



2017-18 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Butler University

Mascot: Bulldogs

Location: Indianapolis, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jack Napoleon, Zach Eaton, Jaylen Scott

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: **Conference: 8-7 , Non-Conference: 4-4**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **3rd place in Great Lakes North Conference of NCBBA**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 6 returning players: Napoleon, Hufford, Eaton, Purlee, Hallinan, Rightley. (Starters : Napoleon, Eaton, Hufford)

Players to Watch: Jack Trittipo, Jack Napoleon, Ryan Hufford, Zach Eaton, Mitch Purlee

New additions: 8 new players: Jack Trittipo, Eli Coker, Drew Bond, Cam Eveland, Jimmy Alexopoulos, Nick Cooney, Conley Jacobs, Luke Labuz

Biggest Rival: Purdue University

Best Player Nickname: Jimmy "Greek Freak" Alexopoulos

2017-18 Season Outlook: Strong core of returning players and leadership with new young athleticism and height. Adapting to a different style of play this season with more athleticism and post play.

Head Coach Quote: Last year our team struggled with athletes and bigs, leaving us primarily with shooters. This year we have maintained the shooting skills but accompanied by several bigs and athletes. A very deep roster has this team eyeing a post season appearance.



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Team Name: Creighton Universtiy

Mascot: Blue Jay

Location: Omaha, Nebraska

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jack Grogan and Ben Otta

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: **8-7**
- Tournament Rankings/Results:
- Notables: **8-1 in the second semester**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 6 (3 starters)

Players to Watch: Frank Brefo, Marcus Perry, and Morgan Karloff

New additions: Caleb Gebhardt, Marcus Perry, Parker Roustiou, Jacob Wilcox, and Jacob Smuda

Biggest Rival: Bradley

Best Player Nickname: Germond "BJ" Williams (BJ stands for Broke Jumper)

2017-18 Season Outlook: With some new faces and talent, we are looking to take advantage of a wide open conference and make it to nationals

Head Coach Quote: "You miss a 100% of the shots you don't take" -Wayne Gretzky -Michael Scott - Jack Grogan



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Team Name: Indiana State

Mascot: Sycamore Sam

Location: Terre Haute, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Captain: Kareem Mchardy

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: **0-3**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **N/A**
- Notables: **N/A**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): Kareem Mchardy, Thomas Porter.

Players to Watch: Kareem Mchardy, Travon Atkins, Cliffton Lloyd, Thomas Porter.

New additions: Cliffton Lloyd, Emoni Miles, Josh Mans.

Biggest Rival: Ivy Tech (Noblesville)

Best Player Nickname: Deandre "Fray Fray" Frazier

2017-18 Season Outlook: Strong upperclassmen leadership at the guard positions with lots of freshman talent.

Head Coach Quote: N/A.



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Team Name: Indiana University

Mascot: Hoosiers

Location: Bloomington, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach - Nick Bragg Captain - Andrew Slivinski

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: N/A
- Tournament Rankings/Results: N/A
- Notables: N/A

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): New Team as of this year

Players to Watch: Andrew Slivinski, Zach Smithey

New additions: N/A

Biggest Rival: Purdue

Best Player Nickname: Andrew "Sliv" Slivinski

2017-18 Season Outlook: Talented players have been waiting patiently for IU's Club Basketball team to return, and the wait is finally over. We have many skilled offensive players and play pesky defense as a team. Players are hungry for some competition.

Head Coach Quote: Our executive team is the best in the business and will take this club to success in our first year. We have great depth and are competitive as a whole. Looking forward to a great first season.



