

MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS



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2009-10 MISSISSIPPI STATE SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Score/Time
N 13	Rider	L 88-74
N 19	Southeastern Louisiana	7 p.m.
N 21	Bethune Cookman	6 p.m.
N 24	Texas-Pan American	7 p.m.
N 27	@vs. Richmond (FCS)	5 p.m.
N 28	@vs. Old Dominion/Missouri	TBA
D 5	St. Bonaventure	1 p.m.
D 10	# vs. DePaul (ESPN2)	5:30 p.m.
D 12	%vs. UCLA (Fox Sports)	3:30 p.m.
D 16	Wright State (ESPN2)	6 p.m.
D 19	at Houston (CSS)	1 p.m.
D 22	Centenary (at Jackson)	7 p.m.
D 28	Mississippi Valley State	7 p.m.
D 31	at San Diego	6 p.m.
J 4	at Western Kentucky (CSS)	8 p.m.
J 9	at Ole Miss (SEC Network)	12:30 p.m.
J 14	Arkansas (ESPNU)	6 p.m.
J 16	Georgia (ESPN or ESPN2)	2 p.m.
J 23	at Alabama (CBS)	11 a.m.
J 28	at Arkansas (ESPN or ESPN2)	8 p.m.
J 30	LSU (SEC Network)	12:30 p.m.
F 3	at Vanderbilt (SEC Network)	7 p.m.
F 6	at Florida (SEC Network)	12:30 p.m.
F 11	Ole Miss (ESPN or ESPN2)	8 p.m.
F 13	Auburn (FSN)	6 p.m.
F 16	Kentucky (ESPN)	8 p.m.
F 20	at LSU (SEC Network)	3 p.m.
F 24	Alabama (CSS)	8 p.m.
F 27	at South Carolina (ESPN)	5 p.m.
M 3	at Auburn (SEC Network)	7 p.m.
M 6	Tennessee (ESPN)	5 p.m.
M 11-14	SEC Tournament (Nashville)	TBA

@ - South Padre Island Invitational

- SEC/Big East Challenge (Tampa, FL)

% - John R. Wooden Classic (Anaheim, CA)

COACHING FACTS

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Coach: Rick Stansbury

Record at MSU: 231-129, 12th year

Overall Record: Same

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA

Coach: Jim Yarbrough

Record at Rider: 64-56, 5th year

Career Record: 161-98, 10th year

MISSISSIPPI STATE (0-1) VS. SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA (2-0)



Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009 • 7 p.m. CT
Humphrey Coliseum - 10,500 (Starkville, MS)

Series Record: MSU leads, 16-1

Last Meeting: MSU, 84-59 (12-8-07)

TV: None

XM Radio: Channel 201

Officials: Ted Valentine, Doug Sirmons, Carlos Gonzalez



TODAY'S PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP

MISSISSIPPI STATE

3 G Dee Bost, So., 6-2, 170
2 G Ravern Johnson, Jr., 6-7, 175
22 G Barry Stewart, Sr., 6-3, 170
24 G Phil Turner, Jr., 6-3, 170
32 F Jarvis Varnado, Sr., 6-9, 230

Top Reserves: F Romero Osby,
G Riley Benock

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA

20 F DeShawn Patterson, So., 6-4, 220
21 F David Ndoumba, Jr., 6-7, 210
4 C Patrick Sullivan, Sr., 6-9, 215
1 G Trent Hutchin, Jr., 6-1, 175
30 G Gary Dixon, So., 6-3, 170

Top Reserves: F Jason Marks,
G Damon Forest

LOOKING TO AVOID 0-2 START

Mississippi State returns to action on Thursday against Southeastern Louisiana looking to avoid its first 0-2 start since the 1967-68 campaign. Prior to Friday's setback to the Broncos, the Bulldogs had won six-consecutive openers.

MSU is also looking to avoid back-to-back losses at Humphrey Coliseum for the first time since losing to Florida (Jan. 24) and South Carolina (Jan. 27) in 2006-07.

INCHING CLOSER TO THE RECORD BOOKS

Senior All-SEC forward **Jarvis Varnado** continued his climb toward to the top of two key records against Rider with seven blocked shots.

As a result, he now has 401 for his career, which leaves him 11 shy of Shaquille O'Neal's SEC mark of 412 and 134 shy of the NCAA record of 535 set by Wojciech Mydra of Louisiana-Monroe (1998-2002). To reach the NCAA mark, Varnado needs to average 4.3 blocks the next 31 games (30 regular season games and at least one SEC Tournament outing).

MISSISSIPPI-LOUISIANA CONNECTIONS

Southeastern Louisiana has five players on its roster with Mississippi connections, including two from the Magnolia State. **Gary Dixon** of Pontotoc played at Itawamba Community College, while **Brandon Fortenberry** hails from Picayune. **Jason Marks** of Little Rock also played at Itawamba, while **Trent Hutchin** of Baton Rouge spent two years at Copiah-Lincoln. Then there is **Rodney Jones**, who transferred from Ole Miss.

Mississippi State has two players on its roster from Louisiana — junior forwards **Elgin Bailey** (New Orleans) and **Kodi Augustus** (Baton Rouge).

BULLDOGS IN THE POLLS

Following the loss to Rider, Mississippi State fell out of both polls. However, in the USA Today/ESPN Coaches' poll, the Bulldogs received 16 votes, the same number of votes they received in the Associated Press poll.

MSU BY THE NUMBER

6 — Since the 1967-68 campaign, Mississippi State has lost just six season-openers. However, the 14-point setback to Rider last Friday night was the most since losing by 30 (97-67) to Wichita State to open the 1967-68 campaign.

Statistical Comparison

2009-10 Stats	MSU	SELU
2008-09 Record	0-0	2-0
Conference Record	0-0	0-0
Scoring	74.0	94.5
Scoring Defense	88.0	63.5
Scoring Margin	-14.0	+31.0
Field Goal Pct.	41.9	51.6
Opp.FG Pct.	50.8	33.1
3-Point FG Pct.	37.0	54.1
Opp. 3-Point FG Pct.	62.5	24.0
Free Throw Pct.	63.2	74.5
Opp. FT Pct.	64.3	77.1
Rebounding Average	37.0	40.5
Opp. Rebounding Avg.	38.0	38.5
Rebound Margin	-1.0	+2.0
Assists	15.0	21.0
Turnovers	12.0	12.5
Turnover Margin	-6.0	+6.5
Steals	2.0	8.5
Blocked Shots	9.0	5.0

Statistical Leaders**Scoring**

MSU	PPG	SELU	PPG
Varnado	12.9	Forest	23.5
Bost	14.0	Hutchin	15.0

Rebounding

MSU	RPG	SELU	RPG
Varnado	14.0	Sullivan	6.5
Turner	5.0	Marks	6.0

Assists

MSU	APG	SELU	APG
Bost	7.0	Patterson	4.5
Stewart	3.0	Nboumba	2.5

Blocks

MSU	BPG	SELU	BPG
Varnado	7.0	Sullivan	2.5
Augustus.....	1.0	Hutchin	0.5

Steals

MSU	SPG	SELU	SPG
Bost	1.0	Patterson	2.0
Turner	1.0	Tibbs	1.5

Field Goal Percentage

MSU	FG%	SELU	FG%
Varnado ...	100.0	Marks	85.7
Turner	50.0	Tibbs	75.0

3-Point FG Percentage

MSU	3FG%	SELU	3FG%
Turner	66.7	Fortenberry	100.0
Bost	50.0	Forest	70.0

Free Throw Percentage

MSU	FT%	SELU	FT%
Bost	83.3	Hutchin	100.0
Varnado	75.0	Jones	100.0

MSTATE 2-0 AGAINST MAAC FOES

Entering Thursday's showdown against Southeastern Louisiana, the Bulldogs are a dominant 36-3 against the 12 teams that currently comprise the Southland Conference.

Of the 12 teams, MSU has not played Lamar, Stephen F. Austin, Texas State, UT-Arlington and UT-San Antonio, while the 17 previous meetings against the Lions are most of any team.

In the 16 wins against SELU, the Bulldogs' average margin of victory has been 25.5 points.

