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The Rage Page

Creighton Bluejays

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Bluejays projected starting line-up:

5 Ty-Shon Alexander 6'4" G

Migos is his "favorite band"

4 Shereef Mitchell

6'0" G

Thinks of himself as the next Stephen A. Smith. Blasphemous.

11 Marcus Zegarowski

6'2"

Mentally scarred from the amount of times subsitute teachers have said his name wrong

24 Mitch Ballock

6'5"

Claims to be a Chiefs fan, but had no idea who Matt Moore was

13 Christian Bishop

6'7"

Tired of being asked how religious he is

HC Greg McDermott

In his 10th season as HC of the Bluejays. 208-109 record but has failed to reach the Sweet Sixteen.

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": **Ty-Shon Alexander**

Good evening Ragers and welcome back to the Crisler Center for the second game of the season where we are celebrating Military Appreciation Night! Our Wolverines are hoping to continue the momentum from an unexpectedly close 79-71 win over Appalachian State in the regular season opener. They showed grit and were able to ultimately stifle the Mountaineers' comeback thanks to Eli Brooks putting an end to our free throw shooting drought. Tonight, the Creighton Bluejays are in town, hoping to stay undefeated themselves. They have fallen off a little bit from their recent prominence, ranking as high as a 3-seed in the tournament, but they are still a team that has to be respected.

Flying High: In Creighton's first game of the season against the Kennesaw State Owls, they won rather handily with an 81-55 beatdown, outscoring the Owls 42-24 in the second half. This dominant performance was fueled by a 19-point game by junior guard Ty-Shon Alexander, who is a Preseason All-Big East first team member, and an 18-point performance by sophomore guard Marcus Zegarowski. As a team, Creighton shot 52% from the field and a whopping 48% from three, while holding Kennesaw State to 37% from the field and 15% from three.

Young Guns: With only two seniors on the roster, Creighton is a young team. Their starting five from their previous game consisted of two juniors, two sophomores, and a freshman. Depending on how well these younger guys jell and acclimate to playing at the college level, Creighton could either have a surprisingly strong season, or it could be more of a developmental year for them. Either way, their future looks bright.

Injury Bug Has Already Bit: Creighton already has four players nursing injuries to start the season. Those players are sophomore center Jacob Epperson, senior guard Davion Mintz, junior guard Damien Jefferson, and junior guard/forward Denzel Mahoney. These players are all on different timetables for return, and it is certainly significant that three of them are upperclassmen.

The Rest of the Bluejays: Antwaan Jones (#0), Davion Mintz (#1), Jett Canfield (#10), Jordan Scurry (#12), Nic Zeil (#20), Jalen Windham (#21), Damien Jefferson (#23), Denzel Mahoney (#34), Jacob Epperson (#41), Kelvin Jones (#43)

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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3-Li Brooks: Although finishing with a 5 for 11 mark in the contest, Junior Guard Eli Brooks showed us his stroke from the extended three point line against Appalachian State last Tuesday. His 24 points and 37 minutes (both team highs) ultimately led to the Wolverines squeezing by the Mountaineers. Some clutch free throws down the stretch in the estranged silence of Crisler Center clinched the victory. His catch and shoot ability needs to be on high display tonight due to the closing speed of Creighton defenders.

Don't Snooze on Big Sleep: Center Jon Teske completed his double-double (points & rebounds) with 6:12 remaining in the first half. The 7'2 Senior had 9 of such last season and will look to get over that hump during the 2019-2020 season. Although only 1 for 3 from three last game, Sleep will have an advantage over most teams he plays this season at the center position due to his confidence from beyond the arc. He finished with 17 points, 13 boards and 3 blocks in the opener.

Finish, Finish, Finish!: After jumping out to a 30 point lead with about six minutes gone in the second half, the Wolverines were stifled in the scoring department. Michigan sat between the 67-72 point mark for 12 and a half minutes until App State had to foul vigorously to try and extend the game, resulting in the 79 point total. Turnovers were a major issue in the 2nd half collapse, almost leading to a miraculous comeback by our Carolinian visitors.

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



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Cheers and Chants

- Put your arms around those near you and sway to the beat during the pregame video
- Big Jon (when Jon Teske makes a play)
- During free throws, listen for the distracting noise and echo along
- You Suck chant after a Michigan run causes an opponent timeout
- Follow your section leaders for chants during offensive possesions
- Popcorn (jump up and down) and MAKE NOISE ON DEFENSE

Throw up the X: Every time Zavier Simpson steals the ball, throw up an X to pay tribute to his former first name spelling.

Liver Bomb: Every time Isaiah hits a 3, fall back into your seat!



Maize Rager of the Game

Name: Jacob Year: Junior

Major: Actuarial Mathematics

Favorite thing about the Maize Rage:

The chance to meet people and create friendships

through the love of basketball. I have met some of my best friends because of my involvement in the Maize Rage!

If we notice you on the jumbotron, or if you tweet a picture of yourself using #LetsRage, you could be the next Maize Rager of the Game!