin Sweetney (SFPA)	1
Jerrell Thompson (SHU)	1

### 20+ Point Games

1. James Feldeine (QU)	12
2. Corey Hassan (SHU)	11
3. Sean Baptiste (FDU)	8
Jaytornah Wisseh (LIU)	8
5. Ricky Cadell (SFNY)	7
6. Justin Rutty (QU)	6
Devin Sweetney (SFPA)	6
Travis Taylor (MU)	6
9. Karon Abraham (RMU)	5
10. Eight tied with	4

## SHU's Hassan Shoots For National Honor

Sacred Heart senior forward **Corey Hassan (Merrimack, NH/Merrimack)** currently leads the nation in made three-pointers with 3.6 per game. If Hassan finishes the year as the national leader, he will become the first NEC player to lead an individual statistical category since Quinnipiac's Jeremy Bishop ranked first in rebounding with 12.0 per outing in 2001-02.

Hassan now has a league-leading 82 three-pointers on the season. With six more games remaining in the regular season, along with any NEC Tournament games should Sacred Heart qualify, Hassan has an opportunity to become the ninth player in league annals to finish a season with at least 100 treys.

## QU's Rutty, LIU's Johnson Set To Join 1,000-Point Club

Quinnipiac junior forward **Justin Rutty (Newburgh, NJ/Newburgh Free Academy)** and Long Island junior guard **Kyle Johnson (Ajax, Ontario/West Hill)** and will both likely reach the 1,000-point mark for their respective careers this Thursday. Rutty ended play last week with 993 points, while Johnson pushed his total to 990.

Membership in the NEC millennium club now stands at 162 dating back to the inception of the conference in 1981.

Sacred Heart senior forward **Corey Hassan (Merrimack, NH/Merrimack)** became the sixth NEC player on the year to reach the 1,000-point milestone on January 28th. Hassan enters play this week with 1,077 points at Sacred Heart and 1,409 for his career, which includes his freshman season at Boston University. Hassan leads the NEC and ranks 22nd nationally with 20.6 ppg. St. Francis (NY) junior guard **Ricky Cadell (New York, NY/The Patterson School (NC))** made it to 1,000 on January 23rd. He has accumulated 1,076 points in his career. Along with Hassan, Sacred Heart senior guards **Ryan Litke (Windsor, CT/Windsor)** and **Chauncy Hardy (Middletown, CT/Xavier)** both reached 1,000 this season. Litke hit the milestone on January 14th and has lifted that total to 1,119 points, while Hardy cracked 1,000 on November 25th and has since boosted that total to 1,172. Quinnipiac senior guard **James Feldeine (New York, NY/Cardinal Hayes)** hit the 1,000-point mark on January 7th and is up to 1,190 points. Monmouth senior guard **Whitney Coleman (Salem, CT/East Lyme)** eclipsed the plateau on December 12th. Coleman is now at 1,128 points.

Injured Bryant senior forward **Cecil Gresham (Bloomfield, CT/MCI)** reached the 1,000-point mark on December 20th and now has 1,018 for his career, though the first three years of his career came prior to the Bulldogs' entry into the NEC. He is the 31st player in Bryant history to reach the 1,000-point mark.

The NEC began the 2009-10 campaign with four returning players already with 1,000 points to their credit. Mount St. Mary's senior guard **Jeremy Goode (Charlotte, NC/Providence Day)** is the leading active scorer in the league with 1,598 points. If Goode exceeds his point total (492) from 2008-09, he could finish among the top-10 on the NEC career scoring chart. Long Island senior guard **Jaytornah Wisseh (Brooklyn, NY/Banneker Academy)** sits second among current players with 1,536 points. FDU senior guard **Sean Baptiste (North Brunswick, NJ/St. Joseph's of Metuchen)** has amassed 1,408 points with Saint Francis (PA) senior forward **Devin Sweetney (Washington, D.C./Riverdale Baptist)** right behind with 1,404.

Others with a chance to hit 1,000 in 2009-10 include CCSU senior guard **Joe Seymore (Newark, DE/Hodgson)** (957), Mount St. Mary's senior forward **Kelly Beidler (Virginia Beach, VA/Tallwood)** (939) and Mount St. Mary's junior guard **Jean Cajou (Fairfax, VA/Paul VI)** (916).

# NEC Men's Basketball

## NCAA Statistics

### NEC In NCAA Statistics

(Top-30 - through games of Feb. 6)

Ind. Category	Rank	Player	School	Statistics
Scoring	22nd	Corey Hassan	Sacred Heart	20.6 ppg
3PPG	1st	Corey Hassan	Sacred Heart	3.6/game
	10th	Ryan Litke	Sacred Heart	3.2/game
3PPG%	17th	Ryan Litke	Sacred Heart	.422
	25th	Corey Hassan	Sacred Heart	.414
FT%	19th	Karon Abraham	Robert Morris	.880
Rebounds	13th	Justin Rutty	Quinnipiac	10.5 rpg
Assists	29th	Jaytornah Wisseh	Long Island	5.5 apg
Steals	15th	Jeremy Goode	Mount St. Mary's	2.5 spg
Double-Doubles	27th	Justin Rutty	Quinnipiac	10

Team Category	Rank	School	Statistics
3PPG	5th	Sacred Heart	9.4/game
3PPG%	2nd	Sacred Heart	.420
Rebound Margin	3rd	Quinnipiac	+9.7 rpg

Ind. Game Highs	Rank	Player	School	Statistics
FG%	T-20th	Travis Taylor	MU	.857 (12-14) vs. Penn (12/12)
3PPG	T-4th	Corey Hassan	SHU	10 vs. Wagner (1/30)
	T-9th	Corey Hassan	SHU	9 vs. Hartford (12/11)
	T-15th	Chris Martin	WC	8 vs. Columbia (12/8)
3PPG%	8th	Corey Hassan	SHU	.833 (10-12) vs. Wagner (1/30)
FT%	T-1st	Sean Baptiste	FDU	1.000 (10-10) vs. UTSA (11/24)
		Jean Cajou	MSM	1.000 (10-10) vs. Boston U. (12/22)
		Devin Sweetney	SFPA	1.000 (12-12) vs. LIU (1/30)
Assists	T-7th	Mike Scott	FDU	13 vs. Sacred Heart (1/2)
Blocks	T-9th	Papa Lo	Bryant	9 vs. LIU (12/3)

Team Game Highs	Rank	School	Statistics
3PPG%	15th	Saint Francis (PA)	.684 (13-19) vs. Notre Dame (11/16)
Win Streak	T-5th	Robert Morris	9

## Home Court Mastery

Never has the home court edge been as pronounced as it has in 2009-10. Over the first 60 games of the conference season, home teams have won 68.1 percent of the games with a 49-23 record. Just two years ago, teams playing at home won just 45.5 percent of their league games, a ten-year low. The ten-year home winning percentage in the conference stands at .599. Quinnipiac is a perfect 9-0 at home this season, followed by Robert Morris with a 9-2 mark and Sacred Heart with an 8-2 ledger.

## 10-Year Study: Home Records In NEC Play

2009-10:	49-23	.681
2008-09:	60-39	.606
2007-08:	45-54	.455
2006-07:	57-42	.576
2005-06:	63-36	.636
2004-05:	60-39	.606
2003-04:	64-35	.646
2002-03:	69-39	.639
2001-02:	68-52	.567
2000-01:	72-48	.600
Totals	607-407	.599

## Bobcat Boardroom

Quinnipiac's domination on the boards in 2009-10 has the Bobcats challenging the NEC single-season record for rebound margin. Currently ranked third nationally (behind Kentucky, +10.3 rpg, and Michigan State, +9.7 rpg) in the category at +9.7 rpg, the Bobcats - who are second in the NEC with a 10-2 record - are well ahead of the league mark of +9.1 rpg established by Fairleigh Dickinson in 1997-98.

The Bobcats have outrebounded each of their opponents this year, and sport two of the league's top-20 rebounders in junior forward **Justin Rutty (Newburgh, NY/Newburgh Free Academy)** (first, 10.5 rpg) and senior guard **James Feldeine's (New York, NY/Cardinal Hayes)** (14th, 5.5 rpg).

At 14.8 ppg and 10.5 rpg, Rutty is one of just 20 players nationally to be averaging a double-double.

## SFPA's Sweetney Reaches Red Flash Top-10 In Scoring

Saint Francis (PA) senior forward **Devin Sweetney (Washington, D.C./Riverdale Baptist)** passed Frank Puschauber (1953-57) on Saturday to move into 10th place on the Red Flash career scoring list with 1,404 points. Sweetney also joined Maurice Stokes (1951-55), Sandy Williams (1961-64), Norm Van Lier (1966-69) and Jeff Hamilton (1981-85) as the only players in school history to reach 1,400 points and 700 rebounds during their careers.

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## RMU Balance

A total of eight different Robert Morris players averaged between 7.0 and 13.5 points in two wins last week.

## MSM's Goode To Resume Chart Climb; LIU's Wisseh Set To Join 1,500/500 Club

Mount St. Mary's senior guard **Jeremy Goode (Charlotte, NC/Providence Day)** took another step up the NEC's career assist chart last week. With 569 helpers, he passed Wagner's Courtney Pritchard (563 assists from 2000-04) to move into fourth place. Next up for the Charlotte, NC native is Saint Francis (PA)'s Napoleon Lightning, who accumulated 589 dimes from 1981-85. Goode is also the Mount career leader in the category.

