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2016-17 PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: BGSU

Mascot: Falcons

Location: Bowling Green, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head coach - Tom Rodgers, Captain - Josh Jones

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: **11-7**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **Did not make tournament**
- Notables: -

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 8 (all 5 starters)

Players to Watch: All of them

New additions: Several new additions that will have an immediate impact

Biggest Rival: Michigan State

Best Player Nickname: State Farm (Rashad)

2016-17 Season Outlook: Looking forward to a successful season. Hoping to improve on last season and make it to the conference championship

Head Coach Quote: "We have a very talented team. If we can play as a cohesive unit and be consistent, we believe we will finish at the top of the league"



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Team Name: Butler Universtiy Men's Club Basketball

Mascot: Bulldog

Location: Indianapolis, IN

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Seth Wells/Carl Miller

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: **14-11**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **2 Tournament wins @ Purdue**
- Notables: **reference above**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 6

Players to Watch: Thomas Kopelman

New additions: 9

Biggest Rival: Purdue

Best Player Nickname: NA

2016-17 Season Outlook: Strong senior leadership along with a good returning core. Lot of new faces getting playing time, will need to mesh.

Head Coach Quote: "I am excited for this year because we have a great group of returning players! Joining a new league and conference will present many challenges for us, but I know these experienced guys are ready to take this season head on and we'll do great things!"



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Team Name: Dayton Flyers

Mascot: Flyers

Location: Dayton, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Chris Topp and Connor Pisco

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: NA
- Tournament Rankings/Results: NA
- Notables: NA

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): Chris Topp, Connor Pisco, Tom Martin, Jack Lundy, Pete Koza, EJ Bouie, Matt Madden (EJ Bouie and Tom Martin)

Players to Watch: Tom Martin

New additions: Johnny Wallace, Bobby Wherli, Joe Calandro

Biggest Rival: Purdue

Best Player Nickname:

2016-17 Season Outlook: Continue to play as a well rounded team. It starts with our strong guard play from Johnny Wallace to winning the boards with Tom Martin and Bobby Wherli.

Head Coach Quote:



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Team Name: Eastern Kentucky University

Mascot: Colonels

Location: Richmond, KY

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach: Tony Johnson

2015-16 Performance:

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

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 0

Players to Watch:

New additions: First year program

Biggest Rival: UK

Best Player Nickname:

2016-17 Season Outlook:

Head Coach Quote: "This year will be our first year back in a while! We are very excited for the process and are motivated to find the best in each player. There's a lot that we have to do. A season that is full of games and coaching staff that is working on one beat." Go Colonels! -Tony Johnson



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Team Name: Miami Hawks

Mascot: Redhawk

Location: Oxford, Ohio

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Captain: Craig Mathews

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: **8-7**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **did not make it**
- Notables: **Gave OSU their only loss of the season**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): Craig Mathews, Thomas McNamara, Collin Mullet, Sam Strauss, Max Paynter

Players to Watch: N/A

New additions: New members: Tristan LeMon, Joey Kromer, Erik Kohlan

Biggest Rival: OSU

Best Player Nickname: N/A

2016-17 Season Outlook: Good

Head Coach Quote: Play Hard, Play smart, Play together



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Team Name: Michigan Club Basketball

Mascot: N/A

Location: Ann Arbor

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Bryan Polan, President

2015-16 Performance:

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

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 11

Players to Watch: Crafty guards Jordan Rich, Ryan Nguyen and Thomas Girdler, long-range shooters Bryan Polan, Oliver Scherick and Gautam Visveswaran, lanky forwards Lance Coomar and Patrick Skelly and stocky low-post bigs Tyler Eilenberg and George Wilson

New additions: Parker Chmiel, Thomas Logue, Corey Bicknell, Jeremy Goodman, Jojo Himmelman, Lucas Fioretti, Charlie Kanter

Biggest Rival: MSU

Best Player Nickname: Oliver "The Hammer" Scherick, Charlie "One Time" Kanter

2016-17 Season Outlook: After adding a few newcomers, Michigan Club Basketball should improve upon last year's record with eyes on the National Playoffs. With some new team members, Michigan has added size, shooting and ball-handling to their team.

Head Coach Quote: We are looking forward to a great season and are excited for year 2 of our program.

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Team Name: Michigan State

Mascot: Spartans

Location: East Lansing, MI

Captain(s)/Coach(s): TJ Morris, Robert Ray Jr., Sean Hankins(coach)

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: **20-5**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **Final Four Nationals**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 6 returning, 2 starters

Players to Watch:

New additions: Lots of new additions

Biggest Rival: U of M

Best Player Nickname:

2016-17 Season Outlook: Unfinished Business

Head Coach Quote: "Greatness is our expectation"



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Team Name: The Ohio State University Ballstars

Mascot: Ballstars

Location: The Ohio State University - Columbus, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach - Eddie Days

Assistant - Oliver Peric

Assistant - Justin Howard

Assistant - Thomas Nolte

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: 33-13
- Tournament Rankings/Results: NCBBA National Runner-Up
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 8 returning including Brandon West, Kevin Chenault, Bryce Spees, Jared Kurz, Alex Randall, Marquis Gaines, Grayson Ball, and Ryan murray

Players to Watch: The whole team.

