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# GAMEDAY

MARIAN UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL



# SABRES CLOSE OUT TWIN BILL WITH TECH



**ILLINOIS TECH SCARLET HAWKS**

AT

**MARIAN UNIVERSITY SABRES**



**5-12  
3-7 NACC**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 24  
SADOFF GYM • 3:15 PM**

**8-8  
5-5 NACC**

## 2025-26 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### NOVEMBER

8	UW-SUPERIOR <sup>^</sup>	W 68-67
9	CENTRAL <sup>^</sup>	L 63-56
18	AUGSBURG <sup>&amp;</sup>	L 70-66
29	SAINT MARY'S (MINN.)	W 105-73

### DECEMBER

3	CONCORDIA WISCONSIN*	L 66-61
6	EDGEWOOD*	W 73-64
10	WISCONSIN LUTHERAN*	W 81-58
13	LAKELAND*	W 67-64
18	BELOIT	W 63-51
20	CARROLL	L 75-67

### JANUARY

3	BENEDICTINE*	W 72-70
7	ST. NORBERT*	L 66-59
10	DOMINICAN*	W 72-45
14	LAKELAND*	L 82-77
17	ROCKFORD*	L 74-63
21	MSOE*	L 85-81 (OT)
24	ILLINOIS TECH*	3:15 PM
27	MARANATHA BAPTIST	7 PM
31	AURORA*	3:15 PM

### FEBRUARY

4	EDGEWOOD*	7 PM
7	BENEDICTINE*	3:15 PM
11	WISCONSIN LUTHERAN*	7 PM
14	CONCORDIA CHICAGO*	3:15 PM
18	CONCORDIA WISCONSIN*	7 PM
21	ROCKFORD*	3:15 PM

HOME GAME | NACC GAME\*

NBC TIP-OFF CLASSIC (UW-SUPERIOR)<sup>^</sup>

WISCONSIN DELLS, WIS.& | EXHIBITION#

## GAME NOTES

### TIPPING IT OFF:

Marian University men's basketball takes on Illinois Tech Saturday, January 24 at 3:15 p.m.

### HALFTIME WORRIES:

The Sabres have had strong opening halves of late but haven't been able to close the deal. During the current three-game losing skid, Marian has held a lead going into halftime of all three games.

### AN EYE FOR AYENI:

Junior Andrew Ayeni continues to fill up the stat sheet. Against MSOE, Ayeni finished with 20 points, seven rebounds, six assists, and three steals. He is one of four student-athletes in the NACC to rank in the top eight of the conference for scoring average and assists.

### CAGING THE SCARLET HAWKS:

Illinois Tech is looking to bounce back after dropping back-to-back games to Edgewood and Benedictine. The Scarlet Hawks are paced by senior Garrison Carter who ranks fifth in the NACC averaging 15.9 points per game.

### ALL-TIME SERIES:

Marian enters with a 12-3 record all-time against Illinois Tech and have won the past three meetings. Junior Andrew Ayeni had 10 points in each game last year, while senior Alex Vassilakis had a double-double in one of the two meetings.

### UP NEXT:

Marian hits the road for the next two games opening at Maranatha Baptist Tuesday, January 27 at 7 p.m.



## TEAM LEADERS



Points Per Game .....	Carter (15.9)	Points Per Game .....	Ayeni (15.4)
Rebounds Per Game .....	Dudley (5.9)	Rebounds Per Game .....	Vassilakis (9.0)
Assists .....	Davis III (33)	Assists .....	Ayeni (57)
Steals .....	Davis III (25)	Steals .....	Ayeni (29)
Blocks .....	Carter (9)	Blocks .....	Breitenboch (9)
Three-Point Field Goals .....	Carter (32)	Three-Point Field Goals .....	Lindert (42)



