



MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

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No. 23-ranked Lions look for first MIAA victory at Central Missouri

2007-08 LIONS SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Nov. 4	@ Arkansas (EX)	L, 47-52
NOV. 10	LIVIN' THE DREAM (EX)	W, 74-49
Nov. 16	@ St. Edwards	W, 60-39
Nov. 17	vs. Incarnate Word	W, 52-43
Nov. 23	vs. St. Mary's	W, 66-29
Nov. 24	vs. Quincy	W, 83-51
NOV. 28	WEBSTER UNIVERSITY	W, 86-36
DEC. 1	ST. EDWARDS	W, 60-42
Dec. 7	@ OK Panhandle State	W, 59-44
Dec. 17	@ Northeastern State	W, 70-62
DEC. 19	EVANGEL	W, 79-62
Jan. 2	@ Truman State *	L, 55-68
JAN. 5	MISSOURI WESTERN * ..L, 72-74	
JAN. 9	PITTSBURG STATE * ..L, 44-54	
Jan. 12	@ Central Missouri *	1:30 pm
Jan. 16	@ Northwest Missouri *	5:30 pm
JAN. 19	SOUTHWEST BAPTIST * ..5:30 PM	
JAN. 23	EMPORIA STATE * ..5:30 PM	
Jan. 26	@ Fort Hays State *	3 pm
Jan. 30	@ Washburn *	5:30 pm
FEB. 2	TRUMAN STATE * ..1 PM	
FEB. 6	WASHBURN * ..5:30 PM	
FEB. 9	FORT HAYS STATE * ..5:30 PM	
Feb. 13	@ Emporia State *	5:30 pm
Feb. 16	@ Southwest Baptist *	5:30 pm
FEB. 20	CENTRAL MISSOURI * ...5:30 PM	
FEB. 23	NORTHWEST MISSOURI * ..1 PM	
Feb. 27	@ Pittsburg State *	5:30 pm
Mar. 1	@ Missouri Western *	5:30 pm
Mar. 6-9	@ MIAA Tournament	TBA (Kansas City, Mo.)

Bold Indicates Home Game

* Indicates MIAA Game

No. 23 Missouri Southern (9-3, 0-3 MIAA) at Central Missouri (5-7, 0-3 MIAA)

Sat. Jan. 12, 2008 • Warrensburg, Mo.

Tipoff: 1:30 p.m.

Arena: Multipurpose Building (8,500)

Last Meeting: 2/14/07: UCM defeated MSSU 67-48 in Warrensburg, Mo.

Radio: KHST 101.7 FM The Rocket; Kevin Greim (play-by-play)

TV: www.themiaa.tv

Internet Audio: www.mssu.edu/athletics

Live Internet Stats: http://www.cmsu.edu/athletic/live/mensbb/xlive.htm

PROBABLE STARTERS

#23 LIONS (9-3, 0-3 MIAA)	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	PPG	RPG	APG
5 India Wood (Decatur, Ala.)	G	Jr.	5-7	8.1	3.5	4.3
22 Danielle DeVader (Holton, Kan.)	G	Jr.	5-9	3.8	2.3	2.1
23 Lindsey Davis (Wellington, Kan.)	G	Jr.	5-8	1.6	1.0	1.6
33 Nichole Helfrich Beech Grove, Ind.)	F	Jr.	6-0	3.5	3.6	0.8
42 Tynesha Pierce (Houston, Texas)	F	Sr.	6-0	9.7	6.1	0.8

Central Missouri (5-7, 0-3 MIAA)	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	PPG	RPG	APG
3 Stephenie Cook (California, Mo.)	G	Sr.	5-8	3.3	3.3	2.6
11 Lindsey Maple (Knob Noster, Mo.)	G	Sr.	5-8	17.6	3.1	1.4
21 Deidra Dace (St. Louis, Mo.)	G	So.	5-10	9.9	3.8	1.0
25 Dominica Blakemore (Louisville, Ky.)	G	Jr.	5-8	8.2	2.8	1.3
41 Jojuana Jones (Chesapeake, Va.)	F	Sr.	6-0	12.9	10.7	2.1

THE COACHES

After six straight winning seasons, Maryann Mitts is quickly closing in on becoming the winningest coach in Missouri Southern history. With 107 career victories, Mitts is now the second all-time winningest coach at MSSU and trails Jim Phillips by just 22 games. Under Mitts' guidance, the Lions have put together 15 or more wins in five of Mitts' six years at the helm and have moved back into the upper echelon of the highly competitive Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association. Last year, Mitts helped the Lions overcome an injury-riddled season to post their sixth straight winning record at 14-13, including a tie for fifth place in the MIAA and a sixth consecutive appearance in the MIAA Postseason Tournament. Overall, Mitts has compiled a 107-74 (.591) record in her seventh season with the Lions. She holds a 190-130 (.594) mark now in her 12th year as a collegiate head coach. Mitts is 5-8 vs. Central Missouri during her career at Southern.

Dave Slifer is in his fourth year at Central Missouri after a nine-year stint at Missouri Western. Now in the 19th year of his collegiate head coaching career, Slifer holds a 447-138 (.764) mark, with a 64-39 (.621) record at UCM. He is 22-5 vs. Missouri Southern, with a 5-2 mark against the Lions during his stay at UCM.



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2007-08 MIAA STANDINGS

	MIAA		All Games	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Washburn (4)	3-0	1.000	11-1	.917
Northwest Missouri State	3-0	1.000	8-4	.667
Southwest Baptist	2-1	.667	10-2	.833
Truman State	2-1	.667	10-2	.833
Pittsburg State	2-1	.667	8-4	.667
Emporia State	1-2	.333	8-4	.667
Fort Hays State	1-2	.333	7-5	.583
Missouri Western	1-2	.333	6-5	.545
Missouri Southern	0-3	.000	9-3	.750
Central Missouri	0-3	.000	5-7	.417

WBCA/USA Today/ESPN Division II Coaches Poll ranking in parenthesis

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

- *MSSU @ UCM, 1:30 PM
- *FHSU @ SBU, 5:30 PM
- *MWSU @ TSU, 5:30 PM
- *PSU @ ESU, 5:30 PM
- *WU @ NWMSU, 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

- *MSSU @ NWMSU, 5:30 PM
- *SBU @ PSU, 5:30 PM
- *TSU @ ESU, 5:30 PM
- *UCM @ MWSU, 5:30 PM
- *WU @ FHSU, 5:30 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

- *ESU @ UCM, 1:30 PM
- *NWMSU @ PSU, 1:30 PM
- *TSU @ WU, 1:30 PM
- *FHSU @ MWSU, 5:30 PM
- *SBU @ MSSU, 5:30 PM

RECENT RESULTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

+LIVIN' THE DREAM 59 @ UCM 104 FINAL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

CENTRAL METHODIST (MO.) 56 @ MWSU 99 FINAL
 SAINT MARY (KAN.) 57 @ FHSU 78 FINAL

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

- *ESU 68 @ FHSU 62 FINAL
- *MSSU 55 @ TSU 68 FINAL
- *SBU 97 @ NWMSU 101 FINAL
- *UCM 58 @ PSU 60 FINAL
- *WU 65 @ MWSU 52 FINAL

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

- *PSU 64 @ TSU 76 FINAL
- *ESU 73 @ SBU 76 FINAL
- *FHSU 50 @ NWMSU 67 FINAL
- *MWSU 74 @ MSSU 72 FINAL
- *UCM 47 @ WU 68 FINAL

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

- *NWMSU 78 @ MWSU 74 FINAL
- *PSU 54 @ MSSU 44 FINAL
- *SBU 90 @ UCM 70 FINAL
- *TSU 72 @ FHSU 91 FINAL
- *WU 61 @ ESU 54 FINAL

ALL-TIME SERIES VS. CENTRAL MISSOURI

12/4/81 Central 61-80	2/17/01 Central 57-73
1/11/83 Central..... 56-86	1/9/02 Southern ... 69-64
11/29/83 Central 64-93	2/6/02 Central 56-77
12/3/85 Southern ... 82-72	1/8/03 Central 72-76
12/6/86 Central 40-61	2/5/03 Southern ... 68-63
12/5/89 Central..... 64-81	1/14/04 Central 60-80
1/29/90 Central 71-96	2/18/04 Southern ... 60-54
1/28/91 Central..... 55-61	1/12/05 Central..... 59-64
2/26/92 Southern 78-72	2/16/05 Central 59-77
2/24/93 Southern ... 73-66	3/3/05 Central (n)..... 59-62
1/19/94 Southern 78-68	1/18/06 Lions 64-62
2/23/94 Southern ... 77-59	2/8/06 Central..... 66-74
1/18/95 Southern ... 77-63	1/6/07 Lions 79-61
2/22/95 Central 44-54	2/14/07 Central 67-48
2/28/95 Southern ... 88-64	
1/13/96 Central..... 65-68	
2/17/96 Southern 65-54	
1/11/97 Central..... 60-66	
2/10/97 Central 45-62	
1/10/98 Central 57-93	
1/26/98 Central..... 68-87	
1/9/99 Southern .. 53-50	
1/25/99 Central 59-70	
1/22/00 Central 63-73	
2/19/00 Central..... 49-64	
1/20/01 Central 58-69	

At Joplin in bold
(n) - Neutral Site

INSIDE THE SERIES

Lions trail 14-26
 Lions at home: 10-10
 Lions on the road: 4-15
 Neutral sites: 0-1
 Most points, MSSU: 88 (88-64), 2/28/95 at Joplin
 Most points, Central: 96 (96-71), 1/29/90 at Warrensburg
 Largest victory margin, MSSU: +24 (88-64), 2/28/95 at Joplin
 Largest victory margin, Central: +36 (93-57), 1/10/98 at Warrensburg
 Last road win, MSSU: 64-62, 1/18/06 2/8/06
 Last road win, Central: 74-66, 2/8/06
 Most consecutive wins, MSSU: 5, Feb. 26, 1992-Jan. 18, 1995
 Most consecutive wins, Central: 5, Jan. 25, 1999-Feb. 17, 2001

