




2016-17 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

QUICK FACTS



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Queens, N.Y. 11439
 Founded: 1870
 Enrollment: 21,087
 Nickname: Red Storm
 Colors: Red and White
 Arena (Capacity): Carnesecca Arena (5,602)
 Madison Square Garden (19,786)
 Affiliation: NCAA Division I
 Conference: BIG EAST
 President: Conrado "Bobby" Gempesaw
 Interim Director of Athletics: Kathleen Meehan
 Athletic Department Phone: 718-990-6217
 Basketball Office Phone: 718-990-6002
 Press Row Phone: 718-990-5713 (CA)
 212-631-8890 (MSG)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Joe Tartamella
 Alma Mater: James Madison '01
 Seasons at St. John's: Fifth Season
 Record at St. John's (Yrs.): 87-45 (4)
 Career Coaching Record (Yrs.): Same
 Basketball Office Phone: 718-990-6002
 Best Way to Contact: Contact SID Office
 Assistant Coach: Tasha Pointer (Rutgers '01)
 Assistant Coach: Jonath Nicholas (Trinity University '97)
 Assistant Coach: Da'Shena Stevens (St. John's '12)
 Director of Operations: Veronica Mullen (Adelphi '03)
 Assistant Director of Operations: Matt Bernstein (St. John's '09)
 Graduate Assistant: Shanise Bultron (Hartford '15)

BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Year of Women's Basketball: 1974-75
 Overall All-Time Record: 696-561 (.554)
 BIG EAST Championships: 1983, 1984, 1988, 2016
 Postseason Appearances (since 1983): 14
 NCAA Tournament Appearances: 10
 1983, 1984, 1988, 2006, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016

ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

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TEAM INFORMATION

2015-16 Record: 23-10
 Home: 11-3
 Away: 10-6
 Neutral: 2-1
 Conference Record: 11-7
 Regular Season Conference Finish: 4th
 2015-16 Postseason: NCAA First Round
 L, 68-57 vs. Auburn (March 18, 2016)
 2015-16 NCAA Final RPI: 42
 2015-16 Final Top 25 (AP/USA Today Coaches): NR/RV
 Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/3
 Newcomers: 6

KEY STARTERS RETURNING

- AALIYAH LEWIS • Guard • Senior • 5-5**
- 2015-16: Started all 33 games; Led the team and ranked sixth in the BIG EAST with 3.9 assists per game; Led the team and was sixth in the conference with a 1.8:1 assist-to-turnover ratio; Finished fourth on the team with 7.9 points per game; Scored a game-high 14 points and grabbed a career-best eight rebounds against Creighton in the BIG EAST Championship Game.
- IMANI LITTLETON • Forward • Junior • 6-3**
- 2015-16: Started all 33 games; Averaged 3.5 points and 4.4 rebounds in 21.7 minutes per game; Shots 56.8 percent from the floor; Set new career highs with 14 points and nine rebounds in 35 minutes of action against Butler; Registered six points and six rebounds in the BIG EAST Quarterfinals against Georgetown.

KEY LOSSES

- DANAEJAH GRANT • Guard • 5-9**
- 2015-16: WBCA Honorable Mention All-American; WBCA All-Region Team; First Team All-BIG EAST; BIG EAST All-Tournament Team; BIG EAST Scoring Champion; Team's leading rebounder with 6.3 boards per contest; Cracked the top-10 on the St. John's all-time scoring list despite playing just three full seasons at St. John's; Recorded a team-high five double-doubles; Scored 20-plus points in 17 of 33 games and reached double figures in all but two contests on the season; Finished the season ranked first in the BIG EAST in scoring, 10th in rebounding and fourth in field goal percentage (49.9%)
- ALIYAH HANDFORD • Guard • 5-9**
- 2015-16: First-Team All-BIG EAST for the third-straight year, the first player in program history to garner that honor on three separate occasions; BIG EAST Tournament Most Outstanding Player; Became the Red Storm's all-time leading scorer and the first player in program history to surpass the 2,000-point plateau; Graduated in eighth place on the school's all-time rebounding list with 712 boards.

KEY NEWCOMERS

- ALISHA KEBBE • Guard • 5-10**
- A standout at Neumann-Goretti, one of the nation's finest girl's high school basketball programs...Helped lead the Saints to a combined record of 60-1 during her final two years, including a perfect 31-0 mark in 2014-15, and a pair of AA state championships.
- KENDYL NUNN • Guard • 5-10**
- Transfer from the University of Illinois-Chicago...Finished second on the team in scoring and rebounding in 2015-16, averaging 13.0 points and 4.9 rebounds per game...Ranked fourth in the Horizon League in three-point shooting percentage (39.2), 10th in free throw percentage (71.6) and 13th in scoring after appearing in 30 games and making seven starts.
- MAYA SINGLETON • Forward • 6-0**
- Transfer from Trinity Valley Community College...Named a First Team NJCAA-All American after leading Trinity Valley to a runner-up finish in the NJCAA Tournament as a sophomore...Averaged 13.3 points and 11.9 rebounds per game in 2015-16...ranked 13th in the nation in rebounding.