



**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

Northeast-10 Conference  
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### Northeast-10 Men's Basketball Standings Through January 18, 2009

	Conference			Overall		
	GP	Record	Win %	GP	Record	Win %
Stonehill	11	9-2-0	0.818	16	14-2-0	0.875
Merrimack	11	9-2-0	0.818	16	13-3-0	0.812
UMass Lowell	12	9-3-0	0.750	17	14-3-0	0.824
Assumption	12	9-3-0	0.750	16	11-5-0	0.688
Bentley	11	8-3-0	0.727	18	14-4-0	0.778
Saint Anselm	11	6-5-0	0.545	15	10-5-0	0.667
American International	12	6-6-0	0.500	17	10-7-0	0.588
Franklin Pierce	10	5-5-0	0.500	15	8-7-0	0.533
Saint Rose	12	5-7-0	0.417	17	7-10-0	0.412
Pace	10	4-6-0	0.400	15	6-9-0	0.400
Le Moyne	13	5-8-0	0.385	17	8-9-0	0.471
Southern New Hampshire	11	4-7-0	0.364	16	8-8-0	0.500
New Haven	12	4-8-0	0.333	17	6-11-0	0.353
Saint Michael's	12	3-9-0	0.250	14	5-9-0	0.357
Southern Connecticut	12	0-12-0	0.000	16	1-15-0	0.062

### Last Week's Contests

#### Monday, January 12

American International 76, Merrimack 74 (OT)

#### Wednesday, January 14

Assumption 68, New Haven 58

Bentley 65, Le Moyne 56

Saint Rose 76, Franklin Pierce 75

UMass Lowell 83, Southern Connecticut 73

Merrimack 73, Saint Anselm 64

Stonehill 71, Saint Michael's 46

#### Saturday, January 17

Assumption 82, Southern New Hampshire 75

Bentley 83, Pace 55

Le Moyne 66, Saint Anselm 59

Merrimack 72, Southern Connecticut 60

Stonehill 69, Saint Rose 62

UMass Lowell 63, American International 58

Franklin Pierce 68, New Haven 59

### This Week's Contests

#### Monday, January 19

Felician at Le Moyne

#### Tuesday, January 20

So. New Hampshire at American International

Assumption at Franklin Pierce

Southern Connecticut at Bentley

UMass Lowell at New Haven

Saint Rose at Merrimack

Stonehill at Pace

Saint Anselm at Saint Michael's

#### Thursday, January 22

Southern Connecticut at Felician

#### Friday, January 23

Saint Anselm at American International

#### Saturday, January 24

Stonehill at Merrimack

Le Moyne at Assumption

Pace at Southern New Hampshire

Saint Rose at Southern Connecticut

New Haven at Saint Michael's

Franklin Pierce at UMass Lowell

#### Sunday, January 25

Pace at Merrimack

Bridgeport at Saint Anselm

### Northeast-10 Player of the Week

**Laurence Ekperigin, Le Moyne (Jr., F, Cortlandt Manor, N.Y.)** - Averaged 19.5 points, 14 rebounds and 2.5 blocks per game in a 1-1 week. Posted a team-high 16 points and nine rebounds in a 65-56 home loss to Bentley. Recorded a game-high 23 points, a career-best 19 rebounds and three blocks in a 66-59 victory at Saint Anselm.



### Northeast-10 Freshman of the Week

**Isiah Wallace, American International (Fr., G, Springfield, Mass.)** - Averaged 17 points and nine rebounds per game while shooting 56 percent (14-25) from the floor in a 1-1 week. Scored 18 points with 11 boards and two assists in a win at Merrimack and netted 16 points with nine rebounds and two assists at UMass Lowell.





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## Weekly Honor Roll:

**Sesoo Ikpah, American International** (So., G, Williamstown, N.J.) - Averaged 14 points and 4.5 rebounds per game in a 1-1 week. Scored 11 points in a win at Merrimack and netted 17 points with seven boards at UMass Lowell.

**Aikeem Vanderhorst, American International** (Jr., F, Bay Shore, N.Y.) - Averaged 14 points and 6.5 rebounds per game while shooting 55.6 percent (10-18) from the floor in a 1-1 week. Scored a season-high 23 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to go with two assists and two steals in a win at Merrimack.

**Mitch Bajema, Assumption** (Sr., G, Whitinsville, Mass.) - In a 2-0 week, averaged 12.5 points per game. On the week shot 64.3 percent from the floor including 50-percent from the three point line. In a win over New Haven had 15 points, three rebounds, two assists, one steal and one blocked shot. In a win over Southern New Hampshire had 10 points, three rebounds two assists and one steal.

**Savoy Fraine, Assumption** (So., F, Grenada Hills, Calif.) - In a 2-0 week averaged 15 points and 5.5 rebounds per game. In a win over the New Haven scored 16 points and had seven rebounds and one steal. In a win over Southern New Hampshire scored 14 points had four rebounds two blocked shots and one steal.

**Lew Finnegan, Bentley** (Sr., F, Lexington, Mass.) - During a 2-0 week, averaged 14.5 points, 5.5 rebounds, two assists and 1.5 steals. Shot 46 percent overall and made 5-of-13 three-pointers. Highs of 17 points against Le Moyne, and seven rebounds and four assists against Pace.

**Jason Westrol, Bentley** (Jr., G, Brielle, N.J.) - In road wins at Le Moyne and Pace, averaged 13 points, 6.5 assists, 4.5 rebounds and three steals. Following an eight-point, seven-assist effort at Le Moyne, had 18 points, eight assists, six rebounds and three steals against the Setters. Shot 43.5 percent for the week, including 7-of-12 against Pace.