USA TODAY/ESPN TOP 25

DATE: 1/8/08

Rank	School	Pvs.	Record
1.	University of North Dakota -	1	15-0
2.	Delta State University (Miss.) -	2	11-0
3.	Concordia Univ., St. Paul (Minn.)	5	14-0
4.	Washburn University (Kan.)	4	10-1
5.	Valdosta State University (Ga.)	6	14-1
6.	Seattle Pacific University (Wash.)	8	11-0
7.	University Of Alaska Anchorage	7	13-1
8.	Drury University (Mo.)	3	10-2
9.	Indiana University Of Pennsylvania	9	13-1
10.	Holy Family University (Pa.)	11	11-0
11.	University Of South Dakota	T13	14-1
12.	Minnesota St. University, Mankato	19	13-1
13.	Stonehill College (Mass.)	18	12-2
14.	Franklin Pierce University (N.H.)	23	12-1
15.	Northern Kentucky University	15	9-3
16.	Emporia State University (Kan.)	T13	8-3
17.	Southern Connecticut State Univ.	10	10-4
T18.	California St. University, Chico	22	10-3
T18.	Texas A&M University-Commerce	17	10-3
20.	North Georgia College & St. Univ.	NR	9-1
21.	University Of California-San Diego	12	10-4
22.	Fairmont State University (W. Va.)	NR	8-1
T23.	Missouri Southern St. University	16	9-2
T23.	Univ. Of South Carolina Aiken	20	8-2
25.	West Texas A&M University	24	8-3

MIAA PRESEASON POLL

	Pts
1. Emporia State (6)	78
2. Washburn (4)	76
3. Northwest Missouri State	58
4. Central Missouri	51
5. Missouri Southern	50
6. Missouri Western	42
7. Pittsburg State	34
8. Fort Hays State	22
Southwest Baptist	22
10. Truman	17

**Last Time vs. Central Missouri
(Game 23) Feb. 14, 2007
Central Missouri 67, Lions 48**

Warrensburg, Mo. - Despite receiving career highs in points from Ela Zawadka (Toron, Poland) and India Wood (Decatur, Ala.), the Missouri Southern Lions fell on the road to the Central Missouri Jennies, 67-48 Wednesday night (Feb. 14) in Warrensburg, Mo.

The Lions opened the game up 4-1, but the Jennies went on a 6-0 run to gain their first lead of the evening at 7-4.

With the Jennies ahead 16-13, Central opened things up with a 8-0 spurt to gain their largest lead of the night at 24-13.

Southern battled back by outscoring the Jennies 12-8 the remainder of the opening half to come within 32-25 at the half.

After Fatai Hala'Api'Api (Lahaina, Hawaii) hit a layup to open the second half, the Jennies exploded on a 15-4 run to go ahead of the Lions 47-31.

The Lions battled back to within 13 on two occasions, but Central answered with a layup each time and Southern could get no closer from that point.

Missouri Southern (12-11, 5-10 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Pierce *	4-9	0-0	2-2	6	3	1	10
Hala'Api'Api	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	2
Kantin *	3-11	1-5	2-3	4	3	1	9
Zawadka *	6-14	1-3	2-2	2	3	1	15
Kuczynski *	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	2	0	0
Henderson	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Wood	3-6	0-0	4-6	1	2	3	10
DeVader	1-7	0-3	0-1	3	3	2	2
TOTALS	18-52	2-13	10-14	26	17	8	48
	.346	.154	.714				

Central Missouri (14-9, 7-7 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Fromm *	3-5	2-3	0-0	2	1	0	8
Cook *	2-4	1-3	1-2	1	0	1	6
Maple *	3-4	0-1	9-11	1	2	3	15
Millham *	5-9	2-3	0-0	6	1	1	12
Battle *	3-7	0-0	2-3	7	3	5	8
Hicks	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	4
Brooks	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	1	0	0
Bitsoi	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Schoenfeld	1-7	0-1	6-6	3	1	6	8
Vincent	1-3	0-1	0-0	2	2	1	2
Jones	1-1	0-0	2-2	6	2	1	4
TOTALS	21-44	5-13	20-24	32	14	18	67
	.471	.385	.833				

Halftime: UCM 32, MSSU 25; Turnovers:UCM 16, MSSU 15; Steals: MSSU 7 (Pierce 3), UCM 7 (Cook, Jones 2); Blocked Shots: UCM 3 (Battle 2), MSSU 1 (Wood).

TALE OF THE TAPE

MSSU	CATEGORY	UCM
10th, 65.5	Scoring Offense	9th, 66.1
1st, 50.3	Scoring Defense	10th, 70.0
3rd, +15.2	Scoring Margin	10th, -3.9
5th, .428	Field Goal Percentage	9th, .396
6th, .323	Three-Point FG Percentage	7th, .320
8th, 6.00	Three-Point FG Made/Game	7th, 6.17
10th, .627	Free Throw Percentage	4th, .725
1st, .303	Field Goal Pct. Defense	10th, .449
1st, .231	Three-Point FG Pct. Defense	8th, .333
5th, 39.7	Rebounding Offense	10th, 35.5
3rd, 35.9	Rebounding Defense	4th, 36.2
3rd, +3.8	Rebounding Margin	9th, -0.8
5th, 16.08	Assists per Game	10th, 13.42
9th, 7.67	Steals per Game	8th, 8.17
T-1st, 4.33	Blocked Shots per Game	9th, 1.92
5th, +2.50	Turnover Margin	9th, -1.17
3rd, 1.00	Assist-Turnover Ratio	10th, 0.66
5th, 14.08	Offensive Rebounds	9th, 11.58
6th, 25.58	Defensive Rebounds	9th, 23.92

MIAA rankings through games of Jan. 9

2007-08 STARTING FIVES

Pierce, Hala'api'api, Wood, Kantin, DeVader.....	3-0
Marquez, Hala'api'api, Wood, Kantin, Zawadka	2-0
Marquez, Pierce, Wood, Kantin, Zawadka	2-0
Wood, Kantin, DeVader, Helfrich, Pierce	1-0
Wood, Marquez, DeVader, Helfrich, Pierce.....	1-0
Henderson, Marquez, Zawadka, DeVader, Pierce.....	0-1
Wood, DeVader, Davis, Helfrich, Pierce.....	0-2

THE LIONS RECORD WHEN ...

	2007-08	Under Mitts
Scoring 59 points or less	2-2	12-44
Scoring 60-69 points.....	3-0	39-24
Scoring 70-79 points.....	2-1	29-5
Scoring 80+ points	2-0	27-1
Allowing 59 points or less	7-1	62-8
Allowing 60-69 points	2-1	34-26
Allowing 70-79 points	0-1	9-29
Allowing 80+ points.....	0-0	2-11
Game decided by 3 pts. or less ..	0-1	17-10
Game decided by 4-9 pts.	2-0	29-24
Game decided by 10-19 pts.	3-2	29-25
Game decided by 20 or more....	4-0	32-16
Lead in rebounding.....	6-1	78-28
Trail in rebounding	3-1	27-38
Tie in rebounding.....	0-1	2-8
Have more turnovers	4-1	38-53
Have fewer turnovers.....	5-2	58-20
Tie in turnovers	0-0	11-1
Lead at halftime.....	7-0	81-14
Trail at halftime	1-3	21-54
Tied at halftime	1-0	5-6
Outshoot opponents (pct.).....	9-1	86-15
Opponent outshoots (pct.).....	0-2	20-58
Tie in shooting (pct.)	0-0	1-1
Make more free throws	1-0	61-15
Make less free throws	8-3	45-55
Tie in free throws.....	0-0	2-5
Make more threes	8-1	74-26
Make less threes	1-1	29-39
Tie in threes	0-1	5-9
Have more assists	9-2	78-16
Have fewer assists	0-0	25-54
Tie in assists.....	0-1	3-5
Have more steals	6-2	76-26
Have fewer steals.....	2-0	23-39
Tie in steals	1-1	8-10
Get more bench points	8-2	58-32
Get fewer bench points	1-0	44-39
Tie in bench points	0-1	5-3
Game goes into overtime	0-0	4-2
In November	5-0	29-5
In December.....	4-0	26-8
In January.....	0-3	25-31
In February.....	0-0	23-23
In March.....	0-0	0-6
vs. Nationally-Ranked Foes	0-0	7-24

THE 2007-08 LIONS AT-A-GLANCE

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
2	Randi Henderson	G	5-4	So.	Urbana, Mo./Skyline HS
5	India Wood	G	5-7	Jr.	Decatur, Ala./Eastern Kentucky University
10	Trice Bonner	G/F	5-11	So.	Mobile, Ala./Okaloosa Walton CC
11	Ivaney Marquez	G	5-11	Jr.	Valencia, Venezuela/Grayson CC
13	Misti Johnson	G	5-6	Jr.	Gainsville, Mo./Mo Valley
15	Fatai Hala'Api'Api	C	6-1	Sr.	Maui, Hi./Eastern Kentucky University
20	Robin Kantin	G	5-8	Sr.	Silver Spring, Md./Radford (Va.) University
21	Ela Zawadka	G	5-11	Sr.	Torun, Poland/Frank Phillips
22	Danielle DeVader	G	5-9	Jr.	Holton, Kan./Holton HS
23	Lindsey Davis	G	5-8	Jr.	Wellington, Kan./Cowley CC
33	Nichole Helfrich	F	6-0	Jr.	Beech Grove, Ind./Missouri-St. Louis
42	Tynesha Pierce	F/C	6-0	Sr.	Houston, Texas/UT-Pan American
53	Brittany Vavao-Huggins	F	5-11	Fr.	Fayetteville, Ark./Fayetteville HS

Head Coach: Maryann Mitts

Assistant Coaches: Ronda Hubbard, Chris Kendrick, Tyrone Jones

THE DISH ON SOUTHERN (9-3, 0-3 MIAA)

The Missouri Southern Lions lost for the first time in five meetings to Pittsburg State, 54-44 at home on Wednesday night (Jan. 9). The Lions used a 9-0 spurt to rally from a eight-point deficit in the second half to take the lead, but the Gorillas answered with a 9-0 run of their own to take the lead for good. India Wood led the Lions with 13 points.

