



# INDIANA HOOSIERS

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## 2007-2008 INDIANA MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time	TV/Result
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### November

4	NORTH ALABAMA	Noon	W, 121-76
10	UNC PEMBROKE	8 p.m.	W, 111-62

(both above games are exhibitions)

12	CHATTANOOGA	7 p.m.	W, 99-77
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### CHICAGO INVITATIONAL CHALLENGE

18	LONGWOOD	Noon	W, 100-49
20	UNC WILMINGTON	7 p.m.	W, 95-71
23	Illinois State	8:30 p.m.	W, 70-57
24	Xavier	8:30 p.m.	Big Ten Network

(23rd and 24th at Sears Centre, Hoffman Estates, Illinois)

### ACC/BIG TEN CHALLENGE

27	GEORGIA TECH	7 p.m.	Big Ten Network
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### December

1	at Southern Illinois	9:30 p.m.	ESPNU
3	TENNESSEE STATE	7 p.m.	Big Ten Network
8	KENTUCKY	4 p.m.	CBS
15	WESTERN CAROLINA	8 p.m.	Big Ten Network
22	COPPIN STATE	Noon	Big Ten Network
29	CHICAGO STATE	7 p.m.	Big Ten Network

### January

2	at Iowa	9 p.m.	Big Ten Network
8	at Michigan	7 p.m.	ESPN
13	ILLINOIS	1/4:30 p.m.	CBS
17	at Minnesota	9 p.m.	ESPN/ESPN2
20	PENN STATE	2 p.m.	Big Ten Network
23	IOWA	9 p.m.	Big Ten Network
26	CONNECTICUT	1 p.m.	CBS
31	at Wisconsin	9 p.m.	ESPN/ESPN2

### February

3	NORTHWESTERN	Noon	Big Ten Network
7	at Illinois	9 p.m.	ESPN/ESPN2
10	at Ohio State	1 p.m.	CBS
13	WISCONSIN	7 p.m.	Big Ten Network
16	MICHIGAN STATE	9 p.m.	ESPN
19	PURDUE	7 p.m.	ESPN
23	at Northwestern	8 p.m.	Big Ten Network
26	OHIO STATE	7 p.m.	ESPN

### March

2	at Michigan State	Noon/2 p.m.	BTN/CBS
5	MINNESOTA	TBA	TBA
8/9	at Penn State	TBA	TBA

13-16 at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis)

## INDIANA vs. XAVIER, 8:36 P.M.(Eastern)

November 24, 2007 • Sears Centre (10,000)  
Hoffman Estates, Ill. • IU leads series 8-0.



### CHICAGO INVITATIONAL CHALLENGE

#8/8 Indiana (3-0)  
vs.  
Xavier (3-1)



IU Radio Network (Don Fischer, Todd Leary and Joe Smith)  
Big Ten Network (Mark Neely and John Laskowski)

## THE OPENING TIP

The Indiana men's basketball team is ranked eighth in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll and AP Poll and will battle Xavier in the championship of the Chicago Invitational Challenge. IU is coming off a 70-57 win over Illinois State in the semifinals last night. Xavier is 3-1 after defeating Kent State, 78-65, Friday night in the other semifinal. The Hoosiers hold an 8-0 advantage over the Musketeers. The two teams last met on November 29, 2003 when the Hoosiers took an 80-77 win in overtime in a game in Indianapolis. Indiana has a 32-11 record all-time against the Atlantic-10. Chicago natives **Jamarcus Ellis** (Westinghouse), **DeAndre Thomas** (Westinghouse) and **Brandon McGee** (Crane) are returning home to play collegiately in their hometown for the first time.

## THE COACHES

Two-time National Coach of the Year **Kelvin Sampson** was named the 26th head coach in Indiana University history on March 29, 2006 and enters his second year with the Hoosiers and 25th as a collegiate head coach. He has notched 16 20-plus win seasons and is 480-268 (.656). In his first year with the Cream and Crimson, Sampson's squad finished 21-11 and tied a school record by going 15-0 at Assembly Hall. The Hoosiers earned their 34th NCAA Tournament bid, advanced to the second round of the West Regional after defeating Gonzaga, 70-57, in the first round, and were ranked as high as 19th in the country during the regular season.

Coach Sean Miller is in his fourth season at Xavier and has a 65-33 record. The Musketeers were 25-9 last season and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

## UP NEXT

The Hoosiers return home November 27 to face Georgia Tech in the ACC/Big Ten Challenge on ESPN. Indiana also will play at #18 Southern Illinois on December 1 before beginning a five-game homestand with Tennessee State on December 3 and Kentucky on December 8.

## MEDIA INFORMATION

Indiana Athletics Media Relations Director J.D. Campbell is the primary media relations contact for the Indiana men's basketball team. He can be reached via cell phone (812-322-1437) or e-mail (jc56@indiana.edu).

**HOOSIER HISTORY**

IU is third all-time in NCAA Championships (5), fifth in NCAA Tournament appearances (34), sixth in NCAA Tournament victories (60), seventh in Final Four appearances (8) and ninth in overall victories (1,614).