The Southeastern Louisiana Series (MSU leads, 16-1)

1958: MSU, 75-61	at Starkville	1995: MSU, 106-67	at Starkville
1959: MSU, 94-72	at Starkville	1996: MSU, 121-78	at Starkville
1960: MSU, 83-65	at Starkville	1997: MSU, 77-63	at Starkville
1961: MSU, 77-55	at Starkville	1999: MSU, 97-60	at Starkville
1962: MSU, 96-73	at Starkville	2000: MSU, 70-56	at Starkville
1964: MSU, 113-73	at Starkville	2001: MSU, 78-58	at Southaven, MS
1988: MSU, 60-51	at Hammond	2006: SLU, 57-46	at Starkville
1989: MSU, 113-61	at Starkville	2008: MSU, 84-59	at Starkville
1994: MSU, 81-55	at Starkville		

MSU ENJOYED MORE NON-CONFERENCE SUCCESS

Including last year's 10-6 ledger against non-conference foes, MSU has compiled a dominant 121-40 (.752) record against non-conference opponents during the **Rick Stansbury** era (since 1998-99), including a 113-31 (.785) regular-season mark versus non-league foes.

MISSISSIPPI STATE'S RECORD WHEN . . .

During the **Rick Stansbury** era, the Bulldogs are: 182-27 when leading at halftime; 162-32 when shooting 45 percent or better from the field; 190-61 when the opposition shoots less than 45 percent from the field; 184-68 when out-rebounding or tying opponents; and 140-25 when holding opponents to 65 points or less.

NOVEMBER DOMINANCE UNDER STANSBURY

Including last year's 5-2 mark, the Bulldogs are 41-15 (.732) in the month of November since **Rick Stansbury** was named head coach.

Dating back to the 1986-87 season when Richard Williams was overseeing the program, Mississippi State owns a composite ledger of 64-18 (.780) in November.

HITTING HALF OF SHOTS IS GOOD

To say Rider was on fire from the floor last Friday night would be an understatement. The Broncs hit 50.8 percent (30 of 59) of their shots overall and was a sizzling 62.5 percent (10 of 16) from 3-point range.

As a result, Rider became the first team to shoot 50 percent or better from the floor against the Bulldogs since Florida State connected on 52 percent (26 of 50) of its shots on 3-20-07 in the third round of the NIT in Starkville.

As for the 62.5 percent beyond the arc, the previous high an MSU team allowed came on 12-5-07 at South Alabama when the Jaguars had a 58.8 percent (10 of 17) accuracy in a 71-67 victory.

MOVING ON UP THE SCORING CHARTS

With 22 points against Rider, **Jarvis Varnado** is now 71 points shy of becoming the 31st MSU player to score 1,000 or more for a career as he now has 729.

Also moving up the record book is senior guard **Barry Stewart**. With his seven points against the Broncs, he now has 1,185 for his career, 14 behind Mario Austin, the 20th most in school history.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BY THE NUMBERS

GAME-BY-GAME SPECIALTY STATS (MSU First)

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Bench</u>	<u>Paint</u>	<u>Off TO</u>	<u>2nd Chance</u>	<u>Fast Break</u>
Rider	12/13	30/36	3/20	8/13	4/8
SE Louisiana					
Bethune-Cookman					
UT-Pan Am					
Richmond					
Missouri					

St. Bonaventure
DePaul
UCLA
Wright State
Houston
Centenary

MVSU
San Diego
Western Kentucky
Ole Miss
Arkansas
Georgia

Alabama
Arkansas
LSU
Vanderbilt
Florida
Ole Miss

Auburn
Kentucky
LSU
Alabama
South Carolina
Auburn
Tennessee

SEC Tournament
NCAA Tournament

GAME-BY-GAME LEAD/DEFICIT

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Largest Lead</u>	<u>Largest Deficit</u>	<u>Final Score</u>
Rider	11-2, 11:57 (1st)	82-69, 1:54 (2nd)	L, 88-74
SE Louisiana			
Bethune-Cookman			
UT-Pan Am			
Richmond			
Missouri			

St. Bonaventure
DePaul
UCLA
Wright State
Houston
Centenary

MVSU
San Diego
Western Kentucky
Ole Miss
Arkansas
Georgia

Alabama
Arkansas
LSU
Vanderbilt
Florida
Ole Miss

Auburn
Kentucky
LSU
Alabama
South Carolina
Auburn
Tennessee

SEC Tournament
NCAA Tournament

2009-10 Bulldog Bites

AS THE MEN DO, SO DO THE WOMEN

●While the Mississippi State men led the SEC and was second in the nation in blocked shots (7.5) per outing last year, the Lady Bulldogs (6.2) finished tops in the SEC and fifth nationally. Jarvis Varnado leads the nation with 165 and Lady Bulldog standout Chanel Mokango was ninth with 97. MSU was the only BCS school where the men and the women led their conference in blocked shots.

MAKING THE 3S OFF THE COURT

●In the spring, MSU not only excelled on the court, it put up impressive numbers in the classroom, too. The 16 players on the roster posted an overall GPA of 2.68, the second-highest average in two years. Seven players finished with a GPA of 3.0 or better, while two had a 4.0.

OVERCOMING MAJOR DEFICITS

●Three times last year, MSU has rallied from double-digit deficits – Arkansas (15) and South Carolina twice (10 both times) . The most a Rick Stansbury-coached team has battled back from is 20 (Kentucky, 1-5-02).

ALL-TIME WINNINGEST SEC COACHES

1. Adolph Rupp, UK	875
2. Dale Brown, LSU	448
T3. C.M Newton, Bama/Vandy	340
T3. Harry Rabenhorst, LSU	340
T5. Tubby Smith, UG/UK	308
T5. Billy Donovan, UF	309
17. Rick Stansbury, MSU	231
20. Mark Gottfried, Bama	212
26. Kevin Stallings, Vandy	190
T29. Babe McCarthy, MSU	169
T29. Emmett Lowery, UT	160
31. Bonnie Graham, UM	144

ALL-TIME SEC DIVISIONAL TITLES

1. Tubby Smith, UK	7
T2. Rick Stansbury, MSU	4
T2. Billy Donovan, UF	4
T2. Nolan Richardson, AR	4
T2. Rick Pitino, UK	4

MISSISSIPPI STATE BY THE NUMBERS

MSU'S 2008-09 RECORD WHEN . . .

Leads at Halftime	0-0
Trails at Halftime	0-1
Is Tied at Halftime	0-0
Shoots 45% or better from the field	0-0
Shoots less than 45% from the field	0-1
Opp. shoots less than 45% from the field	0-0
Opp. shoots 45% or better from the field	0-1
Outrebounds (or ties) the opponent	0-0
Outrebounced by the opponent	0-1
Fewer (or ties) TOs than opponent	0-0
More TOs than opponent	0-1
Holds opponents to 65 points or less	0-0
In games decided by 10 points or less	0-0

MSU'S 2008-09 RECORD IN . . .

All Games	0-1
Home Games	0-1
Road Games	0-0
Neutral-sites	0-0
Non-SEC Games	0-1
Non-SEC Home Games	0-1
Non-SEC Road Games	0-0
Non-SEC Neutral-site Games	0-0
SEC Games	0-0
SEC Home Games	0-0
SEC Road Games	0-0
SEC Tournament	0-0
Games vs. SEC Western Division	0-0
Games vs. SEC Eastern Division	0-0
November Games	0-1
December Games	0-0
January Games	0-0
February Games	0-0
March Games	0-0
Monday Games	0-0
Tuesday Games	0-0
Wednesday Games	0-0
Thursday Games	0-0
Friday Games	0-1
Saturday Games	0-0
Sunday Games	0-0
Overtime Games	0-0
Television Games	0-0
Games vs. Ranked Opponents	0-0

MISC. 2008-09 TEAM STATS

Largest Lead Surrendered in Loss:

9, vs. Rider (11-13-09)

Largest Deficit Overcome in Win:

Largest Lead at Anytime:

9, vs. Rider (11-13-09)

Largest Deficit Anytime:

14, vs. Rider (11-13-09)

MISCELLANEOUS MSU INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Games Scoring in Double Figures: Jarvis Varnado, Raven Johnson, Dee Bost
 Games Scoring 20-plus Points: Jarvis Varnado
 Games Rebounding in Double Figures: Jarvis Varnado
 Games With Double Figures in Assists:
 Games With Double-Doubles: Jarvis Varnado
 Games As Team's High Scorer (or co-leader): Jarvis Varnado
 Games As Team's High Rebounder (or co-leader): Jarvis Varnado
 Games As Team's Leader in Assists (or co-leader): Dee Bost
 Games As Team's Leader in Steals (or co-leader): Dee Bost, Phil Turner
 Games As Team's Leader in Turnovers (or co-leader): Jarvis Varnado

