



NJIT HIGHLANDERS MEN'S BASKETBALL

GAME 4: NJIT (2-2, 0-0) vs. GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY (1-2, 0-0)

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016 • 12:30 PM • Hard Rock Riviera Maya • Cancun, Mexico • TV: none

2016-17 Record | ASC:.....2-2 | 0-0
2015-16 Record | ASC:.....20-15 | 8-6
ASUN Rank (Preseason):.....n/a (3rd)
NCAA RPI ('15-16):.....183
All-time vs. Sun Belt:.....2-0
Head Coach:.....Brian Kennedy
Record at NJIT (1st):.....2-2
Career Record (1st):.....2-2



2016-17 Record | SBC:.....1-2 | 0-0
2015-16 Record | SBC:.....16-14 | 9-11
PL Rank (Preseason):.....n/a (3rd)
NCAA RPI ('15-16):.....177
All-time vs. NJIT:.....0-0
Head Coach:.....Ron Hunter
Record at GSU (6th):.....104-63
Career Record (23rd):.....378-273

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2016-17 SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER (2-2)

11	SARAH LAWRENCE	W, 100-38
14	at Utah State [^]	L, 93-84
17	at Lafayette	L, 84-83 OT
19	COLGATE	W, 74-68
22	vs. Georgia State [^]	12:30 pm
23	Idaho State/E. Kentucky [^]	TBD
26	at Purdue [^]	3:30 pm
30	ST. FRANCIS (PA)	7 pm

DECEMBER (0-0)

3	at UMass-Lowell	2 pm
6	at Minnesota	7 pm (CT)
10	at Kent State	7 pm
14	at Iona	7 pm
17	at Temple	7 pm
22	DEAN COLLEGE (MA)	4 pm
28	at Stony Brook	7 pm

JANUARY (0-0)

4	BROWN	7 pm
7	at USC Upstate*	2 pm
12	JACKSONVILLE*	7 pm
14	NORTH FLORIDA*	4 pm
19	at Stetson*	7 pm
21	at Florida Gulf Coast*	7 pm
25	at Kennesaw State*	7 pm
28	LIPSCOMB*	4 pm
30	KENNESAW STATE*	7 pm

FEBRUARY (0-0)

4	at Lipscomb*	4 pm
9	at North Florida*	7 pm
11	at Jacksonville*	7 pm
16	FLORIDA GULF COAST*	7 pm
18	STETSON*	4 pm
23	USC UPSTATE*	7 pm
27	ASUN Quarterfinals (sites TBD)	

MARCH (0-0)

2	ASUN Semifinals (sites TBD)	
5	ASUN Finals (sites TBD)	

HOME GAMES IN CAPS

[^]Cancun Challenge

*ASUN Conference Game



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HIGHLIGHTS:

- ⊗ This is NJIT's first all-time matchup against Georgia State, a member of the Sun Belt.
- ⊗ All-time, NJIT is **2-0** against Sun Belt Conference foes. They first won at South Alabama, 72-55, on Jan. 25, 2015; then defeated UT Arlington, 63-60, on March 24, 2016 (CIT quarterfinals).
- ⊗ NJIT started the Cancun Challenge with a 93-84 loss at Utah State on Nov. 14. In that contest, senior **Damon Lynn** tied his own NJIT D-I single-game record with **34** points
- ⊗ NJIT has not played on a neutral court since a 62-61 loss to Texas-Pan Am in the first round of the 2013 Great West Conference Tournament at Chicago State... The last time they played on a neutral court during a regular season was Nov. 29, 2008, a 55-47 loss to Monmouth at the Palestra, when NJIT went 0-2 in their last regular season tournament (Philly Hoop Group Classic).
- ⊗ With a win today, NJIT will start 3-2 -- which will mark the fourth time in 11 seasons as a Division-I member that the Highlanders will have started 3-2 or better (started 3-2 in 2015-16).
- ⊗ With a win today, NJIT will earn its 119th victory as a D-I member (2006-pres.), passing its win total from its D-II era from 1997-06 (118-133). NJIT went 368-160 in its D-III era (1974-96).
- ⊗ Last season, the ASUN was the highest-scoring conference in D-I. Currently, NJIT leads the ASUN in scoring at **85.3** ppg... Senior **Damon Lynn** leads the conference in scoring at 24.0 ppg.
- ⊗ The Highlanders also lead the ASUN in scoring defense, allowing just **70.8** ppg.
- ⊗ Since Dec. 30, 2014, the Highlanders boast an impressive **38-20** (.655) record.

RECORDS

Overall	2-2
Home	1-0
Away	0-2
Neutral	0-0
ASUN	0-0
Home	0-0
Away	0-0
Non-Conference	2-2
Home	2-0
Away	0-2
Current streak	W1
Long. W streak	W1
Long. L streak	L2
Leading at Half	1-1
Tailing at Half	1-1
Tied at Half	0-0
Overtime	0-1
Travel Days	0-1
Day	2-0
Night (6 PM on)	0-2
Ranked Teams	0-0
Power Conf.	0-0
All-Time	118-194
Division I	93-194
Non Division I	25-0

PROBABLE STARTERS

No.	Name	PO	YR	HT	WT	Notes
0	Abdul Lewis	F	R-So.	6-9	185	• Ranks 2nd in ASUN at 8.8 rpg; 11/17 at LC: First NJIT dbl-dbl (13 pts, 12 reb) • Sat out last season under NCAA transfer rules (South Alabama) • 2014-15: Avg'd 7.0 ppg (.468 FG%); led USA w/ 6.7 rpg (7th in SBC)
2	Tim Coleman ^c	F	Sr.	6-5	210	• Has 1,110 career pts (6th in D-I era); 567 career rebounds (2nd) <i>Preseason All ASUN</i> • Owns 10 career dbl-dbls, 2 shy of NJIT's D-I rec. (Milosevic, Wilkerson) • 2015-16 ASUN: 3rd spg (1.5), 4th rpg (7.5), 5th bpg (0.9), 11th ppg (13.8)
5	Damon Lynn ^c	G	Sr.	5-11	165	• Leads ASUN in ppg (24.0) & 3FGM (16); 2nd in FT% (.966), T4th in apg (4.0) <i>'16 ASUN 1st-Team</i> <i>Preseason All ASUN</i> • D-I Active Car. Ranks: 1st in 3PT (365); 3rd pts (1,816), 6th ppg (18.0) • 11/14: Tied own NJIT D-I single-game rec. w/ 34 pts (1/18/14 @ NC A&T) • 11/11: Set NJIT D-I career scoring rec. (1,724; Chris Flores '13); has 1,812
23	Osa Izevbuwa	G	Sr.	6-3	230	• 11/19: Season-high 9 pts (3-5 3FG)... Started all 4 G (his first 4 in D-I) • 2015-16: Last 8 G: 3.3 ppg (26) on 9-21 FG (.429), 7-15 3FG (.467) • Transferred from Williston St. JC following 2013-14 (8.5 ppg, 3.7 rpg)
25	Rob Ukawuba ^c	G	Sr.	6-3	210	• Ranks 7th in ASUN in FG% (.607); 11/14: 12 pts, 5 reb*, 6 ast* team highs • 2015-16: 4th-leading scorer (8.2) among ASUN reserves (>10 starts) • 2015-16 ASUN Ranks: 22nd in apg (1.8), 30th in rpg (3.4), 31st in ppg ^c Co-Captains

RES OF ROTATION

No.	Name	PO	YR	HT	WT	Notes
1	Taj Price	F	Fr.	6-7	210	• 11/11: Posted 9-7-1 line in NCAA debut... HS: Avg'd 9.4 ppg, 4.9 rpg as SR
3	Chris Jenkins	G/F	Jr.	6-4	215	• 2015-16: ASUN Ranks: 8th in 3FG% (.399), 9th in 3FG/G (2.0) • Transferred from Hofstra following 2014-15 (5.4 ppg in 28 G as a FR)
11	Shyquan Gibbs	G	Fr.	6-1	150	• Valedictorian led St. Anthony's HS to a NJ State Championship (26-0)
12	Anthony Tarke	G/F	Fr.	6-6	205	• Ranks 6th in ASUN in reb (7.3 rpg); 3rd in o-reb (3.0); T9th in spg (1.7) • 11/11: Became first Highlander to start NCAA career w/ dbl-dbl (13-10)
14	Reilly Walsh	G	So.	6-3	180	• 11/11: Scored first 6 points of NCAA career; added 5 boards & 3 steals • Won 2014-15 Warren Jaques Award (top HS player on Staten Island)
21	Ron Alston	G/F	Fr.	6-6	195	• 11/11: 9-7-4 in NCAA debut... HS: Ranked #42 in Va. (10.8 ppg, 7.1 rpg)
34	Mohamed Bendary	F	So.	6-9	235	• 2015-16: Led team in blocks 7x, in scoring 2x and in rebounding 3x • 2015-16 in ASUN Play: Ranked T-11th in bpg (0.6), 27th in rpg (4.1)

2016-17 HIGHLANDERS



"One of the deepest mid-major conferences in the country" -- Mid-Major Madness

FGCU GRABS PRESEASON TOP SPOT; MOORE & MORANT COLLECT INDIVIDUAL HONORS

MACON, Ga. - After capturing its second ASUN Conference Men's Basketball Championship last season, FGCU sits atop the Preseason Coaches & Media Polls. North Florida, the two-time defending ASUN Regular Season Champions, followed in second place garnering first-place votes in each ranking.

UNF senior guard Dallas Moore collected ASUN Preseason Player of the Year honors after leading the league in scoring (19.8) and assists (6.0) last season.

FGCU's Demetris Morant corralled the ASUN Preseason Defensive Player of the Year nod after swatting away 32 shots in 23 games last season. Morant added 5.3 RPG, while contributing 5.7 PPG on the offensive end shooting 57.6 percent from the field.

NJIT sits third in both preseason rankings as the Highlanders enter their second season in the ASUN after a second-straight semifinal appearance in the *CollegeInsider* Tournament.

PRESEASON COACHES POLL:

Rank (1st-Place Votes)	Total Pts
1. FGCU (6)	62
2. North Florida (2)	50
3. NJIT	47
4. Lipscomb	40
5. Stetson	34
6. Jacksonville	24
7. Kennesaw State	20
8. USC Upstate	11

PRESEASON MEDIA POLL:

Rank (1st-Place Votes)	Total Pts
1. FGCU (42)	412
2. North Florida (8)	368
3. NJIT	286
4. Stetson	234
5. Jacksonville (2)	218
6. Lipscomb	204
7. Kennesaw State	160
8. USC Upstate	70

PRESEASON INDIVIDUAL HONORS:

Preseason Player of the Year:

Dallas Moore, North Florida

Defensive Player of the Year:

Demetris Morant, FGCU

PRESEASON ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM:

Position	Name	School	Year
*G	Dallas Moore	UNF	Sr.
*F	Marc-Eddy Norelia	FGCU	Sr.
*G	Kendrick Ray	KSU	Sr.
*G	Damon Lynn	NJIT	Sr.
*F	Chris Davenport	UNF	Sr.
G	Zach Johnson	FGCU	So.
G	Josh Williams	Lipscomb	Sr.
G	Tim Coleman	NJIT	Sr.
F	Derick Newton	Stetson	So.
F	Brian Pegg	Stetson	Gr.

* Denotes unanimous selection

ATLANTIC SUN STANDINGS (as of 11/20):

Standings	Conference				Overall				H	A	N	L10	Strk
	Rec	Win %	PF	PA	Rec	Win %	PF	PA					
Jacksonville	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	3-2	.600	75.0	74.0	0-0	1-2	2-0	3-2	L 1
NJIT	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	2-2	.500	85.2	70.8	2-0	0-2	0-0	2-2	W 1
Stetson	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	2-2	.500	80.5	79.5	2-1	0-1	0-0	2-2	L 2
USC Upstate	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	2-2	.500	71.8	80.2	1-1	1-1	0-0	2-2	W 1
Lipscomb	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	2-4	.333	81.3	79.5	2-0	0-2	0-2	2-4	L 3
Kennesaw State	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	1-3	.250	77.8	83.2	1-0	0-3	0-0	1-3	L 2
North Florida	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	1-3	.250	75.2	82.0	1-1	0-2	0-0	1-3	L 2
FGCU	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	1-3	.250	73.2	77.8	1-0	0-2	0-1	1-3	L 2

A-SUN OFFENSIVE RANKINGS (as of 11/20):

RK	NAME	GP	FG	PCT	3PT	PCT	FT	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK	PF	PTS
1	NJIT	4	116-262	44.3	33-107	30.8	76-104	73.1	12.3	31.0	43.3	13.3	14.5	8.3	3.0	21.5	85.3
2	Lipscomb	6	158-342	46.2	58-168	34.5	114-167	68.3	9.7	26.8	36.5	18.2	17.0	4.8	2.7	25.3	81.3
3	Stetson	4	107-248	43.1	31-102	30.4	77-109	70.6	7.8	27.0	34.8	17.3	11.8	7.0	3.5	21.5	80.5
4	Kennesaw State	4	120-254	47.2	23-60	38.3	48-81	59.3	13.8	28.8	42.5	17.8	16.8	5.3	3.8	24.5	77.8
5	North Florida	4	103-243	42.4	26-98	26.5	69-110	62.7	14.3	28.8	43.0	13.0	20.0	3.8	5.0	24.0	75.3
6	Jacksonville	5	129-267	48.3	40-102	39.2	77-104	74.0	7.2	22.0	29.2	10.6	14.2	6.8	1.8	20.8	75.0
7	FGCU	4	106-228	46.5	34-76	44.7	47-67	70.1	10.8	23.3	34.0	13.3	14.3	3.0	2.5	23.3	73.3
8	USC Upstate	4	102-237	43.0	37-107	34.6	46-81	56.8	16.3	23.8	40.0	14.8	18.3	5.8	4.8	18.3	71.8

A-SUN DEFENSIVE RANKINGS (as of 11/20):

RK	NAME	GP	FG	PCT	3PT	PCT	OFF	DEF	REB	MAR	AST	TO	STL	BLK	PF	PTS
1	NJIT	4	100-242	41.3	31-95	32.6	7.0	27.8	34.8	8.5	15.0	16.5	5.3	2.5	21.5	70.8
2	Jacksonville	5	130-279	46.6	36-98	36.7	10.0	22.4	32.4	-3.2	13.2	14.6	5.6	2.2	20.4	74.0
3	FGCU	4	106-221	48.0	26-77	33.8	9.5	22.0	31.5	2.5	15.3	9.5	7.0	6.0	17.5	77.8
4	Lipscomb	6	154-343	44.9	43-117	36.8	10.3	26.0	36.3	0.2	14.0	14.8	8.2	2.8	25.2	79.5
4	Stetson	4	116-266	43.6	34-95	35.8	13.5	30.8	44.3	-9.5	14.3	16.0	5.5	3.3	22.8	79.5
6	USC Upstate	4	114-253	45.1	37-93	39.8	13.3	22.5	35.8	4.3	17.8	11.3	9.5	1.3	19.0	80.3
7	North Florida	4	111-259	42.9	34-94	36.2	13.3	25.8	39.0	4.0	14.3	13.3	9.5	3.3	24.0	82.0
8	Kennesaw State	4	110-246	44.7	28-78	35.9	10.5	24.8	35.3	7.3	10.8	11.5	8.8	3.5	21.8	83.3

SCORING LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	FG	3FG	FT	PTS	PPG
1.	LYNN, Damon-NJIT	SR	4	26	16	28	96	24.0
2.	HOLDER, J.R.-JU	SR	5	41	9	17	108	21.6
3.	GOODWIN, Brandon-FGCU	JR	4	29	7	13	78	19.5
4.	RAY, Kendrick-KSU	SR	4	31	6	9	77	19.3
5.	NEWTON, Derick-STET	SO	4	17	9	25	68	17.0
6.	MOORE, Dallas-UNF	SR	4	23	9	12	67	16.8
7.	MYLES, Divine-STET	JR	4	24	4	14	66	16.5
8.	HOLMES, Deion-UPST	SO	4	23	9	9	64	16.0
9.	MATHEWS, Garrison-LIP	SO	6	28	12	26	94	15.7
10.	MASTERTON, Nick-KSU	JR	4	22	14	4	62	15.5

FIELD GOAL% LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	BRAMMEIER, George-LIP	JR	6	22	26	.846
2.	BANKS, Romelo-UNF	JR	4	22	30	.733
3.	WILLIAMS, Aubrey-KSU	SR	4	20	28	.714
4.	JONES, Jordan-KSU	JR	4	14	21	.667
5.	MARBERRY, Rob-LIP	SO	6	22	35	.629
6.	HOLDER, J.R.-JU	SR	5	41	67	.612
7.	UKAWUBA, Rob-NJIT	SR	4	17	28	.607
8.	DENNIS, Larry-STET	JR	4	13	22	.591
9.	SIMMONS, Antravious-FGCU	JR	4	17	31	.548
10.	MYLES, Divine-STET	JR	4	24	44	.545

REBOUNDING LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	OFF	DEF	TOT	RPG
1.	WILLIAMS, Aubrey-KSU	SR	4	18	40	58	14.5
2.	LEWIS, Abdul-NJIT	SO	4	6	29	35	8.8
3.	BANKS, Romelo-UNF	JR	4	9	22	31	7.8
	BUCHANAN, Michael-UPST	SR	4	18	13	31	7.8
5.	THOMPSON, Ramel-UPST	JR	4	10	20	30	7.5
6.	TARKE, Anthony-NJIT	FR	4	12	17	29	7.3
7.	WHITTINGTON, Philip-UPST	SO	4	12	15	27	6.8
8.	AMINU, Wajid-UNF	FR	4	10	14	24	6.0
9.	AUSTIN, Demontrez-JU						

ASSIST LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	No.	APG
1.	CUTHBERTSON, Josh-UPST	SR	4	20	5.0
	RIVERA, Angel-STET	JR	4	20	5.0
3.	MORAN, Nathan-LIP	JR	6	25	4.2
4.	LYNN, Damon-NJIT	SR	4	16	4.0
	MYLES, Divine-STET	JR	4	16	4.0
6.	MOORE, Dallas-UNF	SR	4	14	3.5
7.	TERRELL, Christian-FGCU	JR	4	13	3.3
8.	RAY, Kendrick-KSU	SR	4	12	3.0
	DAVENPORT, Chris-UNF	SR	4	12	3.0
	WILLIAMS, Aubrey-KSU	SR	4	12	3.0

STEALS LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	No.	SPG
1.	RIVERA, Angel-STET	JR	4	10	2.5
2.	HELGELAND, Cody-JU	JR	5	10	2.0
	COLEMAN, Tim-NJIT	SR	4	8	2.0
	MYLES, Divine-STET	JR	4	8	2.0
5.	FERNANDEZ, Darien-JU	SR	5	9	1.8
6.	THOMPSON, Ramel-UPST	JR	4	7	1.8
7.	TERRELL, Christian-FGCU	JR	4	6	1.5
	LYNN, Damon-NJIT	SR	4	6	1.5
9.	MASTERTON, Nick-KSU	JR	4	5	1.3
	TARKE, Anthony-NJIT	FR	4	5	1.3

BLOCKS LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	No.	BPG
1.	BANKS, Romelo-UNF	JR	3	8	2.7
2.	PEGG, Brian-STET	SR	2	3	1.5
3.	RAY, Kendrick-KSU	SR	3	4	1.3
4.	AMINU, Wajid-UNF	FR	3	3	1.0
	WHITTINGTON, Philip-UPST	SO	3	3	1.0
	MOORE, Malik-UPST	SO	3	3	1.0
	JONES, Jordan-KSU	JR	3	3	1.0
	BUCHANAN, Michael-UPST	SR	3	3	1.0
	LEWIS, Abdul-NJIT	SO	3	3	1.0
	WILLIAMS, Aubrey-KSU	SR	3	3	1.0

3FGM LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	No.	3PG
1.	LYNN, Damon-NJIT	SR	4	16	4.0
2.	MASTERTON, Nick-KSU	JR	4	14	3.5
3.	CUNNINGHAM, Mike-UPST	SO	4	13	3.3
4.	DOYLE, Luke-STET	JR	4	10	2.5
5.	HOLMES, Deion-UPST	SO	4	9	2.3
	NEWTON, Derick-STET	SO	4	9	2.3
	THOMPSON, Ramel-UPST	JR	4	9	2.3
	MOORE, Dallas-UNF	SR	4	9	2.3
9.	WILLIAMS, Josh-LIP	SR	6	12	2.0
	MATHEWS, Garrison-LIP	SO	6	12	2.0

3FG% LEADERS

RK	PLAYER	CL	GP	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	TUCKER, Rayjon-FGCU	SO	4	6	9	.667
2.	SCOTT Jr, RaySean-FGCU	FR	4	5	9	.556
3.	RUBIO, Tanner-JU	FR	5	6	11	.545
4.	CUNNINGHAM, Mike-UPST	SO	4	13	24	.542
5.	MASTERTON, Nick-KSU	JR	4	14	27	.519
6.	NEWTON, Derick-STET	SO	4	9	19	.474
7.	TERRELL, Christian-FGCU	JR	4	7	15	.467
8.	IZEVBUWA, Osa-NJIT	SR	4	5	11	.455
9.	MYLES, Divine-STET	JR	4	4	9	.444
10.	MORAN, Nathan-LIP	JR	6	12	28	.429

HIGHLANDERS BY THE NUMBERS

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Rank for **Damon Lynn** in NJIT all-time D-I with 1,812 points, breaking record of **Chris Flores** '13 on 11/11.