No team has had more All-Big Ten selections than IU with 51.

Indiana has won 20 Big Ten Championships with the last coming in 2002. The Hoosiers have the best winning percentage in conference games only at 59.9%

Indiana has won its last 20 regular season games in Assembly Hall and tied a school record by going 15-0 last year.

**BIG TEN STANDINGS**

Indiana.....	4-0
Wisconsin.....	4-0
Iowa.....	4-1
Illinois.....	4-1
Ohio State.....	3-1
Penn State.....	2-2
Minnesota.....	2-0
Purdue.....	2-0
Michigan State.....	2-1
Michigan.....	3-2
Northwestern.....	1-2



**First and Second Rounds**

- Xavier 90, SE Missouri 59 (November 10)
- Illinois State 90, SE Missouri 71 (November 14)
- Indiana 100, Longwood 49 (November 18)
- Illinois State 89, UNC Wilmington 73 (November 18)
- Kent State 74, Coppin State 51 (November 18)
- Xavier 98, Coppin State 49 (November 20)
- Kent State 80, Longwood 62 (November 20)
- Indiana 95, UNC Wilmington 71 (November 20)

**Sears Centre, Hoffman Estates, Illinois**

**Third Round Schedule - Nov. 23 (Central Time)**

- UNC Wilmington 80, Longwood 65
- Coppin State 102, Southeast 99 2OT
- Xavier 78, Kent State 65
- Indiana 70, Illinois State 57

**Championship Round - Nov. 24 (Central Time)**

- Longwood vs. Southeast Missouri, 11:30 a.m.
- UNC Wilmington vs. Coppin State, 2 p.m.
- Kent State vs. Illinois State, 5 p.m.
- Indiana vs. Xavier, 7:30 p.m.

**2007-08 ROSTER  
(LAST GAME'S STARTERS UNDERLINED)**

No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	YR/EXP	Hometown/High School/Last College
<u>1</u>	<u>Armon Bassett</u>	<u>6-1</u>	<u>176</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>SO/1L</u>	<u>Terre Haute, Ind./Hargrave Military Academy</u> Preseason All-Big Ten (ATHLON)... two-year starter who is averaging 14.3 points and shooting 64.3 from the field and 75.0 from three-point range.
<u>2</u>	<u>DeAndre Thomas</u>	<u>6-8</u>	<u>295</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>JR/JC</u>	<u>Chicago, Ill./Westinghouse/Chipola JC</u> Lost 59 pounds in the offseason... made first career start against Longwood... averaging 10.0 points.
<u>3</u>	<u>D.J. White</u>	<u>6-9</u>	<u>251</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>SR/3L</u>	<u>Tuscaloosa, Ala./Hillcrest</u> Preseason All-American and Preseason All-Big Ten... second team All-Big Ten a year ago... active IU leader with 69 starts... averaging 11.3 points and shooting 59.3 from the field.
4	Brett Finkelmeier	6-0	170	G	FR/HS	Carmel, Ind./Carmel First-year walk-on.
5	Jordan Crawford	6-4	195	G	FR/HS	Detroit, Mich./Communication and Media Arts Super sub who is averaging 14.3 points and shooting 60.5 from the field.
<u>13</u>	<u>Jamarcus Ellis</u>	<u>6-5</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>G/F</u>	<u>JR/JC</u>	<u>Chicago, Ill./Westinghouse/Chipola JC</u> 2007 NJCAA Player of the Year who is averaging 5.3 points, 7.8 rebounds and 4.0 assists.
20	A.J. Ratliff	6-3	188	G	SR/3L	Indianapolis, Ind./North Central Looking to become eligible in the second semester.
22	Lance Stemler	6-8	210	F	SR/1L	Columbia, Ill./Gibault/Southwestern Illinois CC Made 20th career start against Chattanooga... had 12 points against Longwood.
<u>23</u>	<u>Eric Gordon</u>	<u>6-4</u>	<u>215</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>FR/HS</u>	<u>Indianapolis, Ind./North Central</u> Preseason All-American, Preseason All-Big Ten and consensus choice for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year...averaging a Big Ten best 28.8 points per game and named Big Ten Co-Player of the Week on November 19.
24	Brandon McGee	6-7	220	F	FR/HS	Chicago, Ill./Crane Had a basket against Longwood.
30	Mike White	6-6	232	F	SR/1L	Springhill, La./Springhill/Lee College Redshirt candidate who started seven games and averaged 3.3 points and 2.2 rebounds in 11.5 minutes of action per game.
32	Eli Holman	6-9	210	C	FR/HS	Richmond, Calif./Richmond Had four points and six rebounds against Longwood.
34	Adam Ahlfeld	6-0	183	G	SR/2L	Indianapolis, Ind./North Central Walk-on who looks to join father Steve (1972-75) as the first father/son combo to play hoops for four years at IU and earn a degree... tied career-high with three points against UNC Wilmington
44	Kyle Taber	6-7	226	F	JR/1L	Evansville, Ind./Evansville Central Awarded a scholarship this fall...had five rebounds in three games.