MSU'S RECORD BY STARTING LINEUP

Bost, Stewart, Johnson, Varnado, Augustus 0-1

GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Guard</u>	<u>Guard</u>	<u>Guard</u>	<u>Forward</u>	<u>Forward</u>	<u>Record</u>
Rider	11/13/09	Bost	Stewart	Johnson	Augustus	Varnado	0-1
SE Louisiana	11/19/09						
Bethune-Cookman	11/21/09						
UT-Pan Am	11/24/09						
Richmond	11/27/09						
Missouri	11/28/09						
St. Bonaventure	12/05/09						
DePaul	12/10/10						
UCLA	12/12/09						
Wright State	12/16/09						
Houston	12/19/09						
Centenary	12/22/09						
MVSU	12/28/09						
San Diego	12/31/09						
Western Kentucky	1/04/10						
Ole Miss	1/09/10						
Arkansas	1/14/10						
Georgia	1/16/10						
Alabama	1/23/10						
Arkansas	1/28/10						
LSU	1/30/10						
Vanderbilt	2/03/10						
Florida	2/06/10						
Ole Miss	2/11/10						
Auburn	2/13/10						
Kentucky	2/16/10						
LSU	2/20/10						
Alabama	2/24/10						
South Carolina	2/27/10						
Auburn	3/03/10						
Tennessee	3/06/10						

SEC Tournament
 NCAA Tournament

Win-Loss Differential

Diff.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25+
Won																									
Lost																									

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2009-10 MISSISSIPPI STATE ROSTER

National Polls

(Nov. 13, 2009)

Associated Press

1. Kansas
2. Michigan State
3. Texas
4. Kentucky
5. Villanova
6. North Carolina
7. Purdue
8. West Virginia
9. Duke
10. Tennessee
11. Butler
12. Connecticut
13. California
14. Washington
15. Michigan
15. Ohio State
17. Oklahoma
18. Dayton
19. Georgetown
20. Louisville
21. Georgia Tech
22. Clemson
23. Illinois
24. Minnesota
25. Maryland

USA Today/ESPN

1. Kansas
2. Michigan State
3. Texas
4. North Carolina
5. Kentucky
6. Villanova
7. Purdue
8. Duke
9. West Virginia
10. Butler
11. Tennessee
12. California
13. Connecticut
14. Washington
15. Ohio State
16. Michigan
17. Oklahoma
18. Minnesota
19. Georgia Tech
20. Georgetown
21. Dayton
22. Louisville
23. Clemson
24. Syracuse
25. Illinois

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (Prev School)
1	Renardo Sidney	F	6-10	270	Fr.	HS	Jackson, MS (Fairfax [CA])
2	Ravern Johnson	G	6-7	175	Jr.	2L	Lyon, MS (Coahoma County HS)
3	Dee Bost	G	6-2	170	So.	1L	Concord, NC (Hargrave Military Academy)
4	Twany Beckham*	G	6-5	190	So.	1L	Louisville, KY (New Hampton [NH] School)
5	Romero Osby	F	6-8	230	So.	1L	Meridian, MS (Northeast Lauderdale HS)
10	Shaun Smith	G	6-6	195	Fr.	HS	Brooksville, MS (Noxubee County HS)
12	Charles Parker	G	5-10	154	Fr.	HS	McKinney, TX (McKinney HS)
15	Riley Benock	G	6-4	180	Jr.	2L	Battletown, KY (Meade County HS)
20	Taylor Luczak	F	6-8	220	So.	1L	Glens Falls, NY (Glen Falls HS)
21	Baxter Price	G	5-9	145	Fr.	HS	Brandon, MS (Northwest Rankin HS)
22	Barry Stewart	G	6-3	170	Sr.	3L	Shelbyville, TN (Shelbyville Central HS)
24	Kodi Augustus	F	6-8	220	Jr.	2L	Baton Rouge, LA (Maine Central Institute)
25	Phil Turner	G	6-3	170	Jr.	2L	Grenada, MS (Grenada HS)
30	Wendell Lewis	C	6-8	240	Fr.	HS	Selma, AL (Selma HS)
32	Jarvis Varnado	F	6-9	230	Sr.	3L	Brownsville, TN (Haywood HS)
33	Brandon Bolen	G	6-3	195	Jr.	2L	Madison, MS (Madison-Ridgeland Academy)
45	Elgin Bailey	F	6-8	265	Jr.	2L	New Orleans, LA (Belaire HS)
50	John Riek	F	7-1	242	Fr.	HS	Khartoum, Sudan (IMG Academy [FL])

* Is redshirted this year due having season-ending hip surgery to remove bone spurs.

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Rick Stansbury**Assistant Coach:** Robert Kirby**Assistant Coach:** Phil Cunningham**Assistant Coach:** Marcus Grant**Director of Operations:** Talvis Franklin**Athletic Trainer:** Scott Johnson**Strength & Conditioning:** Richard Akins**Basketball Media Relations:** Gregg Ellis

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Kodi Augustus: CO-dee**Twany Beckham:** TWAH-nee**Riley Benock:** BEE-knock**Ravern Johnson:** RAY-vern**Wendell Lewis:** WIN-dell**Taylor Luczak:** LOU-sack**Romero Osby:** Ro-mare-oh OZ-bee**John Riek:** REEK**Jarvis Varnado:** Vur-NAR-doe

AN INSIDE LOOK AT THE 2009-10 BULLDOGS

SQUAD BREAKDOWN

BY CLASS

Seniors (2):

Barry Stewart, Jarvis Varnado

Juniors (6)

Kodi Augustus, Elgin Bailey,
Riley Benock, Brandon Bolen,
Ravern Johnson, Phil Turner

Sophomores (4)

Twany Beckham, Dee Bost,
Taylor Luczak, Romero Osby

Freshman (6)

Wendell Lewis, Charles Parker,
Baxter Price, John Riek,
Renardo Sidney, Shaun Smith

BIRTHDAYS

Barry Stewart (Feb. 4, 1988)
Jarvis Varnado (March 1, 1988)
Brandon Bolen (March 21, 1988)

Romero Osby (May 7, 1990)

Riley Benock (June 7, 1989)

Charles Parker (June 30, 1990)

Ravern Johnson (July 21, 1988)

Wendell Lewis (Sept. 21, 1989)

Dee Bost (Oct. 12, 1989)

Taylor Luczak (Oct. 15, 1988)

Elgin Bailey (Oct. 20, 1987)

Phil Turner (Oct. 27, 1987)

John Riek (Nov. 1, 1989)

Kodi Augustus (Nov. 2, 1987)

Baxter Price (Nov. 4, 1990)

Twany Beckham (Nov. 14, 1988)

Shaun Smith (Nov. 19, 1990)

Renardo Sidney (Dec. 6, 1989)

Rick Stansbury (Dec. 23, 1959)

SQUAD BREAKDOWN BY

STATE

Mississippi (7)

Brandon Bolen, Ravern Johnson,

Romero Osby, Baxter Price,
Renardo Sidney, Shaun Smith
Phil Turner

Tennessee (2)

Barry Stewart, Jarvis Varnado

Kentucky (2)

Twany Beckham, Riley Benock

Louisiana (2)

Kodi Augustus, Elgin Bailey

Alabama (1)

Wendell Lewis

North Carolina (1)

Dee Bost

New York (1)

Taylor Luczak

Texas (1)

Charles Parker

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: _____ Starkville, Mississippi
 Founded: _____ February 28, 1878
 Enrollment: _____ 18,601
 Conference: _____ SEC (Western Division)
 Nickname: _____ Bulldogs
 Colors: _____ Maroon (PMS 202) & White
 Arena: _____ Humphrey Coliseum (10,500)
 President: _____ Dr. Mark E. Keenum
 Director of Athletics: _____ Greg Byrne
 Faculty Representative: _____ Dr. Steven C. Turner

BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Year of Basketball: _____ 1908-09
 Number of Seasons: _____ 98th
 All-Time Record: _____ 1,248-1,045
 All-Time SEC Record: _____ 525-675
 Total Number of Head Coaches: _____ 18
 Humphrey Coliseum Record: _____ 341-132
 20-Win Seasons: _____ 14
 NCAA Tournament Appearances: _____ 10
 NCAA Tournament Record: _____ 11-10
 NCAA Tournament Final Fours: _____ 1
 (1996, lost to Syracuse 77-69 in semis)
 NIT Appearances: _____ 6
 NIT Record: _____ 6-6
 NIT Final Fours: _____ 1
 (2007, lost 63-62 to West Virginia in semis)
 SEC Championships: _____ 6
 (2004, 1991, 1963, 1962, 1961, 1959)
 SEC Tournament Championships: _____ 3
 (2009, 2002 and 1996)
 SEC Tournament Record: _____ 25-46
 SEC Western Division Titles: _____ 6
 (2008, 2007, 2004, 2003, 1996, 1995)