## NEC Career Assist Leaders (500+) (\* also at least 1,000 career points)

1. Drafton Davis	MAR	804	1984-88
2. Deon Hames*	RID	598	1992-96
3. Napoleon Lightning*	SFPA	589	1981-85
4. <b>Jeremy Goode*</b>	<b>MSM</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>2006-10</b>
5. Courtney Pritchard*	WAG	563	2000-04
6. Andre Van Drost	WAG	560	1982-87
7. Forest Grant*	RMU	555	1981-84
8. Rob Monroe*	QU	541	2001-05
9. Greg Nunn	SENY	534	1997-01
10. Gregory Harris*	MSM	529	1996-00
11. Mark Porter*	WC	523	2004-08
12. Mel Hawkins	FDU	508	1987-91
13. Tristan Blackwood*	CCSU	506	2004-08
14. Dave Masciale*	LIU	504	1994-98

With 1,571 points, Goode is also one of just seven players in league history to reach 1,500 points and 500 assists. Likewise, Goode is also one of just 10 player in league annals with 1,000-points and 500-assists (see chart above) and is the league's active career leader in points (1,598) and steals (241) as well.

Long Island senior guard **Jaytornah Wisseh (Brooklyn, NY/Banneker Academy)** has accumulated 1,536 points, is also just 12 assists shy of joining the 1,500-point/500-assist group.

## Members of the NEC 1,500-Point/500 Assist Club

<b>Jeremy Goode</b>	<b>MSM</b>	<b>1,598/569</b>	<b>2006-10</b>
Mark Porter	WC	1,577/523	2004-08
Tristan Blackwood	CCSU	1,605/506	2004-08
Rob Monroe	QU	1,685/541	2001-05
Gregory Harris	MSM	1,760/529	1996-00
Dave Masciale	LIU	1,501/504	1994-98
Deon Hames	RID	1,589/598	1992-96
<i>Jaytornah Wisseh</i>	<i>LIU</i>	<i>1,536/488</i>	<i>2006-10</i>

## MSM's Goode Enters NEC Top-10 In Steals

With much of the attention devoted to his scoring and passing skills, one might forget Mount St. Mary's senior guard **Jeremy Goode's (Charlotte, NC/Providence Day)** defensive prowess throughout his four year run in Emmitsburg. By passing Wagner's Warren Anderson (231 swipes from 1993-97) in late January, Goode broke into the NEC top-10 in career steals last week, and currently ranks second in Mount history and tenth in conference history with 241 thefts. He also leads the league in steals this season with 2.4 per game. The all-time NEC leader is RMU's Chipper Harris, who piled up an amazing 382 steals in just three years once the NEC (then ECAC Metro) was formed in 1981-82. By including his freshman year in 1980-81, Harris finished with 450 swipes. Steals were not recognized by the NCAA until the 1985-86 season. Since that time, the career steals leader is Providence's John Linehan (1997-02) with 385.

## NEC Career Steals Leaders

1. Chipper Harris	RMU	382	1981-84
2. Drafton Davis	MAR	301	1984-88
3. Bruce Johnson	MAR	299	1981-85
4. Tony Lee	RMU	275	2004-08
5. Jeremy Chappell	RMU	266	2005-09
Forest Grant	RMU	266	1981-84
7. John Giraldo	MU	260	1992-96
8. Dave Masciale	LIU	258	1993-97
9. Rick Mickens	CCSU	243	1997-00
10. <b>Jeremy Goode</b>	<b>MSM</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>2006-10</b>
11. Warren Anderson	WC	231	1993-97

## Pioneer Gunslingers

Sacred Heart long range bombers **Corey Hassan (Merrimack, NH/Merrimack)** and **Ryan Litke (Windsor, CT/Windsor)** rank one-two in the NEC in made three-point field goals with 3.6 per game (82 total) and 3.2 per game (73 total), respectively. Two teammates have never finished one-two in the category in the history of the conference. Likewise, Hassan and Litke's combined 6.8 trifectas per outing would the highest total by a pair of teammates in league annals. Hassan also ranks first and Litke 10th in the national rankings for three-pointers per outing.

## MSM Did You Know?

In a 69-44 win against Wagner last Thursday, Mount St. Mary's was 12-23 from three-point range. The last time the Mountaineers had 12 or more trifectas in a game was February 21, 2005, when the Mount went 12-20 from beyond the arc in an 82-68 win over Saint Francis (PA).

## QU Did You Know?

Quinnipiac's 16 wins eclipse the 15 wins in each of Tom Moore's first two seasons in Hamden. The 16 victories also rank third in Bobcats' Division I history.

## SFNY Did You Know?

In Saturday's 88-84 triple overtime win over Long Island, St. Francis (NY) scored more than 70 points for the first time this season.

## Litke Just Two Three-Pointers Away From 10th On NEC Career List

Continuing his red-hot shooting from outside the arc, Sacred Heart senior guard **Ryan Litke (Windsor, CT/Windsor)** has steadily risen up the NEC all-time chart this season. After hitting 73 in 23 games this season (at a 41.8 percent success rate), he ranks second in the NEC with 3.2 treys per game. With 258 career trifectas, Litke broke the Sacred Heart career record of 219 (formerly held by Darrin Robinson) earlier in the season and needs two more this season to reach the NEC top-10. Ironically, if Litke hits the top-10, the first player he will displace is current Monmouth head coach Dave Calloway, who drained 260 shots from three-point territory for the Hawks from 1987-91.

## NEC Career Leaders - Three-Pointers Made

1. Tristan Blackwood	CCSU	328	2004-08
2. Joey Mundweiler	Wagner	312	2004-09
3. Chris McGuthrie	Mount St. Mary's	300	1993-96
4. Angel Santana	St. Francis (NY)	294	1996-00
5. James Williams	Long Island	277	2003-07
6. Justin Chiera	CCSU	274	2002-06
7. Dedrick Dye	Wagner	270	1999-03
8. Landy Thompson	Mount St. Mary's	267	2002-06
9. Kevin Booth	Mount St. Mary's	265	1989-93
10. Dave Calloway	Monmouth	260	1987-91
11. <b>Ryan Litke</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>2006-10</b>

## Quotes of the Week

Quinnipiac head coach **Tom Moore**, on the fan support in Saturday's 90-87 win over Sacred Heart:

*"It was awesome," said Moore of the crowd of 2,778. "That's the first game in my two and a half years that I could feel it. Our students were awesome. Just awesome. There were more of them and when we needed to get some stops - at the 10-minute mark, the eight-minute mark, the seven-minute mark - a couple times, Jeremy Baker and Feldeine encouraged them and they were right on top of it. They were fantastic. That's the first time since I've been a coach here that I felt we had a home court advantage that you could feel. A real home court advantage. They were fantastic. I hope and pray they keep coming back because it really means a lot to our kids. They helped us get over the hump on a lot of defensive trips in the second half."*

FDU head coach **Greg Vetrone**, following the Knights' 71-65 win over Monmouth on Saturday:

*"I don't know where we'd be without Sean (Baptiste) and even as much without Mike Scott. Every time they're out on the floor you know what you're going to get from those two guys."*

Long Island head coach **Jim Ferry**, after losing a 10-point lead in an 88-84 triple overtime setback to St. Francis (NY):

*"A 10-point lead in a Battle of Brooklyn game is never safe," said Ferry. "I've been through this before, I think this is my third overtime game in this series... We missed free throws down the stretch and to be quite honest I thought we lost this game in the first half. St. Francis came out with more energy and they were way more aggressive. We had 12 turnovers in the first half and didn't play our game and it gave them life. We were able to get up by 10, but in a game like this 10 points is never enough."*

## MSM's Goode Leads Double Digit Brigade

Mount St. Mary's senior guard **Jeremy Goode (Charlotte, NC/Providence Day)** has been a model of consistency over the course of his playing career in Emmitsburg, not only as a distributor, but a scorer as well. Currently averaging 13.7 ppg, Goode has scored in double digits in 86 of his 120 career games. The 86 career 10+ point games ranks first among active competitors with Saint Francis (PA) senior forward **Devin Sweetney (Washington, D.C./Riverdale Baptist)** second with 79.

Monmouth sophomore forward **Travis Taylor (Union, NJ/Union)** is the only player to reach double figures in every game this season and maintains a 20-game streak dating back to last season. Sacred Heart senior guard **Corey Hassan (Merrimack, NH/Merrimack)** had a 24-game double-digit scoring streak snapped on Thursday against Quinnipiac.

## Most Games - 10+ Points (50 or more, active players)

Jeremy Goode, MSM	86
Devin Sweetney, SFPA	79
Jaytornah Wisseh, LIU	76
Sean Baptiste, FDU	63
James Feldeine, QU	63
Chauncy Hardy, SHU	58



## Bryant (0-24, 0-12 NEC)

**Last Week:** CCSU 60, Bryant 34; CCSU 61, Bryant 48

**Next Week:** vs. Saint Francis (PA) (Thursday on Cox Cable, FSN-Pittsburgh, ESPN FC, FCS (Tape Delay)); vs. Robert Morris (Saturday)

The Bulldogs fell to CCSU twice this week, dropping a 60-34 home decision on Thursday before falling to the Blue Devils, 61-48 Saturday afternoon in New Britain, CT...Sophomore center **Papa Lo (Thies, Senegal/Winchendon)** paced the Bulldogs in the week's first outing, posting seven blocks and a career-high seven points to lead the team in both categories while making his career-high with a game-best eight boards. His seven blocks tie him for fourth on Bryant's single-game blocks list (he already owns the No. 2 spot; 9 blks. at LIU, 12/3/09)...Bryant totaled 10 rejections, good enough for fourth all-time...Lo has 42 blocks on the year (4th in NEC; 1.83 bpg)...Rookie forward **Vlad Kondratyev (Nikolayev, Ukraine/The Rock School (FL))** posted his ninth double-digit scoring performance in the last 12 games to lead Bryant against CCSU on the road, collecting a team-high 14 points on 5-7 shooting from the field (4-5 FTs) while rookie guard **Raphael Jordan (Bel Air, MD/John Carroll)** chipped in 12 points on 6-14 shooting (career-high number of FG attempts)...The Bulldogs shot a season-best 63 percent from the floor in the first half to take a 24-19 lead into the break, holding the Blue Devils to just 29 percent shooting in the opening 20 minutes...Both Kondratyev and Jordan averaged a team-leading 9.0 points per game on the week while Lo averaged a team-high 5.5 boards per game...Kondratyev also chipped in a pair of blocks in Thursday's home loss...Junior forward **Barry Latham (Taunton, MA/Marianapolis Prep (CT))** led Bryant with four steals on the week, three of them coming as a game-high on the road Saturday...Bryant hosts Saint Francis (PA) (Thurs.) and Robert Morris (Sat.) this week.