Head Coach: Kelvin Sampson (Pembroke State, '78) 25-11 at IU, 2nd Season; 480-268, 25th Year as Head Coach  
 Assistant Coaches: Ray McCallum (Ball State, '83), Jeff Meyer (Taylor, '76), Dan Dakich (Indiana, '85)  
 Trainer: Tim Garl (Alabama '78)  
 Video Coordinator: Travis Steele (Butler, '04)  
 Strength and Conditioning: Jeff Watkinson (North Carolina State, '93)  
 Graduate Managers: Bilal Batley (Oklahoma, '07), Kellen Sampson (Oklahoma, '07)

## NATIONAL RANKINGS

ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll  
November 19, 2007

	Record	Points
1. North Carolina (14)	2-0	744
1. UCLA (10)	4-0	744
3. Memphis (6)	4-0	718
4. Kansas (1)	3-0	680
5. Georgetown	2-0	636
6. Louisville	2-0	612
7. Tennessee	3-0	603
8. Indiana	2-0	520
9. Washington State	3-0	517
10. Duke	3-0	422
11. Oregon	4-0	417
11. Michigan State	3-0	417
13. Marquette	3-0	413
14. Gonzaga	3-0	342
15. Texas A&M	4-0	328
16. Texas	3-0	294
17. Pittsburgh	4-0	261
18. Southern Illinois	1-0	208
19. Villanova	2-0	172
20. Kansas State	3-0	152
21. Syracuse	3-0	128
22. Clemson	3-0	93
23. Butler	3-0	79
24. Florida	4-0	65
25. Davidson	1-1	59

Associated Press Poll  
November 19, 2007

	Record	Points
1. North Carolina (26)	2-0	1,725
2. UCLA (26)	4-0	1,716
3. Memphis (19)	4-0	1,689
4. Kansas	3-0	1,566
5. Georgetown (1)	2-0	1,508
6. Louisville	2-0	1,396
7. Tennessee	3-0	1,384
8. Indiana	2-0	1,200
9. Washington State	3-0	1,170
10. Michigan State	3-0	1,042
11. Marquette	3-0	1,039
12. Oregon	4-0	1,021
13. Duke	3-0	962
14. Gonzaga	3-0	834
15. Texas	3-0	789
16. Texas A&M	4-0	759
17. Pittsburgh	4-0	582
18. Kansas State	3-0	487
19. Southern Illinois	1-0	400
20. Villanova	2-0	297
21. Syracuse	3-0	257
22. Butler	3-0	244
23. Virginia	3-0	227
24. Clemson	3-0	187
25. Florida	4-0	135

( ) Number of first-place votes

## Weekly Ranking

	AP	Coaches
Preseason	9	9
November 12	8	8
November 19	8	8

## ILLINOIS STATE POST GAME NOTES

• With the win, the Hoosiers advanced to the championship game Saturday night against Xavier. Indiana is now 4-0 all-time against Illinois State and enters the game against the Musketeers with an 8-0 advantage. The teams last met in 2003 with the Hoosiers capturing an 80-77 overtime tilt in Indianapolis.

• Indiana is 22-1 when scoring 70 points or more under Kelvin Sampson.

• The Hoosiers are looking for their first regular season tournament championship since winning the 2002 Maui Classic.

• The Hoosiers held the Redbirds to 37.0% shooting from the field and held their leading scorer, Osiris Eldridge, 14 points below his average. He finished with seven points.

• Indiana never trailed in the game, the second time that has happened this season (Longwood). Illinois State closed it to 12-11 with 12:02 left in the first half and 50-48 with 10:27 left in the game. The Redbirds had a chance to tie, but Anthony Slack missed a one-on-one opportunity and the Hoosiers when on a 13-4 run over the next six minutes to pull away.

• The Hoosiers had 48 rebounds, the most ever by a Kelvin Sampson-coached team at Indiana.

• Indiana outscored Illinois State 34-20 in the paint and 22-4 in second chance points.

## Individual Notes

• Freshman **Eric Gordon** had 31 points, his third 30+ point effort of the season. He had 20 in the first half and 11 in the second. He also added six rebounds and his defense was the key in shutting down Eldridge who made just three field goals. Gordon also made 7 of 10 free throws, the third time in four games he has gone to the line at least 10 times.

• Freshman **Jordan Crawford** played a season-high 30 minutes, including all 20 in the second half. He finished with 13 points, 10 in the final 20 minutes and had four rebounds and six assists.

• Chicago native **DeAndre Thomas** had eight points and four rebounds.

• Senior **D.J. White** had four points and a team-high 10 rebounds.

• Another Chicago native, **Jamarcus Ellis** had six points, seven rebounds and two assists in 31 minutes.

• Sophomore **Armon Bassett** had four points but did not play in the second half.

• Senior **Lance Stemler** had four points, four boards, two assists and two steals. He also drew a team-high two charges.

• Freshman **Brandon McGee** and sophomore **Kyle Taber** each contributed a rebound.