Year as a member of the **ASUN Conference**, after NJIT finished with the 2-seed for the ASUN Tournament last season.

Career double-doubles for **Tim Coleman**, two shy of NJIT's D-I all-time record (12, Nesho Milosevic & Isaiah Wilkerson).

Rebounds needed by **Tim Coleman** to become NJIT's D-I career leader in boards and pass leader Isaiah Wilkerson '12 (616).

Points needed by **Damon Lynn** to become NJIT's all-time leading scorer and pass Clearance Pierce '96 (2,028 in D-III).

LYNN NAMED ASUN PLAYER OF WEEK ON MONDAY (NOV. 14-20):

Senior **Damon Lynn** was named the ASUN Player of the Week for Nov. 14-20. Lynn, who previously garnered this honor once last season (Dec. 14-20), becomes the first Highlander to receive a weekly award by the ASUN in 2016-17. This also marks the fourth time a Highlander has won Player of the Week Honors, as Ky Howard was selected twice in 2015-16... Lynn, who leads the ASUN in scoring at 24.0 ppg, had a huge Week 2 to follow up becoming NJIT's D-I career scoring leader in Week 1. It started with another record-book performance on Monday at Utah State, where the co-captain tied his own NJIT D-I single-game record by draining 34 points in a road bout against a solid Mountain West program. The scoring birage, which included six three-pointers, tied the mark he set as a freshman on Jan. 18, 2014, at North Carolina AT&T... On Thursday at Lafayette, he matched his average by scoring 24 points while dishing out five assists -- and connected on a game-tying, three-pointer with just 0:49 left to play to help send the game into OT... He then put forth another 24-point effort in Saturday's home win against Colgate -- scoring 19 in the second half to guide NJIT to a come-from-behind victory. For the week, he averaged 27.3 ppg, 2.0 rpg, 3.3 apg and 1.0 spg. *See next page for more on Lynn.*

LOOKING TO REBOUND:

Currently, NJIT leads the ASUN in rebounding (43.2 rpg; 45th in NCAA) and rebounding margin (+8.5) -- which is a marked improvement from last season, when the Highlanders finished sixth at 34.7 rpg.

- Sophomore **Abdul Lewis** holds a 2016-17 single-game high of 12 rebounds (2x: 11/11 vs. SLC & 11/17 at LC) and ranks second in the ASUN at **8.8** ppg.
- Freshman **Anthony Tarke** ranks sixth in the ASUN at **7.3** rpg and third in offensive rpg at **3.0**.

FAB FOUR:

NJIT had its highest recruiting class on paper this season with freshmen **Ron Alston**, **Shyquann Gibbs**, **Taj Price** and **Anthony Tarke** -- and they didn't disappoint in their career debuts on 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence. The four combined for 34 of NJIT's 100 (34%) points as well as 25 of its 62 (40%) of its rebounds.

- Tarke became the **first Highlander ever to record a double-double in his NCAA debut** (13 pts, 10 reb). He also became just the fifth freshman to record the feat; first since Tim Coleman, Feb. 12, 2014.
- Alston and Price both finished with nine points and seven rebounds, apiece.

HOME GROWN:

Entering the season, NJIT has the **most localized roster in all of college basketball**, As researched by Jake Sharpless of Rukkus. The average player comes from just **39** miles from hometown to school.

NJIT's roster features nine New Jersey natives, including three from here in Newark (Abdul Lewis, James McMillon, Taj Price), three from Hillside (Shyquan Gibbs, Chris Jenkins, Damon Lynn) one from East Brunswick (Rob Ukawuba), one from Jersey City (Mohamed Bendary) and one from Union (Tim Coleman). Last season, NJIT received **64%** of its scoring from New Jersey natives. **In fact, 97% of NJIT returning points in 2016-17 are from products of the Garden State.**

Interestingly, the second-most localized roster for 2016-17 belongs to reigning national champ Villanova (128 miles) and the least localized is Hawaii (4,031).

Here are the ranks for the other ASUN programs: Lipscomb (#7, 162 mi), North Florida (#114, 590 mi), Jacksonville (#130, 663 mi), Florida Gulf Coast (#138, 689 mi), Stetson (#236, 1113 mi), Kennesaw (#292, 1545) and USC Upstate (#329, 1948 mi).

Y'ALL COME BACK NOW, HEAR?!

The Highlanders return **eight** players from last season's 20-win team -- and that doesn't include **F Abdul Lewis**, who sat out last season due to NCAA transfer rules (South Alabama). Even though NJIT lost four key players (PG **Ky Howard**, G **Winfield Willis**, F **Emmanuel Tselentakis**, F **Terrence Smith**) from their 2016 CIT semifinalist squad, the Highlanders still return:

- **67%** of their scoring (including **83%** of their three-point field goals made) from last season
- **54%** of their rebounding from last season
- **60%** of their minutes played from last season

THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION:

After four seasons as a top assistant at NJIT, head coach **Brian Kennedy** begins his first season at the helm of the program. The 47-year-old was introduced as the 11th head coach in program history on April 15, 2016, after four seasons as the top assistant under the Jim Engles -- who was hired as head coach at Columbia eight days after the Lions defeated the Highlanders in the semifinals of the 2016 CIT. Since joining the program, "BK" has helped guide the Highlanders to a combined 70-56 record and both back-to-back, 20-win seasons as well as back-to-back appearances in the CIT semifinals.

A talented recruiter, Kennedy was extremely instrumental in luring some of the Highlanders most talented all-time performers -- such as **Tim Coleman**, **Damon Lynn** and **Rob Ukawuba** -- to Newark. That reputation has continued with the new 2020 class, which -- on paper -- is the highest rated recruiting class in program history with **Ron Alston**, **Shyquann Gibbs**, **Taj Price** and **Anthony Tarke**.

The Monmouth University product also spent time as an assistant at DePaul University from 1997-2002, where he helped guide the Blue Demons back to national prominence with the nation's Number 1 Recruiting Class in 1999, a Top-25 Ranking and an NCAA Tournament appearance in 2000.

NJIT: QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location:	University Heights, Newark, NJ
Founded:	1881
Enrollment:	11,325 (undergraduate & graduate)
Nickname/Colors:	Highlanders/Red & White (Blue accent)
Affiliation:	NCAA Division I
Transition to Division I:	2006-07
Conference:	Atlantic Sun (2nd season)
University President:	Dr. Joel Bloom EdD
Director of Athletics:	Lenny Kaplan
Athletic Dept. Phone:	973-596-3636
NJIT website:	www.njit.edu
Athletics website:	www.njithighlanders.com
Tickets website:	www.njittix.com
Twitter:	@NJITHoops
Facebook:	NJIT Men's Basketball

HEAD COACH BRIAN KENNEDY

Alma Mater:	Monmouth '90
Seasons:	1st as Head Coach (5th season at NJIT)
Career Record:	2-2 (.500)
ASUN Record:	0-0

TEAM INFORMATION

Assistant Coaches:	Jeff Rafferty (1st season)
	Kevin Driscoll (1st season)
	Kim Waiters (2nd season)
Dir. of Basketball Ops:	Andrew McGlynn (2nd season)
Athletic Trainer:	Matt Koscs
2015-16 Record:	20-15
2015-16 Postseason:	3-1 (advanced to semifinals of CIT)
Final RPI:	183
Returning/Lost (Starters):	8/7 (2/3)

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PROGRAM RECORDS

Inaugural Season:	1922
All-Time Record:	889-787 (.530) / 1,676 games
Pre-NCAA (1922-73):	264-270 (.494)
Division III Era (1974-96):	368-160 (.697) / 528 games
Division II Era (1997-06):	118-133 (.470) / 251 games
Division I Era (2006-pres):	118-194 (.378) / 312 games
Vs. Division I Teams:	93-199 (.324) / 287 games
Vs. Division III Teams:	19-0 (1.000)
Vs. Non NCAA Teams:	6-0 (1.000)
Conference Titles (Reg):	1 (Great West 2012-13)
Conference Titles (Tour):	0
National Postseason Tour:	6-2

FLEISHER ATHLETIC CENTER

Address:	80 Lock St., Newark, NJ, 07103
Year Opened:	1967
Capacity:	1,500
Home Record (D-I Era):	81-56* (.591) / 137 games
Home Record (Kennedy):	2-0 (1.000)
Home Record (Conference):	20-6** (.769); doesn't include ASUN tourney

*Does not include 0-9 in home games at Prudential Center

**Does not include 0-2 in conference home games at Prudential Center

ASUN CONFERENCE

Established:	1978
Former Name:	Trans America Athletic Conf. (1978-01)
Number of Teams:	8
Headquarters:	Macon, Georgia
Commissioner:	Ted Gumbart (since 2007)
Asst Commissioner (Media):	Patrick McCoy
Website:	www.atlanticsun.org
2015-16 Champs (Reg):	North Florida
2015-16 Champs (Tour):	Florida Gulf Coast
NJIT All-Time Record:	8-6 (.571); doesn't include ASUN tournament
NJIT Postseason Record:	0-1 (.000)

LYNN AMONG ACTIVE D-I CAREER LEADERS

POINTS			PPG			3FGM		
1	James Daniel , Howard	1,899	1	James Daniel , Howard	21.6	1	Damon Lynn , NJIT	365
2	Zeek Woodley , NWtern St.	1,819	2	QJ Peterson , VMI	19.5	2	Jared Brownridge , Sant Clara	283
3	Damon Lynn , NJIT	1,816	3	Zeek Woodley , NW St.	19.4	3	James Daniel , Howard	239
4	Alec Peters , Valparaiso	1,785	4	Andrew Rowsey , Marquette	18.9	4	Alec Peters , Valparaiso	237
5	Jared Brownridge , Sant Clara	1,768	5	Desean Murray , Presbyterian	18.4	5	Jeremy Senglin , Weber St.	227
6	Dallas Moore , North Florida	1,692	6	Damon Lynn , NJIT	18.0	5	Bryce Alford , UCLA	227
7	QJ Peterson , VMI	1,675	7	Jordan Howard , Cent Ark.	17.9	7	Garret Covington , Western Ill.	225
8	Martez Harrison , UMKC	1,631	8	Jared Brownridge , Sant Clara	17.7	8	QJ Peterson , VMI	213
9	Tim Williams , New Mexico	1,626	9	Khalid Hart , Marist	16.9	9	Ken Williams , South Ala.	211
10	Raven Lee , Eastern Mich.	1,514	10	Martez Harrison , UMKC	16.8	9	Andrew Rowsey , Marquette	211

LYNN'S TOP GAMES

34*	1/18/14 at NC A&T
34*	11/14/16 at Utah State
32	12/20/15 at St. John's
	2/7/15 vs. Fisher College
31	3/21/16 vs. Army (CIT)
30	2/11/16 vs. Stetson
27	5x, last: 1/19/15 at Maine
*NJIT Record; GREY=This season	

LYNN-SANITY:

Senior **Damon Lynn** leads the ASUN in scoring at 24.0 ppg, three-pointers made (16), three-pointers per game (4.0) and ranks second in FT percentage (.966; 28-for-19).

In the opener, Lynn shattered NJIT's D-I career scoring record (1,734, **Chris Flores** '13) and now has **1,816** points. The co-captain entered the season as the NCAA active D-I leader in three-point field goals made (365) while ranking third in points (1,816) and sixth in scoring average (18.0 ppg).

Lynn followed the performance in Game 2 by tying his own NJIT D-I single-game record by scoring 34 points at Utah State, initially set as a freshman 1/18/14 at North Carolina A&T (breaking the mark of 31, set by Winfield Willis on 12/12/13).

Last season, Lynn set the NJIT single-season scoring record with 642 points -- breaking his own mark of 578 set in 2014-15. His average of 18.3 ppg also represented a new program season-high and ranked fifth in the nation's highest scoring conference. The Hillside, N.J., native also led the ASUN and placed fifth in D-I in three-pointers made (116) while listing second in the conference and 34th in the nation in total points (642).

Prior to Lynn, no Highlander had ever registered back-to-back, 500-point seasons -- a scoring plateau he has now reached in all three of his campaigns (500, 578, 642). Going back to 2014-15, he has scored in double figures in **49** of his last **51** games. In his career, he's scored 20+ points in **44** of his **101** games and 30+ in **six** affairs.

- Lynn had a remarkable streak of 72 straight games with at least one 3FGM snapped by UNF on Jan. 24, 2016. Still, in his **101**-game NCAA career, he has only had **three** games without a trey.

- An Iron Man on the court, Lynn has started all of NJIT's **101** games during his career, while playing an amazing **89%** of all possible minutes (3,632 of 4,065).

- In addition to a unanimous preseason All-ASUN pick, the 2015-16 ASUN First-Team selection has been named to the 2017 Lou Henson Watch List as well as being tabbed as both a *Top 100 Player in College Basketball for 2016-17* and a *Non-Power Five Guard Who Will Be Household Name in 2016-17* by *College Court Report*.

TIM OF ALL TRADES

Senior G/F **Tim Coleman** a first-time selection to an ASUN All-Conference Team, is coming off an historical campaign in which he set NJIT's D-I single-season record for rebounds (262) and was nominated for ASUN Defensive Player of the Year. Along the way, the native of Union, N.J., also became the sixth member of NJIT's D-I 1,000-point club (1,065) and the third Highlander to reach 500 career rebounds (551).

One of the most versatile players in the conference, Coleman finished 2015-16 ranked third in the ASUN in both steals per game (1.5) and double-doubles (7), fourth in rebounds per game (7.5), fifth in blocks per game (0.9) and three-point FG percentage (.412) and 11th in points per game (13.8). In D-I ranks, Coleman placed 54th in the nation in defensive rebounds per game (6.3).

- Coleman is now **50** rebounds away from becoming NJIT's D-I all-time career rebounding leader.

TARKE ATTACK!:

G/F **Anthony Tarke** started his career by becoming the first freshman to record a double-double in his NCAA debut with 13 points, 10 rebounds on 11/11/16 vs. Sarah Lawrence. He followed up with 7-4-1 line at Utah State.

- He currently ranks sixth in the ASUN in rebounding (**7.3** rpg) and third in offensive rebounding at (**3.0** o-rpg).

SCORING LEADERS (ALL-TIME)

Rk	Points	Name	Years
1	2028	Clarence Pierce	1992-96
2	1909	Demond Cowins	2000-04
3	1875	Chris Miles	1985-89
4	1816	Damon Lynn	2013-pre.
5	1755	Lance Andrews	1989-93
6	1724	Chris Flores	2009-13
7	1638	Tom Callagher	1981-85
8	1617	Clayton Barker	2002-07
9	1577	Isaiah Wilkerson	2008-12
10	1390	Warren Rodgers	1983-87
11	1359	Jheryl Wilson	2007-11
12	1345	Andrew South	1992-95
13	1250	Reggie James	1985-89
14	1231	Ken Chance	1982-86
15	1224	Bob Zanzalari	1978-82
16	1202	Marc Milbourne Swan	2003-07
17	1192	Sal Gagliardo	1981-85
18	1179	Kraig Peters	2004-08
19	1177	Phil Renaud	2000-04
20	1143	Larry Tosato	1952-56

BOLD indicates all points scored in D-I era

SCORING LEADERS (D-I ERA)

Rk	Points	Name	Years
1	1816	Damon Lynn	2013-pre.
2	1724	Chris Flores	2009-13
3	1577	Isaiah Wilkerson	2008-12
4	1359	Jheryl Wilson	2007-11
5	1139	Ky Howard	2012-16
6	1100	Tim Coleman	2013-pres.

CAREER REBOUNDS (D-I ERA)

Rk	Points	Name	Years
1	616	Isaiah Wilkerson	2008-12
2	567	Tim Coleman	2013-pres.
3	533	Ky Howard	2012-16
4	492	Jheryl Wilson	2007-11
5	482	Dan Stonkus	2006-10

BOLD indicates all 3-PT FGM in D-I era

ASSIST LEADERS (D-I ERA)

Rk	Points	Name	Years
1	416	Ky Howard	2012-16
2	330	Chris Flores	2009-12
3	323	PJ Miller	2009-12
4	313	Damon Lynn	2013-pre.

BLOCK LEADERS (D-I ERA)

Rk	Points	Name	Years
1	145	Dan Stonkus	2006-10
2	132	Daquan Holiday	2011-15
3	112	Ryan Regis	2008-12
4	108	Tim Coleman	2013-pre.