## MARIAN UNIVERSITY SABRES

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown	High School
2	Andrew Ayeni	F	6-4	220	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.	St. Patrick
4	Donovan Byrd	G	5-10	160	Jr.	Bolingbrook, Ill.	Plainfield Easat
5	Micai Johnson	G	6-2	165	Sr.	Mount Clemens, Mich.	L'Anse Creuse North
10	Michael Matz	G	6-2	185	Jr.	Johnsburg, Ill.	Carmel Catholic
11	Marvin Haslett	G	5-11	140	Fr.	Fond du Lac, Wis.	Fond du Lac
13	Rashawn Bost	G	5-10	140	Jr.	Evanston, Ill.	Evanston Township
14	Gabe Anderson	G	6-1	165	Jr.	Schereville, Ind.	Don Bosco Prep
15	Alex Vassilakis	G	6-1	180	Sr.	Homer Glen, Ill.	Lockport Township
20	Keshawn Cotton	F	6-4	190	Jr.	Houston, Texas	Milby
22	Max Breitenbach	G	6-3	185	Fr.	Kohler, Wis.	Kohler
23	Derek Lindert	G	6-1	200	Sr.	Pardeeville, Wis.	Pardeeville
24	Harper Krolak	G	6-2	170	So.	Chicago, Ill.	St. Patrick
25	Myles Norville	F	6-5	225	Fr.	Neenah, Wis.	St. Mary Catholic
30	Carter Uppena	G	6-3	180	Fr.	Elroy, Wis.	Royall
32	Alex Schlichting	F	6-5	220	Sr.	Oshkosh, Wis.	Oshkosh West
33	JT Schmitt	G	6-1	170	Fr.	Johnsburg, Ill.	Johnsburg
34	Jeremiah Fitzgerald	F	6-5	185	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis.	Pius XI
35	Nick Gattuso	G	6-1	165	Fr.	Melrose Park, Ill.	Leyden
41	Kaden Fillmore	F	6-4	200	Fr.	Watertown, Wis.	Dodgeland
43	Fredrick Ware Jr.	F	6-5	195	Jr.	Oshkosh, Wis.	Oshkosh North
44	Jazz Orozco	G	5-10	160	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif.	Damien
55	Tristan Marvelli	G	6-0	180	Fr.	Hartland, Wis.	Arrowhead

Head Coach: Drake Diener (7th Season)

Assistant Coaches: Tyler Jones, Bob Hoffmaster, Kris Saiberlich, Dick Diener



## ILLINOIS TECH SCARLET HAWKS

#	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School
1	Deniz Kimyoncuoglu	G	So.	6-2	175	Istanbul, Turkey	Ted Atakent
2	Bryce Shoto	G	So.	5-10	165	Plainfield, Ill.	Oswego East
3	John Davis III	G	Sr.	6-3	175	Pascagoula, Miss.	Pascagoula
4	Omar Salman	G	Fr.	6-3	193	Amman, Jordan	The New English School - Amman
5	Owen Walsh	G/F	Sr.	6-3	184	Louisville, Ky.	DuPont Manual
11	Isaiah Dudley	F	Jr.	6-8	200	West Columbia, S.C.	Airport
12	James Pilapil	G	So.	5-10	180	Joliet, Ill.	Joliet Catholic Academy
15	Obrad Kuzmanovic	F	Fr.	6-5	205	London, UK	Hampton
21	Igor Filipovic	G/F	So.	6-5	200	Budapest, Hungary	SEK Budapest International
22	Nicolas Ortiz	G	Jr.	6-1	175	Alameda, Calif.	Alameda
24	Nick Galati	G	Sr.	6-2	170	Chicago, Ill.	Saint Patrick
25	Jason Pilapil	G	Sr.	6-0	175	Joliet, Ill.	Joliet Catholic Academy
30	Garrison Carter	F	Sr.	6-5	215	Island Lake, Ill.	Wauconda
31	Alexander Baeck	G	Fr.	6-2	172	Stockholm, Sweeden	Tibble Gymnasium
32	Zachary Yujnovich	G/F	Sr.	6-3	190	Perth Western, Australia	American School of the Hague
35	Kalel Maxey	F	Jr.	6-7	185	Chicago, Ill.	Chicago High School for Ag Sciences