J16	QUINNIPIAC	L 66-80
J21	at QUINNIPIAC	L 59-84
J23	at SACRED HEART	L 60-84
J28	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 55-67
J30	MONMOUTH	L 46-50
F4	CCSU	L 34-60
F6	at CCSU	3:30 pm
F11	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:00 pm
F13	ROBERT MORRIS	3:30 pm
F18	at WAGNER	7:00 pm
F20	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:00 pm
F25	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	7:30 pm
F27	LONG ISLAND	3:30 pm



## Central Connecticut State (9-14, 6-6 NEC)

**Last Week:** CCSU 60, Bryant 34; CCSU 61, Bryant 48

**Next Week:** vs. Robert Morris (Thursday); vs. Saint Francis (PA) (Saturday)

The Blue Devils went 2-0 last week, taking two games from Bryant, first a 60-34 win in Smithfield, RI before a 61-48 come-from-behind home win. CCSU has now won four straight games for the first time this season...On Thursday night, the Blue Devils won their second road game of the season. The 34 points by the Bulldogs are the fewest allowed by the Blue Devils in the shot clock era, and the fewest since a 21-18 win over Southern Conn. during the 1983-84 season...It also tied a 23-year old NEC record for fewest points allowed in a league game (St. Francis (NY) in a loss to Robert Morris, Jan. 17, 1987)...CCSU is 6-2 at home this season, where they will play four of their final six games of the season...Senior guard **Joe Seymore (Newark, DE/Hodgson)** averaged 14.5 points per game last week and now has 957 career points, just 43 shy of becoming the 31st player in school history to score 1,000 career points. He hit five threes in the first half of Thursday's victory and scored 19 points. He is now averaging 8.6 points per game this season and has scored in double figures in four straight and six of his last 10 games. He has hit 16 three-pointers out of 30 attempts in the last four games...Junior guard **Shemik Thompson (Milton, DE/Cape Henlopen)** had 24 points in the win on Saturday, his fourth 20-point game of the season. He hit 9-17 shots from the field and also grabbed six rebounds. Thompson has moved into seventh place on the all-time assist list at Central with 295 career dimes. He is also ninth all-time in career steals with 131. With his 24 points on Saturday, Thompson now has 844 in his career...CCSU has outrebounded all four opponents during its four-game winning streak, the first time all season they have outrebounded four straight opponents...CCSU paces the conference in scoring defense at 63.9 ppg...Central hosts Robert Morris and Saint Francis (PA) this week.

J16	SACRED HEART	W 88-65
J21	at SACRED HEART	L 53-71
J24	at QUINNIPIAC	L 62-75
J28	MONMOUTH	W 66-44
J30	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 77-67
F4	at Bryant	W 60-34
F6	BRYANT	3:30 pm
F11	ROBERT MORRIS	8:00 pm
F13	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	1:00 pm
F18	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:00 pm
F20	at WAGNER	7:00 pm
F25	LONG ISLAND	7:30 pm
F27	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	1:00 pm



## Fairleigh Dickinson (8-16, 7-5 NEC)

**Last Week:** FDU 75, Monmouth 69; FDU 71, Monmouth 65

**Next Week:** vs. Wagner (Thursday on MSG, FCS); vs. Mount St. Mary's (Saturday)

The Knights went 2-0 this week, defeating intrastate rival Monmouth, 75-69 in Hackensack on Thursday before defeating the Hawks, 71-65 in West Long Branch on Saturday...Senior guard **Sean Baptiste (North Brunswick, NJ/St. Joseph's of Metuchen)** earned *Choice Hotels* NEC Co-Player of the Week honors after averaging 25.5 points on 61 percent shooting to go along with 8.0 rebounds per game. He led the Knights on Thursday with 27 points, going 11-16 from the floor while grabbing 10 rebounds for his second double-double of the season. Senior forward **Alvin Mofunanya (Englewood, NJ/Englewood (Saint Joseph's))** led the Knights with 11 boards. Junior guard **Mike Scott (Philadelphia, PA/Franklin Learning Ctr. (Coll. of Eastern Utah)(UTEP))** had 20 points off the bench for his fourth double figure output of the season. He went 7-7 from the line with five assists and two turnovers...On Saturday, Baptiste had his fourth-straight 20-point game with 24 points on 8-15 shooting...Mofunanya recorded his second double-double of the season with 16 points and 11 rebounds and Scott had 18 points and seven assists with only two turnovers while collecting seven steals...Junior forward **John Galvin (Weston, CT/Weston)** was just shy of a double-double with nine points and nine rebounds, adding two blocks...Baptiste is leading four Knights who are averaging double-digits this season with 15.6 ppg (seventh in NEC). In NEC play, he is netting a league-best 18.9 ppg...Scott is averaging 12.5 ppg and has dished out 121 assists this season (2nd in the NEC with 5.0 apg)...Mofunanya has 11.7 ppg and junior guard **Terence Grier (Cranford, NJ/Cranford, (URI))** is chipping in 11.1 ppg...Mofunanya has 39 blocks this season, to make him just one shy of 100...FDU now holds a 38-37 edge in the all-time series against Monmouth...The Knights swept the MU season series last season as well...The victories gave FDU a 2-1 edge in the Garden State Rivalry Series...FDU visits Longwood on Monday before home games vs. Wagner (Thurs.) and Mount St. Mary's (Sat.).

J21	ROBERT MORRIS	L 50-65
J23	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 78-75
J28	at BRYANT	W 67-55
J30	at CCSU	L 67-77
F4	MONMOUTH	W 75-69
F6	at MONMOUTH	W 71-65
F8	Longwood	7:00 pm
F11	WAGNER	7:00 pm
F13	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:30 pm
F18	at LONG ISLAND	7:30 pm
F20	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	4:30 pm
F25	at SACRED HEART	7:45 pm
F27	QUINNIPIAC	7:30 pm



## Long Island (9-14, 7-5 NEC)

**Last Week:** Long Island 62, St Francis (NY) 53; St. Francis (NY) 88, Long Island 84 (3 OT)

**Next Week:** at Sacred Heart (Thursday); at Quinnipiac (Saturday)

Long Island split its Rivalry Week matchups with St. Francis (NY) last week...The Blackbirds extended their win streak in the series to four games with a 62-53 road win on Feb. 4...LIU then fell in triple overtime, 88-84 on Saturday. The triple overtime game was the longest game for LIU since a four-overtime, 78-76 loss to Mount St. Mary's (1/4/2007)...The Blackbirds have lost all three of their overtime games this season and four straight overall...Junior guards **David Hicks (Mendota Heights, MN/South Kent Prep (CT))**, **Kyle Johnson (Toronto, Ontario/West Hill)** and freshman forward **Jamal Olasewere (Silver Spring, MD/Springbrook)** all played career-highs in minutes - 48, 49 and 46, respectively...LIU hit its first 15 foul shots on Saturday in the 3OT thriller, en route to finishing the day 25-32 (.844)...Olasewere finished with 12 points and a career-high 12 rebounds for his second double-double of the year. Johnson posted his fourth 20-point game of the year with 21 points and he also dished a career-high five assists...Hicks posted his third double-double of the year with 16 points and 11 rebounds on Thursday. He drilled 4-4 three-pointers in the game...Hicks averaged 16.0 points and 9.0 rebounds in two games last week...Senior guard **Jaytornah Wisseh (Brooklyn, NY/Banneker Acad.)** led LIU with 17.0 points last week and scored a game-high 21 points in the win at St. Francis (NY). Wisseh moved into fourth place on the LIU career list for free-throw attempts (585)...Wisseh leads the circuit with 5.48 apg and ranks third in scoring with 16.9 ppg...Freshman forward **Kenny Onyechi (Sugar Land, TX/Kempner)** is the league leader in blocks with 2.2 bpg...Johnson moved into fifth for career three-pointers (476) and has 990 career points...Long Island will travel to Sacred Heart and Quinnipiac this week.

J16	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 67-86
J21	WAGNER	L 59-65(OT)
J23	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 67-58
J28	at ROBERT MORRIS	W 66-58
J30	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 73-74(OT)
F4	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 62-53
F6	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 84-88(3OT)
F11	at SACRED HEART	7:45 pm
F13	at QUINNIPIAC	3:00 pm
F18	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:30 pm
F20	MONMOUTH	4:30 pm
F25	at CCSU	7:30 pm
F27	at BRYANT	3:30 pm



## Monmouth (10-14, 6-6 NEC)

**Last Week:** FDU 75, Monmouth 69; FDU 71, Monmouth 65

**Next Week:** vs. Mount St. Mary's (Thursday); vs. Wagner (Saturday)

Monmouth dropped two games to in-state rival FDU last week, both by six-point margins...The Hawks fell, 75-69 in Teaneck on Thursday before a 71-65 home loss on Saturday...MU has lost four of its last five games...In Saturday's loss, freshman forward **Ed Waite (Ft. Lauderdale, FL/Pine Crest)** recorded his first career double-double with 10 points and a career-best 17 rebounds, marking the Hawks' best rebound mark since Corey Albano's 20 boards in 1997...The 17 boards were the most by an NEC freshman since CCSU's Ron Robinson pulled down 21 against the Mount on Feb. 5, 2001...Four Hawks averaged in double-figures on the week, led by sophomore guard **Will Campbell's (Willingboro, NJ/Paul VI)** 14.5 ppg. Senior guard **Whitney Coleman (Salem, CT/East Lyme/St. Thomas More Prep)** added 13.0 ppg, while freshman forward **Ed Waite (Ft. Lauderdale, FL/Pine Crest)** added 11.0 ppg and junior forward **Nick DelTufo (Mendham, NJ/West Morris Mendham)** chipped in 10.0 ppg...Junior guard **Justin Sofman (West Milford, NJ/West Milford/St. Thomas More Prep (Rutgers))** snapped a streak of 16 straight misses from beyond the arc on Saturday, as the junior went 2-5 from three-point range...Head coach Dave Calloway has earned 167 career wins and he is now two wins away from surpassing his former coach Wayne Szoke on the all-time wins list for coaches at Monmouth...Monmouth hosts Mount St. Mary's (Thurs.) and Wagner (Sat.) this week.