**Kinard Dozier, Franklin Pierce** (So., G, Dedham, Mass.) - Averaged 20.5 points, 8.5 rebounds, three steals and 2.5 assists in a 1-1 week. Shot 50-percent (11-22) from the field and converted 18-of-21 (85.7%) from the free-throw line for the week. Netted a season-high 23 points, hitting 10-of-12 free-throws, to go with ten rebounds and added a career-high matching four steals and two assists at Saint Rose. Posted 18 points (5-7 FGs, 8-7 FTs), seven rebounds, three assists and two steals in the win over New Haven.

**Jeff Manchester, Franklin Pierce** (So., G, Gorham, Maine) - Averaged 18 points and three rebounds while shooting 50-percent (11-22) from the field, including 11-of-18 (61.1%) from three-point range, in a 1-1 week. Hit 7-of-11 three's for 21 points to go with three rebounds at Saint Rose. Posted 15 points (4-7 three's) and three rebounds in the win over New Haven.

**Rimas Varanauskas, Franklin Pierce** (Sr., F, Kaunas, Lithuania) - Averaged 16.5 points, 7.5 rebounds and a blocked shot in a 1-1 week. Converted 84.7-percent (14-17) of his free-throw attempts for the week. Posted a double-double with 24 points, 12 rebounds and two blocks in the win over New Haven.

**Victor Colon, UMass Lowell** (Jr., F, Chicago, Ill.) - Registered averages of 20.5 points and 6.5 rebounds per game while shooting .517 from the field (15-29) and .429 from 3-point range (6-14) in victories over Southern Connecticut (83-73) and American International (63-58). Compiled 26 points and eight rebounds in the victory over Southern Connecticut, shooting 10-15 from the floor and 3-6 from long range. Followed with 15 points and five rebounds in the win over American International.

### Past Players of the Week:

11/10: Jason Westrol, Bentley, Jr., G  
11/17: John Tello, Saint Anselm, So., F  
11/24: Greg Twomey, Assumption, Gr., F  
12/1: Laurence Ekperigin, Le Moyne, Jr., F  
12/8: Victor Colon, UMass Lowell, Jr., F  
12/15: Laurence Ekperigin, Le Moyne, Jr., F  
12/22: Laurence Ekperigin, Le Moyne, Jr., F  
1/5: Laurence Ekperigin, Le Moyne, Jr., F  
1/5: Darren Duncan, Merrimack, Jr., G  
1/12: Jason Westrol, Bentley, Jr., G

### Past Freshmen of the Week:

11/17: Isiah Wallace, American International, G  
11/24: Isiah Wallace, American International, G  
12/1: Isiah Wallace, American International, G  
12/8: Alex Berthiaume, Saint Michael's, G  
12/15: Isiah Wallace, American International, G  
12/22: Chris Johnson, Le Moyne, G  
1/5: Adrian Mills, Pace, G  
1/12: Kyle Caiola, UMass Lowell



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**Darin Mercy, Merrimack** (So., G, Hagerstown, Md.) - Led the Warriors to a 2-1 week, averaging 14 points, 3.33 assists 4.7 rebounds.

**Evan Lane, Saint Rose** (Sr., F, Sharon Springs, N.Y.) - Averaged 12 points, 9.5 rebounds and 3.5 blocks during a 1-1 week, while shooting 52.2 percent (12-for-23) from the field. Registered a double-double 16 points and 10 boards in a 76-75 win versus Franklin Pierce. Was 8-of-12 from the field and also added three blocks. Contributed eight points, nine caroms and four rejections in a 69-62 setback against #20 Stonehill.

**Tory Stapleton, Southern New Hampshire** (So., F, Rahway, N.J.) - Finished with 19 points and eight rebounds in 25 minutes off the bench against Assumption. Shot 5-of-7 from the floor and 9-of-12 from the free throw line.

**A. J. Rudowitz, Stonehill** (Jr., F, Monroe Township, N.J.) - Averaged 15.5 points and 7.5 rebound on 62 percent shooting in a 2-0 week. Had 11 points, seven rebounds and three blocks in the 71-46 win over Saint Michael's. Then in a win at Saint Rose, dropped in 20 points had eight rebounds, two blocks and three steals.

**Randall Stallworth, Stonehill** (Jr., G, Toms River, N.J.) - Averaged 10.5 points and 5.5 assists in a 2-0 week. In a win over Saint Michael's had 17 points and seven assists and made five three-pointers. For the week he had 11 assists and just three turnovers.

### Weekly Notes:

**LE MOYNE:** Junior forward Laurence Ekperigin registered a pair of blocks in a 65-56 loss to Bentley on Wednesday to become the third player in Le Moyne history to record at least 1,000 points, 600 rebounds and 100 blocks.

**MERRIMACK:** Merrimack has won seven straight away from the Volpe Center for the first time since the 1998-1999 season.

**STONEHILL:** With his win on Saturday over Saint Rose, head coach Dave McLaughlin won his 100th career game. He becomes just the third head coach in the school's history to win 100+ games. The Skyhawks made their first appearance in the NABC Poll since the end of the 2005-06 season when they opened last week ranked No. 20. Now on an eight game winning streak, the Skyhawks have had atleast a seven-game winning streak in every full season under McLaughlin. Included in that stretch in a school-record tying 12 game run in the 2005-06 season.