



# The Rage Page



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Welcome back to Crisler Arena for another edition of Michigan Basketball. Exactly one year ago, this basketball team was sitting at 13-3 (3-1 Big Ten), and it seemed like they were contenders for a Big Ten Title. Unfortunately, the Wolverines then went on to lose 7 out of the next 9 games. Michigan has now found themselves in a different position, struggling for consistency and big wins. It may be a late game, but that is no reason to be quiet. Tonight is the night this teams turns their season around. The Indiana Hoosiers come to Ann Arbor to try and steal another victory in the same way Northwestern did last Sunday. After losing their star guard Maurice Creek to injury, the Hoosiers are forced to start a very young lineup consisting of 4 underclassmen and one junior. Tonight, we show the nation on ESPN that we can be one of the best student sections in basketball. Tonight, we do all that we can to help the team get back on track because this season is not over. The importance of this game is obvious, so be loud, cheer hard, and GO BLUE!

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Indiana Hoosiers (7-8, 1-2 Big Ten):

1	Jordan Hulls	6'0"	G	Hometown Hero for IU and is known as the team's human GPS, directing the team members to the best food and entertainment in Bloomington.
5	Jeremiah Rivers	6'5"	G	Son of Boston Celtics Head Coach Doc Rivers; transferred from Georgetown (recorded 23 minutes and 3 points two years ago against us with the Hoyas).
12	<b>Verdell Jones, III</b>	<b>6'5"</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Earned national acclaim after making an 80-foot shot in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, helping his team win the 8<sup>th</sup> grade state title.</b>
2	Christian Watford	6'9"	F	Leads the Big Ten freshman with 12.6 ppg and 5.5 rpg.
25	Tom Pritchard	6'9"	F	Was benched earlier this year for his lack of performance in games.
Coach	Tom Crean			Dwight Shrute look-alike is married to Joani Harbaugh, the sister of former Michigan QB Jim Harbaugh.

**\*BUM OF THE GAME:** Let's make sure say hey to Verdell Jones III tonight as he's our Bum of the Game. Chant "BUM" whenever he touches the ball and if the center section asks "What's the matter with Verdell?" respond: "He's a bum. Bum-bum-bum-bum-bum-bum-bum!"

**Carmel Reunion:** Stu Douglass will not be the only player on the court today from Carmel High School tonight; Indiana guards **Brett Finkelmeier (#4)** and **Daniel Moore (#11)** both graduated from Carmel HS in Carmel, Ind. Not only did Daniel and Stu graduate together, they shared the special point guard/shooting guard connection. In fact, if you search Stu's high school video on Youtube, you will find multiple clips of Daniel dishing the ball to Stu for a deep three-pointer. Who's doing better for themselves at the next level? Stu starts, Daniel doesn't. Stu averages 6.9 ppg, Daniel averages 1.5 ppg. The obvious answer here is Stuuuuuuuuuu.

**Seriously, Devan?:** Last February in a game in East Lansing against MSU, Indiana Senior **Devan Dumes (#33)** got a little happy with his elbow. In the first half, Devan drew an offensive foul for an elbow that hit Travis Walton in the face, and in the second half, Devan was running down the court when he took a cheap shot and elbowed Goran Sutton in the midsection. Finally, with about 2 minutes left, Dumes threw another elbow that hit Tom Herzog in the shoulder, drawing a flagrant foul and the ejection. On top of that, Devan was suspended by Coach Crean for two games. Dumes apologized for his actions, but come on, seriously, Devan?!

**The Face of IU Basketball:** By doing a quick search of senior **Tijan Jobe (#40)** on Facebook, you won't find his profile. You'll actually find a group: "Tijan Jobe: The Face of IU Basketball". Within the description, Jobe is described as "the SWAT team captain" and having "the wettest jumper on this side of the Mississippi". This is obviously true considering Tijan (pronounced Tee-zhan) is averaging .3 bpg and .6 ppg. Surprisingly, though, Tom Pritchard has a fan group with 77 members and freshman **Derek Elston (#32)** has a fan page with 297 fans, but Tijan's group has a whopping 508 members. Maybe Tijan is the actual face of IU Basketball, or maybe he is just the bench warmer that everyone loves because he almost never plays.