Fatai is the Lions' leading scorer, averaging 12.8 ppg. She has also shot a team-best 60 percent from the field. Tynesha Pierce averages 9.7 ppg and leads the team with 6.1 rebounds a game. Robin Kantin is the Lions' second leading scorer with 10.5 ppg, but has been unable to play the past four contests due to a leg injury. India Wood has dished out a team-high 51 assists this season.

THE DISH ON THE JENNIES (5-7, 0-3 MIAA)

The Central Missouri Jennies are 5-7 overall and dropped to 0-3 in the conference after losing 90-70 at home to Southwest Baptist on Wednesday (Jan. 9). The Jennies began the MIAA season by losing at Pittsburg State and at No. 4-ranked Washburn. The Jennies won two of their last games heading into conference action.

Lindsey Maple leads UCM with 17.6 ppg, while Jojuana Jones scores 12.9 ppg and leads the MIAA with 10.7 rpg. Jones has stepped up her play during the three MIAA outings, averaging 15.0 ppg and 16.3 rpg. Kara Fleming leads the Jennies with 35 assists.

THE SERIES

The Lions trail the all-time series vs. UCM 26-14 and are just 4-15 against the Jennies in Warrensburg, Mo. Southern defeated UCM 64-62 on the road in 2006, but prior to that victory the Lions had lost nine straight meetings in Warrensburg.

HALFWAY WILL GET YOU THERE

Even though the game does not officially end at halftime, Missouri Southern has shown that if it can get the lead at the break, they know how to protect it and finish on top. The Lions are a sparkling 81-14 under Maryann Mitts when they have the edge at the half, including a perfect 7-0 this season.

BLOCK PARTY

Senior Fatai Hala'api'api currently leads the Lions and ranks second in the MIAA with 23 blocked shots through just 12 games. Fatai is only 19 rejections shy of tying the MSSU single-season record, which is 42 set by Brianna Volmer during the 2005-06 season. She swatted a season-high five shots in a win over St. Mary's (Kan.) back on Nov. 23.

STATISTICAL PACE-SETTERS

The Missouri Southern Lions have become a force to be reckoned with, particularly on defense. The Lions currently lead the MIAA in scoring defense (50.3 ppg), field-goal percentage defense (.303), three-point field-goal percentage defense (.231) and are tied for first in blocks (4.33 bpg).

Individually, Fatai Hala'Api'Api is second in the league in field-goal percentage (.600) and blocks (1.92 bpg). Tynesha Pierce is tied for first in offensive rebounds (3.25 rpg), while India Wood is tied for second in assists (4.25 apg) ranks second in assist/turnover ratio (+2.32).

Also through games of Jan. 6, the Lions currently rank second in all of NCAA Division II in field-goal percentage defense and seventh in scoring defense. Fatai Hala'api'api is 25th in the nation in individual blocks.

GIVE ME FIVE MINUTES

Missouri Southern's defense has been stifling this season, but has become even more stingier in the last five minutes of the game. The Lions have allowed their opponents to shoot only 25.6 percent from the field down the stretch and only 14 percent from three-point distance. Southern has kept up the late defensive intensity in conference action, holding the opposition to only a 18.2 percent shooting clip in the final five minutes and only 16.7 percent from beyond the arc.

UP NEXT

The Lions remain on the road to face the Northwest Missouri State Bearcats on Wednesday night (Jan. 16) at 5:30 p.m. in Maryville, Mo. The Lions lost all three meetings last year vs. NWMSU, including a 77-54 setback in the MIAA Tournament in Kansas City, Mo.

Missouri Southern Basketball
 #23 Missouri Southern Season Box Score (as of Jan 09, 2008)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(9-3)	(3-2)	(3-1)	(3-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-3)	(0-2)	(0-1)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(9-0)	(3-0)	(3-0)	(3-0)

##	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	---REBOUNDS---				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
15	Hala'Api'Api,Fatai	12-5	231 19.3	63-105	.600	0-0	.000	27-50	.540	27	43	70	5.8	32	2	5	22	23	5	153	12.8
	Conference-Only..	3-0	57 19.0	19-32	.594	0-0	.000	6-16	.375	6	11	17	5.7	11	1	1	4	4	1	44	14.7
20	Kantin,Robin.....	8-8	205 25.6	28-67	.418	10-28	.357	18-24	.750	12	18	30	3.8	10	0	22	16	1	5	84	10.5
	Conference-Only..	0-0	0 0.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
42	Pierce,Tynesha....	12-10	219 18.3	52-109	.477	4-7	.571	8-16	.500	39	34	73	6.1	42	3	10	17	7	14	116	9.7
	Conference-Only..	3-3	60 20.0	12-27	.444	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	11	9	20	6.7	10	1	2	6	3	5	25	8.3
05	Wood,India.....	12-11	352 29.3	33-87	.379	8-34	.235	23-38	.605	2	40	42	3.5	16	0	51	22	0	8	97	8.1
	Conference-Only..	3-2	93 31.0	7-23	.304	1-8	.125	10-15	.667	1	9	10	3.3	6	0	12	5	0	0	25	8.3
10	Bonner,Trice.....	12-0	197 16.4	28-75	.373	15-33	.455	19-23	.826	14	26	40	3.3	27	0	12	26	6	17	90	7.5
	Conference-Only..	3-0	43 14.3	3-18	.167	2-8	.250	2-2	1.000	2	6	8	2.7	2	0	1	3	1	1	10	3.3
21	Zawadka,Ela.....	12-5	273 22.8	29-65	.446	12-34	.353	3-6	.500	11	35	46	3.8	15	0	10	23	0	5	73	6.1
	Conference-Only..	3-1	86 28.7	6-22	.273	4-12	.333	0-0	.000	4	15	19	6.3	4	0	5	6	0	3	16	5.3
11	Marquez,Ivaney....	12-6	177 14.8	17-59	.288	8-31	.258	6-11	.545	23	17	40	3.3	15	0	20	15	4	9	48	4.0
	Conference-Only..	3-1	27 9.0	0-11	.000	0-8	.000	0-0	.000	5	3	8	2.7	3	0	2	3	2	1	0	0.0
22	DeVader,Danielle...	12-8	257 21.4	15-52	.288	14-49	.286	2-3	.667	6	22	28	2.3	23	0	25	14	0	7	46	3.8
	Conference-Only..	3-3	100 33.3	8-25	.320	7-23	.304	0-0	.000	2	10	12	4.0	6	0	7	4	0	0	23	7.7
33	Helfrich,Nichole...	12-4	214 17.8	13-29	.448	0-0	.000	16-20	.800	20	23	43	3.6	36	0	9	13	7	13	42	3.5
	Conference-Only..	3-2	44 14.7	4-8	.500	0-0	.000	9-11	.818	5	5	10	3.3	8	0	1	1	2	5	17	5.7
13	Johnson,Misti.....	3-0	23 7.7	4-8	.500	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	4	0	0	2	0	2	8	2.7
	Conference-Only..	0-0	0 0.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
23	Davis,Lindsey.....	5-2	64 12.8	2-8	.250	0-1	.000	4-6	.667	1	4	5	1.0	10	0	8	9	1	1	8	1.6
	Conference-Only..	3-2	50 16.7	2-7	.286	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	1	4	5	1.7	6	0	6	6	1	1	6	2.0
02	Henderson,Randi....	12-1	153 12.8	7-15	.467	1-4	.250	0-2	.000	2	11	13	1.1	14	0	18	12	2	5	15	1.3
	Conference-Only..	3-1	37 12.3	2-4	.500	1-1	1.000	0-1	.000	0	3	3	1.0	4	0	2	5	0	0	5	1.7
53	Vavao-Huggins,Britt	5-0	35 7.0	3-8	.375	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	1	6	7	1.4	5	0	3	1	1	1	6	1.2
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	TEAM.....									11	27	38	3.2	0							
	Conference-Only..									3	4	7	2.3	0							
Total.....		12	2400	294-687	.428	72-223	.323	126-201	.627	169	307	476	39.7	249	5	193	193	52	92	786	65.5
Conference-Only..		3	600	63-178	.354	15-61	.246	30-51	.588	40	79	119	39.7	60	2	40	43	13	17	171	57.0
Opponents.....		12	2400	184-608	.303	46-199	.231	190-282	.674	162	269	431	35.9	200	3	98	223	13	52	604	50.3
Conference-Only..		3	600	65-171	.380	16-55	.291	50-73	.685	41	90	131	43.7	44	1	31	40	5	13	196	65.3