Head Coach: Terrence Gray

## MARIAN RECORD WHEN

Overall .....	8-8
Conference .....	5-5
Home .....	4-3
Away .....	4-3
Neutral .....	0-2
Leading at Halftime .....	5-6
Trailing at Halftime .....	1-1
Tied at Halftime .....	2-1
Overtime Games .....	0-0
Scoring 70 or More Points .....	5-2
Scoring Less than 70 Points .....	3-6
Higher Field Goal Percentage .....	6-1
Lower Field Goal Percentage .....	2-7
Field Goal Percentage Tied .....	0-0
More Rebounds than Opponent .....	6-1
Fewer Rebounds than Opponent .....	2-6
Rebounds Tied .....	0-1
Field Goal Percentage 45%+ .....	5-2
Field Goal Percentage Under 45% .....	3-6
Wednesday .....	1-5
Saturday .....	5-2
Other .....	2-1

## MARIAN UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL HISTORY

- Marian University men's basketball played it's first season in 1972-73 going 10-6.
- The Sabres have won 11 conference championships, one being in the NACC era, and have been to the NCAA Tournament three times.
- Marian has reached the 20-win plateau four times in program history with a program best 29 wins coming in 1987-88.
- The Sabres have been to the NACC Tournament 10 times with two tournament championships.

## SADOFF GYM FACTS

- Sadoff Gym has been the home of Sabre volleyball and basketball since 1982.
- The gym features two state-of-the-art scoreboards that were installed in 2010 along with two locker rooms.
- The upstairs of the gym consists of a weight room/fitness area, athletic training room, and various athletic offices.
- A golf simulator overlooks the weight room for both Marian golf programs to practice year round.



## STANDINGS

	Conference				Overall					
	GP	W-L	PCT	GF-GA	GP	W-L	PCT	GF-GA	L10	STRK
St. Norbert	10	10-0	1.000	757-600	17	13-4	.765	1232-1086	8-2	W6
Aurora	10	9-1	.900	934-744	17	14-3	.824	1476-1265	10-0	W12
MSOE	10	8-2	.800	888-834	17	10-7	.588	1428-1417	6-4	W1
Concordia Wisconsin	11	7-4	.636	927-853	18	9-9	.500	1450-1410	5-5	W2
Rockford	9	5-4	.556	567-555	16	8-8	.500	1047-1071	8-2	L1
<b>Marian</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5-5</b>	<b>.500</b>	<b>706-674</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8-8</b>	<b>.500</b>	<b>1131-1073</b>	<b>5-5</b>	<b>L3</b>
Concordia Chicago	10	5-5	.500	696-744	17	6-11	.353	1233-1340	3-7	L1
Benedictine	9	4-5	.444	658-668	16	5-11	.312	1125-1239	3-7	W3
Lakeland	10	4-6	.400	737-761	17	6-11	.353	1270-1367	4-6	W1
Illinois Tech	10	3-7	.300	679-778	17	5-12	.294	1153-1330	2-8	L2
Edgewood	9	2-7	.222	626-720	15	2-13	.133	1018-1233	2-8	W1
Wisconsin Lutheran	9	1-8	.111	643-744	16	3-13	.188	1076-1292	1-9	L8
Dominican	11	1-10	.091	734-877	18	1-17	.056	1254-1464	0-10	L12

## PRESEASON POLL

Rank	Team	Points
1	Concordia Wis.	305 (8)
2	MSOE	302 (10)
3	St. Norbert	295 (4)
4	Wisconsin Lutheran	277 (4)
5	Aurora	204
6	Benedictine	178
<b>7</b>	<b>Marian</b>	<b>167</b>
8	Rockford	159
9	Concordia Chicago	154
10	Lakeland	132
11	Edgewood	86
12	Dominican	61
13	Illinois Tech	46

## SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

Rockford	at	Wisconsin Lutheran
<b>Illinois Tech</b>	<b>at</b>	<b>Marian</b>
Benedictine	at	MSOE
Aurora	at	Lakeland
Concordia Wisconsin	at	Edgewood
Concordia Chicago	at	St. Norbert