J16	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 67-78
J21	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 69-40
J23	ROBERT MORRIS	L 53-66
J28	at CCSU	L 44-66
J30	at BRYANT	W 50-46
F4	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 69-75
F6	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	L 65-71
F11	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:30 pm
F13	WAGNER	7:00 pm
F18	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	7:30 pm
F20	at LONG ISLAND	4:30 pm
F25	at QUINNIPIAC	7:30 pm
F27	SACRED HEART	7:00 pm



## Mount St. Mary's (9-14, 6-6 NEC)

**Last Week:** Mount St. Mary's 69, Wagner 44; Mount St. Mary's 66, Wagner 50

**Next Week:** at Monmouth (Thursday); at FDU (Saturday)

The Mount swept two games over Wagner last week, posting a 69-44 win at home and a 66-50 victory on Staten Island...In the road win, The Mount rallied from a 27-19 halftime deficit to earn the victory. It marked the first time this year the Mount has rallied to win after trailing at the half (1-11 record now). Senior point guard **Jeremy Goode (Charlotte, NC/Providence Day)** was instrumental in the comeback, scoring eight points during an 11-1 run that gave the Mount a 32-30 lead. Goode scored 14 of his game-high 16 points in the second half of the game. Goode added four steals in the win, giving him 58 for the season. The NEC steals leader needs two more steals to become the first Mount player at the Div. I level to post three straight seasons with 60 or more steals...In the WC win at home, The Mount was 12-23 from three-point range. The last time the Mount had 12 or more threes was a 12-trey performance in a win over SPPA (2/21/05)...The Mountaineers have held each of the last four opponents to 56 points or less. Over that span, the Mount is allowing a paltry 50.5 points while holding the opposition to 35.7 percent shooting...Goode dished out five assists in the win at Wagner, giving him 569 for his career, moving the Mount's all-time assists leader into fourth on the NEC all-time list. He needs 31 assists to become just the second player in NEC history to reach the 600-assist plateau (Drafton Davis, Marist; 1984-88)...Senior forward **Will Holland (Holland, TX/Lamar)** is averaging 10.7 points while hitting 9-15 (60%) shots from three-point range over the past three games off the bench...Freshman forward **Raven Barber (Edgewood, Md. (Paul VI (Va.)))** averaged 10.0 points and 5.5 rebounds last week. He had 12 points and a career-high seven rebounds in the road win, adding a career-best three steals as well. He hit 9-16 field goals (56%) last week and he's averaging 9.2 points (64.5% FG) and 4.0 rebounds over the past five games. The Mount plays its final two road games of the season this week, travelling to Monmouth (Thurs.) and FDU (Sat.).

J16	LONG ISLAND	W 86-67
J21	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 60-63
J23	at LONG ISLAND	L 58-67
J28	SACRED HEART	W 64-52
J30	QUINNIPIAC	W 61-56
F4	WAGNER	W 69-44
F6	at WAGNER	W 66-50
F11	at MONMOUTH	7:30 pm
F13	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:30 pm
F18	CCSU	7:00 pm
F20	BRYANT	7:00 pm
F25	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:30 pm
F27	ROBERT MORRIS	4:00 pm



## Quinnipiac (16-7, 10-2 NEC)

**Last Week:** Quinnipiac 86, Sacred Heart 71; Quinnipiac 90, Sacred Heart 87

**Next Week:** vs. St. Francis (NY); vs. Long Island (Saturday)

Quinnipiac swept SHU last week with an 86-71 win in Fairfield before a 90-87 win on Saturday in Hamden...The Bobcats have won 10 of their last 11 games to remain one game behind Robert Morris in the NEC standings...Senior guard **James Feldeine (New York, NY/Cardinal Hayes)** shot 78 percent (11-14) on Thursday and 60 percent (17-28) for the week and averaged 24.5 points and 5.5 rebounds to pace the Bobcats and earn *Choice Hotels* NEC Co-Player of the Week honors...Junior forward **Justin Rutty (Newburgh, NY/Newburgh Free Acad.)** had 22 points and 10 rebounds at SHU before collecting 16 points and 13 rebounds to go along with three blocks in the home victory over SHU for his fifth straight double-double...The pair of double-doubles extended Rutty's QU Div. I record to 23 career double-doubles. Rutty has 993 career points...After missing the first game due to injury, senior guard **Jeremy Baker (Washington, D.C./Marriott Public Charter)** returned to the lineup to score 18 points, including a 9-9 performance from the free-throw line on Sat...Sophomore guard **James Johnson (Queens, NY/Bishop Loughlin)** averaged 11.5 ppg, including 15 on Sat. and he was terrific in defending SHU's Corey Hassan...Junior forward **Jonathan Cruz (Lawrence, MA/Central Catholic (URI))** posted his first career double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds at SHU...The Bobcats scored half of their season-high 90 points from the free-throw line Saturday, making an NEC single-game record and new school Division I record 45 free throws on 52 attempts (86%). The 52 free throw attempts are second-most in QU Div. I history...The Bobcats are now a school-record 9-0 at home and 13-0 in the state of CT this season...With 14.8 pts. and 10.5 rebs. per game, Rutty was one of just 20 players nationally to be averaging a double-double...Rutty leads the NEC in rebounding, while Feldeine (18.1 ppg is second in scoring) The Bobcats' 16 wins eclipse their 15 wins in each of Tom Moore's first two seasons in Hamden. The 16 victories also rank third in Bobcats' Division I history. The Bobcats shot a season-high 60.0 percent (33-55) at SHU...The Bobcats host St. Francis (NY) and Long Island this week.

J16	at BRYANT	W 80-66
J21	BRYANT	W 84-59
J24	CCSU	W 75-62
J28	at WAGNER	W 66-57
J30	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 56-61
F4	at SACRED HEART	W 86-71
F6	SACRED HEART	W 90-87
F11	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	7:30 pm
F13	LONG ISLAND	3:00 pm
F18	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:30 pm
F20	at ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F25	MONMOUTH	7:30 pm
F27	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:30 pm



## Robert Morris (16-8, 11-1 NEC)

**Last Week:** Robert Morris 76, Saint Francis (PA) 67; Robert Morris 75, Saint Francis (PA) 64

**Next Week:** at CCSU (Thursday); at Bryant (Saturday)

For the third straight year, Robert Morris has compiled a winning streak of at least nine games after sweeping the season series from Saint Francis (PA) last week...The Colonials have won five straight against SPPA and 10 of the last 12 meetings...At 11-1, the Colonials remain one game ahead of Quinnipiac in the standings...Freshman guard **Karon Abraham (Paterson, NJ/Harp Academy)** led the Colonials in both games last week, scoring 13 in the first game and 14 in the second against SPPA and earned *Choice Hotels* NEC Rookie of the Week honors for the fourth time. Abraham tied the RMU freshman record for three-pointers with 56...Redshirt freshman guard **Velton Jones (Philadelphia, PA/Northeast Cath.)** averaged 11.0 points, 4.5 assists and 2.0 steals last week while shooting 53 percent (8-15) from the floor...Senior forward **Dallas Green (Indianapolis, IN/Northeast)** averaged 11.0 points, 7.0 rebounds and 2.5 steals in the two games while shooting 62.5 percent (5-8) from the field...An amazing eight different Colonials averaged between 7.0 and 13.5 points in the two games last week...Senior forward **Josiah Whitehead (Portsmouth, VA/Cecil CC)** scored 10 points for the second straight home game in RMU's second game against the SPPA...The second victory over SPPA last week marked the 83rd victory for the senior class of guards **Mezie Nwigwe (Hyattsville, MD/High Point)**, **Jimmy Langhurst (Willard, OH/Willard)** and Green, the most wins by a class in school history...RMU shot a season-high 64 percent (25-39) from the field in the win over SPPA...RMU has won 18 straight home games, including 15 straight regular-season tilts and all three games of the 2009 NEC Tournament...RMU is 10-2 (.833) when holding opponents under 70 points this season...Abraham leads all NEC freshmen with 12.9 ppg, paces the conference in FT percentage (.880) and ranks second in 3PPG percentage (.459)...RMU has three road games this week, taking on No. 21 Pittsburgh before returning to league play with trips to CCSU (Thurs.) and Bryant (Sat).