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/16/07	5:30 p.m.	at St. Edward's	W <u>60-39</u>	297	(18)Kantin,Robin	(8)Kantin,Robin
11/17/07	1:00 p.m.	vs Incarnate Word	W <u>52-43</u>	128	(12)Bonner,Trice	(7)Pierce,Tynesha
11/23/07	5:30 pm CST	vs Saint Mary (Kan.)	W <u>66-29</u>	100	(19)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai	(12)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai
11/24/07	5:30 pm CST	vs Quincy	W <u>83-51</u>	110	(19)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai	(12)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai
11/28/07	6 PM	WEBSTER UNIVERSITY	W <u>86-36</u>	1125	(17)Bonner,Trice	(9)Pierce,Tynesha
12/1/07	1 PM	ST. EDWARD'S	W <u>60-42</u>	225	(16)Marquez,Ivaney	(7)Marquez,Ivaney
12/7/07	7 PM	at Okla. Panhandle State	W <u>59-44</u>		(18)Kantin,Robin	(10)Pierce,Tynesha
12/17/07	6:00 pm	at Northeastern State	W <u>70-62</u>	400	(13)Zawadka,Ela	(8)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai
12/19/07	7 PM	EVANGEL	W <u>79-62</u>	406	(27)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai	(10)Pierce,Tynesha
1/2/08	5:30 pm	* at Truman State Univ.	<u>55-68</u> L	285	(12)Helfrich,Nichole	(11)Zawadka,Ela
1/5/08	5:30 PM	* MISSOURI WESTERN	<u>72-74</u> L	1137	(26)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai	(9)Pierce,Tynesha
						(9)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai
1/9/08	5:30 PM	* PITTSBURG STATE	<u>44-54</u> L	1642	(13)Wood,India	(7)Hala'Api'Api,Fatai

* - Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	5	4535	907
AWAY.....	4	982	246
NEUTRAL.....	3	338	113
TOTAL.....	12	5855	488

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2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 9, two times, last vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 Rebounds: 5, two times, last vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Field Goals: 3, three times, last vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 3-Point FG: 3, two times, last vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 Free Throws Made: 2, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07
 Assists: 6, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Steals: 2, three times, last vs. Evangel, 12-19-07

22-Danielle DeVader
 5-9 • Jr. •
 Guard
 Holton, Kan.

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 18, two times, last vs. Ozark Christian, 12-06-05
 Rebounds: 9, two times, last vs. Washburn, 1-24-07
 Field Goals: 6, three times, last vs. Panhandle State, 11-29-06
 3-Point FG: 6, vs. Ozark Christian, 12-06-05
 Free Throws Made: 6, two times, last vs. Mo. Western, 2-24-07
 Assists: 6, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Steals: 4, vs. Newman, 11-25-06

SEASON STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/8	46-3.8	15-52	14-49	2-3	28-2.3	25	0	7
		.288	.286	.667				

CAREER STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
51/32	377-7.4	119-303	93-245	46-51	164-3.2	80	12	40
		.393	.380	.902				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 17, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Rebounds: 10, two times, last vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Field Goals Made: 7, two times, last vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 3-Point FG Made: 2, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07
 Free Throws Made: 3, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Assists: 2, four times, last vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Steals: 3, vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07

42-TYNESHA PIERCE
 6-0, Sr., Forward/
 Center
 Houston, Texas

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 26, vs. Evangel, 11-24-06
 Rebounds: 13, vs. Pittsburg State, 2-21-07
 Field Goals Made: 11, vs. Evangel, 11-24-06
 3-Point FG Made: 2, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07
 Free Throws Made: 6, two times, last vs. Mo. Western, 2-24-07
 Assists: 2, four times, last vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Steals: 4, vs. Harris-Stowe State, 12-5-06

SEASON STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/10	116-9.7	52-109	4-7	8-16	73-6.1	10	7	14
		.477	.571	.500				

CAREER STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
39/32	453-11.6	188-390	4-7	73-91	239-6.1	25	47	53
		.482	.571	.802				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 18, two times, last vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Rebounds: 8, two times, last vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 Field Goals: 7, vs. St. Edward's, 11-16-07
 3-Point FG: 3, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Free Throws Made: 4, two times, last vs. Quincy, 11-24-07
 Assists: 5, two times, last vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 Steals: 2, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07

20-Robin Kantin
 5-8 • Sr. •
 Guard
 Silver Spring, Md.

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 20, two times, last vs. Central Methodist, 11-21-06
 Rebounds: 12, two times, last vs. Mo. Western, 1-28-06
 Field Goals: 10, vs. Newman (Kan.), 11-30-05
 3-Point FG: 5, at Fort Hays State, 2-3-07
 Free Throws Made: 9, vs. Missouri Western, 1-28-06
 Assists: 6, at Truman State, 1-7-06
 Steals: 6, at East Central, 12-20-05

SEASON STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
8/8	84-10.5	28-67	10-28	18-24	30-3.8	22	1	5
		.418	.357	.750				

CAREER STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
63/61	695-11.0	227-546	39-122	200-274	331-5.3	165	9	76
		.416	.320	.730				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 27, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Field Goals 12, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 3-Point FG Made: None
 Free Throws Made: 9, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Rebounds: 12, two times, last vs. Quincy, 11-24-07
 Assists: 1, five times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 Steals: 2, vs. St. Edward's, 11-16-07

15-FATAI HALA'API'API
 6-1, Sr., Center
 Lahaina, Hawaii

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 27, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Field Goals 12, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 3-Point FG Made: None
 Free Throws Made: 9, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Rebounds: 14, vs. Central Missouri, 1-6-07
 Assists: 3, vs. Emporia State, 2-7-07
 Steals: 2, five times, last vs. St. Edward's, 11-16-07

SEASON STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/5	153-12.8	63-105	0-0	27-50	70-5.8	5	23	5
		.600	.000	.540				

CAREER STATS								
GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
32/16	357-11.2	150-269	0-0	57-101	178-5.6	15	53	22
		.558	.000	.564				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 5, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Field Goals 2, two times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 3-Point FG Made: 1, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Free Throws Made: None
 Rebounds: 4, vs. Quincy, 11-24-07
 Assists: 4, vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 Steals: 3, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07

2-RANDI HENDERSON
 5-4, So., Guard
 Urbana, Mo

CAREER HIGHS

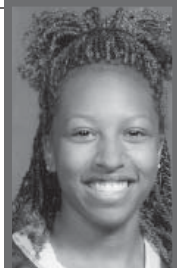
Points: 5, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Field Goals 2, two times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 3-Point FG Made: 1, two times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 Free Throws Made: 2, two times, last vs. Southwest Baptist, 2-10-07
 Rebounds: 4, vs. Quincy, 11-24-07
 Assists: 4, two times, last vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 Steals: 3, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/1	15-1.3	7-15	1-4	0-2	13-1.1	18	2	5
		.467	.250	.000				

CAREER STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
34/1	24-0.7	9-28	2-14	4-6	23-0.7	34	5	14
		.321	.143	.667				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 15, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Field Goals 6, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 3-Point FG Made: 3, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Free Throws Made: 7, vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 Rebounds: 9, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Assists: 9, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Steals: 2, two times, last vs. Evangel, 12-19-07

5- INDIA WOOD
 5-7, Jr., Guard
 Decatur, Ala.

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 15, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Field Goals 6, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 3-Point FG Made: 3, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Free Throws Made: 7, vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 Rebounds: 9, vs. Panhandle State, 12-7-07
 Assists: 9, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Steals: 3, at Emporia State, 1-17-07

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/11	97-8.1	33-87	8-34	23-38	42-3.5	51	0	8
		.379	.235	.605				

CAREER STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
31/12	161-5.2	56-162	19-71	30-51	75-2.4	100	2	19
		.346	.268	.588				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 14, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Rebounds: 11, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Field Goals Made: 5, four times, last vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 3-Point FG Made: 4, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Free Throws Made: 1, three times, last vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Assists: 3, two times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 Steals: 2, at Truman, 1-2-08

21-ELA ZAWADKA
 5-11, Sr.,
 Guard
 Torun, Poland

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 15, at Central Missouri, 2-14-07
 Rebounds: 11, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Field Goals Made: 6, at Central Missouri, 2-14-07
 3-Point FG Made: 4, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Free Throws Made: 2, five times, last at Northwest Missouri State, 2-17-07
 Assists: 3, three times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 Steals: 3, vs. Truman, 12-9-06

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/5	73-6.1	29-65	12-34	3-6	46-3.8	10	0	5
		.446	.353	.500				

CAREER STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
39/9	222-5.7	84-204	34-104	16-29	123-3.2	34	5	21
		.412	.327	.552				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 17, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Field Goals Made: 7, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 3-Point FG Made: 3, two times, last vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Free Throws Made: 6, vs. Incarnate Word, 11-17-07
 Rebounds: 6, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Assists: 3, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Steals: 3, three times, last vs. Northeastern State, 12-17-07

10-TRICE BONNER
 5-11, So. Guard/
 Forward
 Mobile, Ala.



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 16, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07
 Field Goals Made: 7, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07
 3-Point FG Made: 2, two times, last vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 Free Throws Made: 3, vs. St. Edward's, 11-16-07
 Rebounds: 7, vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07
 Assists: 4, vs. Quincy, 11-24-07
 Steals: 2, two times, last vs. St. Edward's, 12-1-07

11-IVANEY MARQUEZ
 5-11, Jr., Guard
 Valencia, Venezuela

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/0	90-7.5	28-75	15-33	19-23	40-3.3	12	6	17
		.375	.455	.826				

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/6	48-4.0	17-59	8-31	6-11	40-3.3	20	4	9
		.288	.258	.545				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 4, vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 Field Goals Made: 2, vs. St. Mary's (Kan.), 11-23-07
 3-Point FG Made: N/A
 Free Throws Made: N/A
 Rebounds: 1, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Assists: N/A
 Steals: 2, vs. Webster, 11-28-07

13-MISTI JOHNSON
 5-6, Jr., Guard
 Gainesville, Mo.

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
3/0	8-2.7	4-8	0-2	0-0	1-0.3	0	0	2
		.500	.000	.000				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 4, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Field Goals Made: 1, two times, last vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 3-Point FG Made: None
 Free Throws Made: 2, two times, last vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Rebounds: 3, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08
 Assists: 3, two times, last vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08
 Steals: 1, vs. Missouri Western, 1-5-08

23-LINDSAY DAVIS
 5-8, Jr., Guard
 Wellington, Kan.