2016-17 Individual Team-Leaders

(includes ties)					
Player Name	Pts	Reb	Ast	Blk	Stl
Alston, Ron					1
Bendary, Mohamed				1	
Coleman, Tim			1	2	2
Gibbs, Shyquan					
Greer, Donovan					
Izevbuwa, Osa					
Jenkins, Chris					
Lewis, Abdul		3		2	
Lynn, Damon	4		3		2
McMillon, James					
Price, Taj					
Tarke, Anthony					
Ukawuba, Rob		1	1		
Walsh, Reilly					1

2016-17 Ind. Stat Distribution

Player	Points		Reb	Ast		Dbl
	10+	20+	10+	5-9	10+	Dbl
Alston						
Bendary						
Coleman	4			1		
Gibbs						
Greer						
Izevbuwa						
Jenkins						
Lewis	1		2			1
Lynn	4	3	1	2		
McMillon						
Price						
Tarke	1		1			1
Ukawuba	2			1		
Walsh						

MEN'S MID-MAJOR TOP 25®

Update: November 14, 2016

RK	TEAM (1ST VOTES)	REC	PTS	PRE	CONFERENCE
1.	Gonzaga (22)	1-0	754	1	West Coast
2.	Saint Mary's (8)	1-0	745	2	West Coast
3.	Wichita State	2-0	655	3	Missouri Valley
4.	Monmouth	1-0	598	5	Metro Atlantic
5.	UT Arlington	1-0	566	6	Sun Belt
6.	UNCW	1-0	474	7	Colonial
7.	Valparaiso (1)	2-0	468	8	Horizon
8.	Chattanooga	1-1	447	9	Southern
9.	Illinois State	0-1	434	4	Missouri Valley
10.	Princeton	0-0	427	11	Ivy League
11.	Belmont	0-0	398	13	Ohio Valley
12.	BYU	0-0	381	14	West Coast
13.	Ohio	1-0	353	16	Mid-American
14.	Wagner	1-0	330	NR	Northeast
15.	Long Beach State	1-1	323	10	Big West
16.	Fort Wayne	1-1	203	15	Summit
17.	Northern Iowa	1-0	201	17	Missouri Valley
18.	Yale	1-0	197	25	Ivy League
19.	North Dakota State	2-0	194	19	Summit
20.	Stephen F. Austin	0-1	177	18	Southland
21.	ETSU	1-0	131	21	Southern
22.	Siena	1-0	127	22	Metro Atlantic
23.	Florida Gulf Coast	0-1	110	20	Atlantic Sun
24.	New Mexico State	1-1	108	24	Western Athletic
25.	Grand Canyon	0-1	104	23	Western Athletic

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Albany 101, Tennessee State 81, Little Rock 69, Oakland 66, Vermont 63, Winthrop 58, Ball State 56, Iona 56, Green Bay 55, Harvard 51, Weber State 47, Sam Houston State 44, Murray State 42, Hofstra 39, Buffalo 31, South Dakota State 30, Mercer 27, Pepperdine 26, Bucknell 21, North Florida 17, South Alabama 17, Towson 17, UC Irvine 15, James Madison 14, Montana 14, Georgia State 13, Lehigh 13, UNC Asheville 13, William & Mary 12, Northwestern State 9, Missouri State 8, Texas Southern 7, Evansville 6, Georgia Southern 6, Eastern Michigan 5, Southern Illinois 5, Nicholls State 4, Southern 4, Texas A&M Corpus Christi 4, Coastal Carolina 2, CSU Bakersfield 2, North Dakota 1, Wofford 1.

NOTE: The Mid-Major Poll, now in its 18th season of existence, is made up of teams from the following conferences: America East, Atlantic Sun, Big Sky, Big South, Big West, Colonial, Horizon, Independents, Ivy, Metro Atlantic, Mid-American, Mid-Eastern, Missouri Valley, Northeast, Ohio Valley, Patriot, Southern, Southland, Southwestern, Summit, Sun Belt, West Coast, Western Athletic.

RANKINGS BOX

SOURCE	15-16	16-17	GSU
NCAA RPI	183	n/a	n/a
Basketball State	92	n/a	n/a
ESPN BPI	197	n/a	n/a
Pomeroy Rating	203	210	161
RealTime Power Rk	158	179	205
Sagarin Ratings	204	214	141

ALL-TIME RECORDS BY D-I CONFERENCES

America East (11-20)	Ivy League (1-15)
American Athletic (1-0)	MAAC (3-14)
Atlantic 10 (1-5)	MAC (0-1)
Atlantic Sun (8-7)	MEAC (7-7)
ACC (0-3)	Mountain West (0-1)
Big 10 (1-1)	NEC (11-11)
BIG EAST (1-21)	Pac 10 (0-1)
Big Sky (0-1)	Patriot (11-23)
Big South (0-1)	SEC (0-1)
CAA (0-3)	Sun Belt (2-0)
Conference USA (0-3)	Independents (7-15)
Great West (27-41)	
Horizon (1-0)	

ALL-TIME NATION P.S. TOURNAMENT RESULTS

2015 CIT	2016 CIT
Round 1 (3/16) vs. New Hampshire W, 84-77	Round 1 (3/16) vs. Army W, 79-65
Round 2 (3/23) vs. Cleveland State W, 80-77	Round 2 (3/21) vs. Boston W, 83-72
Quarterfinals (3/28) vs. Canisius W, 78-73	Quarterfinals (3/24) vs. UT Arlington W, 63-60
Semifinals (3/31) @ Northern Arizona L, 68-61	Semifinals (3/31) @ Columbia L, 80-65

INDIVIDUAL HONORS

2015-16	2016-17
PRESEASON	PRESEASON POSTSEASON
ASUN Conference (official)	ASUN Conference (official) ASUN Conference (official)
<u>Preseason All-Atlantic Sun</u> Damon Lynn Winfield Willis	<u>Preseason All-Atlantic Sun</u> Damon Lynn Tim Coleman
CollegeSportsMadness.com	
<u>Preseason All-ASUN</u> Damon Lynn (1st Team) Tim Coleman (2nd Team)	
SB Nation's Mid-Major Madness	
<u>Preseason All-American</u> Damon Lynn (Honorable Mention)	
POSTSEASON	
ASUN Conference (official)	
<u>First-Team All-Conference</u> Damon Lynn	
	WEEKLY
	Nov. 14-20
	<u>ASUN Player of the Week</u> Damon Lynn



2016-17 ROSTER FACTS

BY STATE:	BY CLASS:
Maryland (1): Anthony Tarke	Seniors (4): Tim Coleman Osa Izevbuwa Damon Lynn Rob Ukawuba
New Jersey (9): Mohamed Bendary Tim Coleman Shyquan Gibbs Chris Jenkins Abdul Lewis Damon Lynn James McMillon Taj Price Rob Ukawuba	Juniors (2): Chris Jenkins James McMillon
New York (2): Osa Izevbuwa Reilly Walsh	Sophomores (3): Mohamed Bendary Donovan Greer Abdul Lewis Reilly Walsh
Texas (1): Donovan Greer	Freshmen (4): Ron Alston Shyquann Gibbs Taj Price Anthony Tarke
Virginia (1): Ron Alston	

2016-17 NJIT MEN'S BASKETBALL SEASON PREVIEW

If the Highlanders had to commission an author to pen the story of their 2015-16 season, perhaps Ernest Hemingway would've been the appropriate choice. The NJIT men's basketball team proved that the *Sun Also Rises* in Newark – as the Highlanders finished in a tie for second place their first year in the ASUN Conference. In addition, they reached 20 wins for a second straight season and advanced to the semifinals of the *CollegeInsider.com* National Postseason Tournament (CIT) for the second consecutive year.

But then, there was *A Farewell to Arms*.

Gone are starters **Ky Howard**, **Terence Smith**, **Manny Tselentakis** and **Winfield Willis** along with eight-year head coach **Jim Engles**.

That said, the Highlanders return a key corps of returnees – including a pair of pre-season ASUN All-Conference selections in **Tim Coleman** and **Damon Lynn**.

Then, there is the man *For Whom the Bell Tolls*. After four years serving as top assistant, **Brian Kennedy** was named NJIT men's basketball head coach in April. This upcoming season will mark the first career head coach post for "BK," who has spent nine seasons as an assistant coach including his prior tenure at DePaul University (1997-02).

On the floor, the Highlanders return seven lettermen and two starters. In addition, they bring back 67-percent of their scoring (including 83-percent of their three-point field goals), 54-percent of their rebounding and 60-percent of their minutes played from a season ago.

So how will this new chapter go?

"We have a big challenge ahead of us with our schedule. It's the toughest schedule we've ever had here at NJIT," said Kennedy, who helped guide the Blue Demons back to national prominence with the nation's Number 1 Recruiting Class in 1999, a Top-25 Ranking and an NCAA Tournament appearance in 2000. "But we return a great nucleus of kids and have a talented group of newcomers. Our freshmen excite me with their talent and enthusiasm, but still have a ways to go to be ready for a D-I basketball game."

Lynn, a senior co-captain, has been pleased with what he has seen during the preseason both in his teammates and the new leader.

"The team is doing pretty well. We have a lot of high hopes being that we have three senior captains and a freshman class that is so talented," said Lynn, who finished last season as an ASUN First-Team All-Conference selection. "And coach has instilled a lot of confidence in us."

Last season, NJIT entered the league predicted to finish third by the ASUN Coaches Poll and fourth by the ASUN Media Poll. The Highlanders wound up earning the 2-seed in the conference tournament. This season, they are projected for third place in both polls.

So with Hemingway unavailable, what will it take now to author a happy ending?

"This year, when we 'bring it in on three,' we say 'finish,'" Lynn said. "Now we have to finish our story. We've created a story from going from an independent, to winning 21 games, to [reaching 20 wins] two years in a row, to joining a conference and then finishing second. So now we have to finish our story and write it off well."

BACKCOURT

No doubt, one of the more difficult adjustments facing the Highlanders will be playing without four-year star **Ky Howard** – who ran the point for the past three seasons. Howard, a tremendous all-around player, not only set the school's single-season assist record (154) last season, but left NJIT as the all-time assist leader (416). He is also just one of three Highlanders all-time to post at least 1,000 points and 500 rebounds in a D-I career.

Lynn, who finished fifth in the ASUN in scoring (18.3 points per game) and ranked ninth in the ASUN with 3.3 assist per game, figures to handle the point a significant amount this season.

But this role is not all that unfamiliar to Lynn. During NJIT's 21-win campaign in 2014-15, the Hillside, N.J., native handled a bulk of the point guard responsibilities for 10 games after Howard went down with an ankle injury in January. During that time, NJIT went 8-2 and Lynn averaged 18.2 ppg and 5.3 apg. In fact, after a two-game adjustment period, he averaged 22.0 ppg and 5.8 apg over the final eight contests of the span.

Lynn enters the season as the NCAA active D-I leader in three-point field goals made (349) and ranks fourth in points (1,720). In fact, he is just five points away from shattering the program's all-time scoring record of 1,724 (**Chris Flores** '13).

"Damon is going to be called upon to have the ball in his hands more. I don't want to take away from his scoring, as he's going to leave here as the school's all-time leading scorer," Kennedy said. "But Damon is really ready to take that next step up in his level of play where he can get everyone involved but also score, as well. He's evolved in his game and he's got a lot of players around him to help."

One of those players is 6'1" freshman point guard **Shyquan Gibbs**, a graduate of St. Anthony's H.S. in Jersey City who helped lead the Friars to a 26-0 record last season.

"Shyquan is a coach's dream," Kennedy said. "He is a valedictorian in the classroom and a state champion on the court."

In addition, the NJIT point guard situation got bolstered with the late signing of **Donovan Greer**, a sophomore who transferred from San Jacinto (TX) C.C. There, the 6'3" Houston native helped his Region XIV runner-up team to a 20-10 record.

The Highlanders should be able to find plenty of backcourt points from the wing, as they return two talented long-distance shooters in junior **Chris Jenkins** and senior **Osa Izevbuwa**.

Jenkins, referred to by his coach as a "high-major shooter," came on strong in December. In his first season at NJIT, the Hillside, N.J., finished the year ranked eighth in the ASUN in three-point FG percentage (.399) and ninth in three-point FG per game (2.0).

FRONTCOURT

The Highlanders frontcourt figures to be the strongest it's ever been. And it all starts with preseason ASUN All-Conference selection, **Tim Coleman**.

Last year, the senior co-captain enjoyed an historical campaign in which he set NJIT's single-season record for rebounds (262) and was nominated for ASUN Defensive Player of the Year. Along the way, the native of Union, N.J., became just the third Highlander all-time to reach both 1,000 career points and 500 career rebounds.

One of the most versatile players in the conference, Coleman finished 2015-16 ranked third in the ASUN in steals per game (1.5), fourth in rebounds per game (7.5), fifth in blocks per game (0.9) and three-point FG percentage (.412) and 11th in points per game (13.8).

"Tim's had a great offseason," Kennedy said. "The game is slowing down for him a lot. He's seeing how he can be a mismatch nightmare for opponents. Now he's learning to let the game come to him and seeing where he can take advantage of things."

With Coleman sliding from the '4' to the '3,' this season, senior co-captain **Rob Ukawuba** figures to move into the starting lineup.

A player Lynn referred to as a "freak of nature and very athletic," the undersized power forward (6'4") has used his strength and his motor to become a valuable "sixth man" over the past two seasons. Last year, Ukawuba finished with the fourth-highest scoring average (8.2 ppg) in the ASUN among reserves (players with fewer than 10 starts).

"I try to embrace [the role]," said Ukawuba. "I try to see where I have my advantage. If it's a bigger guy, then maybe I can be faster. Sometimes bigger guys are tall and lanky, so maybe I'm stronger than them or maybe more athletic."

Perhaps the biggest addition to the group is a guy who is just that – the biggest on the team. After sitting out a year following a transfer from University of South Alabama, Newark native **Abdul Lewis** is expected to round out the starting five.

The redshirt sophomore measures 6'10" and brings a wealth of athleticism to the court. As a freshman in 2014-15, Lewis averaged 7.0 ppg and an impressive 6.7 rpg – a mark that led the Jaguars and ranked seventh in the Sun Belt Conference.

"We are very happy and excited to have him. He brings us an added dimension to score in the low post," said Kennedy about Lewis, who logged nine points and 10 rebounds against NJIT on Jan. 25, 2015, in Mobile. "He's really been locked in this preseason and he's working diligently preparing for the upcoming year."

Kennedy also expects significant contributions from sophomore **Mohamed Bendary**. As a freshman last season, the 6'9" product of St. Anthony's led the Highlanders in blocks in seven games, in rebounds three times and in scoring twice.

NEWCOMERS

Gibbs is not the only freshman who figures to play a significant role this season. NJIT has exciting prospects in **Ron Alston** (6'6"), **Taj Price** (6'7") and **Anthony Tarke** (6'6"). On paper, it's the highest rated recruiting class NJIT has ever had.

Tarke, a 2015 graduate of Gaithersburg (MD) H.S. who attended Coastal Academy US (NJ) for the 2015-16 season, has a chance to see significant minutes early in the season.

"Anthony is a tremendous athlete who should have an immediate impact in the ASUN," Kennedy said. "His versatility on the court should prove invaluable as the season progresses and he becomes adjusted to the college game."

OUTLOOK

The Highlanders are optimistic about their chances to continue the amazing upward progression of the program – which sports a 36-18 (.667) record since Dec. 30, 2014. During that time, NJIT has earned its first win against a Top-25 team (Michigan) and a BIG EAST rival (St. John's); has posted its first two 20-win seasons and reached its first two national postseason tournaments; has joined an automatic qualifying (AQ) conference and has a new arena under construction for the 2017-18 season.

NJIT will indeed have its challenges this season, starting with its grueling non-conference schedule. Then, once league play begins, the Highlanders will have to be up night-in, night-out to battle against teams that comprised the highest scoring conference in the nation last season. And with the ASUN being solid from top to bottom, there are no easy outs.

Of course, there's arguably no program in the nation more adept at overcoming obstacles than NJIT.

"This year has a lot of potential to be very special," Ukawuba said. "Everybody wants to play in the NCAA Tournament. Coming here as a freshman, we weren't even in a conference – seeing that we were working hard and didn't get a chance to make it to the tournament. Now it's in our hands and it's really on us. We try to preach that in the locker room. This is an opportunity that doesn't always come and we have a good enough team to make it there."

If all goes well, perhaps the literary inspiration for the 2016-17 season recap will come from Karen Kingsbury – author of the New York Times Best Seller, *A Time to Dance*.



DAMON LYNN

TODAY'S OPPONENT: GEORGIA ST.

The Highlanders (2-2) will kick off the Cancun Challenge with a Tuesday afternoon matinee against Georgia State (1-2). Opening tip from the Hard Rock Riviera Maya Hotel in Cancun is slated for 12:30 p.m.

Last time out, NJIT rallied to top Colgate 74-68 while Georgia State held the lead for the majority of the game before falling victim to a late 20-0 run in a 64-56 loss to No. 15/17 Purdue.

The game can be seen on YouTube Live.

Matt Provence, the voice of the Highlanders, will be on the call beginning with the pregame show at 12:15 p.m. The broadcast can be accessed for free at www.njithighlanders.com.

ALL-TIME SERIES

Tuesday will mark the first ever meeting between the Highlanders and the Panthers.

However, NJIT is 2-0 all-time against Sun Belt Conference foes with wins over UT-Arlington in the 2016 CIT Quarterfinals and a victory over South Alabama during the 2014-15 season.

Georgia State spent 21 years as a member of the Atlantic Sun Conference from 1984-2005. Following their departure from the league, the Panthers spent time in the CAA before officially joining the Sun Belt on July 1, 2013

GEORGIA (STATE) ON MY MIND

Georgia State held a 56-44 lead over Purdue with 7:12 to play on Friday before the Boilermakers finished the game on the afore-mentioned 20-0 run en route to the 64-56 victory.

Senior forward Jeremy Hollowell led the way for head coach Ron Hunter's squad with 19 points in the loss, while freshman guard D'Marcus Simonds added 13 points off the bench.

Hollowell-who was named to the All-Sun Belt Pre-season Second Team-is averaging 19.3 ppg this season for the Panthers while senior Justin Seymour (11.0 ppg) and sophomore Jeff Thomas (10.0 ppg) also average in double figures.

Hunter is in sixth season as the head coach at Georgia State and has produced a 104-63 mark (.623). The 104 wins leave him just three shy of tying the school's all-time record of 107 wins.

Prior to taking over the Georgia State program in 2011-12, Hunter spent 17 seasons as the head man at IUPUI where he is the school's all-time winningest coach and led the Jaguars to their only NCAA Tournament appearance in 2003.

Georgia State burst onto the national scene in March of 2015 with a 57-56 upset victory over No. 3 seed Baylor in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament. In that contest, the Panthers trailed 56-44 with less than three minutes left before closing the game on a 13-0 run which was capped by a three-pointer from Hunter's son, R.J. to give GSU the lead with 2.8 seconds left.

R.J. was the two-time Sun Belt Player of the Year and was selected with the 28th overall pick in the 2015 NBA Draft by the Boston Celtics. The Indianapolis native is currently a member of the Chicago Bulls. R.J.'s godfather is Ron Harper-a college teammate of his father at

TALE OF THE TAPE: TEAM RANKINGS* (NCAA/CONF.)