J21	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 65-50
J23	at MONMOUTH	W 66-53
J28	LONG ISLAND	W 66-58
J30	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 74-56
F4	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 76-67
F6	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	W 75-64
F8	at Pittsburgh	8:00 pm
F11	at CCSU	8:00 pm
F13	at BRYANT	3:30 pm
F18	SACRED HEART	7:00 pm
F20	QUINNIPIAC	7:00 pm
F25	at WAGNER	7:00 pm
F27	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	4:00 pm



## Sacred Heart (12-11, 5-7 NEC)

**Last Week:** Quinnipiac 86, Sacred Heart 71; Quinnipiac 90, Sacred Heart 87

**Next Week:** vs. Long Island (Thursday); vs. St. Francis (NY) (Saturday)

The Pioneers have lost four straight games for the first time this season, after dropping a pair of games to Quinnipiac last week...In the first game, an 86-71 home loss, senior forward **Corey Hassan (Merrimack, NH/Merrimack)** was held to just eight points, snapping a string of 24 straight games scoring in double figures. Hassan rebounded in the second meeting, a 90-87 road loss, nearly registering a triple-double with 16 points, 12 rebounds and eight assists...Hassan leads the league in scoring (20.6 ppg) and made three-pointers (82), and also ranks third in rebounding (8.0 rpg)...Hassan also leads the nation in made three-pointers (82) and three-pointers per game (3.6)...Junior guard **Jerrell Thompson (Plainfield, NJ/Plainfield)** obliterated his career scoring high, scoring 30 points in the second game at QU, going 11-17 from the field and 4-6 from three-point range. He also had five assists without recording a turnover. His previous scoring high had been 12 points...Senior guard **Chauncey Hardy (Middletown, CT/Xavier)** returned from a four-game suspension to average eight points per game in the pair of games last week...Senior guard **Ryan Litke (Windsor, CT/Windsor)** nailed eight three-pointers last week and now has 258 in his career...Hassan's 82 three-pointers this year is just nine short of the school's single-season mark held by John Randazzo set during the 1998-99 season...The Pioneers are 8-2 in the Pitt Center this season and will have a pair of home games this week against Long Island (Thursday) and St. Francis (NY) (Saturday).

J16	at CCSU	L 65-88
J21	CCSU	W 71-53
J23	BRYANT	W 84-60
J28	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 52-64
J30	at WAGNER	L 73-74
F4	QUINNIPAC	L 71-86
F6	at QUINNIPAC	L 87-90
F11	LONG ISLAND	7:45 pm
F13	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	3:30 pm
F18	at ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F20	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	4:00 pm
F25	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:45 pm
F27	at MONMOUTH	7:00 pm



## St. Francis (NY) (10-13, 7-5 NEC)

**Last Week:** Long Island 62, St. Francis (NY) 53; St. Francis (NY) 88, Long Island 84 (3 OT)

**Next Week:** at Quinnipiac (Thursday); at Sacred Heart (Saturday)

Tied for third in the NEC standings, St. Francis (NY) split their rivalry series against LIU last week...St. Francis fell at home, 62-53 before coming from behind to top the Blackbirds, 88-84 in triple overtime in the 'Battle of Brooklyn'...St. Francis snapped a three-game losing skid with Saturday's win...The Terriers had dropped six consecutive overtime decisions dating back to the 2006-07 campaign...St. Francis had also lost four straight against the Blackbirds...The Terriers, who have still not scored 70 points in regulation this season, finally hit the 70 point mark in the victory on Saturday...Junior guard **Ricky Cadell (New York, NY/The Patterson School)** scored 12 of his 21 points over the final two overtime periods to earn 'Battle of Brooklyn' MVP honors. Cadell, who played a career-high 52 minutes, sent the game into a third overtime with a deep trey with just seven seconds remaining in the second overtime...Sophomore forward **Stefan Perunicic (Belgrade, Serbia/Dimitrije Tucovic)** came up with two clutch jumpers in the closing seconds of the first overtime, including a game-tying trey with 16 seconds left. Perunicic, who had gone 12 straight contests without reaching double-figures in scoring, finished with 12 points...Senior center **Herman Wrice (Philadelphia, PA/Riverside)** tied his season-high with 12 points, including five points in the third overtime period...Junior guard **Akeem Bennett (Long Island, NY/West Hempstead)** scored a game-high 22 points and added six boards and five assists before fouling out in overtime...Freshman center **Akeem Johnson (Brooklyn, NY/Susan McKinney)** is averaging 8.0 ppg and is shooting 68 percent (21-31) from the floor over his last six contests...Sophomore guard **Justin Newton (Queens, NY/Poly Prep)** ranks third in the NEC in assist/turnover ratio (1.9) after racking up 12 helpers last week...St. Francis, who has failed to score 30 points in the opening half in 10 of their last 11 games, has trailed at halftime in four straight contests and the Terriers are averaging just 22.5 points in the opening stanza over the stretch...Cadell is sixth in the league in scoring at 15.6 ppg...St. Francis (NY) will play four of their final six games on the road, including tilts at Quinnipiac and Sacred Heart this week.

J18	at Dartmouth	L 64-65
J21	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	W 63-60
J23	WAGNER	W 57-54
J28	at SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	L 63-71
J30	at ROBERT MORRIS	L 56-74
F4	LONG ISLAND	L 53-62
F6	at LONG ISLAND	W8884(3OT)
F11	at QUINNIPAC	7:30 pm
F13	at SACRED HEART	3:30 pm
F18	MONMOUTH	7:30 pm
F20	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	4:30 pm
F25	at BRYANT	7:30 pm
F27	at CCSU	1:00 pm



## Saint Francis (PA) (7-16, 5-7 NEC)

**Last Week:** Robert Morris 76, Saint Francis (PA) 67; Robert Morris 75, Saint Francis (PA) 64

**Next Week:** at Bryant (Thursday on FSN-Pittsburgh, Cox Cable, ESPN FC, FCS (Tape Delay)); at CCSU (Saturday)

The Red Flash went 0-2 last week, losing twice to league leader, Robert Morris...The Red Flash fell at home, 76-67 before a 75-64 setback at RMU...Saint Francis had its road losing streak extended to 11 on the season and 23 overall...Saint Francis led, 63-61 with under five minutes remaining at home on Thursday but were outscored 16-4 the rest of the way...The Red Flash had 17 assists and just 13 turnovers in The game...There were eight lead changes and two ties in the first half of Saturday's game in Moon Twp. but RMU took the lead for good on a 9-0 run to take over after a 21-19 SFU lead...SFU had fewer turnovers than the Colonials in both games...The Red Flash made a season-high 29 free throws and tied a season-high with 33 FT attempts (.879) in Saturday's game...Senior forward **Devin Sweetney (Washington, D.C./Riverdale Baptist)** averaged 19.0 points last week to go along with 6.0 rebounds and 5.5 assists. Sweetney became just the fifth player in school history to reach 1,400 points and 700 rebounds and he moved into the school's top 10 list in scoring. Sweetney has made 35 of his last 37 free throws (95%)...Junior guard **Sorena Orandi (Vastra Frolunda, Sweden / Solebury Prep)** averaged 10.5 ppg and made 5-9 three-point attempts (.556) in the two games...Freshman forward **Will Felder (Cleveland, OH/Lutheran East)** nailed 10-18 field goals and averaged 12.0 points last week and also averaged 4.5 rebounds...SFU connected on 38-47 (.809) from the charity stripe during the week...Sweetney is fourth in the league in rebounding (7.6 rpg) and fifth in scoring (16.6 ppg)...The Red Flash travels to Bryant (Thursday) and Cent. Conn. St. (Saturday) this week.

J16	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 54-52
J21	at MONMOUTH	L 75-78
J23	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	W 71-63
J28	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	W 74-73(OT)
J30	LONG ISLAND	L 67-76
F4	ROBERT MORRIS	L 64-75
F6	at ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F11	at BRYANT	7:00 pm
F13	at CCSU	1:00 pm
F18	QUINNIPAC	7:30 pm
F20	SACRED HEART	4:00 pm
F25	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	7:30 pm
F27	at WAGNER	7:00 pm



## Wagner (4-21, 2-10 NEC)

**Last Week:** Mount St. Mary's 69, Wagner 44; Mount St. Mary's 66, Wagner 50

**Next Week:** at FDU (Thursday on MSG, FCS), at Monmouth (Saturday)

Wagner was swept by Mount St. Mary's last week, dropping a 69-44 decision on the road before bowing to the Mount at home, 66-50...The Mount used a 12-2 run over the final six minutes of the first half to forge a comfortable 35-19 halftime lead in the road loss. The Seahawks embarked on an 11-0 run at the beginning of the second half to cut the WC deficit to eight at 38-30. Senior center **Michael Orock (Hoboken, NJ/Hoboken)** hit two layups and senior forward **Doug Elwell (Staten Island, NY/Monsignor Farrell)** capped the run with a three-point jumper with 13:24 left to play but that is as close as the Seahawks would get...Elwell and sophomore guard **Chris Martin (Sicklerville, NJ/Apex Academies)** paced Wagner with 11 points each while freshman forward **Josh Thompson (Richland, NJ/St. Augustine Prep)** chipped in with seven points...On Saturday at home, Wagner squandered an eight-point halftime lead...Wagner continues to be led in scoring by the tandem of Martin Orock, who averaged 12.3 and 11.2 points per game, respectively...Martin leads the team with 56 made three-pointers while Orock, who leads the NEC, shooting .565 from the field, is the Seahawks' leading rebounder at 6.9 caroms per game...Wagner's 555 three-point attempts are far and away the highest total in the NEC (SHU, 514 and LIU, 503)...The Seahawks travel to FDU (Thurs.) and Monmouth (Sat.) this week.

