



Hawkeyes' projected starting lineup:

3 Jordan Bohannon 6'1" G

Desperately wants to be in a boy band

5 CJ Fredrick 6'3" G

Gets bullied for not being from Iowa

10 Joe Wieskamp 6'6" G/F

Great Value Tyler Herro

30 Connor McCaffery 6'5" G/F

Has a year-round farmer's tan

55 Luka Garza 6'11" C

Was made in a lab by Dr. Frankenstein

HC Fran McCaffery

In his tenth season coaching at Iowa

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": **Luka Garza**

Good evening, Ragers! Michigan men's basketball added two more wins this week, beating both Rutgers and that team down south to stay #3 in the AP Poll. The final games heading into March will be crucial, and the Wolverines look to consolidate their B10 ranking tonight.

Good Morning, Good Afternoon, Good Knight:

Michigan's contest with previously ranked Rutgers was one of the odd games where it seemed close, but really wasn't. From the start, it seemed as if Michigan controlled the tempo and put a buffer between them and the Scarlet Knights at the Crisler Center on Thursday night. The Wolverines led by as much as 17 in the 2nd half. Led by Franz Wagner with 20, Michigan stifled the visitors from Piscataway just enough to the point where Michigan secured their 15th overall win and reached double digit W's in B10 play by a score of 71-64.

OH-NO!:

Game of the Year. The showdown of #3 and #4 certainly did not disappoint and the whole country had their eyes on Ohio State and Michigan Sunday afternoon. The game best represented a rocking chair. Back and forth the whole way while each team attempted to insert a gap from the other. That moment happened with about 2:30 left on the game clock when the Buckeyes' Justice Sueing threw an arrant behind-the-back pass which floated toward the midcourt logo which Isaiah Livers scooped up and took for an and-1. Ohio State certainly kept it interesting until the clock showed zeros but Michigan prevailed and proved to the rest of the country that they can hang with the best of the best. The best win of Coach Howard's short tenure at Michigan knocked off the team right behind them in the B10 standings with a 92-87 instant classic victory.

The Rest of the Hawkeyes:

Michael Baer (#0), Joe Toussaint (#1), Jack Nunge (#2), Ahron Ulis (#4), Tony Perkins (#11), Austin Ash (#13), Keegan Murray (#15), Kris Murray (#20), Patrick McCaffery (#22), Josh Ogundele (#23)

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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Tweets of the Week

Isaiah Livers (@isaiah_02) 2/21

"Just win 🏆!"

Context: Right after Michigan's game against Ohio State concluded, Isaiah tweeted this to his followers.

CJ Baird (@baird_cj) 2/21

"I wasn't on the bench for this game, but I drove down to watch today in Columbus. First thing after a top 5 win, @JuwanHoward pointed to me in the stands and hit his chest. THAT's culture and that's how he treats all our players #goblue"

Kendrick Perkins (@KendrickPerkins) 2/21

"Shout out to Juwan Howard for a couple of reasons! Bringing back the smoke to Ann Arbor bringing Michigan basketball back and repping all the big men and showing we can be elite head coaches as well! Salute my brother. Carry on..."
Context: Pretty cool message from former NBA player Kendrick Perkins. Although UM basketball never left, we agree that Coach Howard has built something special.

Maize Raid Update

The raid of Ohio State's twitter post hit a new Maize Raid high of 2,317 comments. Barely less than the amount of likes. Talk about a ratio.

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Hawk's-Eye View:

Thursday's top 10 matchup will be the 129th ever matchup between Iowa and Michigan, who has a hefty 76-52 lead in the all time series. Last season the Wolverines split 2 games against the Hawkeyes. The first was Juwan Howard's first Big Ten game of his coaching career, in which Luka Garza's 44 points was not enough for Iowa to walk out of Crisler with a W. He and the rest of the Hawkeyes did get their revenge later in the season, winning 90-83 in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Iowa, the preseason Big Ten favorite, has been a mainstay in the top 25 all season, ranking no lower than 15th, and currently ranked 9th. Led by Luka Garza, the B10 POY and Wooden Award favorite, Iowa is 17-6 (11-5 B10). They are explosive offensively, ranking third in the country in points per game with 86.4 and 3-point shooting at 40.6%. They currently have three players shooting 44% or higher from deep. They are not a great defensive team, currently 75th in Kenpom defensive efficiency. The focus for Michigan will be slowing down Garza and defending the three point line.

Pro Blue Update

Moe Wagner:

Franz' big bro was named to the Washington Wizards' starting lineup last week!

Zavier Simpson:

The 6'0" guard has been making a mark for the Oklahoma City Blue G League team, putting up 14 points and 10 assists last Sunday night.

Jon Teske:

Also in the G league, Teske joined four of his Lakeland Magic teammates in scoring double digits for their season opener.