HIGHLANDERS (2-2, 0-0)	16-17 STATS	NCAA RANK	ASUN RANK
STAT CATEGORIES			
Scoring Offense	85.3	59	1
Scoring Defense	70.8	161	1
Scoring Margin	14.5	78	1
Field-Goal Percentage	44.3	183	5
3-Point Field-Goal PCT	31	253	6
Free-Throw Percentage	73.1	96	2
3-point FGM	33	65	5
3-pt Field Goal Attempts	107	34	2
3-Point FG Per Game	8.3	112	4
O-Rebounds Per Game	12.25	132	4
D-Rebounds per Game	31	33	1
Rebounds	173	41	2
Rebounds Per Game	43.25	45	1
Rebound Margin	8.5	59	1
Assists	53	124	5
Assists Per Game	13.3	196	5
Assist-Turnover Ratio	0.91	219	5
Turnovers (Fewest)	58	258	3
Turnovers Per Game	14.5	218	4
Turnovers Forced	16.5	71	1
Turnover Margin	2	116	2
FG Percentage Defense	41.3	150	1
3-Pt FG Defense	32.6	157	1
Blocks	12	167	6
Blocked Shots Per Game	3	199	5
Steals	33	42	2
Steals Per Game	8.3	72	1
Personal Fouls (Fewest)	86	270	2
Personal Fouls Per Game	21.5	238	3
Winning PCT	50	173	2

*through games of 11/20/16

Miami (OH)-who played 15 years in the NBA with the Bulls and Los Angeles Lakers and won five titles.

The Panthers roster features a number of interesting connections to professional athletes, coaches and political officials:

- Junior guard Carter Cagle's father, Casey is the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Georgia.
- Freshman guard Nile Felton's, father, Dennis previously served as the head basketball coach at Georgia and Western Kentucky. The elder Felton is currently an assistant at Tulsa.
- Sophomore guard Devin Mitchell's cousin is former Heisman Trophy winner and Super Bowl XXXI MVP, Desmond Howard.
- Seymour is related to former NFL star and three-time Super Bowl champion, Richard Seymour.
- Sophomore forward Jordan Tyson's father, Gerald played college basketball at Ohio State and Kansas State. Tyson is also related to former NBA player Glen Rice.

PANTHERS (1-2, 0-0)	16-17 STATS	NCAA RANK	SBC RANK
STAT CATEGORIES			
Scoring Offense	77.3	140	6
Scoring Defense	72	182	7
Scoring Margin	5.3	158	9
Field-Goal Percentage	43.4	207	9
3-Point Field-Goal PCT	33	190	8
Free-Throw Percentage	72.4	109	2
3-point FGM	19	266	12
3-pt Field Goal Attempts	57	262	11
3-Point FG Per Game	6.3	244	12
O-Rebounds Per Game	12	139	8
D-Rebounds per Game	25.67	196	10
Rebounds	113	247	11
Rebounds Per Game	37.67	174	9
Rebound Margin	4.7	130	7
Assists	35	292	11
Assists Per Game	11.7	270	10
Assist-Turnover Ratio	0.69	316	12
Turnovers (Fewest)	51	205	8
Turnovers Per Game	17	310	12
Turnovers Forced	18.33	29	2
Turnover Margin	1.3	148	7
FG Percentage Defense	38.4	76	3
3-Pt FG Defense	32.3	151	6
Blocks	17	75	2
Blocked Shots Per Game	5.7	44	1
Steals	32	46	4
Steals Per Game	10.7	10	2
Personal Fouls (Fewest)	88	283	9
Personal Fouls Per Game	29.3	346	12
Winning PCT	33.3	230	6

*through games of 11/20/16

NJIT OUTLOOK

The Highlanders took the lead for good on senior guard Damon Lynn's three-point play with just over four minutes left in the 74-68 win over Colgate on Saturday.

Lynn-who was named the ASUN Player of the Week on Monday after averaging 27.3 ppg in three games last week-led NJIT with 24 points in the Colgate game. Fellow seniors Rob Ukawuba and Tim Coleman chipped in with 15 and 14 points, respectively.

Head coach Brian Kennedy's squad sank 25-of-29 (86.2%) from the charity stripe against the Raiders, including a 15-of-16 performance from Lynn.

As a team, the Highlanders are shooting 73.1% from the free-throw line this season, led by Lynn's 96.6% (28-of-29).

Freshman Anthony Tarke has enjoyed a strong start to the season off the bench, averaig 8.0 ppg and 7.3 rpg in four games thus far.

Tarke ranks second on the team in rebounding behind sophomore Abdul Lewis (8.8 rpg).

LAST TIME OUT: NJIT 74, COLGATE 68 (11/19/16)**HIGHLANDERS RALLY LATE TO DRAIN COLGATE, 74-68***Lynn's 24 Points Lift NJIT to Comeback Win; NJIT Evens its Record to 2-2*

NEWARK, NJ -- Senior Damon Lynn's three-point play with 4:08 left gave NJIT the lead for good, as the Highlanders rallied from behind to top Colgate (1-2) by a score of 74-68 on Saturday afternoon at Fleisher Athletic Center in Newark.

The win snaps a two-game skid for NJIT and they have now won five of their last six contests against Patriot League foes.

With things tied at 59 apiece, Lynn hit a layup and converted the free throw to open up a 62-59 advantage for the Highlanders. The senior co-captain finished with a game-high 24 points and hit 15-of-16 from the charity stripe.

As a team, NJIT sank 25-of-29 (86.2%) from the free-throw line while Colgate hit 9-of-15 (60.0%). In fact, the Highlanders missed just one free throw in the second half.

Over the final four minutes of the game, the Raiders pulled within two at 68-66 with 1:17 to play, but Lynn hit a pair of free throws on the other end to extend the lead back to four.

Colgate led for a majority of the second half and after Jordan Robertson sank a pair of free throws to make it a 58-55 game with 5:17 remaining, the Highlanders responded with a 7-1 run to take the lead which was capped by Lynn's three-point play.

Along with the 24 points from Lynn, seniors Rob Ukawuba (15

points) and Tim Coleman (14 points) also finished in double figures for head coach Brian Kennedy's squad. Ukawuba hit 7-of-10 from the field and freshman Anthony Tarke continued his strong play off the bench with four points, six rebounds and two steals.

Junior Jordan Swopshire had 14 points to lead the way for the Raiders. Six different players finished with at least eight points for the visitors including 11 points from Sean O'Brien and 10 from Malcolm Regisford.

The first half was a back-and-forth affair as the game was tied for over nine minutes of the opening stanza. A late 10-6 spurt from Colgate helped them take a 34-31 lead into the locker room.

Both sides shot well from the field in the first half as NJIT was 12-of-22 (54.5%) and Colgate shot 13-of-26 (50.0%).

With the win, the Highlanders are now 2-0 at home this season and dating back to the 2014-15 season, they are now 29-8 in their last 37 games in Newark.

NJIT will head to Mexico for a pair of contests on Tuesday and Wednesday as part of the Cancun Challenge. The Highlanders will battle Georgia State (1-2) of the Sun Belt Conference on Tuesday afternoon with opening tip set for 12:30 p.m.

Write-up courtesy of Joe Fitzhenry

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics
Colgate vs NJIT
11/19/16 4pm at Newark, NJ - Fleisher Athletic Center
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#	Player		Total		3-Ptr		Rebounds		PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG	FGA	FG	FGA	Off	Def							
05	Regisford, Malcolm	f	4-10	0-1	2-6	1	5	6	4	10	0	2	3	0	32
14	Rivard, Tom	f	4-6	0-0	0-1	0	2	2	2	8	1	1	0	0	24
15	Swopshire, Jordan	f	5-12	4-9	0-0	3	5	8	2	14	3	2	0	2	32
00	O'Brien, Sean	g	4-9	1-3	2-2	1	0	1	4	11	7	3	0	2	31
25	Robertson, Jordan	g	2-5	0-1	5-6	1	2	3	3	9	0	2	0	1	22
02	Harries, Nathan	g	4-6	1-2	0-0	0	1	1	2	9	1	0	0	0	21
10	Rayman, Will	g	2-4	1-3	0-0	1	4	5	2	5	0	0	0	1	16
12	Batt, Dana	g	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1	7
30	Amiel, Francisco	g	1-3	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	3	2	1	2	0	0	15
Team															
Totals			26-55	7-20	9-15	7	21	28	25	68	13	15	3	7	200
FG % 1st Half: 13-26			50.0%		2nd half: 13-29		44.8%		Game: 26-55		47.3%		Deadball		
3FG % 1st Half: 4-9			44.4%		2nd half: 3-11		27.3%		Game: 7-20		35.0%		Rebounds		
FT % 1st Half: 4-6			66.7%		2nd half: 5-9		55.6%		Game: 9-15		60.0%		1		

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#	Player		Total		3-Ptr		Rebounds		PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG	FGA	FG	FGA	Off	Def							
00	LEWIS, Abdul	f	0-4	0-0	4-4	2	5	7	4	4	2	3	1	0	21
02	COLEMAN, Tim	f	4-8	1-2	5-6	0	4	4	4	14	1	4	3	3	27
05	LYNN, Damon	g	4-11	1-7	15-16	0	1	1	2	24	3	2	0	1	21
23	IZEVBUWA, Osa	g	3-5	3-5	0-0	2	2	4	2	9	1	0	0	0	25
25	UKAWUBA, Rob	g	7-10	0-1	1-3	1	2	3	2	15	0	2	0	0	36
01	PRICE, Taj	g	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
11	GIBBS, Shyquan	g	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	1	3	0	1	22
12	TARKE, Anthony	g	2-7	0-2	0-0	1	5	6	0	4	0	1	1	2	21
14	WALSH, Reilly	g	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
34	BENDARY, Mohamed	g	2-4	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	3	4	0	0	0	0	17
Team															
Totals			22-52	5-17	25-29	11	27	38	20	74	8	16	5	7	200
FG % 1st Half: 12-22			54.5%		2nd half: 10-30		33.3%		Game: 22-52		42.3%		Deadball		
3FG % 1st Half: 2-8			25.0%		2nd half: 3-9		33.3%		Game: 5-17		29.4%		Rebounds		
FT % 1st Half: 5-8			62.5%		2nd half: 20-21		95.2%		Game: 25-29		86.2%		2		

Officials: Rob Rorke, Patrick Evans, Jason Baker
 Technical fouls: Colgate-None, NJIT-None.
 Attendance: 802
 CIT Banner Unveiling

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colgate	34	34	68
NJIT	31	43	74

Last FG - COLGATE 2nd-00:04, NJIT 2nd-03:10.
 Largest lead - COLGATE by 7 1st-11:04, NJIT by 8 2nd-00:08.
 COLGATE led for 25:34, NJIT led for 12:18, Game was tied for 02:08.

Points	In	Off	2nd	Fast	Bench
COLGATE	34	11	11	6	16
NJIT	34	21	5	4	8

Score tied - 7 times.
 Lead changed - 6 times.

NJIT INKS FOUR FOR CLASS OF 2021

NEWARK, NJ -- The NJIT men's basketball team has announced the early signings of four high school seniors for its Class of 2021: **Izaiah Brockington** (Philadelphia, Pa.), **Zach Cooks** (Lawrenceville, Ga.), **Shawndale Jones** (Pittsburgh, Pa.) and **David Kachelries** (Emmaus, Pa.).

Kennedy added: "We are building the foundation of our program as we move forward in the ASUN Conference and we believe NJIT fans will enjoy their exciting and athletic style of play."

Coach **Brian Kennedy**. "Izaiah, Zach,

**NJIT MOURNS THE PASSING OF "GOOD GUY" TIM CAMP**

This season, the NJIT Department of Athletics mourns the passing of **Tim Camp**, Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Information. Prior to his passing, he served as the men's basketball contact the entire time since NJIT joined Division I ranks.

Camp joined the NJIT staff in August 2005 following 16 years at Saint Peter's College in Jersey City, where he served as Assistant Director of Athletics for Sports Information.

He was inducted into the Saint Peter's Hall of Fame in 2008. He also received the Mike Cohen "Good Guy" Award at the 76th Annual Metropolitan

Basketball Writers Association Awards Dinner on April 16, 2009. The "Good Guy" award is honored annually to someone who has been especially friendly and helpful to the media, often going above and beyond to make their jobs easier and more pleasant.

At NJIT, Camp's responsibilities included, assisting in the administration of the athletics department, publicizing the activities of the 19 varsity teams, development and production of all the athletic publications, and overseeing the maintenance of the department's website.



2016-17 NJIT TEAM HIGHS/LOWS

HIGHS			LOWS		
WIN MARGIN	62	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 100-38)	DEFEAT MARGIN	9	at Utah State (11/14/16)
WIN MA. (ROAD)	--	n/a	DEFEAT (HOME)	--	n/a
POINTS	100	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	POINTS	74	COLGATE (11/19/16)
FGM	41	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	FGM	22	COLGATE (11/19/16)
FGA	85	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	FGA	52	COLGATE (11/19/16)
FG PCT	.482	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 41-85)	FG PCT	.403	at Lafayette (11/17/16; 25-62)
3FGM	11	at Utah State (11/14/16)	3FGM	5	COLGATE (11/19/16)
3FGA	33	at Utah State (11/14/16)	3FGA	17	COLGATE (11/19/16)
3 PT FG PCT	.400	at Lafayette (11/17/16; 10-25)	3 PT FG PCT	.219	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 7-32)
FTM	25	COLGATE (11/19/16)	FTM	11	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
FTA	35	at Lafayette (11/17/16)	FTA	17	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
FT PCT	.862	COLGATE (11/19/16; 25-29)	FT PCT	.647	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 11-17)
REBOUNDS	62	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	REBOUNDS	28	at Utah State (11/14/16)
ASSISTS	19	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	ASSISTS	8	COLGATE (11/19/16)
STEALS	14	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	STEALS	4	at Lafayette (11/17/16)
BLOCKS	5	COLGATE (11/19/16)	BLOCKS	1	at Utah State (11/14/16)
TO (COMMITTED)	18	at Lafayette (11/17/16)	TO (COMMITTED)	12	2x, last: at Utah State (11/14/16)
FOULS	26	at Utah State (11/14/16)	FOULS	16	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)

2016-17 OPPOSING TEAM HIGHS/LOWS

HIGHS			LOWS		
POINTS	93	at Utah State (11/14/16)	POINTS	38	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
FGM	30	at Utah State (11/14/16)	FGM	15	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
FGA	69	at Lafayette (11/17/16)	FGA	52	at Utah State (11/14/16)
FG PCT	.577	at Utah State (11/14/16; 30-52)	FG PCT	.227	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 15-66)
3FGM	11	at Lafayette (11/17/16)	3FGM	3	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
3FGA	33	at Lafayette (11/17/16)	3FGA	19	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
3 PT FG PCT	.435	at Utah State (11/14/16; 10-23)	3 PT FG PCT	.158	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 3-19)
FTM	23	at Utah State (11/14/16)	FTM	5	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
FTA	31	at Utah State (11/14/16)	FTA	12	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
FT PCT	.882	at Lafayette (11/17/16; 15-17)	FT PCT	.417	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16; 5-12)
REBOUNDS	40	at Lafayette (11/17/16)	REBOUNDS	28	COLGATE (11/19/16)
ASSISTS	22	at Utah State (11/14/16)	ASSISTS	7	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
STEALS	7	COLGATE (11/19/16)	STEALS	3	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
BLOCKS	5	at Utah State (11/14/16)	BLOCKS	0	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)
TO (COMMITTED)	38	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)	TO (COMMITTED)	13	at Utah State (11/14/16)
FOULS	25	2x, last: COLGATE (11/19/16)	FOULS	15	SARAH LAWRENCE (11/11/16)

2016-17 INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

HIGHLANDERS			OPPONENTS		
POINTS	34^	LYNN, Damon at Utah State (11/14/16)	POINTS	25	Lindner, Nick at Lafayette (11/17/16)
FGM	11	LYNN, Damon at Utah State (11/14/16)	FGM	9	Klinewski, Matt at Lafayette (11/17/16)
FGA	23	LYNN, Damon at Utah State (11/14/16)	FGA	20	Klinewski, Matt at Lafayette (11/17/16)
FG PCT (min 5)	.700	UKAWUBA, Rob vs Colgate (11/19/16; 7-10)	FG PCT (min 5)	.833	MERRILL, Sam at Utah State (11/14/16; 5-6)
3FGM	6	LYNN, Damon at Utah State (11/14/16)	3FGM	4	2x, last: Swopshire, Jordan vs Colgate (11/19/16)
3FGA	17	LYNN, Damon at Utah State (11/14/16)	3FGA	12	Lindner, Nick at Lafayette (11/17/16)
3 PT FG PCT (min 2)	1.000	JENKINS, Chris at Lafayette (11/17/16; 2-2)	3 PT FG PCT (min 2)	.750	MERRILL, Sam at Utah State (11/14/16; 3-4)
FTM	15	LYNN, Damon vs Colgate (11/19/16)	FTM	9	Lindner, Nick at Lafayette (11/17/16)
FTA	16	LYNN, Damon vs Colgate (11/19/16)	FTA	10	2x, last: Lindner, Nick at Lafayette (11/17/16)
FT PCT (min 3)	1.000	LYNN, Damon at Lafayette (11/17/16; 7-7)	FT PCT (min 3)	.900	Lindner, Nick at Lafayette (11/17/16; 9-10)
REBOUNDS	12	2x: LEWIS vs. SLC (11/11/16); at LC (11/17/16)	REBOUNDS	11	Klinewski, Matt at Lafayette (11/17/16)
ASSISTS	6	2x, last: UKAWUBA, Rob at Utah State (11/14/16)	ASSISTS	7	2x, last: O'Brien, Sean vs Colgate (11/19/16)
STEALS	3	5x, last: COLEMAN, Tim vs Colgate (11/19/16)	STEALS	2	4x, last: O'Brien, Sean vs Colgate (11/19/16)
BLOCKS	3	2x, last: COLEMAN, Tim vs Colgate (11/19/16)	BLOCKS	3	Regisford, Malcolm vs Colgate (11/19/16)
TO (COMMITTED)	4	3x, last: COLEMAN, Tim vs Colgate (11/19/16)	TO (COMMITTED)	6	Gerak, Mat vs Sarah Lawrence (11/11/16)
FOULS	5	3x, last: LEWIS, Abdul at Lafayette (11/17/16)	FOULS	5	2x: Klinewski, Stafford at Lafayette (11/17/16)
MINUTES	42	LYNN, Damon at Lafayette (11/17/16)	MINUTES	35	2x: Klinewski, Lindner at Lafayette (11/17/16)

* set NJIT D-I record; ^tied NJIT D-I record



NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	Hometown/High School (Last School)
0	Abdul Lewis	So.	6-10	225	F	Newark, NJ / Newark East Side (South Alabama)
1	Taj Price	Fr.	6-7	210	F	Newark, NJ / Newark East Side
2	Tim Coleman	Sr.	6-5	210	G	Union, NJ / St. Anthony, Jersey City
3	Chris Jenkins	Jr.	6-4	215	G/F	Hillside, NJ / Gill St. Bernard's (Hofstra)
5	Damon Lynn	Sr.	5-11	165	G	Hillside, NJ / Union Catholic
11	Shyquan Gibbs	Fr.	6-1	150	G	Hillside, NJ / St. Anthony
12	Anthony Tarke	Fr.	6-6	205	G/F	Gaithersburg, MD / Gaithersburg
14	Reilly Walsh	So.	6-3	180	G	Staten Island, NY / St Peter's Boys
15	James McMillon	Jr.	6-1	185	G	Newark, NJ / Science Park/Newark
21	Ron Alston	Fr.	6-6	195	G/F	Alexandria, VA / Miller School (Charlottesville, VA)
23	Osa Izevbuwa	Sr.	6-3	230	G	Staten Island, NY / McKee/Staten Island Tech (Williston State)
25	Rob Ukawuba	Sr.	6-4	210	G	East Brunswick, NJ / East Brunswick
32	Donovan Greer	So.	6-3	165	G	Houston, TX / Hillcrest Academy
34	Mohamed Bendary	So.	6-9	235	F	Jersey City, NJ / St. Anthony's

