

Fighting Illini projected starting line-up:

24 Rayvonte Rice 6'4" G

He claimed that he doesn't have to buy a drink in Illinois again.

21 Malcolm Hill 6'6" G

He dressed up as superman for Halloween this year.

3 Ahmad Starks 5'9" G

He really likes tic tacs but that won't make his game fresh.

25 Kendrick Nunn 6'3" G

He needs the screen on his iPhone 6 to be repaired.

32 Nnanna Ekwu 6'11" C

He is a Chicago Cubs fan so he is used to his team losing.

HC John Groce

The team rubs his bald head for good luck before each game.

Good afternoon, Wolverines! You all look lovely in your khaki attire in honor of the "Harbaugh Homecoming" theme game. Today the Michigan basketball team kicks off the Big Ten season against the Fighting Illini. Last week, the Wolverine team broke their four game losing streak when they beat Coppin State at home. Since the at home victory, Michigan had a week break to prepare for Big Ten play. Remember: when in doubt, khaki out! Go Blue!

Colbert Report: Sophomore Austin Colbert (#31), is an open book on his Facebook. His favorite books include *The Outsiders* and the *Percy Jackson* series. He likes *Rush Hour* and *Rush Hour 2*, but it does not appear that he likes *Rush Hour 3*. You can reach him at austin.is.king32 on Skype or you can take a time machine back to 2000 and instant message him since he has his screen name under his contact information.

Special Announcement "4" you: It is the duty of *The Rage Page* to provide you with the latest Michigan sports news. It is rumored that there will be a special announcement from the Michigan Athletic Department at halftime today. It may or may not be about the return home of a certain Michigan Man. His return would really "pleat" the Wolverine family. Stay in your seats...

The Rest of the Fighting Illini: Jaylon Tate (#1), Mike LaTulip (#10), Aaron Cosby (#11), Leron Black (#12), Tracy Abrams (#13), Maverick Morgan (#22), Michael Finke(#43), Alex Austin(#44), Cameron Liss (#45).

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": **Malcolm Hill**

Keep it classy, Rage: As one of college basketball's premiere student sections, it's important that we refrain from swearing or using other slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative, we need to uphold this standard.

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On The Rise: After struggling with shooting the ball in previous outings—including 19-of-83 (23%) on three-pointers versus EMU, Arizona, and SMU—the Wolverines are finally regaining the offensive success that was so integral earlier in the season. The Wolverines began last Monday’s game against Coppin State on a 11-0 run, and finished the first half shooting 6-14 (42.9%) from beyond the arc. Freshmen Ricky Doyle and Mark Donnal were just as impressive in the opening half, scoring a combine 15 points on 6-for-6 shooting.

A Moment For The Ages: Last Monday, freshman Austin Hatch, a survivor of two plane crashes, scored his first regular season point in the waning moments of the Wolverines’ win over Coppin State. Coming off a four-game losing streak, the Wolverines needed a spark.

Remember: A maize Michigan shirt, a Michigan basketball jersey, or costume is required to sit in the bleachers.



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Cheers: Be steady and DON'T SPEED UP

Offense:

- Here we go Michigan, here we go!
(clap clap)
- Let's Go Michigan! (clap, clap, clap
clap clap)
- Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)
- Let's Go Blue! (clap)
- Go Blue! (clap clap)

Defense:

- Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHHH!!)
- Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell “bounce” when the opposition dribbles, and “pass” when they pass)

“A”-BOMB: When Spike Albrecht hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena.

The Bacari Corner

A Tribute to coach Bacari Alexander and his Tweets:

Dec. 23: “Last nights made free throw by Austin Hatch should remind us ALL what intercollegiate athletics should be about.”

Dec. 23: “Anyone who thinks in their heart of hearts that we won’t compete and protect our B1G title doesn’t know us well. #FTN”

Dec. 28: “Teamwork makes Dreams Work! #Kwanzaa”