BASKETBALL STAFF

Head Coach: _____ Rick Stansbury
 Alma Mater, Year: _____ Campbellsville, 1982
 Record at MSU/Years: _____ 231-128/11
 Career Record/Years: _____ 231-128/11
 Phone: _____ 662-325-3800
 Assistant Coach: _____ Robert Kirby
 Assistant Coach: _____ Phil Cunningham
 Assistant Coach: _____ Marcus Grant
 Director of Operations: _____ Talvis Franklin
 Video Coordinator: _____ Bennie Ashford
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TEAM INFORMATION

2008-09 Overall Record _____ 23-13
 2008-09 SEC Record _____ 9-7
 SEC Finish: _____ 3rd (Western Division)
 National Ranking: _____ n/a
 Starters Returning/Lost: _____ 5/0
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost: _____ 12/4
 Newcomers: _____ 6
 Roster (Sr./Jr./So./Fr.): _____ (2/6/4/6)

MSU KNOWS HOW TO WIN GAMES AT 'THE HUMP'

Over the course of the last decade, Mississippi State's Humphrey Coliseum has become a difficult venue for opposing teams. Since the 2006-07 season, the Bulldogs have posted a 39-12 mark for an .765 winning percentage. With a 13-5 mark last year, the Bulldogs have reached twin-digit home wins during each of coach Rick Stansbury's first 11 seasons at the MSU helm.

Mississippi State is now 135-34 (.799) overall at Humphrey Coliseum under Stansbury's direction, including a 65-23 (.739) SEC mark and a 70-11 (.864) record against non-conference opponents.

The Bulldogs have compiled a 35-season composite record of 341-132 (.722) at "The Hump" since Mississippi State's basketball facility opened prior to the 1975-76 campaign.

TRACKING MSU' HOME SUCCESS UNDER RICK STANSBURY

Season	Overall		SEC		Non-SEC	
	Record	Win %	Record	Win %	Record	Win %
1998-99	12-2	.857	6-2	.750	6-0	1.000
1999-00	10-4	.714	4-4	.500	6-0	1.000
2000-01	13-4	.765	6-2	.750	7-2	.778
2001-02	13-1	.929	7-1	.875	6-0	1.000
2002-03	12-2	.857	7-1	.875	5-1	.833
2003-04	12-2	.857	6-2	.750	6-0	1.000
2004-05	11-2	.846	6-2	.750	5-0	1.000
2005-06	11-5	.688	5-3	.625	6-2	.750
2006-07	16-3	.842	6-2	.750	10-1	.909
2007-08	12-3	.800	7-1	.875	5-2	.714
2008-09	13-5	.722	5-3	.667	8-2	.750
2009-10	0-1	.000	--	---	0-1	.000
11-Year Totals	135-34	.799	65-23	.739	70-11	.864

STANSBURY TEAMS IN THESEC TOURNAMENT

SEC TOURNAMENT FINAL APPEARANCES SINCE 1998-99

Kentucky	5
Arkansas	4
Florida	4
MISSISSIPPI STATE	3
Alabama	1
Arkansas	1
Auburn	1
Georgia	1
Ole Miss	1
Tennessee	1

SEC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINAL APPEARANCES SINCE 1998-99

MISSISSIPPI STATE	6
Kentucky	6
LSU	6
Arkansas	5
Florida	5
Auburn	4
South Carolina	4
Alabama	2
Ole Miss	2
Tennessee	2
Vanderbilt	1
Georgia	1

TOP SEC TOURNAMENT RECORDS SINCE 1998-99

Kentucky	18-7
Florida	16-8
MISSISSIPPI STATE	14-9
Arkansas	13-10
South Carolina	11-11
LSU	10-11
Alabama	8-11
Georgia	6-9
Auburn	6-11
Vanderbilt	6-11
Tennessee	6-11
Ole Miss	6-11

THE LAST TIME . . .

THE LAST TIME AN MSU PLAYER ...

Scored 30 or more points in a game:

31, Jarvis Varnado vs. LSU (2-11-09)

Scored 34 or more points in a game:

34, Charles Rhodes vs. Oregon (3-21-08)

Scored 35 or more points in a game:

36, Jeff Malone at Ole Miss (2-19-83)

Scored 37 or more points in a game:

39, Jeff Malone vs. Alabama (1-31-83)

Scored 40 or more points in a game:

40, Rickey Brown vs. Auburn (3-7-77)

Scored 20+ points in back-to-back games:

Barry Stewart (20 at Alabama 2-21-09 and 20 at Tennessee on 2-25-09).

Scored 20+ points in three-consecutive games:

Jarvis Varnado (21 vs. South Alabama; 23 vs. Cincinnati; 24 vs. Nicholls, 2008-09)

Scored 20+ points in five-consecutive games:

Jeff Malone, 1982-83 (11 consecutive)

Scored 30+ points in back-to-back games:

Jeff Malone (36 at Ole Miss & 30 vs. Georgia, 1982-83)

Scored 30+ points in three-consecutive games:

Jeff Malone (33 at LSU; 36 at Ole Miss & 30 vs. Georgia, 1982-83)

Made 10 or more field goals in a game:

10, Jarvis Varnado vs. LSU (2-11-09)

Made 11 or more field goals in a game:

11, Charles Rhodes vs. Auburn (2-27-08)

Made 12 or more field goals in a game:

12, Charles Rhodes vs. Ole Miss (1-26-08)

Made 13 or more field goals in a game:

13, Horatio Webster vs. SW Missouri St. (11-23-97)

Made 14 or more field goals in a game:

14, Cameron Burns at Georgia (1-17-90)

Made 15 or more field goals in a game:

16, Raymond Brown vs. Florida (3-2-85)

Attempted 20 or more field goals in a game:

20, Dietric Slater at Georgia (2-24-07)

Attempted 21 or more field goals in a game:

22, Timmy Bowers at Alabama (3-6-04)

Attempted 23 or more field goals in a game:

24, Horatio Webster vs. UT Martin (12-20-97)

Attempted 25 or more field goals in a game:

25, Chuck Evans at Alabama (3-6-93)

Attempted 26 or more field goals in a game:

26, Tony Watts at Ole Miss (2-22-92)

Attempted 27 or more field goals in a game:

28, Jeff Malone vs. Vanderbilt (1-8-83)

Made six or more 3-pointers in a game:

6, Dee Bost vs. Arkansas (2-7-09)

Made seven or more 3-pointers in a game:

7, Reginald Delk at Arkansas (3-1-06)

Made eight or more 3-pointers in a game:

8, Winsome Frazier vs. UMKC (11-23-04)

Attempted 11 or more 3-pointers in a game:

11, Barry Stewart at Alabama (2-21-09)

Attempted 12 or more 3-pointers in a game:

12, Jamall Edmonson vs. Kentucky (2-1-06)

Attempted 13 or more 3-pointers in a game:

15, Winsome Frazier vs. UMKC (11-23-04)

Attempted 16 or more 3-pointers in a game:

17, Darryl Wilson vs. Alabama (3-4-95)

Made 14 or more free throws in a game:

14, Charles Rhodes vs. Oregon (3-21-08)

Made 15 or more free throws in a game:

18, Rich Knarr vs. Auburn (2-19-73)

Attempted 18 or more free throws in a game:

18, Charles Rhodes vs. Oregon (3-21-08)

Attempted 19 or more free throws in a game:

19, Carl Nichols vs. SE La. (12-1-88)

Had 16 or more rebounds in a game:

16, Jarvis Varnado vs. F. Dickinson (11-22-08)

Had 17 or more rebounds in a game:

17, Jarvis Varnado at LSU (1-9-08)

Had 18 or more rebounds in a game:

21, Wesley Morgan vs. SE La. (11-28-05)

Had 22 or more rebounds in a game:

23, Rickey Brown vs. Vanderbilt (12-6-79)

Had 24 or more rebounds in a game:

24, Wiley Peck vs. Alabama (1-27-79)

Had 10 or more offensive rebounds in a game:

10, Wesley Morgan vs. SE La. (11-28-05)

Had 10 or more defensive rebounds in a game:

11, Phil Turner vs. South Carolina (2-18-09)

Had 12 or more defensive rebounds in a game:

12, Jarvis Varnado vs. Rider (11-13-09)

Had 10 or more assists in a game:

10, Dee Bost vs. Alabama (1-14-09)

Had 11 or more assists in a game:

14, Gary Ervin vs. Florida A&M (12-20-04)

Had 15 or more assists in a game:

16, Chuck Evans at UMKC (2-23-93)

Had 10 or more turnovers in a game:

10, Charles Rhodes vs. Nicholls (11-11-06)

Had five or more blocks in a game:

5, Jarvis Varnado vs. Washington (3-19-09)

Had seven or more blocks in a game:

7, Jarvis Varnado vs. Rider (11-13-09)

Had nine or more blocks in a game:

9, Jarvis Varnado vs. La. Monroe (11-17-08)

Had 10 or more blocks in a game:

10, Jarvis Varnado vs. Kentucky (1-15-08)

Had 10+ blocks in two consecutive games:

Jarvis Varnado (10 vs. Georgia & 10 vs. Kentucky, 2007-08)

Had five or more steals in a game:

5, Barry Stewart vs. Alabama (3-14-08)

Had six or more steals in a game:

6, Phil Turner vs. South Carolina (2-18-09)

LAST TIME AN MSU TEAM...

Scored 100 or more points:

102 vs. North Alabama (11-19-08)

Scored 100 or more points in an SEC game:

105 vs. Auburn (3-2-04)

Allowed 100 or more points:

115 at Arkansas (2-20-93)

Was held to 52 points or less:

52 vs. Washington St. (11-28-08)

Was held to 51 points or less:

49 vs. Southern Illinois (11-23-07)

Was held to 48 points or less:

36 vs. George Washington (12-8-96)

Held opponent to 60 points or less:

60 vs. Georgia SECT (3-12-09)

Held opponent to 57 points or less:

57 vs. LSU SECT (3-14-09)

Held opponent to 48 points or less:

39 at LSU (1-9-08)

Shot 50 percent or better from the field:

.509 [28-55] vs. Georgia (3-12-09)

Shot 55 percent or better from the field:

.576 [34-59] vs. North Alabama (11-19-08)

Shot 60 percent or better from the field:

.600 [33-55] vs. Auburn (2-27-08)

Shot 65 percent or better from the field:

.660 [35-53] vs. Western Kentucky (1-5-09)

Was held to less than 35 percent from the field:

.339 [20-59] vs. Washington (3-19-09)

Was held to less than 32 percent from the field:

.312 [24-77] vs. LSU (2-11-09)

Held opp. to 30 percent or less from the field:

.290 [17-47] vs. Tennessee SECT (3-15-09)

Made 35 or more field goals:

35 vs. Western Kentucky (1-5-09)

Made 40 or more field goals:

40 vs. Auburn (3-2-04)

Attempted 70 or more shots from the field:

72 at Auburn (2-14-09)

Attempted 80 or more shots from the field:

80 at Alabama (2-21-09)

Attempted 40 or fewer shots from the field:

39 vs. Vanderbilt (2-12-05)

Made 10 or more 3-pointers:

10 vs. Rider (11-13-09)

Made 12 or more 3-pointers:

12 at Alabama (2-21-09)

Made 13 or more 3-pointers:

14 vs. Kentucky (2-3-09)

Made 16 or more 3-pointers:

16 vs. Arkansas (2-7-09)

Did not make a 3-pointer:

[0-11] at Alabama (1-18-05)

Made just one 3-pointer:

vs. Southeastern Louisiana (11-28-05)

Made just two 3-pointers:

at Vanderbilt (1-21-06)

Attempted only 10 3-pointers:

10 vs. Alabama State (12-6-08)

Attempted six 3-pointers or less:

6 at Ole Miss (1-29-03)

Attempted 25 or more 3-pointers:

25 vs. Houston (1-3-09)

Attempted 26 or more 3-pointers:

26 vs. South Carolina (2-18-09)

Attempted 27 or more 3-pointers:

27 vs. Rider (11-13-09)

Attempted 35 or more 3-pointers:

39 at Alabama (2-21-09)

Made 30 or more free throws:

30 vs. Arkansas (1-15-05)

Made 40 or more free throws:

41 vs. LSU (2-11-09)

Made fewer than five free throws:

4 at Alabama (1-19-08)

Made fewer than four free throws:

1 at Kentucky (1-13-07)

Attempted 35 or more free throws:

35 vs. LSU SECT (3-15-09)

Attempted 40 or more free throws:

41 vs. Charlotte (11-29-06)

Made 50 or more free throws:

52 vs. LSU (2-11-09)

Attempted fewer than 10 free throws:

9 vs. Southern Illinois (11-23-07)

Had 50 or more rebounds:

50 vs. South Carolina SECT (3-13-09)

Had 55 or more rebounds:

58 vs. Troy (12-10-05)

Had 59 or more rebounds:

59 vs. Jacksonville St. (12-22-04)

THE LAST TIME (CONTINUED) . . .

Had 21 or more assists:

22 vs. Auburn (2-27-08)

Had 23 or more assists:

25 at Loyola Marymount (12-19-07)

Had 20 or more turnovers:

20 vs. Washington St. (11-28-08)

Had 21 or more turnovers:

24 vs. St. Bonaventure (11-25-08)

Had 25 or more turnovers:

25 vs. UT Martin (11-17-07)

Had 26 or more turnovers:

31 at Kentucky (1-7-97)

Had fewer than 10 turnovers:

6 vs. LSU SECT (3-14-09)

Had fewer than five turnovers:

4 vs. La. Tech (11-10-07)

Had 10 or more blocked shots:

11 at Alabama (2-21-09)

Had 12 or more blocked shots:

13 at Kentucky (2-3-09)

Had 16 or more blocked shots:

16 vs. Georgia (1-12-08)

Had 10 or more steals:

10 at Alabama (2-21-09)

Had 13 or more steals:

13 at Georgia (1-24-09)

Had 20 or more steals:

20 vs. Nicholls State (11-17-01)

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PLAYERS

THE SENIORS

22 • Barry Stewart • G • 6-3 • 170 • Shelbyville, TN

Barry Stewart became the 30th member of MSU's 1,000-point club last season and is only 54 treys away from becoming the school's all-time 3-point leader. He led MSU in scoring during the SEC tournament title run last year (14.3) en route to earning All-Tournament honors. He was MSU's second-leading scorer a year ago with 12.4 points a game and was second on the team with 66 assists and tied for second with 46 steals.

32 • Jarvis Varnado • F/C • 6-9 • 210 • Brownsville, TN

After leading the nation in blocked shots last year with 170, Jarvis Varnado is only 134 away from tying the NCAA career record mark and 11 shy of the tying the SEC mark. Last year, he was named SEC Tournament MVP, played for Team USA in the World University Games, and won SEC Defensive Player of the Year honors for the second-straight year. Varnado was also awarded the Bailey Howell award, which is given to the state's best player. He also led the team in scoring (12.9) and rebounds (8.8).

THE JUNIORS

24 • Kodi Augustus • F • 6-8 • 220 • Baton Rouge, LA

Kodi Augustus is coming off an impressive SEC Tournament run that saw him score a career-high 19 points against Georgia in the opening round, while he finished averaging 9.8 points a game in tournament play. Against Washington in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament, Kodi was named Chevrolet Player of the Game. Augustus finished the year averaging 6.2 points and 3.4.

45 • Elgin Bailey • F/C • 6-8 • 254 • New Orleans, LA

Bailey saw action in 27 games last year before dislocating his ankle against Florida. He still managed to finish second on the team in blocked shots with 26. Bailey finished the year averaging 3.9 points and 2.4 rebounds.

15 • Riley Benock • G • 6-4 • 180 • Battletown, KY

Hailing from the same high school as Mississippi State head coach Rick Stansbury, Riley saw action in all 36 games as a reserve. He averaged 2.3 points and 0.9 rebounds per outing. His 16 steals tied for fifth-most on the team. He is returning from foot surgery to repair a stress fracture over the offseason.

2 • Ravern Johnson • G/F • 6-7 • 175 • Lyon, MS

Johnson's 83 treys last year were the third-most in a single season as he led the Bulldogs in 3-pointers made (83) attempted (210) and percentage (.395). He started all 36 games and scored 20-plus points a team-high five times and hit a career best six 3-pointers against Western Kentucky last year. Johnson finished third on the team in scoring with 12.1 points a game.