J16	ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 53-60
J21	at LONG ISLAND	W 65-59(OT)
J23	at ST. FRANCIS (NY)	L 54-57
J28	QUINNIPAC	L 57-66
J30	SACRED HEART	W 74-73
F4	at MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 44-69
F6	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	L 50-66
F11	at FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	7:00 pm
F13	at MONMOUTH	7:00 pm
F18	BRYANT	7:00 pm
F20	CCSU	7:00 pm
F25	ROBERT MORRIS	7:00 pm
F27	SAINT FRANCIS (PA)	7:00 pm

# NEC Men's Basketball

## Facts/Figures

### NEC In RPI Rankings

(through games of 2/6)

School	Rank	Change
Bryant	345	-2
CCSU	319	+7
Fairleigh Dickinson	260	+36
Long Island	266	+4
Monmouth	298	-35
Mount St. Mary's	192	+4
Quinnipiac	169	+24
Robert Morris	156	+15
Sacred Heart	257	Even
St. Francis (NY)	281	-4
Saint Francis (PA)	310	+9
Wagner	329	-1
NEC	29th	Even

### NEC Active Leaders

#### 1,000+ Points or Closing In

Jeremy Goode	MSM	Sr	1,598
Jaytomah Wisseh	LIU	Sr	1,536
Sean Baptiste	FDU	Sr	1,408
Devin Sweetney	SFPA	Sr	1,404
James Feldeine	QU	Sr	1,190
Chauncy Hardy	SHU	Sr	1,172
Whitney Coleman	MU	Sr	1,128
Ryan Litke	SHU	Sr	1,119
Corey Hassan	SHU	Sr	1,077 (at SHU)
Ricky Cadell	SFNY	Jr	1,076
Justin Rutty	QU	Jr	993
Kyle Johnson	LIU	Jr	990

#### 500+ Rebounds or Closing In

Devin Sweetney	SFPA	Sr	707
Justin Rutty	QU	Jr	691
Kelly Beidler	MSM	Sr	605
Sean Baptiste	FDU	Sr	517
Kayode Ayeni	SFNY	Sr	449

#### 250+ Assists or Closing In

Jeremy Goode	MSM	Sr	569
Jaytomah Wisseh	LIU	Sr	488
James Hett	MU	Jr	344
Chauncy Hardy	SHU	Sr	326
Shemik Thompson	CCSU	Jr	323
Whitney Coleman	MU	Sr	274

### Close Games

(five points or less)

School	Rec.
Bryant	0-4
Central Connecticut State	2-1
Fairleigh Dickinson	2-1
Long Island	1-2
Monmouth	4-2
Mount St. Mary's	2-5
Quinnipiac	2-4
Robert Morris	5-2
Sacred Heart	3-4
St. Francis (NY)	6-3
St. Francis (PA)	3-1
Wagner	2-5

### Double-Doubles

(top-10)

Player	Total
Justin Rutty, QU	10
Liam Potter, SHU	6
Travis Taylor, MU	6
Corey Hassan, SHU	5
David Hicks, LIU	3
Kyle Johnson, LIU	3
Michael Oroock, WC	3
David Simmons, CCSU	3
Devin Sweetney, SFPA	3
Sean Baptiste, FDU	2
Kelly Beidler, MSM	2
Akeem Bennett, SFNY	2
Russell Johnson, RMU	2
Alvin Mofunanya, FDU	2
Jamal Olasewere, LIU	2
Rob Robinson, RMU	2

### NEC Coaching Records

Coach (School)	Year	Conf. Games		Overall Record	
	Hired	Rec.	Pct.	Rec.	Pct.
Mike Rice (RMU)	2007	42-6	.875	66-27	.710
Tom Moore (QU)	2007	31-16	.660	122-97	.557
Howie Dickenman (CCSU)	1997	141-91	.608	214-192	.527
Greg Vetrone (FDU)	2009	7-5	.583	8-16	.333
Dave Calloway (MU)	1998	119-106	.529	167-201	.454
Milan Brown (MSM)	2003	62-58	.517	88-119	.425
Mike Deane (WC)	2003	59-61	.492	436-327	.571
Jim Ferry (LIU)	2002	62-76	.449	197-150	.568
Dave Bike (SHU)	1999	82-115	.416	493-439	.529
Brian Nash (SFNY)	2005	32-52	.390	46-94	.329
Don Friday (SFPA)	2008	8-22	.267	96-88	.522
Tim O'Shea (BU)	2008	0-12	.000	128-140	.478

### NEC Past Champions

2009	Robert Morris	1999	Mount St. Mary's	1990	Robert Morris
2008	Mount St. Mary's	1998	Fairleigh Dickinson	1989	Robert Morris
2007	Central Connecticut St.	1997	Long Island	1988	FDU
2006	Monmouth	1996	Monmouth	1987	Marist
2005	Fairleigh Dickinson	1995	Mount St. Mary's	1986	Marist
2004	Monmouth	1994	Rider	1985	Fairleigh Dickinson
2003	Wagner	1993	Rider	1984	Long Island
2002	Central Connecticut St.	1992	Robert Morris	1983	Robert Morris
2001	Monmouth	1991	St. Francis (PA)	1982	Robert Morris
2000	Central Connecticut St.				

# 2010 NEC Basketball Tournament

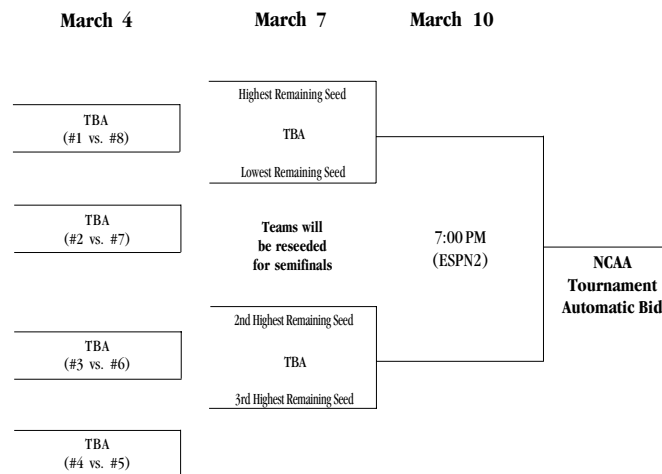
## Schedule

### 2010 NEC Men's Basketball Tournament

*all games to be held at home of higher seed  
teams will be reseeded following quarterfinals*

Thursday, March 4	Sunday, March 7	Wednesday, March 10
Quarterfinals	Semifinals	Championship
Times TBA	TBA,	7:00 pm (ESPN2)
	2:00 pm (MSG, FCS)	

### 2010 NEC Tournament Men's Championship Bracket



## NEC Men's Basketball vs. the competition

### NEC vs...

AmericaEast	8-8	Mid-American	2-2
ACC	0-2	MEAC	1-3
AtlanticSun	0-1	Missouri Valley	0-1
Atlantic 10	0-7	Mountain West	1-1
Big East	0-12	Ohio Valley	0-1
Big Sky	0-0	Pac 10	0-0
Big South	0-0	Patriot	7-16
Big Ten	0-5	SEC	0-0
Big-12	0-2	Southern	0-3
Big West	0-1	Southland	1-1
Colonial	0-2	SWAC	2-0
Conference USA	0-0	Summit	0-0
Great West	0-4	Sun Belt	1-0
Horizon	2-2	WCC	0-1
Independent	1-2	WAC	0-1
Ivy	9-10	Overall	<b>38-100</b>
MAAC	3-12		



## NEC Men's Basketball

### Preseason Poll/All-Conference Teams

#### Northeast Conference Preseason Coaches Poll

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Mount St. Mary's (9) | 7. St. Francis (NY)    |
| 2. Long Island (1)      | 8. Fairleigh Dickinson |
| 3. Robert Morris (2)    | 9. Monmouth            |
| Quinnipiac              | 10. Wagner             |
| 5. CCSU                 | 11. Bryant             |
| 6. Sacred Heart         | 12. Saint Francis (PA) |

#### Northeast Conference Preseason All-Conference Team

Name	School	Pos.	Class
Sean Baptiste	Fairleigh Dickinson	G	Sr
Jeremy Goode	Mount St. Mary's	G	Sr
Ken Horton	CCSU	F	Jr
Justin Ruty	Quinnipiac	F	Jr
Jaytornah Wisseh	Long Island	G	Sr

## NEC Men's Basketball

### Foreign Born Players

Name	School	Cl	Hometown, Country
Femi Akinpetide	Sacred Heart	So	Sydney, Australia
Claybrin McMath	Bryant	Fr	Adelaide, Australia
Jonathan Tull	CCSU	Fr	Toronto, Canada
Anaclet Mulumba Mbayi	FDU	So	Montreal, Quebec, Canada
Kyle Johnson	Long Island	Jr	Ajax, Ontario, Canada
Arnold Mayorga	Long Island	So	London, Ontario, Canada
Tyler Murray	Wagner	So	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Kamil Svrđlik	FDU	Jr	Tomas Bata, Czech Republic
Kristijan Krajina	Mount St. Mary's	Fr	Ošijek, Croatia
Mislav Jukić	Saint Francis (PA)	Sr	Zagreb, Croatia
Devan Bailey	CCSU	Fr	Helsby, England
Lawrence Brown	FDU	Sr	Portsmouth, England
Sam Fernley	FDU	So	Sheffield, England
Phil Wait	Monmouth	So	Manchester, England
Raheem May Thompson	Quinnipiac	Fr	London, England
Liam Potter	Sacred Heart	Sr	Lincolnshire, England
Richard Clark	St. Francis (NY)	So	Berkshire, England
Clayfell Harris	Wagner	Jr	London, England
Cedric Latimer	Saint Francis (PA)	Jr	Helsinki, Finland
Yaniv Simpson	Monmouth	Sr	Kfar Saba, Israel
Adam Parzych	Bryant	Sr	Lomza, Poland
Papa Lo	Bryant	So	Thies, Senegal
Stefan Perunicic	St. Francis (NY)	So	Belgrade, Serbia
Sorena Orandi	Saint Francis (PA)	Jr	Vastra Frolunda, Gothenburg, Sweden
Milos Nikolic	Long Island	Jr	Lugano, Switzerland
Mehmet Sahar	Sacred Heart	Jr	Istanbul, Turkey
Vlad Kondratyev	Bryant	Fr	Nikolayev, Ukraine

27 players representing 14 countries.