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
5/2	8-1.6	2-8	0-1	4-6	5-1.0	8	1	1
		.250	.000	.667				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 12, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Field Goals Made: 3, at Truman, 1-2-08
 3-Point FG Made: None
 Free Throws Made: 6, at Truman, 1-2-08
 Rebounds: 8, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Assists: 2, three times, last vs. Evangel, 12-19-07
 Steals: 2, four times, last vs. Pittsburg State, 1-9-08

33-NICHOLE HELFRICH
 6-0, Jr., Forward
 Beech Grove, Ind.

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
12/4	42-3.5	13-29	0-0	16-20	43-3.6	9	7	13
		.448	.000	.800				



2007-08 SEASON HIGHS

Points: 4, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Field Goals Made: 2, vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 3-Point FG Made: None
 Free Throws Made: None
 Rebounds: 3, two times, last vs. Webster, 11-28-07
 Assists: 1, three times, last at Truman, 1-2-08
 Steals: 1, vs. Evangel, 12-19-07

53-BRITTANY VAVAO-HUGGINS
 5-11, Fr., Forward
 Fayetteville, Ark.

SEASON STATS

GP/S	Pts.-Avg.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	Reb.-Avg.	Ast.	Blk.	Stl.
5/0	6-1.2	3-8	0-0	0-2	7-1.4	3	1	1
		.375	.000	.000				

Game 1 • Nov. 16, 2007
Lions 60, St. Edward's 39

AUSTIN, TEXAS -- The Missouri Southern Lions used a stifling defensive effort and a game-high 18 points from senior Robin Kantin (Silver Spring, Md.) to record a season-opening 60-39 win over the St. Edward's Hilltoppers at the St. Edward's Shootout Friday night (Nov. 16) in Austin, Texas.

MSSU took charge with a 9-0 run to begin the second to expand a seven-point edge into a 16-point cushion with 16:29 remaining in the game.

Whitney Regian sparked an 8-2 run for the Hilltoppers by hitting a pair of free throws and a three-pointer that cut the lead to 10 with 14:09 left.

The Lions responded with a 14-4 burst over the next 6:47 to go up by 20 at 48-28 with just 7:22 left. Trice Bonner (Mobile, Ala.) and India Wood (Decatur, Ala.) each scored five points in that span to key the big run. The Lions maintained at least a 15 point lead the remainder of the contest.

MSSU (1-0) scored the game's first five points and led 9-3 at the 13:38 point of the first half. The Hilltoppers (0-1) then hit six free throws, four by Regian to gain its only lead of the game at 10-9 with 9:56 remaining in the opening half.

The Lions' suffocating defense held St. Edward's to only one field goal in the first half on only 5.6 percent shooting (1-of-18). But turnovers and foul trouble led to the Hilltoppers making 13-of-22 from the charity stripe and trailing only 23-16 at the half.

Missouri Southern (1-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Marquez *	2-5	2-3	3-4	2	1	3	9
Hala'api'api *	1-2	0-0	1-2	3	4	1	3
Wood *	3-8	1-3	0-0	5	1	2	7
Kantin *	7-7	2-2	2-2	8	2	4	18
Zawadka *	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	2	0	0
Henderson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0
Bonner	3-5	1-1	4-4	5	4	0	11
DeVader	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	0
Helfrich	1-2	0-0	0-0	5	4	0	2
Pierce	5-9	0-1	0-1	6	3	1	10
TOTALS	22-47	6-11	10-13	38	25	13	60
	.550	.545	.769				

St. Edward's (0-1)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Bartosh *	1-3	1-2	3-6	3	2	2	6
Sumler *	1-4	0-1	1-6	0	3	0	3
Tidwell *	3-12	0-4	4-4	0	2	1	10
Head *	0-2	0-0	0-0	4	3	0	0
Regian *	1-4	1-2	8-9	5	1	0	11
Lara	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
Nagel	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	2	0
Etheridge	1-5	0-2	0-1	0	0	1	2
Payton	1-4	0-1	0-0	2	0	0	2
White	0-2	0-0	3-4	0	3	0	3
Starr	0-2	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0
Rowland	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Saathoff	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	9-42	2-13	19-32	18	17	6	39
	.214	.154	.594				

Halftime: MSSU 23, STEU 16; Turnovers: MSSU 28, STEU 19; Steals: MSSU 8 (Bonner 3), STEU 6 (Bartosh, Lara 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 4 (Marquez, Kantin, Henderson, Helfrich), STEU 0.

Game 2 • Nov. 17, 2007
Lions 52, Incarnate Word 43

Austin, Texas -- The Missouri Southern women's basketball team took a lead just two minutes into the second half on a layup from Tynesha Pierce and wouldn't trail then on out, defeating Incarnate Word today, 52-43 in the team's final game at the St. Edwards University Classic in Austin.

Southern (2-0) scored the game's first points on a bucket from Fatai Hala'Api'Api in the game's first possession.

A layup from UIW's (1-1) Kim Robinson at the 16 minute mark, however, gave the Cardinals a six point lead at 10-4.

The Lions re-took the lead at 21-20 on a layup from Robin Kantin with five minutes left. Three's from Danielle DeVader, first at the three minute mark and another with just over a minute left gave the Lions a one point advantage each time, however, a free throw from UIW's Kava Cinnamon with 22 seconds left, gave the Cardinals a one point lead at the half.

Pierce tied the game at 30 with a free-throw to start the second half and her bucket just two minutes in gave the Lions a lead they wouldn't relinquish. The lead was as big as 11, after a free throw from Trice Bonner with 22 seconds remaining, one of six she made in the final 46 seconds.

Missouri Southern (2-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Hala'api'api *	2-2	0-0	1-2	2	5	0	5
Zawadka *	2-4	0-2	1-2	2	0	0	5
Wood *	1-6	1-4	0-0	1	4	6	3
Marquez *	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kantin *	3-8	1-4	4-4	2	1	5	11
Henderson	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Bonner	2-3	2-2	6-6	4	3	0	12
DeVader	2-5	2-5	0-0	5	1	2	6
Helfrich	0-1	0-0	0-0	6	4	0	0
Pierce	4-12	0-0	2-4	7	4	1	10
TOTALS	16-42	6-18	14-18	34	22	14	52
	.381	.333	.778				

Incarnate Word (1-1)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Harvey *	1-6	0-0	4-8	5	5	0	6
Hardy *	4-7	0-1	4-7	6	2	3	12
Robinson *	2-7	0-4	0-0	5	1	2	4
Torru *	4-13	1-7	0-0	4	2	3	9
Kava *	0-4	0-4	3-4	2	1	0	3
Sledge	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	1	1	0
Greenwood	1-3	1-2	1-2	1	1	0	4
Holden	2-2	0-0	1-2	1	3	0	5
TOTALS	14-43	2-19	13-23	28	16	9	43
	.326	.105	.565				

Halftime: UIW 30, MSSU 29; Turnovers: MSSU 18, UIW 13; Steals: UIW 6 (Harvey, Hardy 2), MSSU 5 (Helfrich 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 2 (Hala'api'api, Pierce), UIW 2 (Harvey 2).

Game 3 • Nov. 23, 2007
Lions 66, St. Mary's (Kan.) 29

Pittsburg, Kan. - The Missouri Southern Lions held the St. Mary's (Kan.) Spires to a four-percent (1-of-25) shooting percentage in the first half and rolled to a 66-29 win in action at the Pittsburg State Pizza Hut/Comfort Inn Classic Friday night (Nov. 23) in Pittsburg, Kan.

The Lions (3-0) roared out of the gate as seniors Fatai Hala'api'api (Maui, Hawaii) and Tynesha Pierce (Houston, Texas) combined for 14 points in a 15-0 MSSU spurt to begin the game.

The Spires' (3-3) followed that with their lone field goal of the first half that came on a jumper by Jamie Mireles at the 9:39 mark.

Southern then went on a 16-3 run that featured a pair of treys by Trice Bonner (Mobile, Ala.) that put the Lions on top 31-5 with 2:34 remaining in the first half.

The Lions went on to lead 38-7 at halftime

A three-pointer by Ivaney Marquez (Valencia, Venezuela) and a free throw from Fatai gave the Lions their largest lead to that point at 42-7 just 3:10 into the second half.

Katie Joens then scored seven points in a 9-4 St. Mary's run to pull the Spires within 30 with 13:47 left, but the Lions gained their biggest lead of the night with a 16-4 burst that was capped by a three-pointer from Bonner to go ahead 62-20 with 3:43 left.

Missouri Southern (3-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Marquez *	2-6	2-6	0-0	2	2	2	6
Pierce *	7-15	0-0	0-0	6	3	0	14
Wood *	2-7	0-2	1-1	3	1	1	5
Kantin *	2-11	0-1	1-3	8	0	5	5
Zawadka *	0-1	0-0	0-0	7	2	0	0
Henderson	0-3	0-1	0-0	3	0	4	0
Bonner	3-7	3-4	2-2	2	2	2	11
Johnson	2-3	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	4
Hala'api'api	6-11	0-0	7-8	12	0	0	19
DeVader	0-2	0-2	0-0	1	3	1	0
Helfrich	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	3	2	2
Vavao-Huggins	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0
TOTALS	25-70	5-17	11-14	50	18	18	66
	.357	.294	.786				

St. Mary's (Kan.) (3-3)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Helm *	1-6	0-1	2-4	7	1	0	4
Leonard *	1-11	0-1	6-6	5	4	0	8
Teal *	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Jacobs *	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0
Gillispie *	0-5	0-4	0-0	2	2	0	0
Todd	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
Joens	2-5	1-2	4-4	1	3	2	9
Mireles	1-10	0-5	2-2	3	0	0	4
Shea	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	1	1	0
Packham	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
Garcia	2-9	0-0	0-0	7	1	0	4
TOTALS	7-49	1-14	14-16	38	16	3	29
	.326	.105	.565				

Halftime: MSSU 38, St. Mary's 7; Turnovers: St. Mary's 27, MSSU 14; Steals: MSSU 5 (Pierce 3), St. Mary's 3 (Leonard 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 6 (Hala'api'api 5), St. Mary's 1 (Shea).