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Team Name: Indiana Tech

Mascot: Warriors

Location: Fort Wayne, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s):

Head Coach: Benjamin Smith

Assistant Coach: Casey Hunsucker

Captain: Jeremiah Wilkinson

Captain: Cameren Hall

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: **19-5**
- Tournament Rankings/Results:
- **YMCA of DeKalb County Spring Men's League: Regular Season Runners Up (7-2 Record)**
- **#2 Tournament Seed and Tournament Champions**
- **Indiana Tech Spring Intramural League: Regular Season Champions (4-0 Record)**
- **#1 Tournament Seed and Tournament Runners Up**
- Notables:
- **Ivy Tech Columbus (L, 84-86)**
- **Ivy Tech Gary (W, 84-69)**
- **Indiana Tech Reserve (W/L)**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 5 returning (3 starters)

Players to Watch:

Cameren Hall

Jared Bloom

Jordan Nunn



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New additions: Jared Bloom, Brandon Dinsmore, Jordan Nunn, Lucas Flanagan, Marcus Sims, Robert Nagel, Ryan Polfliet

Biggest Rival: Ivy Tech Indianapolis

Best Player Nickname: Cameren "Cookies" Hall

2016-17 Season Outlook: Indiana Tech is taking our club basketball program to the next level by joining the nationally competitive NCBBA. In our fourth season, we expect to not only compete but also challenge the other teams in our conference, region, and league at a championship-caliber level. Ultimately, our success will not be measured by wins and losses, but by individual and collective effort both on and off the court.

Head Coach Quote: "Our team will strive to represent Indiana Tech with integrity and give maximum effort in order to surpass expectations."



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Team Name: Lewis University Flyers

Mascot: Charlie

Location: Romeoville, IL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach/Captain: Malik McKenzie

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: Did Not Attend
- Tournament Rankings/Results: Did Not Attend
- Notables: N/A

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 1 (Malik McKenzie)

Players to Watch: 5-10 Maxamillion Johnson

New additions: Completely new roster only one returning.

Biggest Rival: N/A

Best Player Nickname: Max

2017-18 Season Outlook: All new players hoping to have a great first season, and improve our basketball skill sets both as a team and individually.

Head Coach Quote: We are going to use our knowledge of each other's play styles and trust in each other to come away with huge victories in this tournament.



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Team Name: Maryville University

Mascot: Saints

Location: St. Louis, Missouri

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Aaron Keehnast

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: **0-15**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **N/A**
- Notables: **Very competitive games with several teams within the conference.**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): Five returning players including starters John Sandman, Sam Rhoads, and Aaron Keehnast

Players to Watch: Sophomore Louis Range and Junior Jacob Muerer

New additions: Six freshmen who will impact this team's success greatly.

Biggest Rival: Western Illinois University

Best Player Nickname: John "Sandy" Sandman

2017-18 Season Outlook: Look to see an entirely new style and team while still returning some of the key players from last year.

Head Coach Quote: "After a tough season last year, I look around our gym and feel very confident that we are going to end up on the winning end of some of those close games last year and maybe even steal a few from the powerhouses."



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Team Name: Purdue Gold

Mascot: Boilermakers

Location: West Lafatette, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Coachs-Lamont Lane, Lucas Eitel, and Tim Ford

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: **24-4**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **NCBBA Champions**
- Notables: **Michigan State, Pittsburgh, St. John**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 7 Returners, 4 Returning starters (Mike Montgomery, Casey Dunn, Ted Young, and Tyler Howat

Players to Watch: Mike Montgomery, Casey Dunn, Cade Renicker, Isaac Panfil

New additions: Cade Renicker, Cody Ubelhor, Khalil Williams, Kyle Ross, and John Hogg

Biggest Rival: Butler and IU

Best Player Nickname: Tyler "Beef" Howat

2017-18 Season Outlook: With almost all of last years national championship team returning this year, Purdue Gold is looking better than ever, especially with the additions of new skilled guards, shooters, and solid big men.

Head Coach Quote: "He's an idiot"



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Team Name: Western Illinois University

Mascot: Leathernecks

Location: Macomb, Illinois

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Coach Jason Moore (3rd Year)

2016-17 Performance:

- Record: 5-10
- Tournament Rankings/Results: n/a
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 3

Players to Watch: Dwight Bolden- All Conference All-American, NCBBA All-American

New additions:

Biggest Rival: N/A

Best Player Nickname: N/A

2017-18 Season Outlook: We are looking to finish in 1st place this year, we will that we have the tools to do so.



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Head Coach Quote: This is the “Year of Improvement” for us, we know that we could have been better last year, this year we look to improve from our mistakes and capitalize this season. This year we have young guys with some talent, so we look to utilize them fully on the court!