25 • Phil Turner • G • 6-3 • 170 • Grenada, MS

Started the last 27 games of last season and was third on the team at the foul line with a 78.1 percent effort (57 of 73). Turner scored a career-high 18 points at Rupp Arena against the Wildcats last year. He averaged 8.5 points and hauled in 5.5 rebounds.

THE SOPHOMORES

4 • Twany Beckham • G • 6-5 • 190 • Louisville, KY

Beckham played in the last 32 games of last season and was one of MSU'S first players off the bench. He logged a total of 33 minutes in the SEC Tournament and averaged 1.5 points, 2.0 rebounds and dished out three assists. He finished the year averaging 1.6 points and 1.5 boards a game.

3 • Dee Bost • G • 6-2 • 170 • Concord, NC

Bost was named to the All-SEC Freshman team and tabbed Honorable Mention Freshman All-American by CollegeHoops.net after starting all 36 games last season. Bost led the team with 156 assists, the most by any MSU freshman in school history. He also set freshman records with free throws made (122) and free throws attempted (170), while his 52 steals and 161 treys attempted were second all-time. Dee finished fourth on the team in scoring by averaging 10.9 points a game.

5 • Romero Osby • F • 6-8 • 230 • Meridian, MS

Osby played in all 36 games for the Bulldogs as a true freshman last year. He scored a career-high 15 points against North Alabama. He also averaged 4.1 points and 2.6 boards per contest, while scoring in double-digits three times. Osby also finished fourth on the team with 12 blocks.

THE FRESHMEN**30 • Wendell Lewis • C • 6-8 • Selma, AL**

Signed in April, Lewis chose MSU over SEC rivals Auburn, Georgia, Alabama and Ole Miss. He was selected to compete in the Mississippi-Alabama All-Star game. As a McDonald's All-American nominee, Lewis was ranked as the 27th best center by ESPN. While earning team MVP honors his senior year, he led the team in points (16.5), rebounds (11.2) and blocks (3).

50 • John Riek • F • 7-1 • 242 • Khartoun, Sudan

The final member of the MSU recruiting class, Riek inked his commitment to the Bulldogs in May of 2009. With enhanced shot-blocking and rebounding skills, he made a name for himself at the LeBron Skill Academy where he scored 18 points in 24 minutes. His 7 foot, 8 ½ inch wingspan made him the top-rated center by Rivals.com in the class of 2008.

10 • Shaun Smith • G • 6-6 • 195 • Brooksville, MS

The first member of the 2009 MSU signing class, the heralded All-State member from Noxubee County is known for his athleticism and ball-handling skills. Ranked the 23rd best shooting guard in the country by Scout.com, Smith inked his next four years with Bulldog basketball on his birthday. As a senior, he averaged 25.1 points, 5.8 rebounds and 2.2 steals.

1 • Renardo Sidney • G • 6-10 • 260 • Jackson, MS

One of MSU's most highly touted recruits, Sidney brings numerous accolades including McDonald's All American selection, USA Junior National Select Team inclusion as well as Naismith High School Player of the Year finalist. He was also tabbed Co-MVP at the Jordan Brand Classic at the famous Madison Square Garden in New York City. Sidney made his national impression at the McDonald's All-Star game where he scored 11 points while grabbing 6 rebounds.

THE WALK-ONS**33 • Brandon Bolen • G • 6-3 • 195 • So. • Madison, MS**

Seeing action in 22 career games, Bolen also saw action in the NCAA Tournament his sophomore year against Washington. Along with his NCAA Tournament appearances, he also saw action in the 2009 SEC Tournament against Georgia, South Carolina and LSU. He had a rebound against LSU and made his SEC debut his freshman year at LSU.

20 • Taylor Luczak • F • 6-8 • 220 • So. • Glens Falls, NY

Luczak saw action in 10 games totaling 13 minutes. He also played in an NCAA Tournament game against Washington as well as SEC Tournament games against Georgia, South Carolina and LSU. As a senior at Glens Falls Senior High School, Luczak averaged 11.3 points, 7.6 rebounds and 3.1 blocks.

12 • Charles Parker • G • 5-10 • 154 • Fr. • McKinney, TX

Parker hails from McKinney North High School where he was named the basketball team's overall and defensive MVP. The freshman walk-on was also an All-District Defensive selection as well as an Academic All-District member.

21 • Baxter Price • G • 5-9 • 145 • Fr. • Brandon, MS

Due to an ankle injury his senior season, Price only saw action in seven games. For his sportsmanship and great attitude, Price received the Crouther Award, named for Coach Crouther who was killed in a car wreck in 2007.

BRYANT BECOMES FIRST MSU SIGNEE OF 2009-10 SIGNING CLASS

Mississippi State men's basketball coach Rick Stansbury has announced his first signee of the 2009-10 class, standout guard Brian Bryant.

The 6-foot-3, 165-pound Albany, Ga., native is currently a sophomore at Northwest Florida State College, where he has guided his team to a 5-0 start and is averaging 20 points, 7.6 rebounds and 5.4 assists, while shooting 41 percent from 3-point territory.

Last year as a freshman, he was limited due to a hand injury.

Prior to enrolling at Northwest Florida, previously known as Okaloosa Walton, Bryant prepped four years at Dougherty High School, where he led his team to two regional titles and four playoff appearances.

As a senior, he averaged 29.6 points, 9.3 rebounds, 3.6 steals and 3.6 assists en route to garnering team MVP honors and earning Albany

Herald Play of the Year honors for the second-straight season.

He was also selected to play in the Georgia North-South All-Star Game.

"He is the complete package of talent, athleticism, character and work ethic," 13th-year Raiders coach Bruce Stewart said. "He is a winner."

Bryant chose MSU over Auburn and Southern Miss.

Bryant is the fifth NWF State College men's player to head to the SEC in the last three seasons, following in the footsteps of Auburn's Tay Waller and Johnnie Lett, Alabama's Charvez Davis and South Carolina's Johnndre Jefferson.

He's also the second player MSU signed from Northwest Florida, as he joins forward Branden Vincent, who played for the Bulldogs from 2003-04.

EXHIBITION 1 — OCT. 31, 2009**Mississippi State 82
Oklahoma City 54***Humphrey Coliseum • 2 p.m.
Starkville, MS*

STARKVILLE, Miss. - Junior Raven Johnson's 23 points sparked a convincing 82-54 win by 18th-ranked Mississippi State against Oklahoma City in the exhibition opener for both teams at Humphrey Coliseum.

Johnson drained 6-of-10 three-pointers, shot 8-of-15 from the floor and grabbed five rebounds.

Three other Bulldogs recorded double-digit efforts in the win, led by junior Kodi Augustus' 16 points. Sophomore Dee Bost joined senior Barry Stewart by scoring 11 points, while Bost added 6 assists.

All-SEC senior Jarvis Varnado grabbed 11 rebounds, notched 8 points and blocked 4 shots. Freshman Wendell Lewis continued his impressive preseason performance by claiming 8 rebounds in just 13 minutes.

OCU point guard Chris Brown led the game with 24 points.

The Bulldogs struggled with their opponents in the first half, but never trailed in the game. After scoring the first eight points, State saw two free-throws from OCU's Brown spark a 10-0 run that pulled the game within a point. At the break, MSU led 38-33 half.

Oklahoma City

Player	FG	3FG	FT	RB	PF	PT	A	Min
Phillips f	2-8	1-2	0-0	5	1	5	1	34
Williams c	0-4	0-0	0-1	3	4	0	1	14
Brown g	9-23	0-1	6-8	6	3	24	0	36
Graham g	3-6	0-2	0-0	4	1	6	2	34
Bingham g	4-13	2-7	1-1	3	1	11	0	34
Cuevas	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	1	6
Ennis	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
McKnight	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	1	11
Nicholson	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	0	14
James	1-3	0-0	0-1	4	3	2	1	16
TOTALS	22-62	3-12	7-11	32	18	54	7	200

Mississippi State

Player	FG	3FG	FT	RB	PF	PT	A	Min
Augustus f	6-11	1-6	3-4	5	3	16	0	25
Varnado c	3-6	0-0	2-4	11	1	8	2	27
Johnson g	8-15	6-10	1-1	5	1	23	2	34
Bost g	3-8	2-5	3-3	3	2	11	6	28
Stewart g	3-8	3-7	2-2	5	3	11	2	31
Osby	4-8	1-2	0-0	5	2	9	3	21
Smith	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	3	0	4	14
Parker	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Luczak	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	2
Price	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	1	1
Lewis	2-4	0-0	0-3	8	2	4	0	13
Bolen	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	29-63	13-30	11-14	47	17	82	19	200

Halftime: MSU 38, OCU 33. FG%: MSU 46.0%, OCU 35.5%. 3FG%: MSU 43.3%, OCU 25.0%. FT%: MSU 78.6%, OCU 63.6%. Turnovers: MSU 14 (Varnado, Johnson 3 4), OCU 12 (James 3). Blocked Shots: MSU 6 (Varnado 4), OCU 2 (Phillips, Williams 1). Steals: MSU 3 (Bost 2), OCU 3 (Three with 1). Officials: Tom Eades, Bruce Benedick, James Williams. Attendance: 2,938.