Game 4 • Nov. 24, 2007
Lions 83, Quincy 51

Pittsburg, Kan. - Fatai Hala'api'api (Maui, Hawaii) shot a perfect 9-of-9 from the field and scored 19 points and pulled down 12 rebounds to lead the Missouri Southern Lions to a 4-0 start with an 83-51 win over the Quincy Lady Hawks in the final night of the Pittsburg State Pizza Hut/Comfort Inn Classic Saturday night (Nov. 24) in Pittsburg, Kan.

The game was close through much of the first half but the Lions took control with an 18-4 run to snap a 13-13 tie and surge ahead 31-17 with 34 seconds left in the first half.

India Wood (Athens, Ala.) and Danielle DeVader (Holton, Kan.) combined for 14 points during that span, with Wood hitting a trey and converting a three-point play and DeVader knocking in a pair of threes in that stretch. The Lions led 31-18 at the half.

MSSU expanded the lead in the second half behind a 61.3 percent (19-of-31) offensive explosion from the field.

The Lions outscored the Lady Hawks 19-10 to begin the second half and led 50-28 with 14:56 remaining after Fatai converted consecutive field goals.

Southern later went on a 10-0 run to turn a 20-point advantage into a commanding 66-36 lead with 8:52 left in the second half. The Lions then obtained their biggest advantage of the night when Robin Kantin (Silver Spring, Md.) hit from three-point distance to make it 71-37 just 1:51 later.

Missouri Southern (4-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Pierce *	0-3	0-0	1-2	2	5	0	1
Hala'api'api	9-9	0-0	1-2	12	1	1	19
Wood *	5-10	1-3	2-3	6	1	3	13
Kantin *	4-11	2-4	4-4	4	2	2	14
DeVader *	3-5	3-5	0-0	1	3	1	9
Henderson	0-1	0-0	0-1	4	1	3	0
Bonner	2-9	1-3	1-2	4	1	2	6
Marquez	1-4	0-2	0-1	4	1	4	2
Johnson	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Zawadka	5-10	3-7	0-0	2	0	3	13
Helfrich	1-2	0-0	0-0	5	3	1	2
Vavao-Huggins	1-1	0-0	0-0	3	1	0	2
TOTALS	32-67	10-24	9-15	53	19	20	83
	.478	.417	.600				

Quincy (2-2)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Stellflue *	3-17	1-8	6-8	5	3	3	13
Burgin *	3-9	1-3	2-2	2	3	0	9
Young *	1-4	1-2	1-2	4	2	0	4
Irby *	1-7	0-1	0-0	6	1	3	2
Keller *	3-14	1-3	0-0	5	1	1	7
Gavlick	4-7	0-0	0-1	2	0	1	8
King	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1
Lumley	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Vaughn	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Shuman	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Ballenger	1-1	0-0	2-2	1	1	0	4
Koehler	1-4	0-0	1-4	6	1	0	3
TOTALS	17-67	4-17	13-21	38	12	8	51
	.254	.235	.619				

Halftime: MSSU 31, QU 18; Turnovers: MSSU 17, QU 13; Steals: MSSU 4 (Bonner 2), QU 4 (Keller 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 4 (Hala'api'api 3), QU 3 (Keller 2).

Game 5 • Nov. 28, 2007
Lions 86, Webster 36

Joplin, Mo. - Missouri Southern head coach Maryann Mitts won her 103rd game to move into second-place on the MSSU all-time wins list as the Lions defeated the Webster Gorloks 86-36 Wednesday night (Nov. 28) at the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center. The win moves the Lions to a perfect 5-0 on the season.

The outcome was never in doubt as the Lions scored the first eight points of the game behind five early points from Robin Kantin (Silver Spring, Md.).

MSSU later built the lead to 20 with a 15-2 run over a 5:15 span to lead 27-7 with 10:21 remaining in the first half.

After Julie McGirl made a layup to bring the Gorloks to within 18, the Lions ripped off an 8-0 spurt that was capped by an Ela Zawadka (Torun, Poland) layup to lead 35-9.

The Lions then out-scored Webster 11-5 over the next 4:29 as India Wood (Decatur, Ala.) converted a layup to put the Lions on top 46-14 with 1:11 left in the opening half. Southern would lead 46-16 at the half.

The second half would not be any different as Kantin scored five points to lead a 9-2 Southern run after halftime that made it 55-18 in favor of the Lions with 15:47 remaining.

The largest lead of the night came when Brittany Vavao-Huggins (Fayetteville, Ark.) hit a jumper with 1:57 remaining to give the Lions an 86-35 lead.

Missouri Southern (5-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	4-6	0-1	0-0	2	0	3	8
Hala'api'api *	4-6	0-0	2-4	4	1	0	10
Kantin *	4-6	2-4	1-2	1	2	1	11
DeVader *	0-4	0-3	0-0	2	0	3	0
Pierce *	5-10	0-0	0-0	9	3	2	10
Henderson	1-3	0-2	0-0	0	4	2	2
Bonner	7-11	3-5	0-1	6	4	3	17
Marquez	3-9	2-5	0-1	5	1	1	8
Johnson	1-3	0-1	0-0	1	3	0	2
Zawadka	3-4	1-2	1-2	3	1	0	8
Helfrich	1-4	0-0	4-4	8	1	2	6
Vavao-Huggins	2-3	0-0	0-2	3	2	1	4
TOTALS	35-69	8-23	8-16	46	22	18	86
	.507	.348	.500				

Webster (2-2)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
McQueen *	0-4	0-2	2-2	6	2	6	2
McGill *	3-8	0-0	3-5	1	3	0	9
Goedeker *	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	3	0	0
Chesnek *	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	4	0	0
Meyer *	3-13	1-6	0-0	4	0	0	7
Venegoni	2-4	0-1	2-4	2	1	0	6
Wamser, R.	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Martin	1-4	1-2	2-2	0	1	1	5
Wamser, J.	1-5	1-5	0-0	5	0	0	3
Vahay	0-3	0-0	1-4	5	1	2	1
VanGennip	0-0	0-0	1-4	1	0	2	1
Gellnett	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
TOTALS	11-46	3-16	11-21	34	15	9	36
	.239	.188	.524				

Halftime: MSSU 46, WU 16; Turnovers: WU 29, MSSU 14; Steals: MSSU 13 (Bonner 3), WU 2 (McQueen, VanGennip); Blocked Shots: MSSU 5 (Helfrich 2), WU 0.

Game 5 • Nov. 28, 2007
Lions 86, Webster 36

Joplin, Mo. - Ivaney Marquez (Valencia, Venezuela) scored a career-high 16 points and the Missouri Southern Lions used another inspiring defensive performance to improve to 6-0 by defeating the St. Edward's Hilltoppers for the second time this season, 60-42 Saturday afternoon (Dec. 1) at the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center.

The Lions also knocked off the Hilltoppers 60-39 back on Nov. 16 at the St. Edward's Shootout in Austin, Texas in the season-opener for both squads.

Southern came out of the gates a bit sluggish, missing their first seven shots and falling into an early 7-0 hole with 14:01 left in the first half.

But Trice Bonner (Mobile, Ala.) knocked down a three-pointer for the Lions' first field-goal with 13:07 left in the half and that sparked a 7-0 Lions spurt that tied the game.

Tynesha Pierce (Houston, Texas) then hit her first two career three-pointers to lead a 13-5 run as the Lions jumped ahead 20-12 with 7:42 remaining in the first half.

The Lions led by as many as 10 in the opening half before taking a 31-23 advantage at halftime.

After the Hilltoppers trimmed the lead to 37-31, Marquez made three consecutive layups and contributed two steals as the Lions outscored STEU 8-0 over the next 3:06 to lead 45-31 with 10:45 left in the game.

The Hilltoppers (2-5) got no closer than 11 the rest of the way.

Missouri Southern (6-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	0-4	0-2	0-2	0	2	4	0
Hala'api'api *	5-8	0-0	0-1	3	4	1	10
Kantin *	0-3	0-1	0-0	2	0	1	0
DeVader *	1-3	1-3	2-2	2	0	1	5
Pierce *	3-6	2-2	1-2	2	3	0	9
Henderson	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	4
Bonner	1-8	1-2	2-2	5	4	0	5
Marquez	7-10	1-3	1-3	7	2	2	16
Johnson	1-3	0-1	0-0	1	3	0	2
Zawadka	2-4	0-2	0-0	6	2	1	4
Helfrich	2-3	0-0	3-5	1	2	0	7
TOTALS	23-51	5-15	9-17	32	22	13	60
	.451	.333	.529				

St. Edward's (2-5)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Bartosh *	1-7	0-2	4-8	5	2	2	6
Regian *	2-6	2-3	5-6	3	4	1	11
Sumler *	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	4	0	2
Tidwell *	3-11	2-5	6-8	3	1	0	14
Head *	0-4	0-0	5-6	10	5	1	5
Lara	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Nagel	0-1	0-1	0-0	4	1	0	0
Etheridge	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Payton	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
White	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Starr	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
Rowland	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Saathoff	2-6	0-0	0-0	3	1	0	4
TOTALS	9-43	4-13	20-28	38	20	4	42
	.209	.308	.714				

Halftime: MSSU 31, STEU 23; Turnovers: STEU 27, MSSU 18; Steals: MSSU 14 (Henderson 3), STEU 4 (Sumler, Tidwell 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 6 (Hala'api'api 3), STEU 2 (Sumler, Rowland).