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	Hometown/High School (Last School)
21	Alston, Ron	Fr.	6-6	195	G/F	Alexandria, VA / Miller School (Charlottesville, VA)
34	Bendary, Mohamed	So.	6-9	235	F	Jersey City, NJ / St. Anthony's
2	Coleman, Tim	Sr.	6-5	210	G	Union, NJ / St. Anthony, Jersey City
11	Gibbs, Shyquan	Fr.	6-1	150	G	Hillside, NJ / St. Anthony
32	Greer, Donovan	So.	6-3	165	G	Houston, TX / Hillcrest Academy
23	Izevbuwa, Osa	Sr.	6-3	230	G	Staten Island, NY / McKee/Staten Island Tech (Williston State)
3	Jenkins, Chris	Jr.	6-4	215	G/F	Hillside, NJ / Gill St. Bernard's (Hofstra)
0	Lewis, Abdul	So.	6-10	225	F	Newark, NJ / Newark East Side (South Alabama)
5	Lynn, Damon	Sr.	5-11	165	G	Hillside, NJ / Union Catholic
15	McMillon, James	Jr.	6-1	185	G	Newark, NJ / Science Park/Newark
1	Price, Taj	Fr.	6-7	210	F	Newark, NJ / Newark East Side
12	Tarke, Anthony	Fr.	6-6	205	G/F	Gaithersburg, MD / Gaithersburg
25	Ukawuba, Rob	Sr.	6-4	210	G	East Brunswick, NJ / East Brunswick
14	Walsh, Reilly	So.	6-3	180	G	Staten Island, NY / St Peter's Boys

Head Coach:

Brian Kennedy (Monmouth '90), first season

Assistant Coaches:

Jeff Rafferty (Springfield '97), first season

Kevin Driscoll (Misericordia '04), first season

Kim Waiters (Robert Morris '11), second season

Dir., Basketball Operations: Andrew McGlynn (Towson '12), second season

Basketball Manager: Aditya Patel (NJIT '19)

Head Athletic Trainer: Matt Koscs

PRONUNCIATIONS:

Shyquan Gibbs	SHY-qwan
Damon Lynn	dah-MONN
Anthony Tarke	TARK
Osa Izevbuwa	OH-sah iss-ah-BO-uh
Rob Ukawuba	oo-ka-WOO-ba
Mohamed Bendary	ben-DARR-ee





HEAD COACH BRIAN KENNEDY

47 | Monmouth '90 | 1st Season as Head Coach (2-2) | 5th Season at NJIT

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- NJIT has posted a **72-58** record since Kennedy's addition to the coaching staff
- 2015-16: Top Assistant for semifinal run to 2016 *CollegiateInsider.com* Tournament
- 2014-15: Top Assistant for semifinal run to 2015 *CollegiateInsider.com* Tournament
- 2012-13: Assistant for Great West Conference regular season championship
- 1999-00: Assistant for DePaul's first NCAA Tournament berth in eight seasons
- 1999-00: Assistant for DePaul, which made earned a Top-25 ranking
- 1999: Assistant for DePaul for the Number 1 Recruiting Class in the nation
- 1998-99: Assistant for DePaul which reached the quarterfinals of the 1999 NIT
- 1989-90: Team captain as a senior point guard for the Monmouth Hawks (NEC)

PLAYER SUCCESS:

- Recruited/coached two AP All-America honorable mention honorees at NJIT: **Chris Flores** ('12-13) and **Damon Lynn** ('14-15)
- Recruited/coached future NBA players while at DePaul: **Andre Brown**, **Steven Hunter**, **Paul McPherson**, **Quentin Richardson** and **Bobby Simmons**.

Brian Kennedy, who has been an assistant men's basketball coach at NJIT since August 2012, will be introduced as the 11th head men's basketball coach in program history on a Friday, April 15 press conference.

Coach Kennedy, whose involvement with the sport of basketball literally covers his entire life, is the son of the late Bob Kennedy, a former college and high school coach and the nephew of Pat Kennedy, who was a Division I head coach for 31 years at Iona, Florida State, DePaul, Montana, and Towson.

The Kennedy family business, the Hoop Group, began in the Trenton, NJ, CYO in 1963 with summer basketball camps and moved in 1969 to Cherry Valley, PA, and the Pocono Invitational began.

In 1991, the Hoop Group acquired the Eastern Invitational camp and renamed it the Hoop Group Elite Camp. A few years later, the Hoop Group began running grassroots tournaments and the subsequent years have seen numerous alumni go on to play in the NBA, including Kobe Bryant, Amar'e Stoudemire 2010 #1 overall pick John Wall, 2011 #1 pick Kyrie Irving and 13 other first-round picks that year.

Numerous legendary coaches have lectured at the camp, including the late Jim Valvano and Hall of Famers Lou Carnesecca, Rollie Massimino, Hoop Group Skills Camp Director Bob Hurley, Bob Knight, and Herb Magee.

Brian Kennedy, who played at both Princeton and Monmouth (1990 graduate), took over the family business after graduating from Monmouth in 1990 and was President and co-founder when it was rebranded from the Pocono Invitational to the Hoop Group and became the largest basketball instructional organization in the world.

He entered the college coaching ranks in 1997 as an assistant coach at DePaul on the staff headed by his uncle Pat. There, he was part of one of major college basketball's great turnarounds, as the Blue Demons, who won fewer than five games the year before he arrived, made the NIT quarterfinals in 1999 and then the NCAA Tournament in 2000 as a team ranked in the Top 25.

"BK" as he is known to his many friends, was involved in all aspects of the DePaul program and was a leader in efforts that brought in a group named as the nation's top recruiting class in 1998 by The Sporting News.

Among the players he helped bring to DePaul five future NBA players: Quentin Richardson, Bobby Simmons, Steven Hunter, Paul McPherson, and Andre Brown.

He stepped aside from coaching from 2002 through 2009, when he worked on Wall Street in the financial sector.

He returned to the Hoop Group as Athletic Director, serving in that capacity from 2009 until 2012, when he joined the staff at NJIT.

In his first year as an assistant, the Highlanders captured their first Division I league title when they were regular season champions of the old Great West Conference.

As with DePaul in his first turn as a college coach, Kennedy spearheaded the recruiting efforts for NJIT and he faced a major task in his first recruiting year, with all three double-figure scorers from the 2012-13 Great West champions graduating in May 2013.



KENNEDY'S CAREER

HEAD COACH (1):

YEAR	SCH	CONF	W-L	PCT	NOTE
2016-17	NJIT	ASUN	2-2	.500	First year as Head Coach
TOTAL			2-2	.500	

ASSISTANT COACH (9):

YEAR	SCH	CONF	HEAD COACH	W-L	NOTE
1997-98	DePaul	CUSA	Pat Kennedy	7-23	
1998-99	DePaul	CUSA	Pat Kennedy	18-13	NIT Quarterfinalist
1999-00	DePaul	CUSA	Pat Kennedy	21-12	NCAA Tournament
2000-01	DePaul	CUSA	Pat Kennedy	12-18	
2001-02	DePaul	CUSA	Pat Kennedy	9-19	
2012-13	NJIT	Great West	Jim Engles	16-13	Regular Season Champs
2013-14	NJIT	Ind.	Jim Engles	13-16	
2014-15	NJIT	Ind.	Jim Engles	21-12	CIT Tournament
2015-16	NJIT	ASUN	Jim Engles	20-15	CIT Tournament

DIVISION-I PLAYING CAREER (3):

YEAR	SCH	CONF	W-L	GP	PPG	RPG	APG	BPG	SPG
1986-87	Princeton	IVY	16-19	3	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
1988-89	Monmouth	NEC	15-13	27	6.8	2.1	4.1	0.0	1.4
1989-90	Monmouth*	NEC	17-12	27	5.2	2.6	4.0	0.1	1.3

* Team Captain

The story is not yet fully written, but that first recruiting class (Class of 2017) and subsequent incoming players have been vital to Highlander men's basketball reaching unprecedented success.

The extremely inexperienced 2013-14 team finished 13-16, but the two teams since have won a combined 41 games (21 in 2014-15 and 20 in 2015-16), while advancing to the semifinals of the national postseason CollegiateInsider.com Tournament after both seasons.

In addition, the Highlanders won their first-ever game over a ranked opponent when they upset #17/#16 Michigan in December 2014 and they scored their first-ever win over a team from the BIG EAST Conference when they topped St. John's in December 2015.

Two members of that first recruiting class have already put their names all over the NJIT record books. Damon Lynn, picked second-team all-state (all groups) by the Star-Ledger as a senior at Union Catholic High School, came on board and has started every game the Highlanders have played in his three seasons. Lynn has amassed 1,720 points in three seasons, including a school-record 349 career 3-point baskets.

Tim Coleman came in the same class, entering NJIT after graduating from St. Anthony High School in Jersey City, NJ, where he played for Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame coach Bob Hurley. At St. Anthony,

Coleman was a contributor on teams that won New Jersey state Tournament of Champions crowns following his sophomore and junior seasons. In all, the Friars were 93-2 in Coleman's last 95 career games.

Coleman has grown as a college player, compiling 1,053 points and 548 rebounds through his first three seasons with NJIT.

Rob Ukawuba, a third-team all-state (all groups) pick in the same class, has been a vital contributor as the team's sixth man the last two seasons, posting an 8.2 points per game scoring average this season.

Brian Kennedy is the proud father of four children: daughters Taylor, Tatum, and Kelly; and son Brian, Jr.

NJIT HIGHLANDERS ASSISTANT COACHES



JEFF RAFFERTY

SPRINGFIELD '97 | 1ST SEASON AT NJIT

Jeff Rafferty joined the NJIT staff after serving nine years at the University of Delaware -- where he earned the title of Associate Head Coach for the 2013-14 season... The 1997 graduate of Springfield College enjoyed one of his highlight seasons in 2013-14, when the Blue Hens finished 25-10, tying for the second-most wins in program history, and made the 2014 NCAA Tournament as the #13 seed in the East Regional...Rafferty's work in helping to build the UD program was recognized by FOXSports.com as one of the Top 10 Mid-Major Assistant Coaches in the country in 2008 and by RecruitDirt.com as the top assistant coach in the CAA in 2012... Prior, he was an assistant coach at the University of New Hampshire and for four years as the top assistant at UMass Lowell (then Division II). In his time at UML, the River Hawks were a combined 94-30 and made back-to-back trips to the D-II national Elite Eight in 2003 and 2004... He coached in NCAA Division III at Union College (2000-01) and at his alma mater, Springfield, which was a combined 40-17 and reached the Division III Sweet Sixteen in his second season on staff. He began his coaching career with an internship with the NBA's Boston Celtics and coached in 1997-98 at one-time NJIT opponent Texas Pan American.



KEVIN DRISCOLL

MISERICORDIA '04 | 1ST SEASON AT NJIT

Kevin Driscoll joined NJIT after serving as an assistant at Holy Cross, which won the 2015-16 Patriot League championship tournament by winning four straight road games to advance to the NCAA Tournament. Once in the NAAs, Holy Cross defeated Southern University in a "First Four" game for the program's first NCAA Tournament win since 1953. A 2004 graduate of Misericordia (PA) University, Driscoll also had a hand in the Crusaders' run to the 2014 CollegeInsider.com Tournament (CIT) -- where they defeated Brown for their first national postseason since 2004-05... Prior to joining the Holy Cross staff, Driscoll was director of the Hoop Group Elite/Eastern Invitational and Skills/Pocono Invitational for four years, managing all aspects of the world's largest basketball camps... The Hamburg, Pa., native also served as an assistant coach at Albright (PA) College for three seasons (2006-09), where he helped lead the Lions to a combined 44-32 record... He earned his bachelor's degree in sport management and was a four-year letter winner on the Misericordia Cougars, who he helped to two postseason ECAC Division III Tournament appearances. He is among the Misericordia career leaders with a field goal percentage over 55 percent.



KIM WAITERS

ROBERT MORRIS '11 | 2ND SEASON AT NJIT

Kim Waiters enters his second season in his first full-time college coaching position after joining NJIT as an assistant in July 2015... In his two seasons in Newark, the Highlanders have gone 41-27 with back-to-back appearances in the semifinals of the CIT... Waiters got involved with coaching when he was an undergraduate at Robert Morris (PA) University, working as a student assistant... After graduating in 2011 with a bachelor's of Business Management, Waiters became the Director of Skills Camps at the Pocono Invitational, a prestigious overnight camp that began operation in 1963... From the Pocono Invitational, Waiters headed to The Hoop Group, the largest basketball instruction organization in the world. He directed 10 Premier Grassroots AAU team tournaments and 16 high school events featuring premier teams from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Maryland. "Kim is an outstanding person who has the potential to be one of the top young basketball coaches in the country," said former NJIT Head Coach Jim Engles. "He is a tremendous addition to our coaching staff, a tireless recruiter, terrific relationship builder and someone who believes in the values that align with both the NJIT community and our men's basketball program."



ANDREW MCGLYNN

TOWSON '12 | 2ND SEASON AT NJIT

Andrew McGlynn enters his second season on the NJIT staff after working as a Video Coordinator at La Salle University in 2014-15... In his two seasons in Newark, the Highlanders have gone 41-27 with back-to-back appearances in the semifinals of the CIT... McGlynn entered college coaching as a graduate assistant for the University of Detroit Mercy men's basketball program, managing video operations and assisting with opponent scouting. In 2013, Detroit Mercy clinched an NIT berth, McGlynn's first season on staff... He was head student manager for the Towson men's basketball program for four seasons and graduated in 2012 with a bachelor's in Sport Management and received his MBA in Business Administration from Detroit Mercy in 2014... Beginning in June 2011, when he was an intern, McGlynn worked for The Hoop Group, the largest basketball instruction organization in the world. "We are extremely excited to have Andrew join our staff," said former NJIT head coach Jim Engles, who hired McGlynn. "He brings a wealth of experience from working on the staffs of Detroit and La Salle. He is a true professional in every sense of the word and will definitely help us elevate our program as we make the jump to the Atlantic Sun Conference."



NJIT WELLNESS AND EVENTS CENTER... OPENING 2017

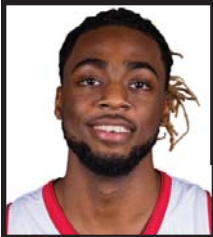
NJIT hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, for the Wellness and Events Center (WEC), a sleek new building that has the promise to become the social centerpiece of a revamped campus.

The Wellness and Events Center, already nicknamed WEC, is a \$102 M building that will be constructed on the site of the current Lubetkin Field at Mal Simon Stadium athletic field. WEC will extend across the length of the field, which will later be rebuilt on the north side of the building. The construction of WEC, to begin after the groundbreaking, will be finished in the Fall of 2017.

As the name implies, WEC is a multi-purpose building. The 200,000-square-foot building will be in equal parts a fitness center, a study space, a gathering spot and a sports arena that will double as a conference and events center. WEC will offer students a place to relax and stay fit; athletes a place to practice and play games; and the university a place to host on-campus events and conferences.

WEC's amenities include: (1) an arena with a 3,500 capacity, (2) a 25-meter pool with diving area, (3) a fitness center with cardio equipment and weights, (4) lounges, study areas and multipurpose rooms, (5) an indoor 10,000 square feet turf space, (6) two practice courts for intramural and intercollegiate sports, (7) a running track that will encircle the concourse of the first-floor arena.

WEC is a major part of a \$300 million building plan to overhaul the campus. Other parts of the plan include the Central King Building, whose classrooms and labs are state of the art; the Life Sciences and Engineering Building; a new parking deck, located behind NJIT's Enterprise Development Center on Warren Street; and the renovation of classrooms and labs all over campus. The renovation plan reflects the university's evolution from a commuter school to a nationally-ranked research university. Indeed, NJIT's growing reputation has prompted a surge in enrollment that totals more than 11,000 students.



ABDUL LEWIS

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Transferred from University of South Alabama (Sun Belt Conference) in Mobile following the 2014-15 season
- 2016-17:**
- Currently ranks 2nd in the ASUN in rebounding (8.8 rpg) and T-5th in bpg (1.0)
 - 11/17 at Lafayette: Recorded his first NJIT double-double with 13 points and a game-high 12 rebounds
 - 11/14 at Utah State: Contributed 7 points, 4 rebounds and an assist; drained 2nd 3FG of career
 - 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started NJIT career with 6 points and a game-high 12 rebounds; added 1 ast & 1 stl
- 2015-16:**
- Will not be able to compete under NCAA transfer rules

2014-15 (SOUTH ALABAMA):

- As a freshman, appeared in all 33 games (started 27) for the Jaguars
- Averaged a team-leading 6.7 rpg -- which ranked seventh in the Sun Belt
- Ranked fifth on USA at 7.0 ppg; posted a .468 FG% (88-for-188)
- Reached double-figure scoring totals in eight games
- Posted a career-high 17 points on two occasions: 12/6 vs. Middle Tennessee & 2/21 @ Georgia Southern
- Registered nine double-figure rebounding games, with a high of 13 on 2/21 @ Georgia Southern
- Had two double-doubles: 12/6 vs. Middle Tennessee (17 pts, 12 reb) & 2/21 @ Georgia Southern (17, 13)
- 1/25 vs. NJIT: Fell one point shy of a double-double against hometown college team (9 points, 10 rebounds)

HIGH SCHOOL:

Abdul Lewis was a standout for two New Jersey state champion teams at Newark's East Side High School... Born in Newark, Lewis was All-State Group 3, All-Essex County, All-Newark, and All-Super Essex Conference following a senior season that saw East Side claim a second consecutive state crown and post a 30-2 record for a team ranked second in the state. He averaged 11.2 points and 10.5 rebounds. Abdul was second-team All-Newark and Essex County All-Junior after his team capped his junior year with a Group 3 state title...

PERSONAL:

Abdul-Wai Lewis... son of Terri Pettaway and Wayne Lewis... undecided major... born 12/27/95 in Newark, NJ.