EXHIBITION 2 — Nov. 7, 2009**Mississippi State 90
Georgetown College 70***Humphrey Coliseum • 2 p.m.
Starkville, MS*

STARKVILLE, Miss. - Junior forward Kodi Augustus scored 16 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to pace 18th-ranked Mississippi State to a 90-70 win against Georgetown College.

MSU completed its two-game exhibition slate having never trailed in either game.

Augustus connected on 6-of-9 shots from the floor and all three of his free throws. All-SEC senior Jarvis Varnado totaled 17 points, 9 rebounds and 5 blocks.

Also scoring in double-digits were sophomore point guard Dee Bost with 14 points to go along with his 8 assists, while Phil Turner totaled 12 points.

Pacing the game in scoring was Georgetown's Eddie Gray with 19.

State jumped out to an early eight-point lead in the game's first 10 minutes. The Tigers responded with a six-point run capped by two consecutive treys from Vincent Crutcher to pull within two points with 8:50 left in the half. The Bulldogs responded in a big way, finishing the half on a 23-5 run sparked by a Varnado pass resulting in a dunk from Augustus. MSU led 41-22 at the break.

Georgetown College

Player	FG	3FG	FT	RB	PF	PT	A	Min
Moses	9-19	0-0	0-0	10	2	18	1	37
Pearson	3-6	0-0	0-0	5	5	6	1	13
Gray	6-11	2-4	5-5	5	2	19	2	37
Walls	1-4	1-4	0-0	1	1	3	0	18
Byron	0-8	0-1	0-0	2	4	0	2	11
Hamilton	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	3
Boggs	1-2	1-1	0-0	0	1	3	1	6
Saxton	4-5	1-2	1-1	2	1	10	2	25
Ferguson	1-4	0-0	3-4	4	4	5	3	19
Crutcher	2-6	2-5	0-0	2	2	6	0	25
Outen	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	0	6
TOTALS	27-66	7-18	9-10	33	25	70	12	200

Mississippi State

Player	FG	3FG	FT	RB	PF	PT	A	Min
Augustus	6-9	1-2	3-3	11	1	16	2	27
Varnado	7-7	0-0	3-5	9	3	17	2	30
Johnson	3-4	1-1	2-3	1	1	9	0	17
Bost	5-10	2-6	2-2	2	2	14	8	32
Stewart	3-10	0-7	2-2	0	0	8	3	31
Osby	1-4	0-0	7-8	3	2	9	0	16
Parker	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Benock	0-1	0-1	0-0	3	1	0	1	13
Luczak	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Turner	3-6	1-2	5-5	3	1	12	0	21
Lewis	2-2	0-0	1-2	0	2	5	0	10
Bolen	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1
TOTALS	30-53	5-19	25-30	33	13	90	17	200

Halftime: MSU 41, GC 22. FG%: MSU 55.6%, GC 27.3%. 3FG%: MSU 14.3%, GC 30.0%. FT%: MSU 83.3%, GC 100.0%. Turnovers: MSU 17 (Varnado 5), GC 12 (Ferguson, Crutcher 4). Blocked Shots: MSU 6 (Varnado 5), GC 3 (Pearson 2). Steals: MSU 7 (Turner 3), GC 6 (Hamilton 2). Officials: Tony Greene, Mike Nance, Ron Groover. Attendance: 2,995.

GAME 1 — Nov. 13, 2009**Rider 88
Mississippi State 74***Humphrey Coliseum • 2 p.m.
Starkville, MS*

STARKVILLE, Miss. - Mississippi State senior Jarvis Varnado collected his 16th career double-double despite the Bulldogs dropping a 88-74 decision to Rider in front of 7,241 fans at Humphrey Coliseum.

Varnado, collected 22 points and 14 rebounds on the night as MSU dropped the opening game of the season for the first time since a 79-76 setback to Louisiana-Lafayette in 2002.

Varnado also tallied seven blocks and scored six of the game's first 11 points to give the Bulldogs an early nine-point advantage.

Dee Bost and Raven Johnson also reached double figures, scoring 14 and 10 points, respectively.

State maintained the lead until the 45-second mark when a Mike Ringgold layup gave the Rider a lead that it would never relinquish. Ringgold and Novar Gadson collected 21 points each to lead Rider.

The opener was marred by a Rider squad that went 30-of-59 (50 percent) from the field, including a sizzling 62-percent clip from the 3-point stripe.

Rider (1-0)

Player	FG	3FG	FT	RB	PF	PT	A	Min
Ringgold	10-19	0-0	1-4	6	2	21	1	39
Jackson	1-4	0-1	0-0	5	5	2	1	12
Thompson	6-12	4-6	0-2	3	2	16	2	39
Robinson	3-5	2-2	7-9	4	2	15	4	27
Gadson	7-11	2-2	5-7	11	1	21	2	37
Youngblood	0-4	0-2	4-4	3	4	4	2	21
Thompson	1-1	0-0	1-2	4	0	3	1	11
Mansell	2-3	2-3	0-0	0	1	6	0	8
Nd-Ezuma	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1
Penn	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	1	5
TOTALS	30-59	10-16	18-28	38	19	88	14	200

Mississippi State (0-1)

Player	FG	3FG	FT	RB	PF	PT	A	Min
Augustus	4-9	1-1	0-1	5	4	9	0	15
Varnado	8-8	0-0	6-8	14	3	22	2	36
Johnson	4-11	2-8	0-0	1	1	10	1	29
Bost	3-11	3-6	5-6	2	5	14	7	39
Stewart	2-10	2-7	1-4	3	3	7	3	37
Osby	2-3	0-0	0-0	3	1	4	0	11
Benock	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	4
Turner	3-6	2-3	0-0	5	2	8	1	25
Lewis	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0	4
TOTALS	26-62	10-27	12-19	37	20	74	15	200

Halftime: Rider 44, MSU 42. FG%: MSU 41.9%, Rider 50.1%. 3FG%: MSU 37.0%, Rider 62.5%. FT%: MSU 63.2%, Rider 64.3%. Turnovers: MSU 12 (Varnado 4), Rider 6 (Thompson, Gadson 2). Blocked Shots: MSU 9 (Varnado 7), Rider 2 (Ringgold, Gadson 1). Steals: MSU 2 (Bost, Turner 1), Rider 5 (Gadson 3). Officials: Rick Crawford, James Barker, James Williams. Attendance: 7,241.

