



Spartans projected starting line-up:

20 Travis Trice 6'0" G

Filling in for injured point guard, Keith Appling, he poses a major threat from behind the 3-point line.

14 Gary Harris 6'4" G

Two weeks ago, Harris went 3 for 20 from the field. Let's hope he repeats that today.

45 Denzel Valentine 6'5" G

His father played 4 years at MSU and his brother is currently a graduate student manager for the team.

10 Matt Costello 6'9" F

Says that he did not respect Nebraska and did not play his hardest in the Spartans loss a week ago.

5 Adreian Payne 6'10" F

Missed the first meeting between the two teams due to a sprained foot.

HC Tom Izzo

Has a career record of 20-11 against Michigan, but he is only 2-5 in the last 7 meetings.

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": Adreian Payne

Welcome back to the Crisler Center! After a week off to prepare for this day, it is finally here! After three straight games against ranked teams, our Wolverines are in second place in the Big Ten - a half game behind the Spartans. We beat the Spartans in East Lansing, now it is time to protect Crisler and sweep the season series!

Hurt, but Still Bringing the Payne: The Spartans were without their senior point guard, **Keith Appling (#11)**, with a wrist injury, until he returned during their game last Thursday. Appling had a "breakthrough" and was able to return after Izzo speculated that he might be done for the season. **Branden Dawson (#22)**, is out with a broken right hand after punching a table while watching game film a few weeks ago. MSU, however, now has big man **Adreian Payne (#5)** back from an injury and wreaking havoc all over the court.

Who's He Calling Little Brother?: Michigan's diaper dandy Zak Irvin and MSU's Gary Harris are both from Fishers, Indiana and have been best friends since grade school. They went to the same high school and they were both named Indiana Mr. Basketball (Harris in 2012, Irvin in 2013). In a recent interview, Harris called Irvin "lil bro." He must be confused.

The Rest of the Spartans: Russell Byrd (#0), Alex Gauna (#2), Alvin Ellis III (#3), Trevor Bohnhoff (#13), Kennan Wetzel (#15), Kenny Kaminski (#30), Gavin Schilling (#34), Dan Chapman (#40), Colby Wollenman (#41)

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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Home Sweet Home: The past three seasons combined, our Wolverines hold a 41-4 record at Crisler Center, with two of the losses coming this year. We haven't lost back-to-back home games since 2011, so history is certainly on our side!

Recap: The past two meetings between these teams certainly have gone in the Wolverines' favor. Last month, Michigan went into East Lansing and pushed around a favored State squad. Let's not forget last year's home game against the Spartans either! Trey Burke sealed the victory in the final minute, stealing the ball from Keith Appling in dramatic fashion to put the Wolverines ahead.

What to Watch For: Zak Irvin is 4th in the B1G in 3-point field goal percentage at 42.5%, and 1st among freshmen. Look for his competitive fire to be lit, playing against his high school teammate Gary Harris. Meanwhile, Caris LeVert had arguably the best performance of his Michigan career, as he scored a career high 25 points against Wisconsin last Sunday.



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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!!)
- De-fense! (clap clap)
- Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell
"bounce" when the opposition
dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

"EH"-BOMB: When Nik Stauskas makes a three drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken the Crisler Center and yell "Eh" like you're Canadian

The Bacari Corner

A Tribute to coach Bacari Alexander and his Tweets:

Feb 16: "I won't ask that our fans get there because we have to get there too! #B1G #thiswillbeanastyphysicalbattleasusual"

Feb 18: "Success comes when you put in the effort everyday and are determined to come out on top."

Feb 21: "It's not just another game. The B1G Title is on the line. #battleofwills"