New additions: 6 new additions.

Biggest Rival: Michigan St

Best Player Nickname: 'Insert player name' Ballstar.



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2016-17 Season Outlook:

Coming off of a season where we won our NCBBA conference and made it to the national championship game while just falling short of a victory in OT, I think we have something to prove. This is a team that used that experience of losing the NCBBA championship to fuel them to a NIRSA national championship run just a week after, but we still feel as though we have unfinished business in the NCBBA. We lost some great leadership and size but have brought in some very talented new players that have a lot of potential. There will be an adjustment though, and it will be a process to get back to the level we were at last season as we work towards becoming a cohesive unit, really trusting each other, and building that bond. But we have some great experience coming back and should really be able to score the basketball. I think our defense and toughness will determine how far we go, but the hunger to see the same successes we saw last year will be our motivation.

Head Coach Quote:

“The heart of a Champion is a light that is always On. It does not turn on and off when someone is watching. Be a Champion in everything that you do.”



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Team Name: Purdue University Gold

Mascot: Boilermaker

Location: West Lafayette, Indiana

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Coaches- Lucas Eitel, Lamont Lane, Captain- Scott Chemma and TBD

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: N/A as we played in Nirsa tournaments
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **Finished in the semi finals in all spring tournaments expect NIRSA National when we lost to Ohio State who was the eventual winner.**
- Notables: **Beat Ohio State at Nirsa regional.**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 10 returning players (5 starters)

Players to Watch: JT Thomas, Mike Montgomery, Myles Ward, and Casey Dunn.

New additions: Freshman- Tyler Howat, Issac Panfil,

Biggest Rival: Ohio State and Butler

Best Player Nickname:

2016-17 Season Outlook: Very strong guard play with a lot of experience. Our bench is strong and deep as well.

Head Coach Quote: We have a very competitive program this year and we are looking forward to competing for a National Championship.



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Team Name: University of Kentucky

Mascot: Wildcats

Location: Lexington, Kentucky

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Zach Ripy, Rob Brooks, Alex Golonka

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: **6-9**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **none**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 7 Players ; Zach Ripy, Rob Brooks, Alex Golonka, PJ Scott, Maylon Ellington, Jake Miller, Wes Averill

Players to Watch: Wes Averill, Jake Miller

New additions: Stephen Stringer, EJ Floreal

Biggest Rival: Ohio State

Best Player Nickname: Jake "Roids" Miller

2016-17 Season Outlook: I think we have learned a lot from the past year as a younger team and having a little bit more experience should definitely help us reach our goal of returning to nationals.

Head Coach Quote: "We have a lot of new guys and Im looking forward for the season to see them grow as basketball players"



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Team Name: Wittenberg University

Mascot: Tigers

Location: Springfield, OH

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Jahmal Hughes-coach, JR Menifee, Kaiden Evans

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: NA
- Tournament Rankings/Results: NA
- Notables: NA

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 12

Players to Watch: JR Menifee, Ross Elliot, Andy Elliot

New additions: Ross Elliot, Andy Elliot

Biggest Rival: University of Dayton

Best Player Nickname:

2016-17 Season Outlook: Looking to have a better season than last year. We have added some new players and talent and are looking to make some real noise int the league this year.

Head Coach Quote: "The main focus is to remain focused."



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Team Name: NKU Club Basketball Team

Mascot: Norse

Location: Highland Heights, KY

Captain(s)/Coach(s):

Coach: David Wiley

Captain/President: Logan Linkmeyer

2015-16 Performance:

- Record: **24-2**
- Tournament Rankings/Results:
- **Ohio State Shootout Champions**
- **Dayton Reginal Tournament Runner Up**
- Notables: **Last year was first year as a Club Team**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 4 Starters, 8 Total,

Starters Returning: Isaiah "Zay" Jones, Grant Moeves, Nate McGovney, Jonathan "Schoonie" Schoonoever

Players to Watch: Zay Jones, Nate McGovney, Jordan Walsman, Jonathan Schoonie

New additions: Jordan Walsman, Eric "E Rich" Jakubowski, Adam Daria, Travis Gabbard, Marquon Smith, Elijah Roepke, Michael Stainback

Biggest Rival: ECU

Best Player Nickname:

Tanner Moeves: Tetris



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2016-17 Season Outlook: a lot of returning leadership and more depth from the entire organization

Head Coach Quote: "We play for the cheese"