LEWIS' GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SLC+	2-6	0-2	2-3	2-10	12	0	6	0	1	2	1	18
11/14 @UTST+ 2-6	1-3	2-2	0-4	4	5	7	1	2	1	0	29	
11/17 @ LC+	5-8	0-0	3-6	2-10	12	5	13	2	4	0	1	28
11/19 CU+	0-4	0-0	4-4	2-5	7	4	4	2	3	1	0	21
11/22 GSU												
11/23 TBD												
11/26 @ PU												
11/30 SFU												
12/3 @ UML												
12/6 @ UM												
12/10 @ KSU												
12/14 @ Iona												
12/17 @ TU												
12/22 DC												
12/28 @SBU												
1/4 BU												
1/7 @USCU												
1/12 JU												
1/14 UNF												
1/19 @ SU												
1/21 @FGCU												
1/25 @ KSU												
1/28 LU												
1/30 KSU												
2/4 @ LU												
2/9 @ UNF												
2/11 @ JU												
2/16 FGCU												
2/18 SU												
2/23 USCU												
2/27 TBD												
3/2 TBD												
3/5 TBD												

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points
Season: 13 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 17 (2x); last: at Ga. Southern -- 2/21/15
Rebounds
Season: 12 (2); last: at Lafayette -- 11/11/16
Career: 13 at Georgia Southern -- 2/21/15
Assists
Season: 2 (2); last: Colgate -- 11/19/16
Career: 3 vs. UT-Arlington -- 2/14/15
Blocks
Season: 2 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 2 (3); last: Sarah Lawrence -- 11/11/16
Steals
Season: 1 (2), last: at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 1 (10x); last: vs. Sarah Lawrence -- 11/11/16
3-Pointers
Season: 1 at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Career: 1 (2), last: at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Minutes
Season: 29 at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Career: 38 vs. Arkansas State, 12/30/14
*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record

LEWIS' CAREER STATISTICS (SOUTH ALABAMA 2014-15)

	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS								SCORING				
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG	
2014-15	33	27	910	27.6	88	188	.468	1	4	.250	55	104	.529	63	164	227	6.9	91	3	22	72	18	9	232	7.0	
2015-16	DID NOT PLAY (NCAA Transfer Rules)																									
2016-17	4	4	96	24.0	9	24	.375	1	5	.200	11	15	.733	6	29	35	8.8	14	2	5	10	4	2	30	7.5	
2017-18																										
2018-19																										
CAREER	37	31	1006	27.2	97	212	0.458	2	9	0.222	66	119	0.555	69	193	262	7.1	105	5	27	82	22	11	262	7.1	



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COACH KENNEDY ON PRICE:

"Taj is a Newark product who played his HS basketball under Coaches Tavares, Garvin and Hawkins at East Side. He is a tireless worker who has a very high basketball ceiling and I believe he is just scratching the surface with his abilities. Taj will be called upon to give us immediate support "up front" as he improves his perimeter skills. His Post Grad year playing for the famed Roadrunners AAU team run by Coach Sandy Pyonin and at The Phelps School under Coach Brian Shanahan really helped to prepare him for the rigors he will face this year."

2016-17:

- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started season with 9 points (4-10, 1-6) and 1 rebound in 17 minutes off bench

HIGH SCHOOL:

A forward from Newark's East Side High School, Taj Price, joins sophomore transfer Abdul Lewis on the Highlander squad after the pair guided East Side to the 2014 NJSIAA North 2 Group 3 State title, defeating Summit, 54-25. East Side, ranked second in the state in 2014, posted a 30-2 overall record. ...Price averaged 9.4ppg and 4.9rpg during his senior campaign and attended The Phelps School, a prep school, in Pennsylvania, during the 2015-16 season...

PERSONAL:

Taj Awan-Ali Price... intends to major in engineering at NJIT

PRICE'S GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SLC	3-4	0-0	3-4	1-6	7	4	9	1	1	0	1	14
11/14 @UTST												DNP
11/17 @ LC	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
11/19 CU	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
11/22 GSU												
11/23 TBD												
11/26 @ PU												
11/30 SFU												
12/3 @ UML												
12/6 @ UM												
12/10 @ KSU												
12/14 @ Iona												
12/17 @ TU												
12/22 DC												
12/28 @SBU												
1/4 BU												
1/7 @USCU												
1/12 JU												
1/14 UNF												
1/19 @ SU												
1/21 @FGCU												
1/25 @ KSU												
1/28 LU												
1/30 KSU												
2/4 @ LU												
2/9 @ UNF												
2/11 @ JU												
2/16 FGCU												
2/18 SU												
2/23 USCU												
2/27 TBD												
3/2 TBD												
3/5 TBD												

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season: 9 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 9 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Rebounds

Season: 7 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 7 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Assists

Season: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Blocks

Season:

Career:

Steals

Season: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

3-Pointers

Season:

Career:

Minutes

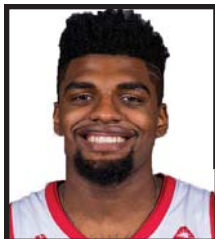
Season: 14 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 14 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record

PRICE'S CAREER STATISTICS

	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS				SCORING									
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG		
2016-17	3	0	18	6.0	3	5	.600	0	0	.000	3	4	.750	1	7	8	2.7	5	0	1	1	0	1	9	3.0		
2017-18																											
2018-19																											
2019-20																											
CAREER	3	0	18	6.0	3	5	.600	0	0	.000	3	4	.750	1	7	8	2.7	5	0	1	1	0	1	9	3.0		



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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Has **1,110** career points, which ranks sixth in the D-I era and **24th** all-time (9 points from passing Rich Olson '68)
- Became the sixth member of NJIT's D-I 1,000-point club vs. Army on 3/16/16 and 28th all-time
- Has **567** career rebounds, which ranks second in the D-I era behind 616 (Isaiah Wilkerson '12)
- Become the third member of NJIT's D-I 500-rebound club vs. Stetson on 3/1/16
- Has recorded **10** career double-doubles, two shy of NJIT's D-I all-time record (12, Nesho Milosevic & Isaiah Wilkerson)
- Became the first player in NJIT history to reach 30 blocks (42) and 30 steals (37) in a season (2014-15)
- ...and he repeated with 32 blocks and 51 steals in 2015-16
- Only player in NJIT history to average better than 1.0 block and 1.0 steal per game for a season... and he accomplished the feat in his first two seasons (had 29 blocks, 30 steals in 24 games in 2013-14)

- **2016-17 (SR):** Selected to preseason ASUN All-Conference Team
- **2015-16 (JR):** Nominated for ASUN Defensive Player of the Year
- **2015-16 (JR):** Named to *Collegiesiders.com* "My5" (Mid-Major P-O-W) from 11/16-22, avg'g 13.3 ppg, 7.7 rpg in 3 G
- **2015-16 (JR):** Preseason All-ASUN Second-Team selection by *College Sports Madness*
- **2014-15 (SO):** Named to the CIT All-Tournament Team by *Collegiesider.com* (15.0 ppg and 7.3 rpg in four games)
- **2014-15 (SO):** Honored with ECAC Division I Play of the Week (1/5) with thunderous dunk vs. Saint Francis (12/30)

2016-17:

- Currently ranks 2nd in the ASUN in spg (2.0) and 4th in the ASUN in blocks (1.3 bpg)
- 11/14: Overcame early foul trouble to score a season-high 16 pts (tied career-high w/ 3 FGM); game-high 3 steals
- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started season with 12 points (5-9, 0-3, 2-2) with 2 rebound, 1 assist, 1 block and 2 steals

2015-16 (JR):

- A-Sun Ranks: **3rd** in spg (1.5) & double-doubles (7), **4th** in rpg (7.5), **5th** in bpg (0.9) & 3FG% (.412), **9th** in FT% (.763), **11th** in ppg (13.8), **14th** in FG% (.469) and **T-18th** in apg (2.3)
 - NCAA Ranks: **53rd** in d-rpg (6.3), **114th** total rebounds (262), **115th** in total steals (51), **139th** in double-doubles (7)
 - Set NJIT's single-season rebound record vs. BU on 3/21/16 (**262**), previously 234 by Nesho Milosevic (2007-08)
 - Recorded seven double-doubles, one shy of NJIT single-season record (8, Nesho Milosevic in 2007-08)
 - **CIT:** 14.8 ppg, 11.3 rpg, 2.8 apg... **Last 6 G:** 14.2 ppg (85), 9.8 rpg (59), 2.8 apg (17)... 10+ points in 21 of last 24 G
 - Led team in scoring in five times, in rebounding 19 times, in assists six times, in blocks 16 times and in steals 15 times
 - **Last 27 G at Fleisher Athletic Center:** Averaging 15.3 ppg (414) while shooting .519 FG (147-283)
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- 3/27 at Columbia (CIT): Scored 11 points with a game-high 14 rebounds, for his 7th double-double (10th of career)
 - 3/21 vs. Boston U (CIT): Scored 20 points with a team-high 9 rebounds and 6 assists, which tied his career-high
 - 3/16 vs. Army (CIT): Scored 16 points w/ game-highs in rebounds (14) & steals (4); 6th double-double (9th of career)
 - 12/20 at St. John's: Netted 10 points with a team-high 11 rebounds for 3rd double-double of year, 6th of career
 - 12/10 at St. Francis: Set career-high w/ 27 points & added 12 rebounds for 2nd double-double of year, 5th of career
 - 11/21 vs. Lafayette: Posted fourth double-double of career with 16 points and a game-high 14 rebounds (tied c-h)

2014-15 (SO):

- Finished second on the team in rebounding (5.1 rpg), blocks (1.3 bpg) and steals (1.1 spg); third in scoring (11.5 ppg)
- Led team in blocks 14 times, in rebounds 13 times, in steals nine times and in both scoring and assists four times
- Posted a .526 FG%, which would have ranked 50th in Division I had he qualified (required average of 5.0 FGM/G)
- Last 21 games (12/23-on): Averaged 14.2 ppg after starting the season at 6.8 ppg through his first 12 games
- 3/23 vs. Canisius (CIT): Posted second career double-double (22 points, 11 rebounds) with four assists and four steals
- 3/16 vs. New Hampshire (CIT): Scored then career-high 23 points (7-12, 2-5, 7-10) w/ seven rebounds and three blocks

2013-14 (FR):

- Played 24 of team's 29 games, with 11 starts (DNP in five game due to injury, 12/28 through 1/16)
- Finished second on the team in rebounding (4.9 rpg), blocked shots (29) and steals (28)
- 11/17 vs. New Hampshire: Scored 15 points (6-10 FG) in his second career NCAA start

HIGH SCHOOL:

Coleman, a resident of Union, NJ, is a graduate of St. Anthony High School in Jersey City, where he was coached by Bob Hurley, a 2010 inductee into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame... Played on Friar teams that won the NJSIAA State Tournament of Champions following his sophomore and junior years and he entered his final high school game (a defeat in the Non-Public 'B' final) having been on the winning side in 93 of the prior 94 games... As a senior, Coleman averaged 8 ppg and 5 rpg. One of his memorable efforts came in the New Jersey Non-Public 'B' North title game vs. fellow Jersey City power, Hudson Catholic, which entered the tilt with one loss. St. Anthony, ranked 1st in the state at the time, would defeat 2nd-ranked Hudson decisively, 57-42... Against a Hudson Catholic front line led by Top 75 national recruit Reggie Cameron, a 6'8" power forward now at Georgetown, Coleman came up big. On that night, the 6-5 Coleman matched Cameron in points (12) and rebounds (10) and also posted a game-best four blocked shots... Coleman grabbed nine rebounds in a regular season tilt against nationally-ranked St. Benedict's Prep of Newark...

PERSONAL:

Timothy James Coleman... son of Genene Ware and Erwin Coleman... science, technology & society major... born

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+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season: 16 at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Career: 27 at St. Francis BK -- 12/10/15

Rebounds

Season: 8 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 14 (3), last: vs. Army -- 3/16/16

Assists

Season: 5 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 6 (2), last: vs. Boston U. – 3/21/16

Blocks

Season: 3 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16
Career: 6 vs. Fisher (NAIA) – 2/22/14

Steals

Season: 3 (2); last: vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16
Career: 4 (4); last: vs. Army -- 3/16/16

3-Pointers

Season: 3 at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Career: 3 (6), last: at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Minutes

Season: 32 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 42 at FGCU – 1/14/16

*set NJIT D-I Record: ^tied NJIT D-I Record

COLEMAN'S CAREER STATISTICS

	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS														SCORING	
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG				
2013-14	24	11	489	20.4	61	147	.415	10	33	.303	57	77	.740	30	87	117	4.9	79	5	30	38	29	28	189	7.9				
2014-15	33	32	831	25.2	131	249	.526	35	84	.417	84	130	.646	38	131	169	5.1	95	2	57	71	42	37	381	11.5				
2015-16	35	34	966	27.6	165	352	.469	47	114	.412	106	139	.763	43	219	262	7.5	109	3	82	76	32	51	483	13.8				
2016-17	4	4	97	24.3	17	39	.436	4	12	.333	19	26	.731	1	18	19	4.8	14	0	8	10	5	8	57	14.3				
CAREER	96	81	2383	24.8	374	787	.475	96	243	.395	266	372	.715	112	455	567	5.9	297	10	177	195	108	124	1110	11.6				



CHRIS JENKINS

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Transferred from Hofstra University (CAA) in Hempstead, NY, following the 2013-14 season

HONORS/AWARDS:

- 2015-16 (SO):** A-Sun Co-Newcomer of Week, Dec. 14-20... Scored a career-high 19 points at St. John's (12/20)

2016-17:

- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started season with 9 points (4-10, 1-6) and 1 rebound in 17 minutes off bench

2015-16:

- A-Sun Ranks: **8th** in 3FG% (.399), **9th** in 3FG/G (2.0), **T-13th** in 3FGM (57) and **37th** in ppg (7.0)
- Last 13 G:** Averaged 7.9 ppg (103) on .403 3FG (31-for-77)
- Since Willis Injury (12/10):** 8.0 ppg (191), 55-136 3FG (.404) in 24 G... **Prior:** 1.5 ppg in 5.8 mpg in 4 G (5 DNP)
- 3/16 vs. Army (CIT): Did not play due to illness
- 2/25 at USCU: Scored 9 points on 3-8 3FG -- including a go-ahead triple from corner with less than :07 left
- 2/18 at UNF: Scored a team-high 16 points (5-12, 3-9, 3-3) with an assist; 2nd time led team in scoring
- 2/1 at Lipscomb: Tied career-high with 5 3FGM; scored 15 points on 5-8 shooting, all from beyond perimeter
- 1/16 at Stetson: Set career-highs in assists (3) & steals (3) while adding 14 pts, 2 reb in a season-high 28 min
- 12/28 vs. Stony Brook: Scored 15 points in a then season-high 27 min, again tying career-high with 5 3FGM
- 12/20 at St. John's: Scored a career-high 19 points on 7-for-8 shooting and 5-for-6 from beyond the arc
- 12/10 at St. Francis: Played a season-high 10 minutes, posted a season-high 2 rebounds
- 11/29 vs. UMFK: Scored his first six points as a Highlander, shooting 2-6 (all 3FGA) in a then season-high 9 min
- 11/14 at #2 Kentucky (first contest as a Highlander): Played three minutes and logged a steal

2014-15:

- Was not able to compete under NCAA transfer rules

2013-14 (HOFSTRA):

- Played in 28 out of Hofstra's 33 contests, averaging 5.4 ppg
- Ranked third on the team with 42 three-point baskets made
- Scored a career-high 17 points (5-12, 1-2) in opener (11/8 vs. Monmouth); hit a career-high, five 3-pointers
- Hit four 3-pointers on two occasions (12/30 vs. NJIT; 1/19 @ SMU)
- 12/30: Scored 12 points in game vs. NJIT (4-8, 4-7), added a rebound, assist, steal and block in 30 minutes

HIGH SCHOOL:

Attended Gill St. Bernard's High School in Gladstone, NJ, for his senior season (2012-13), where he helped guide the Knights to a 19-8 record and a No. 17 state ranking by the Newark Star Ledger...earned third-team all-Somerset county honors and ranked 29th-best player in the state by ESPN...one of the state's top three-point shooters, sinking 59 for an average of (3.3 pg), including seven in the NJSIAA/ShopRite South Jersey, Non-Public B semifinal against the Patrick School. ...averaged 12.9 points and 4.1 rebounds in 2012-13, while scoring a season-high 29 points (on nine 3-pointers) against St. Joseph in the NJSIAA Tournament on February 27, 2013... he averaged 17 ppg for Morristown-Beard as a junior before transferring to Gill St. Bernard's...

JENKINS' GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SLC	4-10	1-6	0-1	0-1	1	2	9	0	0	0	0	17
11/14 @UTST	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
11/17 @ LC	2-2	2-2	0-0	0-2	2	1	6	0	0	0	0	8
11/19 CU	DNP											
11/22 GSU												
11/23 TBD												
11/26 @ PU												
11/30 SFU												
12/3 @ UML												
12/6 @ UM												
12/10 @ KSU												
12/14 @ Iona												
12/17 @ TU												
12/22 DC												
12/28 @SBU												
1/4 BU												
1/7 @USCU												
1/12 JU												
1/14 UNF												
1/19 @ SU												
1/21 @FGCU												
1/25 @ KSU												
1/28 LU												
1/30 KSU												
2/4 @ LU												
2/9 @ UNF												
2/11 @ JU												
2/16 FGCU												
2/18 SU												
2/23 USCU												
2/27 TBD												
3/2 TBD												
3/5 TBD												

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season: 9 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 19 at St. John's -- 12/20/15

Rebounds

Season: 2 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16

Career: 4 (2); last: 2/16/14 @ Drexel

Assists

Season:

Career: 3 at Stetson -- 1/16/16

Blocks

Season:

Career: 1 (5); last: 2/1/14 @ Col. of Charleston

Steals

Season:

Career: 3 at Stetson -- 1/16/16

3-Pointers

Season: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 5 (2); last: at Lipscomb -- 2/1/16

Minutes

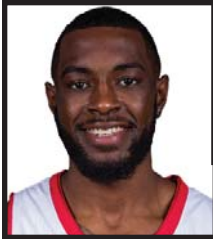
Season: 17 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 33 vs. Monmouth -- 11/8/13 (debut)

*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record

JENKINS' CAREER STATISTICS (HOFSTRA 2013-14)

	MIN			TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS			SCORING									
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
2013-14	28	0	593	21.2	49	160	.306	42	141	.298	11	16	.688	4	32	36	1.3	30	0	15	13	5	14	151	5.4
2014-15	DID NOT PLAY (NCAA transfer rules)																								
2015-16	28	0	481	17.2	68	166	.410	57	143	.399	4	9	.444	1	21	22	0.8	30	0	9	14	0	11	197	7.0
2016-17	3	0	26	8.7	6	12	.500	3	8	.375	0	1	.000	0	3	3	1.0	4	0	0	1	0	0	15	5.0
2017-18																									
CAREER	59	0	1100	18.6	123	338	.364	102	292	.349	15	26	.577	5	56	61	1.0	64	0	24	28	5	25	363	6.2



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CO-CAPTAIN IN 2016-17

	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS				SCORING									
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG		
2013-14	29	29	981	33.8	151	405	.373	107	282	.379	91	117	.778	15	65	80	2.8	32	0	60	53	1	35	500	17.2		
2014-15	33	33	1203	36.5	182	499	.365	126	350	.360	88	114	.772	15	83	98	3	67	1	123	92	2	58	578	17.5		
2015-16	35	35	1323	37.8	196	524	.374	116	350	.331	134	161	.832	11	95	106	3.0	43	0	114	71	2	56	642	18.3		
2016-17	4	4	125	31.3	26	58	.448	16	42	.381	28	29	.966	0	6	6	1.5	8	0	16	8	0	6	96	24.0		
CAREER	101	101	3632	36.0	555	1486	.373	365	1024	.356	341	421	.810	41	249	290	2.9	150	1	313	224	5	155	1816	18.0		



SHYQUAN GIBBS

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COACH KENNEDY ON GIBBS:

"Shyquan is a coach's dream. He is a Valedictorian in the classroom and a State Champion on the court. His apprenticeship under his father Shelton (former St. Peter's college great and current Snyder HS Head Coach) and Hall of Fame Coach Bob Hurley have Shy more than prepared for great success as a Highlander."