## NEC Men's Basketball

### 2008-09 Standings

School	NEC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
1. Robert Morris* ^	15-3	.833	24-11	.686
2. Mount St. Mary's*	12-6	.667	19-14	.576
Sacred Heart*	12-6	.667	17-14	.548
Long Island*	12-6	.667	16-14	.533
5. Quinnipiac*	10-8	.556	15-16	.484
6. Wagner*	8-10	.444	16-14	.533
Central Connecticut State*	8-10	.444	13-17	.433
8. St. Francis (NY)*	7-11	.389	10-20	.333
9. Monmouth	6-12	.333	8-23	.258
Fairleigh Dickinson	6-12	.333	7-23	.233
11. Saint Francis (PA)	3-15	.167	6-23	.207

\* NEC Tournament participants

^ NEC Tournament champion

## 2009-10 NEC Basketball

### Composite Schedule Of Television Broadcasts

*The Northeast Conference (NEC) announced its 2009-10 basketball television package this afternoon, a lineup that will feature 19 regionally produced games and two national postseason broadcasts on the ESPN family of networks. Regional broadcast partners for the upcoming year include flagship station Madison Square Garden Network (MSG), along with FSN-Pittsburgh, Mid-Atlantic Sports Network (MASN), Fox College Sports (FCS), Cox Sports, New England Sports Network (NESN) and Connecticut Sports Network (CTSN). The 2009-10 package includes seven prime time contests and three NEC Tournament games. In total, the league will air 16 men's games and five women's contests, including four as part of men/women doubleheaders.*

Date	Matchup	Carrier	Time
Dec. 3	Mount St. Mary's at Robert Morris	7:00pm	MSG, MASN, WPXI-NBC11 (Pittsburgh), FCS, FSN-Pittsburgh (TD-12/4 at 10 pm)
Dec. 5	Bryant at St. Francis (NY)	12:00pm	MSG, Cox (TD-7:00 pm), FCS
Jan. 23	Robert Morris at Monmouth (women)	12:00pm	FSN-Pittsburgh, FCS
	Robert Morris at Monmouth (men)	4:00pm	MSG, FSN-Pittsburgh, FCS
Jan. 24	CCSU at Quinnipiac	12:00pm	NESN, CTSN (TD), ESPN FC
Jan. 30	Sacred Heart at Wagner	12:00pm	MSG, FCS, CTSN (TD)
Feb. 4	Quinnipiac at Sacred Heart (women)	5:00pm	FCS, CTSN, ESPN FC
	Quinnipiac at Sacred Heart (men)	7:30pm	FCS, CTSN, ESPN FC
Feb. 6	Fairleigh Dickinson at Monmouth	12:00pm	MSG, FCS
	St. Francis (NY) at Long Island	2:00pm	MSG, FCS
Feb. 11	Wagner at Fairleigh Dickinson	7:00pm	MSG, FCS
	Saint Francis (PA) at Bryant	7:00pm	FSN-Pittsburgh, Cox, FCS (TD), ESPN FC
Feb. 18	CCSU at Mount St. Mary's	7:00pm	MSG, MASN, Cox, FCS, CTSN (TD)
Feb. 20	Sacred Heart at Saint Francis (PA) (women)	12:00pm	MSG, FSN-Pittsburgh, WWCP-Fox8, FCS, CTSN (TD)
	Sacred Heart at Saint Francis (PA) (men)	4:00pm	MSG, FSN-Pittsburgh, WWCP-Fox8, FCS, CTSN (TD)
Feb. 25	Long Island at CCSU (women)	5:00pm	MSG, Cox, FCS, CTSN (TD)
	Long Island at CCSU (men)	7:30pm	MSG, Cox, FCS, CTSN (TD)
Feb. 27	Robert Morris at Mount St. Mary's	4:00pm	MSG, FSN-Pittsburgh, FCS, MASN (TD)
Mar. 7	NEC Men's Semifinal Game	2:00pm	MSG, FCS
Mar. 10	NEC Men's Championship Game	7:00pm	ESPN2
Mar. 14	NEC Women's Championship Game	3:00pm	ESPNU

Carrier	Region
MSG Network	Three states in NY metro area
MASN (Mid-Atlantic Sports Network)	MD, DE, VA and DC, plus portions of PA, WV and NC
FSN-Pittsburgh	Western PA, portions of WV, OH and MD
NESN (New England Sports Network)	Six-state New England region
Connecticut Sports Network	Connecticut & Rhode Island
Cox Sports	Connecticut & Rhode Island
WWCP Fox 8 (Altoona/Johnstown)	Western PA
FCS (Fox College Sports)	Digital cable systems
ESPN2, ESPNU	Nationwide
ESPN Full Court	Nationwide PPV Package

#### NEC Basketball Broadcast Team

Tim Capstraw	Color	11th year
Paul Dottino	Play-By-Play, Sideline	11th year
Dave Popkin	Play-By-Play	10th year
Terry O'Connor	Color	8th year
Pam Roecker	Color	8th year
Joe DeSantis	Color	3rd year
Jared Greenberg	Sideline, Play-By-Play	2nd year
Keith Irizarry	Sideline	2nd year
Matt Harmon	Play-By-Play/Sideline	1st year
Tara Petrolino	Color	1st year
Jaclyn Vocell	Sideline	1st year

## NEC Signees

Here is a list of announced 2010-11 men's basketball signees from the early signing period. This list will be updated periodically.

### Bryant

Matthew Lee	G	6-2	170	Bloomfield, NJ/Westtown School (PA)
Corey Maynard	G	6-3		Adelaide, Australia/Sacred Heart College HS
Troy Robinson	F	6-6	190	Roslindale, MA/Brimmer & May School

### Long Island

Jason Brickman	G	5-10		San Antonio, TX/Clark
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### Mount St. Mary's

Justin Burrell	G	5-8		Dumfries, VA/Potomac
Jeff James	F	6-4		Bowie, MD/Bowie
Donte Morales	F	6-5		Virginia Beach, VA/Landstown (Fishburne Military)

### Quinnipiac

Ike Azotam	F	6-7		Boston, MA/O'Bryant (Marianapolis Prep)
Dominique Langston	G	6-3		Bridgeport, CT/Kolbe Cathedral (St. Thomas More)

### Robert Morris

Malcolm Lemmons	F	6-5	205	Washington, D.C./Gonzaga
Brook Turson	G	6-3	185	Plymouth, OH/Plymouth

### Sacred Heart

Chris Evans	G	6-2		Stamford, CT/Stamford (Taft School)
Steve Glowiak	G	6-2		New Britain, CT/New Britain

### St. Francis (NY)

Mike Glover	F	6-6		Bronx, NY/America Christian School (PA) (College of Eastern Utah)
Kenny Moore	F	6-6	220	Philadelphia, PA/University City High School (Midland CC)

### Saint Francis (PA)

Scott Eatherton	F/C	6-8	205	Hershey, PA/Hershey
Kyheim Hall	G	6-3	210	Swiftwater, PA/Pocono Mountain East
Storm Stanley	C	6-11	245	Lambertville, MI/St. Francis de Sales (OH)

### Wagner

Josh Daniell	F	6-8	205	Old Bridge, NJ/St. Patrick's
Evan Pierce	G	6-2	175	Pittsburgh, PA/Mt. Lebanon

## NEC Preseason Notes

### **Preseason All-NEC Team**

The preseason all-NEC team is comprised of three guards and two forwards: Fairleigh Dickinson senior guard **Sean Baptiste (North Brunswick, NJ/St. Joseph's of Metuchen)**, Mount St. Mary's senior guard **Jeremy Goode (Charlotte, NC/Providence Day)**, CCSU junior forward **Ken Horton (Ossining, NY/Ossining)**, Quinnipiac junior forward **Justin Ruttly (Newburgh, NY/Newburgh Free Academy)** and Long Island senior guard **Jayornah Wisseh (Brooklyn, NY/Banneker Academy)**. Goode, Ruttly and Wisseh were all first team All-NEC picks a year ago, while Baptiste and Horton (out for the season with a knee injury) were second team honorees. Wisseh is the only two-time All-NEC honoree in the group.

### **Mount St. Mary's Picked To Defend NEC Title**

or the second straight year, Mount St. Mary's has been tabbed by the league's head coaches to capture the Northeast Conference men's basketball championship. The Mount, which has reached the postseason in each of the last two years and won the conference title in 2008, received nine first place votes.

Long Island was chosen second and earned a single first place vote. Defending NEC champion Robert Morris and Quinnipiac tied for third with the Colonials securing two first place nods. Central Connecticut State was picked fifth, with Sacred Heart in sixth and St. Francis (NY) in the seventh position. Fairleigh Dickinson landed in eighth place, followed by Monmouth in ninth, Wagner in tenth, Bryant in eleventh and Saint Francis (PA) in twelfth.

Robert Morris will attempt to become the first team since Rider in 1993 and 1994 to repeat as league champions. In order to do so, NEC Coach of the Year Mike Rice must replace NEC Player of the Year Jeremy Chappell, as well as NEC Defensive Player of the Year Bateko Francisco, both of whom were lost to graduation.

