

Complete best basketball season in history

ASHLAND COLLEGE
(Thirty Game Statistics)
(FINAL)

PLAYER	G	FGA	FGM	PCT.	FTA	FTM	PCT.	REB.	A	PF	PTS.	AVG.
Wayne Sokolowski	30	295	137	.465	117	88	.752	148	61	66	362	12.1
Jim Williams	30	221	114	.516	152	69	.454	231	16	78	297	9.9
Jay Franson	30	234	116	.496	75	57	.760	130	34	38	289	9.6
Kevin Wilson	30	191	91	.476	113	89	.788	134	93	36	271	9.0
John Savage	30	184	88	.473	66	50	.758	101	76	49	226	7.5
Curtis Martin	14	21	13	.619	8	4	.500	14	1	2	30	2.1
Gary Youmans	18	16	8	.500	17	15	.882	27	1	10	31	1.7
Terry Reed	21	19	6	.316	31	15	.484	26	5	14	27	1.3
Jim Fitzgerald	18	16	5	.313	10	4	.400	10	8	5	14	0.8
Jay Hoover	8	2	1	.500	3	0	.000	4	1	3	2	0.3
Team								150				
TOTALS	30	1199	579	.483	592	391	.660	975	296	301	1549	51.6
OPPONENTS	30	1090	387	.352	373	243	.651	679	165	456	1017	33.9

1968-69 Results (26-4)

ASHLAND 69, Wilberforce 39	ASHLAND 42, Point Park (Pa.) 27	ASHLAND 28, Waynesburg (Pa.) 14
ASHLAND 48, Ohio Northern 41	ASHLAND 72, Northwood (Ind.) 21	ASHLAND 54, Ohio Wesleyan 31
ASHLAND 66, Malone 28	ASHLAND 33, Cleveland State 28	ASHLAND 49, Steubenville 20
ASHLAND 63, Chicago State (Ill.) 29	ASHLAND 82, Nebraska Wesleyan 48	ASHLAND 36, CENTRAL STATE 44
Ashland 40, GROVE CITY (Pa.) 41	ASHLAND 37, West Virginia Tech 18	ASHLAND 79, Hillsdale (Mich.) 39
ASHLAND 48, Wilberforce 39	ASHLAND 35, Wittenberg 28	ASHLAND 43, Phil. Textile (Pa.) 40
ASHLAND 48, Grove City (Pa.) 36	ASHLAND 52, Wheeling (W.Va.) 30	ASHLAND 66, Cheyney State (Pa.) 56
ASHLAND 43, Fredonia State (N.Y.) 26	ASHLAND 67, Cleveland State 40	ASHLAND 41, Illinois State 35
ASHLAND 53, Trenton State (N.J.) 30	ASHLAND 65, Slippery Rock (Pa.) 19	Ashland 48, SOUTHWEST MISSOURI 58
ASHLAND 43, John F. Kennedy (Neb.) 27	ASHLAND 46, Wooster 32	Ashland 51, AM. INTERNATIONAL 53

ASHLAND — The best basketball season in the history of Ashland College has just been completed, netting the Eagles the number-one rating in both college-division cage polls and a second straight fourth-place finish in the NCAA College-Division Nationals.

To further make the 26-4 campaign a booming success, Ashland rewrote its modern basketball defensive record with an amazing 33.9-point allotment per game. Last year Ashland set the standard at 38.8.

Though Coach Bill Mussleman, recently named Ohio Coach of the Year for colleges and universities, was shooting for the championship, he said, "It has still been a great year. We began the season with only one returning starter and we reached some pretty high achievements through the year."

He continued, "We expect to have another fine team next year, maybe our finest. The only starter we graduate is center Jim Williams, and, if we can find a replacement, we should be in fine shape."

Back next year are juniors Kevin Wilson (6-5) of Silver Lake, Wayne Sokolowski (6-9) of Trenton, N.J., and Jay Franson (6-7) of Richfield, Utah. Also returning is sophomore John Savage (6-1) of Worthington.

Sokolowski led Ashland in scoring this season with 362 points for a 12.1 average. He averaged 17 points per game in five tournament contests and was named "most valuable player" in the Mid-East Regional Tournament.

Williams was second in scoring with 297 points, just a fraction below 10 points a game. He was AC's leading rebounder

with 231 and he led the club in field goal shooting with 52 per cent.

Franson hit 9.6 points a game, Wilson 9.0 and Savage 7.5.

Ashland's free throw shooting was only 66 per cent for the entire team but four starters were better than 75 per cent. Wilson led the way with 79 per cent while Franson and Savage hit 76 and Sokolowski 75.

Williams pulled the team free throw figure down with his 45 per cent while shooting the most free throws on the team.

Ashland ended up hitting 48 per cent from the field for the year. The mark was 50 per cent going into the nationals where the Eagles forgot where the hoop was located.

Other top team marks were Ashland's netting 60 per cent of all the rebounds, committing only 10 personal fouls a game and only 9.7 turnovers an outing.

En route to capturing its second consecutive Mid-East Regional title, AC licked Philadelphia Textile, 41-35, and Cheyney State, 66-56.

In the nationals, the Eagles tripped Illinois State, 41-35, and then dropped decisions to runner-up Southwest Missouri, 58-48, and American International, 53-51.

Intramurals

Basketball season has drawn to a close. A tournament was held this past weekend with Sigma Nu A winning the upper division and Phi Delta A the lower division. Sigma Nu beat Eighth Floor Clayton A in the finals. These two teams will meet on Tuesday for the campus overall championship of A Division.

The Phi Delts A Team beat the Phi Delts B Team for their tournament win.

Checkers and pool are now underway in the student union basement.

Handball and wrestling will be starting after spring break as will softball.

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