2009-2010 Mississippi State Basketball
Mississippi State Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 18, 2009)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds								pts	avg			
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fa	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	a	to			blk	stl	
32	Jarvis Varnado	1-1	36	36.0	8-8	1.000	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	2	12	14	14.0	3	0	2	4	7	0	22	22.0	
03	Dee Bost	1-1	39	39.0	3-11	.273	3-6	.500	5-6	.833	1	1	2	2.0	5	1	7	2	0	1	14	14.0	
02	Ravern Johnson	1-1	29	29.0	4-11	.364	2-8	.250	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	1	0	0	0	10	10.0	
24	Kodi Augustus	1-1	15	15.0	4-9	.444	1-1	1.000	0-1	.000	2	3	5	5.0	4	0	0	1	1	0	9	9.0	
25	Phil Turner	1-0	25	25.0	3-6	.500	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	2	3	5	5.0	2	0	1	3	0	1	8	8.0	
22	Barry Stewart	1-1	37	37.0	2-10	.200	2-7	.286	1-4	.250	1	2	3	3.0	3	0	3	0	0	0	7	7.0	
05	Romero Osby	1-0	11	11.0	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	2	3	3.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	4	4.0	
15	Riley Benock	1-0	4	4.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	
30	Wendell Lewis	1-0	4	4.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Team											2	1	3										
Total.....		1	200		26-62	.419	10-27	.370	12-19	.632	12	25	37	37.0	20	1	15	12	9	2	74	74.0	
Opponents.....		1	200		30-59	.508	10-16	.625	18-28	.643	11	27	38	38.0	19	-	14	6	2	5	88	88.0	

TEAM STATISTICS	MS	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	74	88	11-13-09	RIDER	L 74-88	7241
Points per game	74.0	88.0	* - Conference game			
Scoring margin	-14.0	-				
FIELD GOALS-ATT	26-62	30-59				
Field goal pct	.419	.508				
3 POINT FG-ATT	10-27	10-16				
3-point FG pct	.370	.625				
3-pt FG made per game	10.0	10.0				
FREE THROWS-ATT	12-19	18-28				
Free throw pct	.632	.643				
F-Throws made per game	12.0	18.0				
REBOUNDS	37	38				
Rebounds per game	37.0	38.0				
Rebounding margin	-1.0	-				
ASSISTS	15	14				
Assists per game	15.0	14.0				
TURNOVERS	12	6				
Turnovers per game	12.0	6.0				
Turnover margin	-6.0	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	1.3	2.3				
STEALS	2	5				
Steals per game	2.0	5.0				
BLOCKS	9	2				
Blocks per game	9.0	2.0				
ATTENDANCE	7241	0				
Home games-Avg/Game	1-7241	0-0				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
Mississippi State	42	32	74
Opponents	44	44	88

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Kodi Augustus

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2007-08	11-0	52/4.7	5-13	.385	2-7	.286	4-7	.571	3	9	12	1.1	8	0	2	7	3	1	16	1.5	
2008-09	25-9	328/13.1	52-108	.481	10-31	.323	42-53	.792	30	56	86	3.4	38	1	8	33	7	7	156	6.2	
2009-10	1-1	15/15.0	4-9	.444	1-1	1.000	0-1	.000	2	3	5	5.0	4	0	0	1	1	0	9	9.0	
TOTAL	37-10	395/10.7	61-130	.469	13-39	.333	46-61	.754	35	68	103	2.8	50	1	10	41	11	8	181	4.9	

Elgin Bailey

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2007-08	31-0	212/6.8	18-38	.474	0-0	.000	16-41	.390	20	26	46	1.5	43	0	1	16	8	4	52	1.7	
2008-09	27-0	290/10.7	39-89	.438	0-0	.000	28-46	.609	21	43	64	2.4	44	1	6	32	26	16	106	3.9	
TOTAL	58-0	502/8.7	57-127	.449	0-0	.000	44-87	.506	41	69	110	1.9	87	1	7	48	34	20	158	2.7	

Riley Benock

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2007-08	28-0	228/8.1	15-37	.405	14-33	.424	5-8	.625	2	17	19	0.7	16	0	22	16	4	4	49	1.8	
2008-09	36-0	409/11.4	26-67	.388	21-56	.375	8-12	.667	5	27	32	0.9	35	1	25	17	2	16	81	2.3	
2009-10	1-0	4/4.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	
TOTAL	65-0	641/9.9	41-106	.387	35-91	.385	13-20	.650	7	44	51	0.8	51	1	48	34	6	20	130	2.0	

Brandon Bolen

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2007-08	9-0	12/1.3	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	3	4	0.4	1	0	0	3	0	0	1	0.1	
2008-09	13-0	23/1.8	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	0.2	
TOTAL	22-0	35/1.6	1-6	.167	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	4	5	0.2	1	0	1	3	0	2	3	0.1	

Dee Bost

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2008-09	36-36	1137/31.6	108-307	.352	54-161	.335	122-170	.718	27	102	129	3.6	81	2	156	102	1	52	392	10.9	
2009-10	1-1	39/39.0	3-11	.273	3-6	.500	5-6	.833	1	1	2	2.0	5	1	7	2	0	1	14	14.0	
TOTAL	37-37	1176/31.8	111-318	.349	57-167	.341	127-176	.722	28	103	131	3.5	86	3	163	104	1	53	406	11.0	

Ravern Johnson

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2007-08	29-0	187/6.4	31-65	.477	7-24	.292	4-10	.400	10	20	30	1.0	10	0	10	12	4	3	73	2.5	
2008-09	36-36	1099/30.5	156-362	.431	83-210	.395	39-46	.848	30	80	110	3.1	49	0	40	55	18	14	434	12.1	
2009-10	1-1	29/29.0	4-11	.364	2-8	.250	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	1	0	0	0	10	10.0	
TOTAL	66-37	1315/19.9	191-438	.436	92-242	.380	43-56	.768	40	101	141	2.1	60	0	51	67	22	17	517	7.8	

Wendell Lewis

			Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds											Scoring	
Season	gp-gs	min/avg	fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg	
2009-10	1-0	4/4.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
TOTAL	1-0	4/4.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	

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Taylor Luczak

Season	gp-gs	min/avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds										Scoring	
			fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
2008-09	10-0	13/1.3	2-4	.500	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1	2	3	0.3	2	0	0	1	0	0	4	0.4
TOTAL	10-0	13/1.3	2-4	.500	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1	2	3	0.3	2	0	0	1	0	0	4	0.4

Romero Osby

Season	gp-gs	min/avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds										Scoring	
			fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
2008-09	36-0	452/12.6	51-118	.432	8-28	.286	39-58	.672	28	66	94	2.6	53	1	12	28	12	8	149	4.1
2009-10	1-0	11/11.0	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	2	3	3.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	4	4.0
TOTAL	37-0	463/12.5	53-121	.438	8-28	.286	39-58	.672	29	68	97	2.6	54	1	12	29	13	8	153	4.1

Charles Parker

Baxter Price

John Riek

Renardo Sidney

Shaun Smith

Barry Stewart

Season	gp-gs	min/avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds										Scoring	
			fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg	pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
2006-07	35-0	848/24.2	96-240	.400	68-174	.391	82-107	.766	28	83	111	3.2	51	0	43	27	5	32	342	9.8
2007-08	34-34	1214/35.7	129-337	.383	62-186	.333	71-102	.696	46	111	157	4.6	80	2	88	78	4	44	391	11.5
2008-09	36-36	1138/31.6	126-343	.367	72-197	.365	121-156	.776	28	107	135	3.8	84	2	66	66	10	46	445	12.4
2009-10	1-1	37/37.0	2-10	.200	2-7	.286	1-4	.250	1	2	3	3.0	3	0	3	0	0	0	7	7.0
TOTAL	106-71	3237/30.5	353-930	.380	204-564	.362	275-369	.745	103	303	406	3.8	218	4	200	171	19	122	1185	11.2

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Phil Turner

Season	gp-gs	min/avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds				pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	Scoring	
			fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg							pts	avg
2007-08	30-11	498/16.6	41-124	.331	24-79	.304	15-27	.556	18	66	84	2.8	43	1	25	28	10	26	121	4.0
2008-09	36-27	863/24.0	101-220	.459	46-122	.377	57-73	.781	49	149	198	5.5	72	0	57	51	18	46	305	8.5
2009-10	1-0	25/25.0	3-6	.500	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	2	3	5	5.0	2	0	1	3	0	1	8	8.0
TOTAL	67-38	1386/20.7	145-350	.414	72-204	.353	72-100	.720	69	218	287	4.3	117	1	83	82	28	73	434	6.5

Jarvis Varnado

Season	gp-gs	min/avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throws		Rebounds				pf	fo	ast	to	blk	stl	Scoring	
			fg-fga	pct	fg-fga	pct	ft-fta	pct	off	def	tot	avg							pts	avg
2006-07	35-13	473/13.5	75-116	.647	0-1	.000	24-45	.533	61	85	146	4.2	74	1	11	19	67	12	174	5.0
2007-08	34-34	968/28.5	109-170	.641	1-2	.500	50-100	.500	75	189	264	7.8	99	5	18	41	157	18	269	7.9
2008-09	36-36	1012/28.1	180-328	.549	0-1	.000	104-159	.654	103	214	317	8.8	83	2	28	60	170	22	464	12.9
2009-10	1-1	36/36.0	8-8	1.000	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	2	12	14	14.0	3	0	2	4	7	0	22	22.0
TOTAL	106-84	2489/23.5	372-622	.598	1-4	.250	184-312	.590	241	500	741	7.0	259	8	59	124	401	52	929	8.8