### NEC Preseason Poll

1. Mount St. Mary's (9)
2. Long Island (1)
3. Robert Morris (2)  
Quinnipiac
5. CCSU

6. Sacred Heart
7. St. Francis (NY)
8. Fairleigh Dickinson
9. Monmouth
10. Wagner
11. Bryant
12. Saint Francis (PA)

### **NEC's Postseason Pair**

The NEC sent two teams to the postseason for the third time in the last four years when Robert Morris represented the conference in the 2009 NCAA Tournament and league runner-up Mount St. Mary's was selected to participate in the inaugural College Insider Postseason Tournament (CIT). In first round NCAA action in Minneapolis, MN, the Colonials hung tough with second-seeded Michigan State, holding a 28-26 advantage late the first half before eventually succumbing, 77-62. Mount St. Mary's fell victim to a late James Madison rally in a 69-58 setback in Harrisonburg, VA in CIT first round play. The Mount trailed by just two with six minutes remaining, but a 15-3 Duke rally over the next five minutes spelled the difference. In 2008, Mount St. Mary's defeated Coppin State, 69-60, before dropping a 113-74 decision to #1 seed North Carolina in the NCAA Tournament, while Robert Morris came up just short in its first round Postseason NIT game, falling at Syracuse, 87-81. In 2006, Monmouth advanced to the NCAA Tournament and defeated Hampton, 71-49, prior to a 58-45 setback to #1 seed Villanova. That same year, Fairleigh Dickinson dropped an 80-77 encounter at Manhattan in the Postseason NIT.

### **Back-To-Back Quest Continues**

It has now been 15 years since an NEC program captured back-to-back conference tournament titles. Not since 1993 and 1994 when Rider claimed league crowns has a program been able to turn the trick, though FDU and Mount St. Mary's came within a hair's length of doing so. The Knights fell to Monmouth on a last second layup in the 2006 NEC title game, while the Mount lost to Robert Morris last season on a shot with 2.2 seconds to play.

### **50-Spot For RMU, Rice**

Robert Morris has now won 50 games in two seasons under Mike Rice, by far the best two-year stretch in NEC annals. No other NEC program has won more than 44 games in back-to-back years (CCSU from 1998-00). From 2007-09, the Colonials are 50-18 (.735) overall and 31-5 (.861) in NEC play. The 31-5 mark against league opposition is the second-best two year stretch behind Marist's 28-4 (.875) run from 1986-88. Robert Morris has also posted back-to-back 20-win seasons for the first time since 1988-89 (21 wins) and 1989-90 (22 wins) and second time in school history.

### **Look Who's Back**

The NEC welcomes back eight of its 10 all-NEC performers this season led by first team all-stars Jeremy Goode (MSM), Justin Ruttly (QU) and Jayornah Wisseh (LIU). Similarly, 39 of the league's 60 starters (65.0 percent) return in 2008-09. A total of eight of the NEC's top-ten returning scorers and 22 of the top-30 will suit up this season.

### **Monmouth To Open MAC In November**

After a 44-year residency in Boylan Gymnasium, Monmouth moves into the state-of-the-art Multipurpose Activity Center (MAC) with its season opener against Florida International on November 13. The MAC, which will serve students, faculty, employees, alumni and residents of the local community, contains a multi-purpose gymnasium with 4,100 seats and a 200-meter, six-lane indoor track. The new building is also the home to the University Bookstore, the Monmouth Athletics Hall of Fame, home and opposing locker rooms, educational and administrative areas, a new Varsity Club, and a new Fitness Center. The structure encompasses 152,400 square feet and has no comparable facilities in Monmouth County.

### **RMU Sporting 20-20 Vision**

Robert Morris' back-to-back 20-win seasons - the Colonials won 26 games in 2007-08 and 24 more in 2008-09 - are the first for the conference since Fairleigh Dickinson won 20 games in 2004-05 and 2005-06. Prior to FDU's two-year run, you'd have to go back to Long Island's 21 win seasons in 1996-97 and 1997-98. In the history of the NEC, there have been seven back-to-back 20-win campaigns, including Robert Morris (21 in 1988-89, 22 in 1989-90), Fairleigh Dickinson (21 in 1984-85, 22 in 1985-86) and Long Island (20 in 1981-82, 1982-83 and 1983-84).

### **Reaching The Playoffs**

Central Connecticut State has now qualified for the eight-team NEC Tournament in each of the last 11 years, the longest current streak in the conference and tied for third longest in league history. FDU holds the record with 18 straight appearances from 1984-01. Below is each NEC school's success rate in reaching the tourney over the last five years.

### Qualified For NEC Tournament • Last Five Years (2005-09)

- All 5 Years: Central Connecticut State, Robert Morris
- 4 Years: Long Island, Monmouth, Mount St. Mary's, Quinnipiac, Sacred Heart, Wagner
- 3 Years: Fairleigh Dickinson, St. Francis (NY)
- 2 Years: Saint Francis (PA)

### Mounting Achievements

Mount St. Mary's enters the 2009-10 campaign fresh off back-to-back postseason appearances, the first such instance for the program since capturing the NEC crown in 1995 and playing in the NIT in 1996. The Mount won the NEC Tournament in 2008, then came within a whisker of repeating last season, falling at Robert Morris, 48-46. The Mountaineers instead accepted a bid to the inaugural College Insider Postseason Tournament (CIT) against James Madison. With a 19-14 record in 2008-09, the Mount also clinched its second consecutive winning season and raised its two-season win total to 38, tying for the best two-year stretch in its Division I history. Mount St. Mary's won 17 games in 1994-95 and 21 in 1995-96.

### MSM's Goode Tops NEC Scoring List

The NEC will begin the 2009-10 campaign with four returning players already members of the 1,000-point club, and a host of others set to join the ranks as the season progresses. A total of eight NEC competitors reached the 1,000-point plateau a year ago to raise membership to 154 since the league began sponsoring basketball in 1981. Mount St. Mary's senior guard Jeremy Goode is the leading active scorer in the league with 1,283 points. If Goode exceeds his point total (492) from 2008-09, he could finish among the top-10 on the NEC career scoring chart. Long Island senior guard Jaytornah Wisseh sits second among current players with 1,182 points. Saint Francis (PA) senior forward Devin Sweetney has amassed 1,056 points over his first three seasons, while FDU senior guard Sean Baptiste is right behind with 1,034. There will likely be a long list of players who crack the 1,000-point milestone this season, including Sacred Heart senior guard Chauncy Hardy (940), Monmouth senior guard Whitney Coleman (882) and CCSU junior forward Ken Horton (829).

### A Look Back, A Look Ahead For Bryant

In its maiden Division I voyage, future NEC member Bryant had its bumps along the road, but after a 2-14 start - that included a brutal stretch against the likes of Iowa, Boston College, Providence and Maryland - the Bulldogs hit their stride in mid-January and finished out the year with a 6-6 record. Bryant posted a 6-8 record against NEC opposition, including a 3-3 mark on the road. In 2009-10, Bryant will play a full conference schedule and will count in the league standings. The Bulldogs will also be eligible for NEC weekly and postseason awards. Bryant is ineligible to qualify for the NEC Tournament until 2012-13, at which time the University officially become the league's 12th member upon completion of the five-year NCAA Division I reclassification period.

### Vetrone To Assume Interim Duties At Fairleigh Dickinson

For the first time since 1982 there will be a new look on the Fairleigh Dickinson sideline this season as Greg Vetrone takes over for Tom Green on an interim basis. Vetrone, who rejoined the FDU men's basketball staff as an assistant for the 2008-09 season, has amassed over 20 years working within all aspects of basketball, but will be assuming his first collegiate head coaching position. He began his coaching career in 1986 as an assistant C.W. Post, then moved to FDU as an assistant from 1988-91. Vetrone then assisted at Cal-Irvine from 1991-95, followed by a four-year stint at UNLV.

### Sacred Heart Making Winning A Habit

When back-to-back 18-win years were followed by a 17-victory season in 2008-09, it marked the first time Sacred Heart had posted three consecutive winning campaigns since 1987-90 when the Pioneers were a Division II power. While the program's first NEC championship has proved elusive, the Pioneers reached the conference title game in 2007 and 2008, and were ousted in the semifinals last season by Mount St. Mary's, 68-63.

### Top Returning Scoring Duos

The NEC will feature six schools with duos that combined to score at least 25.0 ppg last season. Topping the list is the Quinnipiac combination of James Feldeine and Justin Rutty. Feldeine paced the NEC a year ago with 17.0 ppg, while Rutty added 14.8 ppg for a combined 31.8 ppg.

School	Player	PPG	Player	PPG	Combined PPG
Quinnipiac	James Feldeine	17.0	Justin Rutty	14.8	31.8
Long Island	Jaytornah Wisseh	15.2	Kyle Johnson	13.8	29.0
St. Francis (NY)	Ricky Cadell	15.3	Kayode Ayeni	13.3	28.6
CCSU	Ken Horton	16.5	Shemik Thompson	11.5	28.0
Mount St. Mary's	Jeremy Goode	14.9	Jean Cajou	12.6	27.5
Saint Francis (PA)	Devin Sweetney	16.3	Mislav Jukic	10.4	26.7

### Home Court Streak

Both Mount St. Mary's and Robert Morris enter the 2009-10 season riding significant home win streaks. The Colonials have won 11 straight at the Sewall Center, tying them for the 14th longest streak in the nation. It also marks the most consecutive home victories for RMU since claiming 15 straight from 1990-91. The Mount has knocked off ten straight opponents at Knott Arena, the 17th longest current streak in Division I and the most for the Mountaineers since winning 16 in a row in Emmitsburg from 1994-96.

### Stat Leaders Return

A total of six NEC individual offensive statistical leaders from last season return in 2009-10, including Quinnipiac senior guard James Feldeine, who led the conference in scoring at 17.0 ppg.

Category	Player	Stats
Scoring	James Feldeine, QU	17.0
Rebounding	Justin Rutty, QU	9.8
FT%	Robby Ptacek, CCSU	.878

3PPG%	Chris Martin, WC	.455
Blocks	Alvin Mofunanya, FDU	2.0
Asst./TO Ratio	James Hett, MU	2.16:1