**THE REST OF THE HOOSIERS:** #0 Kory Barnett, #3 Maurice Creek, #15 Bawa Muniru, #23 Bobby Capobianco, #24 Steven Gambles, #30 Matt Roth

- IU's Free Throws: Listen in to the center of the Rage where the chant will be started, and follow along with one of these:
- You Will Miss! You Will Miss! You Will Miss! (And upon a miss, yell "Thank you")
  - Gooooo!! Bluuuuuuue!! (with the rest of the crowd)
  - Sing The Victors (listen for the "1, 2, you know what to do!")
  - Upon a made free throw, listen for the "It doesn't matter!" prompt and yell "You still suck!"

**Keep it classy, Rage:** As we work toward becoming a great student section, it's important that we refrain from swearing and making other negative slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative of the University, we need to uphold this standard. It's cool to razz the opposition, but keep it clean, Ragers.

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MAIZE RAGE NEWS AND INFO ON YOUR MICHIGAN WOLVERINES ON THE FLIP SIDE →

Here is the projected starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (8-7, 2-2 Big Ten):

31	Darius Morris	6'3"	G	Showing that he is truly a team leader, D-Mo was the floor general in crunch time during Sunday's game against Northwestern
1	Stu Douglass	6'3"	G	Hit 2-5 from beyond the arc Sunday to go with 4 rebounds and 4 assists
3	Manny Harris	6'5"	W	Continues to put up loads of points, scoring 24 in the loss to Northwestern and also had 9 rebounds. He also was perfect from the free throw line (7-7).
0	Zack Novak	6'5"	F	Air Novak can be seen on the floor diving for loose balls and crashing the offensive boards.
34	DeShawn Sims	6'8"	F	Peedi had a highlight-reel two-handed dunk Sunday against Northwestern
Coach	John Beilein			Recently locked up a contract extension through the 2016 season.

**UCONN Looms:** The new student ticket policy will be in full effect for the first time this season on January 17 against Connecticut. With another nationally ranked team coming to Crisler, students must pick up their ticket (and the Michigan State ticket) at the ticket office on State St. just south of Hoover. On the ticket will be your seating assignment, which is based on your previous game attendance. Keep in mind that if your ticket says "lower blue", then you will be sitting in the bleachers.

**Peedi:** DeShawn "Peedi" Sims was recently named the Big Ten Player of the Week for his performances at Penn State and against Northwestern. As has been the case all year, this team goes as Peedi goes, so let's hope there are more player of the week performances out of our All-Big Ten big man.

**Another blow to an already-depleted squad:** Eso Akunne has been declared academically ineligible for the winter semester. Not to worry though, he can still practice and will be back in full force in the fall.

**Thanks for the FREE pizza!** Be sure to thank members of the athletic department tonight for providing students with free pizza before the game. If you haven't received your pizza yet, it is located up on the concourse and will be available while supplies last (so hurry up and get it before it's gone).

**H-BOMB:** When Manny Harris hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena. Simultaneously, yell "Fresh" (Manny's nickname), holding the -SH at the end.

**THE FISH:** At halftime, be sure to sit down and start swaying back and forth. You will see random Maize Ragers jump up and flop like a fish. If you feel so inclined, go ahead and try it out, too!

**Chants: Be steady and don't speed up, or the chants will become disorganized and ineffective...**

Offense:

- Here we go Michigan, here we go! (clap clap)
- Let's Go Michigan! (clap, clap, clap clap clap)
- Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)
- Let's Go Blue! (clap)
- Go Blue! (clap clap)

Defense:

- De-fense! (clap clap)
- D-D-D-Defense! D-D-D-Defense!
- Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHH!!)
- Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

**Upcoming games:**

January 17	vs. Connecticut	1:30pm	Pick up your student tickets by tomorrow at the ticket office
January 20	@ Wisconsin	8:30pm	The Badgers gave Purdue their first loss of the season last week
January 23	@ Purdue	4:00pm	Hopefully Jim Burr is not officiating this game



**STUDENTS! E-MAIL LIST:** To sign up for weekly newsletters and important Rage tidbits, go to [MaizeRage.org](http://MaizeRage.org) and click the link on the left side of the page, or send an email to [grantsea@umich.edu](mailto:grantsea@umich.edu) requesting that your name be added.

## Webber's Wisdom

Some facts about Chris Webber

- Did you know that Chris was the first overall pick in the 1993 NBA draft by the Orlando Magic but was immediately traded to the Golden State Warriors? The joke is on Orlando!
- Chris was a consensus All-American in his second season with the Wolverines. He was the only sophomore to be named a first-team All-American.