2016-17:

- 11/17 at Lafayette: Scored a career-high 4 points in a career-high 31 minutes
- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started NCAA career with 3 points, 1 rebound and 2 assists in 19 minutes

HIGH SCHOOL:

Shyquan Gibbs a graduate of St. Anthony's High School in Jersey City, where he was coached by Bob Hurley, a 2010 inductee into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, will be the third St. Anthony alumnus on the Highlander roster, which features senior Tim Coleman and sophomore Mohamed Bendary. ...Gibbs, ranked among the top 25 New Jersey players in the Class of 2016 by NJHoops.com, led the Friars (26-0) to be ranked No.1 Boys High School basketball team in New Jersey and fourth-best in the nation, according to USA Today. ...as a junior, Gibbs helped the Friars to a 28-2 record and sixth consecutive NJSIAA Non-Public, North B Championship. ...Gibbs played for the Jersey City Boys Club on the AAU circuit.

PERSONAL:

Shyquan Wanya Gibbs. ... son of Shelton and Elyse Gibbs. ...Gibbs, who intends to major in business at NJIT, was named St. Anthony High School Valedictorian, News12 co-Scholar-Athlete of the Week (November 15, 2015) and recipient of the Investors Bank Academic Excellence Award.

GIBBS' GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SLC	1-9	0-6	1-3	0-1	1	2	3	2	1	0	0	19
11/14 @UTST	1-3	0-2	1-2	0-2	2	1	3	1	1	0	0	22
11/17 @ LC	2-7	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	4	4	1	2	0	0	31
11/19 CU	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	2	0	1	3	0	1	22
11/22 GSH												
11/23 TBD												
11/26 @ PU												
11/30 SFU												
12/3 @ UML												
12/6 @ UM												
12/10 @ KSU												
12/14 @ Iona												
12/17 @ TU												
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12/28 @SBU												
1/4 BU												
1/7 @USCU												
1/12 JU												
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1/19 @ SU												
1/21 @FGCU												
1/25 @ KSU												
1/28 LU												
1/30 KSU												
2/4 @ LU												
2/9 @ UNF												
2/11 @ JU												
2/16 FGCU												
2/18 SU												
2/23 USCU												
2/27 TBD												
3/2 TBD												
3/5 TBD												

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points
Season: 4 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 4 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Rebounds
Season: 2 at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Career: 2 at Utah State -- 11/14/16
Assists
Season: 2 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 2 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Blocks
Season:
Career:
Steals
Season: 1 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16
Career: 1 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16
3-Pointers
Season:
Career:
Minutes
Season: 31 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 31 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record

GIBBS' CAREER STATISTICS

	MIN			TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS			SCORING									
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
2016-17	4	0	94	23.5	4	21	.190	0	10	.000	2	5	.400	0	5	5	1.3	9	0	5	7	0	1	10	2.5
2017-18																									
2018-19																									
2019-20																									
CAREER	4	0	94	23.5	4	21	.190	0	10	.000	2	5	.400	0	5	5	1.3	9	0	5	7	0	1	10	2.5



ANTHONY TARKE

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COACH KENNEDY ON TARKE:

“Anthony is a tremendous athlete who should have an immediate impact in the ASUN. His versatility on the court should prove invaluable as the season progresses and he becomes adjusted to the college game. The experience he gained playing for Coach Ian Turnbull at Coastal Academy combined with his experience under the tutelage of Arty Jones are invaluable as he begins his career in Brick City.”

- HIGHLIGHTS:**
- Became 1st Highlander w/ double-double in NCAA debut vs. SLC, 11/11 (13 pts, 10 reb); just 5th FR to record feat
- 2016-17:**
- Ranks 6th in the ASUN in rebounding (7.3 rpg) and 3rd in offensive rebounding (3.0); T-9th in spg (1.3)
 - 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started NCAA career with double-double (13 pts, 10 reb); added 2 ast and 1 blk

HIGH SCHOOL:

Anthony Tarke, a 2015 graduate of Gaithersburg High School, helped Gaithersburg to an 18-7 overall record and attended Coastal Academy US in Neptune, New Jersey for the 2015-16 season.

PERSONAL:

Anthony Shey Tarke. ... son of Elizabeth Tarke. ...intends to major in business.

TARKE'S GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SLC	6-11	1-2	0-0	4-6	10	1	13	2	0	1	0	17
11/14 @UTST	3-6	0-1	1-2	3-1	4	2	7	1	0	0	2	20
11/17 @ LC	3-6	1-4	1-3	4-5	9	1	8	0	3	0	1	26
11/19 CU	2-7	0-2	0-0	1-5	6	0	4	0	1	1	2	21
11/22 GSU												
11/23 TBD												
11/26 @ PU												
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1/12 JU												
1/14 UNF												
1/19 @ SU												
1/21 @FGCU												
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2/27 TBD												
3/2 TBD												
3/5 TBD												

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SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points
Season: 13 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 13 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Rebounds
Season: 10 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 10 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Assists
Season: 2 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 2 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Blocks
Season: 1 (2) vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16
Career: 1 (2) vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Steals
Season: 2 (2) vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16
Career: 2 (2) vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

3-Pointers
Season: 1 (2); last: at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 1 (2); last: at Lafayette -- 11/17/16

Minutes
Season: 31 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16
Career: 31 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16

**set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record*

TARKE'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	MIN			TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS			SCORING									
	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
2016-17	4	0	84	21.0	14	30	.467	2	9	.222	2	5	.400	12	17	29	7.3	4	0	3	4	2	5	32	8.0
2017-18																									
2018-19																									
2019-20																									
CAREER	4	0	84	21.0	14	30	.467	2	9	.222	2	5	.400	12	17	29	7.3	4	0	3	4	2	5	32	8.0



REILLY WALSH

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HIGHLIGHTS:

- Won the Warren Jaques Award in 2014-15, presented annually to the top high school player on Staten Island
- 2016-17:
 - 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Scored the first 6 points of his NCAA career; career-highs in reb (5), ast (1), stl (3)
- 2015-16:
 - DNP in the last 10 games
 - 2/6 vs. Kennesaw State: Logged a season-high six minutes and recorded his first NCAA rebound
 - 12/30 at St. John's: Made his collegiate debut with four minutes off the bench in NJIT's 83-74 victory

HIGH SCHOOL:

Playing at St. Peter's, Walsh averaged 25 points per game as a senior, making 109 3-point baskets in the process. He topped 30 points in a game nine times and topped 40 twice, including a season-best 43 points, including 10 threes, against Susan Wagner High. ...Walsh finished his high school career with 1,388 points, fourth on the all-time list at St. Peter's and 17th all-time for the entire borough of Staten Island. He scored 751 of his points as a senior playing for coach Charles Driscoll. ...Walsh was a two-time Staten Island Advance all-star and also a two-time all-Staten Island pick by the New York Daily News. He played in the New York City Mayors Cup All-Star game and was a New York Sportswriters Association Class AA all-state pick. He was also Most Valuable Player of the Staten Island division of the Catholic High Schools Athletic Association (CHSAA), the governing body of Catholic scholastic sports in New York City. ...Salutatorian of his graduating class at St. Peter's, Reilly followed in the footsteps of his father, John, who was the starting point guard on the 1983 St. Peter's team that is the only Staten Island team ever to capture the New York City CHSAA AA City championship.

PERSONAL:

Reilly Walsh... son of John and Christine Walsh... John was the starting point guard on the 1983 St. Peter's team that is the only Staten Island team ever to capture the New York City CHSAA AA City championship... undecided major... born 4/16/97 in Staten Island, NY.

WALSH'S GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SL	2-2	0-0	2-2	3-2	5	0	6	1	1	0	3	15
11/14 @UTST												DNP
11/17 @ LC												DNP
11/19 CU	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
11/22 GSU												
11/23 TBD												
11/26 @ PU												
11/30 SFU												
12/3 @ UML												
12/6 @ UM												
12/10 @ KSU												
12/14 @ Iona												
12/17 @ TU												
12/22 DC												
12/28 @SBU												
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1/7 @USCU												
1/12 JU												
1/14 UNF												
1/19 @ SU												
1/21 @FGCU												
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2/4 @ LU												
2/9 @ UNF												
2/11 @ JU												
2/16 FGCU												
2/18 SU												
2/23 USCU												
2/27 TBD												
3/2 TBD												
3/5 TBD												

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points
Season: 6 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 6 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Rebounds
Season: 5 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 5 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Assists
Season: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Blocks
Season:
Career:
Steals
Season: 3 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 3 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
3-Pointers
Season:
Career:
Minutes
Season: 15 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career: 15 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record

WALSH'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	MIN			TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS			SCORING									
	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
2015-16	6	0	22	3.7	0	2	.000	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	1	1	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2016-17	2	0	24	12.0	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	3	2	5	2.5	0	0	1	1	0	3	6	3.0
2017-18																									
2018-19																									
CAREER	8	0	46	5.8	2	5	.400	0	1	.000	2	3	.667	3	3	6	0.8	1	0	1	1	0	3	6	0.8



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JR | G | 6-1 | 185 | Newark, NJ | Science Park

- Was a team manager in 2014-15 before being receiving an invitation to walk on in 2015-16

- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Scored the first points of his NCAA career. 1-1 FG in 2 minutes played

- DNP in the last 15 games
- 1/21 vs. Jacksonville: Logged first time in an A-Sun Conference game, logging two minutes and a rebound
- 11/29 vs. UMFK: Recorded his first NCAA rebound and assist in two minutes of play
- 11/21 vs. Lafayette: Logged first career NCAA minute in an 80-66 win

Attended Science Park High School in Newark.

James Denzel McMillon... son of James and Mildres McMillon... electrical engineering major... born 9/4/95 in Livingston, NJ.

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d tot pf tp	a	bk	st	min
11/11 SLG	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0 0 0 2	0	0	0	2
11/14 @UTST				DNP				
11/17 @ LC				DNP				
11/19 CU				DNP				
11/22 GSU								
11/23 TBD								
11/26 @ PU								
11/30 SFU								
12/3 @ UML								
12/6 @ UM								
12/10 @ KSU								
12/14 @ Iona								
12/17 @ TU								
12/22 DC								
12/28 @SBU								
1/4 BU								
1/7 @USCU								
1/12 JU								
1/14 UNF								
1/19 @ SU								
1/21 @FGCU								
1/25 @ KSU								
1/28 LU								
1/30 KSU								
2/4 @ LU								
2/9 @ UNF								
2/11 @ JU								
2/16 FGCU								
2/18 SU								
2/23 USCU								
2/27 TBD								
3/2 TBD								
3/5 TBD								

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	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS												SCORING	
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG		
2015-16	3	0	5	1.7	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0.7	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0		
2016-17	1	0	2	2.0	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0		
2017-18																											
2018-19																											
CAREER	3	0	5	1.7	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0.7	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0		



RON ALSTON

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FR | G/F | 6-6 | 195 | Alexandria, VA | Miller School (Charlottesville, VA)

COACH KENNEDY ON ALSTON:

“Ron has grown 2/3 inches since HS and enters NJIT as a 6’7 Guard. He can play multiple positions and will give us great flexibility in his first year. Ron is a ferocious competitor and one of the better passers I have seen in quite some time. He played in one of the top Prep School leagues in the country under Coach Danny Manuel at the Miller School in Charlottesville, VA and with Coach Ron Gadson and the VA Elite program.”

2016-17:

- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started NCAA career with 9 points (4-9 FG), 7 rebounds and a game-high 3 steals

HIGH SCHOOL:

Ron Alston, a forward from Virginia, was selected first-team all-Virginia Independent Conference (VIC) Division I as a senior at Miller School in Charlottesville, Virginia. Alston ranked #42 in the state of Virginia in the Class of 2016, finishing his senior campaign with 10.8ppg, 7.1rpg and 4.0apg. ...he earned VIC Division I second-team honors in 2014-15, averaging 12.9ppg, 5.7rpg and 2.6apg. ..Alston, who played for the Virginia Elite AAU team.

PERSONAL:

Ronald Carlton Alston... son of Lisa Barnes... intends to major in business at NJIT.

ALSTON'S GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB										
				o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min		
11/11 SLIC	4-9	1-3	0-0	3-4	7	2	9	4	2	0	3	17		
11/14 @UTST														
11/17 @ LC	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5		
11/19 CU														
11/22 GSU														
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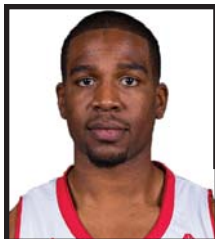
+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points	
Season:	9 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career:	9 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Rebounds	
Season:	7 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career:	7 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Assists	
Season:	4 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career:	4 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Blocks	
Season:	
Career:	
Steals	
Season:	3 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career:	3 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
3-Pointers	
Season:	1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career:	1 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Minutes	
Season:	17 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
Career:	17 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16
*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record	

ALSTON'S CAREER STATISTICS

	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS														SCORING	
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG				
2016-17	2	0	22	11.0	4	11	.364	1	5	.200	0	0	.000	3	5	8	4.0	2	0	4	2	0	3	9	4.5				
2017-18																													
2018-19																													
2019-20																													
CAREER	2	0	22	11.0	4	11	.364	1	5	.200	0	0	.000	3	5	8	4.0	2	0	4	2	0	3	9	4.5				



OSA IZEVBUWA

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SR | G | 6-3 | 230 | Staten Island, NY | McKee/Staten Island Tech (Williston St.)

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Transferred from Williston State Junior College in Williston, ND, following the 2013-14 season

2016-17:

- Has started all four games to start the season -- his first starts at the Division-I level
- 11/19 vs. Colgate: Scored a season-high 9 points (3-5 3FG), contributed 4 rebounds and an assist in 25 M
- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: First career D-I start; finished with 4 points and a career-high tying 5 rebounds

2015-16:

- Last 8 G:** Averaging 3.3 ppg (26) on 9-21 FG (.429), 7-15 3FG (.467)... after 0 points on previous 4 G
- From 12/28-1/6:** Averaged 4.8 ppg, 2.5 rpg (19, 10) over a four-game span
- 3/16 vs. Army (CIT): Tied his season-high with 8 points (3-6 FG, 2-3 3FG) with 2 rebounds in 17 minutes
- 2/20 at Jacksonville: Scored a season-high 8 points (3-6, 2-5) w/ 4 rebounds and a steal in a season-high 22 M
- 2/18 at UNF: Scored 6 points in 17 minutes... after totaling a combined 6 pts in prior 11 G (0.5 ppg in 6.1 mpg)
- 1/2 vs. UMBC: Grabbed a season-high 5 rebounds in just 9 minutes, added 4 points (1-2, 0-1, 2-2)
- 12/30 at Saint Francis U: Tallied then season-high 7 points (3-5, 1-3) with an assist & 2 steals in 17 M off bench
- 12/28 vs. Stony Brook: Tied then season-high with 5 points (1-2, 0-0, 3-4); added 3 rebounds, an assist & steal
- 12/7/15 vs. Kent State: Scored a then season-high 5 points (2-4, 1-2) in just 7 minutes off the bench
- 11/21 vs. Lafayette: Scored the first four of his points this season (2-3 FG) in 10 minutes off the bench
- 11/14 at #2 Kentucky: Played 10 minutes off the bench and registered one assist

2014-15:

- Played in 32 games with all his action coming off the bench
- Last 11 games: Averaged 6.4 ppg (70), including 14 points (5-9, 4-7) vs. NAIA Fisher College, 2/7
- 2/28 vs. Sarah Lawrence (DIII): Scored an NJIT career-high 15 pts (6-11, 1-3, 2-2) w/ 2 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 steals
- 12/23 at #7 Villanova: Scored then career-high 11 points (4-7, 3-5)
- 11/22 vs. UMass Lowell: Netted 10 points (4-5 FG) in just 17 minutes

2013-14 (WILLISTON STATE JUNIOR COLLEGE):

- Played in 33 games and averaged 8.7 ppg and 3.8 rpg
- Scored in double-figures 12 times with a career-high 24 against Colorado Northwestern Community College

HIGH SCHOOL:

Attended McKee/Staten Island Technical School in Staten Island, where the Warriors became the first Island PSAL school and sixth all-time to reach the semifinals of the leagues playoff New York State Sportswriters Association. ...McKee/Staten Island went 21-0 against Island competition, capturing the SIHSL Championship for the second straight year... Izevbuwa led the Island averaging 25.5 points (766 points in 30 games) and became the 10th in Island history to score two 40-point games... he finished with 1,653 career points at McKee/Staten Island Tech, second best in SIHSL history and fourth best among Staten Island scoring leaders... all-State Class A New York State Sportswriters Association New York State Sportswriters Association... played for the Staten Island Stingrays.

PERSONAL:

Osa Joshua Izevbuwa... son of Shareece Slayton... business major... born 2/24/94 in Staten Island.