Game 7 • Dec. 7, 2007 Lions 59, OPSU 44

Goodwell, Okla. - Robin Kantin went on a 7-0 run of her own in the second half to help vault the Missouri Southern Lions to a pivotal 59-44 regional win tonight at Oklahoma Panhandle State University.

Southern (7-0) fell down 7-0 early to the Lady Aggies, but a jumper from Tynesha Pierce put the Lions on the board.

A layup from OPSU's (4-4) Ro Wilson made the score 9-2, but jumpers from Fatai Hala'Api'Api and India Wood, as well as a three from Robin Kantin tied the game at nine at the 13 minute mark.

A three from Trice Bonner with 10 minutes left gave Southern its first lead of the game at 15-13 and a jumper from Ela Zawadka a minute later pushed the Lions' lead to 17-14 with 9:41 left. The Lady Aggies went on a 7-0 run behind a three from Sarah Polson and a jumper from Alisha Sladek, as well as a layup from Cherrelle Tillis, giving OPSU a 20-17 lead with 4:58 left.

After a Lady Aggie free throw, Kantin and Wood hit back-to-back jumpers to tie the game at 21 heading into the locker room at the half.

Wood put the Lions back on top hitting a jumper right out of the locker room to start the half. Back-to-back scores from Pierce extended the Lions' lead to 29-24 with 17:32 left in the game, but a three from Polson got the Lady Aggies back to within one, (29-28) with 16:37 left.

That would be as close as OPSU would get. A three from Kantin gave the Lions a nine point advantage (45-36) with 8:26 left and a three from Pierce just 26 seconds later made the lead 11. The Lions would lead by as much as 17 after a three from India Wood, her third of the game, made the score 59-42 with three minutes left.

Missouri Southern (7-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	6-11	3-7	0-0	9	0	3	15
Marquez *	0-4	0-0	0-0	5	1	1	0
Kantin *	6-15	3-10	3-6	3	2	4	18
Zawadka *	1-3	0-1	0-0	3	0	0	2
Pierce *	5-8	1-1	0-0	10	3	2	11
Henderson	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2
Bonner	2-3	1-2	0-0	1	3	1	5
Hala'api'api	3-9	0-0	0-4	6	1	1	6
DeVader	0-4	0-4	0-0	2	3	3	0
Helfrich	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	4	1	0
TOTALS	24-60	8-25	3-10	45	18	17	59
	.400	.320	.300				

Okla. Panhandle State (4-4)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Sladek *	3-8	0-2	0-1	2	2	0	6
Polson *	2-10	2-9	0-0	9	4	1	6
Watkins *	1-1	0-0	1-1	1	1	0	3
Maas *	0-1	0-1	0-4	4	2	1	0
Wilson *	5-16	0-0	1-2	12	1	0	11
Terry	0-4	0-4	0-0	1	0	1	0
Cramer	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Tillis	2-11	0-2	6-8	6	3	1	10
Brown	2-10	0-2	4-9	2	1	1	8
Ortega	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Rogic	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	15-61	2-20	12-25	46	16	5	44
	.246	.100	.480				

Halftime: MSSU 21, OPSU 21; Turnovers: MSSU 18, OPSU 16; Steals: OPSU 11 (Polson, Tillis 3), MSSU 8 (Wood, Bonner 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 7 (Hala'api'api 3), OPSU 0.

Game 8 • Dec. 17, 2007 Lions 70, NSU 62

Tahlequah, Okla. - The No. 24-ranked Missouri Southern Lions used an inspired second half and held on to defeat the Northeastern State Riverhawks 70-62 to improve to a perfect 8-0 on the season Monday night (Dec. 17) in Tahlequah, Okla.

The first half was a see-saw affair and with Southern trailing 31-28, Trice Bonner knocked in a trey and converted two free-throws to give the Lions a 33-31 advantage at the break.

The Lions opened the second half on a 7-0 run to take a 40-31 lead. Tynesha Pierce hit a three-pointer and a layup and India Wood nailed a jumper in transition to key the spurt.

The Riverhawks' Verressa Gaston then converted a three-point play to cut the lead to 40-34, but Ela Zawadka put in one of her three treys on the night to put the Lions back up by nine at 43-34 with 14:58 left.

Southern later out-scored the Riverhawks (3-7) 10-4 over a stretch of 3:45 as Ivaney Marquez capped it with a three-pointer to give the Lions their largest lead of the night at 64-48 with 5:34 remaining in the game.

After the Riverhawks trimmed the lead down to nine, Bonner rebounded her own missed shot and hit a jumper to give the Lions a 68-57 lead with 1:34 left.

But NSU wasn't through as Katie Beshoner made a layup and Sarah Miller hit from long-range to make it 68-62 with 51 seconds remaining.

Wood then missed the front end of a one-on-one opportunity but Marquez made a critical steal on the defensive end and then knocked down a pair of big free throws that put the Lions up by the final margin of 70-62.

#24 Missouri Southern (8-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	3-6	0-2	5-7	5	0	8	11
Kantin *	2-6	0-2	3-3	2	1	0	7
DeVader *	0-2	0-2	0-1	1	1	5	0
Helfrich *	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	3	0	4
Pierce *	4-5	1-2	0-0	1	5	0	9
Henderson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Bonner	4-7	1-4	2-4	4	3	2	11
Marquez	1-2	1-1	2-2	1	0	1	5
Hala'api'api	5-11	0-0	0-1	8	3	0	10
Zawadka	5-7	3-5	0-0	2	2	1	13
Davis	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	0
TOTALS	26-49	6-18	12-18	28	21	18	70
	.531	.333	.667				

Northeastern State (3-7)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Sams *	1-5	0-3	0-0	4	4	7	2
Quintana *	1-10	0-5	0-0	0	1	1	2
Gaston *	3-7	0-0	6-6	6	3	0	12
White *	1-3	1-2	5-6	1	1	3	8
Gordon *	4-6	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	8
Webb	3-4	0-0	0-0	3	3	1	6
Hunter	2-4	2-3	2-2	2	2	0	8
Barnhill	3-5	1-2	2-4	3	3	2	9
Millar	1-3	1-3	0-0	0	1	0	3
Jent	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Beshoner	1-1	0-0	0-1	1	0	1	2
TOTALS	21-50	5-18	15-19	31	20	15	62
	.420	.278	.789				

Halftime: MSSU 33, NSU 31; Turnovers: NSU 16, MSSU 14; Steals: MSSU 9 (Bonner 3), NSU 3 (Sams, Gordon, Webb); Blocked Shots: MSSU 2 (Bonner, Hala'api'api), NSU 0.

Game 9 • Dec. 19, 2007 Lions 79, Evangel 62

Joplin, Mo. - Fatai Hala'Api'Api and Tynesha Pierce combined for 44 points to lead the No. 23-ranked Missouri Southern Lions to a 79-62 win over the Evangel Lady Crusaders in their non-conference finale Wednesday night (Dec. 19) at the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center.

The 23rd ranked Lions finish the non-conference portion of their schedule at 9-0, including a perfect 6-0 in the South Central Region.

The Lions led throughout and gained their largest lead of the night as India Wood knocked in a three-pointer to put Southern up 54-36 with 14:02 remaining in the game.

Evangel (2-7) fought back and out-scored the Lions 7-0 over the next 2:41 to come within 54-43 on a trey from Katie Burger.

Southern then gained more breathing room with a 16-10 run and jumped back ahead 70-53 after a pair of free throw by Fatai with 4:25 remaining.

The Lady Crusaders would not go away though and went on a 7-1 spurt that was sparked by five points from Megan Jewell to claw back within 71-60 with 2:42 left in the contest.

But Fatai helped Southern put it away with six points over the next 2:11 as the Lions ended the game on an 8-2 run.

The Lions jumped on Evangel early by scoring 13 of the game's first 15 points as Ela Zawadka knocked in a three and made two jumpers in that span that helped the Lions lead 13-2.

Southern led by as many as 17 on two occasions in the first half, with the last coming after two free throws from Fatai put the Lions up 39-22 with 2:17 left in the first half.

The Lions went on to lead 42-28 at the half.

#23 Missouri Southern (9-0)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	2-6	1-2	5-10	1	1	9	10
Marquez *	1-7	0-2	0-0	6	4	4	2
DeVader *	1-2	1-2	0-0	2	3	2	3
Helfrich *	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	4	2	2
Pierce *	7-14	0-1	3-3	10	3	2	17
Henderson	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Bonner	1-4	0-2	0-0	1	1	1	2
Hala'api'api	9-15	0-0	9-10	3	2	0	27
Zawadka	5-8	1-2	1-2	2	2	0	12
Davis	0-1	0-0	2-4	0	1	2	2
Vavao-Huggins	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
TOTALS	28-61	3-11	20-29	31	22	22	79
	.459	.273	.690				

Evangel (2-7)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Hargus *	2-8	2-5	2-2	3	1	0	8
Burger *	3-4	1-1	2-2	5	3	0	9
Mingus *	2-6	1-2	2-2	0	1	1	7
Prentice *	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0
Luko *	2-3	0-0	2-2	2	3	2	6
Haraldson	1-1	0-0	2-2	1	2	0	4
Michener	1-1	0-0	1-2	0	2	0	3
Russell	1-3	0-2	2-2	2	2	0	4
Jewell	2-5	2-2	10-10	3	2	3	16
Hogan	2-3	1-2	0-0	3	3	2	5
Pollard	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	4	0	0
TOTALS	16-36	7-14	23-24	29	24	8	62
	.444	.500	.958				

Halftime: MSSU 42, EU 28; Turnovers: EU 23, MSSU 9; Steals: MSSU 9 (Wood, Marquez, DeVader 2), EU 0; Blocked Shots: MSSU 3 (Hala'api'api 2), EU 0.

Game 10 • Jan. 2, 2008 Truman 68, #16 Lions 55

Kirkville, Mo. - Georgia Mueller scored a game-high 27 points as the Truman Bulldogs handed the No. 16-ranked Missouri Southern Lions their first loss of the season, 68-55 in the MIAA opener for both schools Wednesday night (Jan. 2) in Kirkville, Mo.

After Trice Bonner capped a 7-0 Lion run with a layup that gave Southern its first lead of the game at 43-41, the Bulldogs out-scored the Lions 24-5 over the next 8:06 to take a commanding 65-48 lead with 5:09 left in the game.

Nichole Helfrich then scored the next seven points to pull Southern within 65-55 with 2:16 left, but Truman (9-1, 1-0 MIAA) hit three free throws down the stretch to ice the victory.

The Bulldogs led throughout the first half and jumped ahead 9-3 as Mueller scored five quick points in the first four minutes of the game.

Fatai Hala'Api'Api hit a pair of jumpers to bring the Lions to 11-10, but the Bulldogs scored the next six and led 17-10 with 12:37 remaining in the first half.

The Lions (9-1, 0-1 MIAA) battled back and tied the score at 19-19 as Randi Henderson nailed a three-pointer and converted a layup in a 9-2 spurt.

Truman stretched the lead to 32-24 before settling for a 35-29 advantage at the half.

#16 Missouri Southern (9-1, 0-1 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Henderson *	2-4	1-1	0-1	1	2	2	5
Marquez *	0-6	0-4	0-0	3	1	0	0
Zawadka *	0-5	0-3	0-0	11	2	3	0
DeVader *	2-6	2-6	0-0	4	3	1	6
Pierce *	5-13	0-0	1-2	9	5	0	11
Wood	2-9	0-4	3-5	1	0	1	7
Bonner	2-11	1-4	0-0	4	1	1	5
Hala'api'api	3-6	0-0	3-4	1	5	1	9
Davis	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Helfrich	3-5	0-0	6-7	5	4	0	12
Vavao-Huggins	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	19-66	4-22	13-19	42	24	10	55
	.288	.182	.684				

Truman (9-1, 1-0 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Fowler *	1-3	0-1	2-2	6	1	1	4
Montebello *	3-5	0-1	2-3	4	5	2	8
McGee, Can. *	7-16	4-10	1-3	2	2	2	19
McGee, Car. *	0-6	0-4	4-8	8	1	2	4
Mueller *	9-16	0-0	9-10	12	3	1	27
Guinn	1-3	0-2	2-2	1	1	0	4
Joya	0-0	0-0	2-2	1	1	0	2
Kiecker	0-2	0-0	0-0	4	2	2	0
TOTALS	21-51	4-18	22-30	42	16	10	68
	.444	.500	.958				

Halftime: TSU 35, MSSU 29; Turnovers: TSU 15, MSSU 12; Steals: MSSU 8 (Zawadka, Pierce, Helfrich 2), TSU 5 (Montebello, McGee, Can., McGee, Car., Mueller, Guinn); Blocked Shots: TSU 2 (Mueller 2), MSSU 1 (Hala'api'api).

Game 11 • Jan. 5, 2008 Missouri Western 74, #16 Lions 72

Joplin, Mo. - The No. 16-ranked Missouri Southern Lions lost a see-saw affair to the Missouri Western Griffons, 74-72 in their MIAA home opener Saturday night (Jan. 5) at the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center.

The game featured 18 lead changes, including 12 in the deciding second half. With the game tied 57-57, the Griffons (6-4, 1-1 MIAA) took the lead for good on a layup from Chemia Woods with 8:31 remaining.

A pair of threes from Jill Johnson and Tierra Ford helped the Griffons build the advantage to 71-62 when the Lions (9-2, 0-2 MIAA) began making their surge.

The Lions out-scored Western 8-0 over the next 3:25 behind a jumper and a trey from Ela Zawadka. One free throw from Fatai Hala'Api'Api brought Southern to within 71-70 with 1:34 left in the game.

Yanique Javois then split a pair of free throws for the Griffons, but the Lions failed to score on the offensive end and two free throws from Ford sealed the victory for Western.

Things started well for Southern as Zawadka and Danielle DeVader each connected from long-distance as the Lions jumped out to an 11-4 lead just 4:44 into the contest.

Fatai then scored the next seven Lion points over the next 3:09 to stretch the lead to 18-9 with 12:07 left in the first half.

MWSU answered with a 9-0 run and tied the score on a jumper from Colleen Schnieder at 18-18.

Ford gave the Griffons their first lead since the 19:25 mark on a three-pointer that made it 21-20 with 6:14 remaining in the opening half.

The Lions regained the lead at 27-26 on a trey from Zawadka but Javois answered with a three of her own to put Western back on top and the Griffons went on to lead 33-30 at the half.

#16 Missouri Southern (9-2, 0-2 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	2-5	1-2	0-0	3	2	8	5
DeVader *	3-9	2-7	0-0	5	1	6	8
Davis *	1-2	0-0	2-2	3	3	3	4
Helfrich *	0-0	0-0	2-3	2	1	1	2
Pierce *	4-7	0-0	0-1	9	2	2	8
Henderson	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Bonner	1-3	1-2	2-2	1	0	0	5
Marquez *	0-3	0-2	0-0	1	1	0	0
Hala'Api'Api	12-14	0-0	2-9	9	3	0	26
Zawadka	5-9	4-6	0-0	3	2	2	14
TOTALS	28-52	8-19	8-17	36	16	22	72
	.538	.421	.471				

Missouri Western (6-4, 1-1 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Nolke *	2-9	0-4	0-0	2	3	1	4
Woods *	2-7	0-0	3-5	4	1	8	7
Johnson *	7-13	1-3	4-6	10	3	3	19
Javois *	9-18	3-5	4-7	4	3	1	25
Ford *	6-12	3-7	2-2	6	3	2	17
Gawatz	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Luteyn	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0
Schnieder	1-1	0-0	0-0	3	1	0	2
TOTALS	27-61	7-19	13-20	34	15	15	74
	.443	.368	.650				

Halftime: MWSU 33, MSSU 30; Turnovers: MSSU 19, MWSU 12; Steals: MSSU 5 (Pierce 2), MWSU 5 (Woods 3); Blocked Shots: MSSU 4 (Davis, Pierce, Marquez, Hala'Api'Api), MWSU 0.

Game 12 • Jan. 9, 2008 Pittsburg State 54, #23 Lions 44

Joplin, Mo. - The No. 23-ranked Missouri Southern Lions lost for the first time in five outings to the Pittsburg State Gorillas, 54-44 Wednesday night (Jan. 9) at the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center.

The Lions (9-3, 0-3 MIAA) grabbed the lead in the second half with a 9-0 run sparked by a three-point play by Nichole Helfrich to lead 32-31 with 14:33 left.

But the Gorillas (8-4, 2-1 MIAA) answered with a 9-0 run of their own to regain the lead for good at 40-32 with 11:02 remaining in the game.

MSSU fell behind by as many as 12 on two occasions, but fought back to within eight on a three-pointer from Danielle DeVader that made it 52-44 with 1:03 left.

But that was as close as the Lions could get DePrice Taylor clinched the win by hitting a pair of free throws with 27 seconds left.

The opening minutes of the game started out great for the Lions as they jumped out early on PSU by scoring the first six points of the game that included four quick points from India Wood.

The Lions continued the early surge as consecutive layups from Fatai Hala'Api'Api and Wood gave MSSU a 10-2 lead with 14:28 remaining in the first half.

The quick start was keyed by the Lions forcing the Gorillas to miss nine of their first 10 shot-attempts.

Pitt State carried the momentum into the locker room by out-scoring the Lions 7-0 to end the first half that was capped by a layup by Taylor with 17 seconds left in the half.

#23 Missouri Southern (9-3, 0-3 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Wood *	3-9	0-2	7-10	6	4	3	13
DeVader *	3-10	3-10	0-0	3	2	0	9
Davis *	1-5	0-1	0-0	2	2	3	2
Helfrich *	1-3	0-0	1-1	3	3	0	3
Pierce *	3-7	0-0	0-1	2	3	0	6
Henderson	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0
Bonner	0-4	0-2	0-0	3	1	0	0
Marquez	0-2	0-2	0-0	4	1	2	0
Hala'Api'Api	4-12	0-0	1-3	7	3	0	9
Zawadka	1-8	0-3	0-0	5	0	0	2
TOTALS	16-60	3-20	9-15	41	20	8	44
	.267	.150	.600				

Pittsburg State (8-4, 2-1 MIAA)

	FG	3-PT	FT	R	PF	A	TP
Witte *	1-7	1-6	0-0	1	2	0	3
Buchanan *	7-16	3-5	4-5	10	1	2	21
Taylor *	4-14	0-2	3-7	7	1	0	11
Sloan *	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Glenn *	3-8	0-0	2-3	7	4	0	8
Demarest	1-3	0-1	1-2	5	2	1	3
Waugh	1-3	1-3	0-0	2	0	0	3
Igbinigie	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	1	0	0
Martin	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Hinkin	0-3	0-1	0-0	2	0	3	0
Poppe	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Troutman	0-3	0-0	5-6	15	2	0	5
TOTALS	17-59	5-18	15-23	55	13	6	54
	.288	.278	.652				

Halftime: PSU 23, MSSU 22; Turnovers: PSU 13, MSSU 12; Steals: MSSU 4 (Helfrich 2), PSU 3 (Buchanan 2); Blocked Shots: MSSU 8 (Helfrich, Pierce, Hala'Api'Api 2), PSU 3 (Troutman 2).