IZEVBUWA'S GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB			o-d	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	st	min
11/11 SLIC+	2-7	0-2	0-0	1-4	5	0	4	0	1	0	0	16			
11/14 @UTST+ 2-5	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	2	5	0	0	0	2	19			
11/17 @ LC+	2-4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	12			
11/19 CU+	3-5	3-5	0-0	2-2	4	2	9	1	0	0	0	25			
11/22 GSU															
11/23 TBD															
11/26 @ PU															
11/30 SFU															
12/3 @ UML															
12/6 @ UM															
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3/5 TBD															

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season: 9 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Career: 15 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 2/28/15

Rebounds

Season: 5 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 5 (4x); last: vs. Sarah Lawrence -- 11/11/16

Assists

Season: 1 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Career: 3 at UMBC -- 1/2/15

Blocks

Season:

Career: 1 vs. Lafayette -- 12/28/14

Steals

Season: 2 at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Career: 2 (4); last: at Utah State -- 11/14/16

3-Pointers

Season: 3 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Career: 4 vs. Fisher (NAIA) -- 2/7/14

Minutes

Season: 25 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Career: 27 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D3) -- 2/28/15

*set NJIT D-I Record; ^tied NJIT D-I Record

IZEVBUWA'S CAREER STATISTICS (WILLISTON ST. NJCAA STATS NOT INCLUDED IN CAREER TOTALS)

	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS				SCORING									
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG		
2013-14	33	11	564	17.1	94	217	.433	23	59	.390	71	90	.789	41	80	121	3.7	48	1	30	44	2	30	282	8.5		
2014-15	32	0	430	13.4	48	119	.403	25	62	.403	13	23	.565	11	33	44	1.4	35	0	19	27	1	12	134	4.2		
2015-16	34	0	349	10.3	27	82	.329	11	47	.234	9	15	.600	16	31	47	1.4	26	0	18	15	0	10	74	2.2		
2016-17	4	4	72	18.0	9	21	.429	5	11	.455	0	0	.000	3	8	11	2.8	5	0	1	1	0	2	23	5.8		
CAREER	70	4	851	12.2	84	222	.378	41	120	.342	22	38	.579	30	72	102	1.5	66	0	38	43	1	24	231	3.3		



ROB UKAWUBA

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SR | G | 6-4 | 210 | East Brunswick, NJ | East Brunswick

CO-CAPTAIN IN 2016-17

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Graduated East Brunswick High School as the program's all-time leading scorer with 1,311 career points

2016-17:

- Ranks 7th in the ASUN in FG percentage (.607) and 20th in ppg (10.8)
- 11/19 vs. Colgate: Scored a season-high 15 points (7-10 FG) with 2 thunderous dunks; added 3 rebounds
- 11/16 at Utah State: Scored 12 points to go along with game highs in reb (5) and ast (6) in a career-high 38 M
- 11/11 vs. Sarah Lawrence: Started season with 8 points (4-6 FG) with 2 dunks -- 1 on an alley-oop from Lynn

2015-16:

- A-Sun Ranks: **22nd** in apg (1.8), **30th** in rpg (3.4), **31st** in ppg (8.2)
- Finished with the fourth-highest scoring (8.2) in the A-Sun amongst reserves* (*fewer than 10 starts)
- Reached double-figures in points in last 4 of his last 5 games and in 8 of his last 13 affairs
- **Last 5 G:** Averaging 11.0 ppg (55), 4.0 rpg (20) on 22-38 FG (.579) after missing 3 G with a shoulder injury
- **Last 13 G:** Averaging 10.2 ppg (132), 3.5 rpg (45) on 49-of-88 FG (.557)... **Last 28 G:** 8.9 ppg (249)
- 3/21 vs. Boston U (CIT): Scored 14 points (6-8, 1-2) with 4 rebounds, 3 assists and a career-high 3 blocks
- 3/1 vs. Stetson: Returned after missing 3 G (shoulder); scored 11 points (5-9 FG) w/ 4 rebounds and 2 assists
- 1/27 vs. Lipscomb: Made first start of career; Scored 13 pts (4-10, 1-3, 4-4) w/ 5 rebounds, 3 assists and a steal
- 12/30 at Saint Francis U: Scored team-high 17 points off bench (6-11, 3-7, 2-2); added 5 rebounds & 4 assists
- 12/10 vs. St. Francis: Helped seal 92-86 win with 5 of his 15 points in overtime; added 4 rebounds in 29 min
- 12/7 vs. Kent State: Came off the bench for 14 points (5-8, 1-2, 3-3) with 4 rebounds and 1 assist in 21 minutes
- 11/24 at Providence: Scored a career-high 20 points (6-8, 4-6, 4-5) along with four rebounds and one assist
- 11/19 vs. Boston: Recorded a team-high and career-high tying 9 rebounds; also had four points & four assists
- 11/14 at #2 Kentucky: Scored six points (2-6, 0-0, 2-2) with two rebounds and an assist in 22 minutes

2014-15:

- Last 10 games: Averaged 9.8 ppg, including a then career-high 18 vs. NAIA Fisher College, 2/7
- Last 17 games: 8.0 ppg, .595 FG% (47-79)... Last 25 games: .570 FG% (61-107) after starting 2-15 in first 3 games
- Returned for CIT semifinal game at No. Arizona, 3/31 after missing 5 games (concussion); Scored 7 points
- 2/7 vs. Fisher College (NAIA): Scored career-high 18 pts (5-9, 3-3, 5-7) and tied career-high with nine rebounds
- 2/2 vs. Hampton: Dished out a career-high six assists while recording 10 points and three rebounds
- From 1/14-1/19: Matched or set career scoring high in three straight games (12, 12, 14)
- 1/19 at Maine: Set a DI career high with 14 pts (5-7 FG), added a rebound and two steals
- 1/14 vs. St. Joe's Brooklyn (DIII): Set career-highs in rebounds (9) w/ 12 points and a then career-high 4 assists
- 11/22 vs. UMass Lowell: Scored five points, including highlight reel dunk

2013-14:

- Did not play in the first 17 games, but came off the bench in 10 of the last 12 contests
- Finally missed a shot in fourth college game (1/27) after making first four tries in three games ...
- 2/5 vs. Wheelock (DIII): Registered freshman year season-high 9 points (4-7, 1-1) with 3 rebounds and a steal
- 1/16 at NCCU: Played last 7 minutes; hit two corner 3-pointers for 6 points
- 1/13 vs. CCNY (DIII): NCAA debut; scored 6 points, including thunderous dunk for first bucket just :36 after checking in

HIGH SCHOOL:

Versatile swingman was one of New Jersey's top players as a senior at East Brunswick High School and is known for his toughness and athleticism... Ukawuba averaged 16.6 points, 6.8 rebounds, and 2.9 steals a game for East Brunswick, which posted a 26-4 record in 2012-13... Had nine games with 20 or more points and reached double-figure scoring in 29 of the 30 games... Had seven double-figure rebound games... Ukawuba reaped numerous honors for leading veteran coach Bo Henning's East Brunswick's Central Jersey Group 4 champions. The Star-Ledger of Newark named Rob third-team All-State for all groups, making him one of New Jersey's top 15 high school players in the eyes of the state's largest newspaper. In addition, The Star-Ledger also named him first-team All-State in Group 4 (largest public schools); second-team All-State among senior players; and first-team All-Middlesex County. His local daily paper, the Home News Tribune, which is part of MyCentralJersey.com, selected Ukawuba for its All-Area first team. ...Born in New Brunswick, NJ, to parents who immigrated to the United States from Nigeria before he was born, Rob is a chiseled 6-foot-3, 210 pounder who followed his older brother into basketball. He spent the early part of his high school career playing around the basket, but has expanded his game to hone his perimeter skills and he made 25 3-point baskets as a senior, while also notching 66 assists. ...To get a sense of Ukawuba's pure athletic ability, as a senior he told a newspaper interviewer he "might try" track and field in the spring. He did just that in the spring and posted a high jump of 6'0" in the Greater Middlesex Conference Relays. That jump in high school, with limited competitive experience, would have been good for a Top Nine finish in the 2013 championships for local Division I college conference.

PERSONAL:

Robert Ukawuba... son of Charity and Hyacinth Ukawuba... business & information systems major... born 12/2/94 in New Brunswick, NJ.

UKAWUBA'S GAME-BY-GAME

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11/11 SLC+	4-6	0-1	0-0	0-3	3	2	8	2	2	0	1	16			
11/14 @UTST+ 4-8		0-2	4-6	2-3	5	3	12	6	2	0	1	38			
11/17 @ LC+	2-4	1-1	3-6	1-2	3	4	8	0	2	0	0	26			
11/19 CU+	7-10	0-1	1-3	1-2	3	2	15	0	2	0	0	36			
11/22 GSU															
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3/5 TBD															

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SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season: 15 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Career: 20 at Providence -- 11/24/15

Rebounds

Season: 5 at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Career: 9 (3); last: vs. Boston U. -- 11/19/15

Assists

Season: 6 at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Career: 6 (2), last: 12 at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Blocks

Season:

Career: 3 vs. Boston U -- 3/21/16

Steals

Season: 1 (2), last: at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Career: 3 (4); last: at Lipscomb -- 2/1/16

3-Pointers

Season: 1 at Lafayette -- 11/17/16

Career: 4 at Providence -- 11/24/15

Minutes

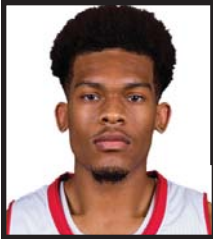
Season: 38 at Utah State -- 11/14/16

Career: 38 at Utah State -- 11/14/16

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UKAWUBA'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
2013-14	10	0	89	8.9	13	21	.619	4	6	.667	6	8	.750	2	10	12	1.2	9	0	7	5	3	5	36	3.6
2014-15	28	0	531	19.0	63	121	.521	17	40	.425	38	59	.644	26	70	96	3.4	63	1	26	22	6	18	181	6.5
2015-16	32	1	701	21.9	88	199	.442	23	70	.329	62	89	.697	28	81	109	3.4	72	0	57	34	7	20	261	8.2
2016-17	4	4	116	29.0	17	28	.607	1	5	.200	8	15	.533	4	10	14	3.5	11	0	8	8	0	2	43	10.8
CAREER	74	5	1437	19.4	181	369	.491	45	121	.372	114	171	.667	60	171	231	3.1	155	1	98	69	16	45	521	7.0



DONOVAN GREER

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SO | G | 6-3 | 165 | Houston, TX | Hillcrest Academy (San Jacinto CC)

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Transferred from San Jacinto College-Central (NJCAA) in Pasadena, TX, following the 2015-16 season
- Cousin (Jabari) played for the New Orleans Saints from 2004-13; cousin (Rashaun) played WR for Colorado St.

2016-17:

- Missed the first four games with an ankle injury; remains day-to-day

2015-16 (SAN JACINTO COLLEGE-CENTRAL):

- Starting guard as a freshman for a team that posted a 20-10 overall record and was a Region XIV runner-up
- Averaged 8.8 ppg and 2.5 rpg; 11 double-digit games, inc. season-high 20 pts vs. Coastal Bend College on 1/30
- Ranked 16th in Region XIV in 3FGM (58)

HIGH SCHOOL:

Two-time first-team all-District selection... averaged 18 ppg as a senior.

PERSONAL:

Donovan Jacob Greer... son of Hope and Jacob Greer... business management major.

GREER'S GAME-BY-GAME

Date	FG m-a	3FG m-a	FT m-a	REB o-d tot pf tp a to bk st min
11/11 SLC				DNP (ankle)
11/14 @UTST				DNP (ankle)
11/17 @ LC				DNP (ankle)
11/19 CU				DNP (ankle)
11/22 GSU				
11/23 TBD				
11/26 @ PU				
11/30 SFU				
12/3 @ UML				
12/6 @ UM				
12/10 @ KSU				
12/14 @ Iona				
12/17 @ TU				
12/22 DC				
12/28 @SBU				
1/4 BU				
1/7 @USCU				
1/12 JU				
1/14 UNF				
1/19 @ SU				
1/21 @FGCU				
1/25 @ KSU				
1/28 LU				
1/30 KSU				
2/4 @ LU				
2/9 @ UNF				
2/11 @ JU				
2/16 FGCU				
2/18 SU				
2/23 USCU				
2/27 TBD				
3/2 TBD				
3/5 TBD				

+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season:

Career:

Rebounds

Season:

Career:

Assists

Season:

Career:

Blocks

Season:

Career:

Steals

Season:

Career:

3-Pointers

Season:

Career:

Minutes

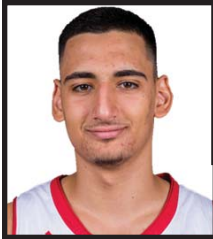
Season:

Career:

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GREER'S CAREER STATISTICS (SAN JACINTO NJCAA STATS NOT INCLUDED IN CAREER TOTALS)

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SO | F | 6-9 | 235 | Jersey City, NJ | St. Anthony's

- 2015-16:**

- HIGH SCHOOL:**

PERSONAL:

BENDARY'S GAME-BY-GAME

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+ Game started | *set NJIT Record | ^tied NJIT Record

SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

Points

Season: 5 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 16 vs. UNF -- 1/24/16

Rebounds

Season: 7 vs. Sarah Lawrence (D-III) -- 11/11/16

Career: 8 at Saint Francis U -- 12/30/15

Assists

Season:

Career: 2 (3) last: vs. Jacksonville -- 1/21/16

Blocks

Season: 1 at Lafayette -- 1/17/16

Career: 4 vs. USC Upstate -- 1/9/16

Steals

Season:

Career: 2 at Kennesaw St. -- 1/30/16

3-Pointers

Season:

Career:

Minutes

Season: 17 vs. Colgate -- 11/19/16

Career: 24 vs. Jacksonville -- 1/21/16

*set NJIT D-I Record: ^tied NJIT D-I Record

BENDARY'S CAREER STATISTICS

BRYAN FOSTER CAREER REBOUTS																											
	MIN				TOTAL			3-PTS			F-THROWS			REBOUNDS										SCORING			
YEAR	GP	GS	TOT	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG		
2015-16	34	1	408	12.0	42	64	.656	0	0	.000	10	19	.526	42	65	107	3.1	85	1	20	26	18	6	94	2.8		
2016-17	4	0	50	12.5	4	9	.444	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	6	8	14	3.5	10	1	1	4	1	0	9	2.3		
2017-18																											
2018-19																											
CAREER	38	1	458	12.1	46	73	.630	0	0	.000	11	21	.524	48	73	121	3.2	95	2	21	30	19	6	103	2.7		

NJIT HIGHLANDERS: 2016-17 STATISTICS

NJIT Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 19, 2016) All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	2-2	2-0	0-2	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-2	2-0	0-2	0-0

##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fga	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
05	LYNN, Damon	4-4	125	31.3	26-58	.448	16-42	.381	28-29	.966	0	6	6	1.5	8	0	16	8	0	6	96	24.0
02	COLEMAN, Tim	4-4	97	24.3	17-39	.436	4-12	.333	19-26	.731	1	18	19	4.8	14	0	8	10	5	8	57	14.3
25	UKAWUBA, Rob	4-4	116	29.0	17-28	.607	1-5	.200	8-15	.533	4	10	14	3.5	11	0	8	8	0	2	43	10.8
12	TARKE, Anthony	4-0	84	21.0	14-30	.467	2-9	.222	2-5	.400	12	17	29	7.3	4	0	3	4	2	5	32	8.0
00	LEWIS, Abdul	4-4	96	24.0	9-24	.375	1-5	.200	11-15	.733	6	29	35	8.8	14	2	5	10	4	2	30	7.5
23	IZEVBUWA, Osa	4-4	72	18.0	9-21	.429	5-11	.455	0-0	.000	3	8	11	2.8	5	0	1	1	0	2	23	5.8
03	JENKINS, Chris	3-0	26	8.7	6-12	.500	3-8	.375	0-1	.000	0	3	3	1.0	4	0	0	1	0	0	15	5.0
11	GIBBS, Shyquan	4-0	94	23.5	4-21	.190	0-10	.000	2-5	.400	0	5	5	1.3	9	0	5	7	0	1	10	2.5
34	BENDARY, Mohamed	4-0	50	12.5	4-9	.444	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	6	8	14	3.5	10	1	1	4	1	0	9	2.3
21	ALSTON, Ron	2-0	22	11.0	4-11	.364	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	3	5	8	4.0	2	0	4	2	0	3	9	4.5
01	PRICE, Taj	3-0	18	6.0	3-5	.600	0-0	.000	3-4	.750	1	7	8	2.7	5	0	1	1	0	1	9	3.0
14	WALSH, Reilly	2-0	24	12.0	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	3	2	5	2.5	0	0	1	1	0	3	6	3.0
15	MCMILLON, James	1-0	2	2.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
Team											10	6	16					1				
Total.....		4	826		116-262	.443	33-107	.308	76-104	.731	49	124	173	43.2	86	3	53	58	12	33	341	85.2
Opponents.....		4	825		100-242	.413	31-95	.326	52-75	.693	28	111	139	34.8	86	-	60	66	10	21	283	70.8

TEAM STATISTICS	NJIT	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	341	283	11/11/16	SARAH LAWRENCE	W 100-38	0
Points per game	85.2	70.8	11/14/16	at Utah State	L 84-93	8584
Scoring margin	+14.5	-	11/17/16	at Lafayette	Lot 83-84	1539
FIELD GOALS-ATT	116-262	100-242	11/19/16	COLGATE	W 74-68	802
Field goal pct	.443	.413	* - Conference game			
3 POINT FG-ATT	33-107	31-95				
3-point FG pct	.308	.326				
3-pt FG made per game	8.3	7.8				
FREE THROWS-ATT	76-104	52-75				
Free throw pct	.731	.693				
F-Throws made per game	19.0	13.0				
REBOUNDS	173	139				
Rebounds per game	43.2	34.8				
Rebounding margin	+8.5	-				
ASSISTS	53	60				
Assists per game	13.3	15.0				
TURNOVERS	58	66				
Turnovers per game	14.5	16.5				
Turnover margin	+2.0	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	0.9	0.9				
STEALS	33	21				
Steals per game	8.3	5.3				
BLOCKS	12	10				
Blocks per game	3.0	2.5				
ATTENDANCE	802	10123				
Home games-Avg/Game	2-401	2-5062				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Totals
NJIT	158	177	6	341
Opponents	132	144	7	283

NJIT Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 28, 2016)
All games

##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fita	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
05	LYNN, Damon	35-35	1323	37.8	196-524	.374	116-350	.331	134-161	.832	11	95	106	3.0	43	0	114	71	2	56	642	18.3
02	COLEMAN, Tim	35-34	966	27.6	165-352	.469	47-114	.412	106-139	.763	43	219	262	7.5	109	3	82	76	32	51	483	13.8
00	HOWARD, Ky	34-34	1089	32.0	141-285	.495	25-66	.379	125-164	.762	31	127	158	4.6	98	3	154	110	5	33	432	12.7
11	WILLIS, Winfield	9-9	248	27.6	30-71	.423	12-34	.353	21-22	.955	9	19	28	3.1	18	1	24	14	1	8	93	10.3
25	UKAWUBA, Rob	32-1	701	21.9	88-199	.442	23-70	.329	62-89	.697	28	81	109	3.4	72	0	57	34	7	20	261	8.2
15	SMITH, Terrence	28-25	585	20.9	94-163	.577	0-0	.000	19-39	.487	48	69	117	4.2	70	2	23	31	7	12	207	7.4
03	JENKINS, Chris	28-0	481	17.2	68-166	.410	57-143	.399	4-9	.444	1	21	22	0.8	30	0	9	14	0	11	197	7.0
34	BENDARY, Mohamed	34-1	408	12.0	42-64	.656	0-0	.000	10-19	.526	42	65	107	3.1	85	1	20	26	18	6	94	2.8
33	SHUSTOV, Vlad	25-9	292	11.7	27-57	.474	1-3	.333	3-5	.600	13	31	44	1.8	51	0	11	23	12	3	58	2.3
24	TSELENTAKIS,Emma	34-27	548	16.1	28-70	.400	12-35	.343	6-12	.500	37	69	106	3.1	66	0	49	23	9	16	74	2.2
23	IZEVBUBWA, Osa	34-0	349	10.3	27-82	.329	11-47	.234	9-15	.600	16	31	47	1.4	26	0	18	15	0	10	74	2.2
04	CALLAHAN, Seth	5-0	16	3.2	4-4	1.000	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	1	0	0	1	0	1	10	2.0
10	MCKNIGHT, Derek	7-0	17	2.4	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	2-4	.500	1	1	2	0.3	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	0.6
13	MCMILLON, James	3-0	5	1.7	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	0.7	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
14	WALSH, Reilly	6-0	22	3.7	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0	1	1	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										49	54	103					12				
	Total.....	35	7050		911-2045	.445	306-865	.354	501-679	.738	330	885	1215	34.7	673	10	562	452	93	227	2629	75.1
	Opponents.....	35	7050		902-2059	.438	302-869	.348	481-726	.663	395	881	1276	36.5	660	-	525	478	141	215	2587	73.9

% = Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame Classic
* = Atlantic Sun Conference Game
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2016-17 NJIT HIGHLANDERS HEAD SHOT CHART



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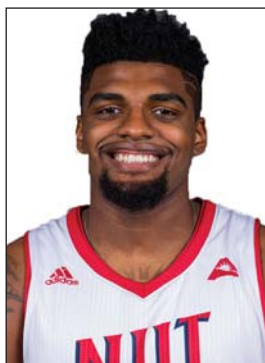
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1 **TAJ PRICE**



2 **TIM COLEMAN**



3 **CHRIS JENKINS**



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