

1997-1998 MEN'S BASKETBALL GUIDE

*Excellence in
Academics and
Athletics*



NJIT

New Jersey Institute of Technology

A Public Research University



The Highlanders play their home games in Entwistle Gymnasium.

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Media Information

New Jersey Institute of Technology's Sports Information Office assists the media in covering Highlanders athletics.

An official NCAA box score and highlights will be provided to media organizations following each game. All requests for interviews with players and coaches must be directed to the Sports Information Office.

On the Cover

Senior captain Jeff Sonnema

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'97-'98 ATHLETIC DIRECTORY

Location:	Newark, N.J.
Enrollment:	8,200
Founded:	1881
President:	Saul K. Fenster
Director of Physical Education & Athletics:	James Catalano
Assistant Athletic Director:	Dave DeNure
Senior Women's Administrator:	Amy Milavsky
Sports Information Director:	Michael Ruane
Trainer:	Joanne Carruba
Athletic Department Secretary:	Vinnie Ann Constanza
Director of Intramurals:	Duane Felczak
Athletic Affiliation:	NCAA, Division II
Conferences:	New York Collegiate Athletic Conference, Eastern College Athletic Conference
Colors:	Red and White
Nickname:	Highlanders

Basketball Quick Facts

Men's Basketball Head Coach:	James Catalano
Career Record (all at NJIT):	376-123 (.753) (18 seasons at NJIT)
Assistant Coaches:	Tom Reilly, Joe Caiola, Michael Ruane
Captain:	Jeff Sonnema
Starters returning:	Two
Lettermen returning:	Four
Lettermen lost:	Six
Home Court/Capacity:	Entwisle Gymnasium/1,500

Winter Sports Coaching Staff:

Men's Volleyball Head Coach:	Dave DeNure
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EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS & ATHLETICS

In full support of the university's primary function of broadly educating a wide range of students to achieve their full potential, the goals of the Division of Physical Education and Athletics are to provide health and physical education facilities and programs that respond to the needs of the university community.

These include a comprehensive recreational program that ensures maximum opportunities for student development and a highly competitive athletic program that develops student leadership, teamwork, esprit de corps and recognition.

As a public research university, NJIT's rigorous academic program demands the priority attention of its students. Nevertheless, NJIT has a tradition of encouraging athletic excellence in partnership with academic achievement and can point with pride to numerous championship teams, as well as athletes who have received All-American honors and have participated on U.S. Olympic and national teams.

The Division of Physical Education and Athletics is proud of its continued graduation rate of better than 90 percent, and has made excellent progress in the recruitment of high-quality student-athletes.

This past year not only continued this tradition of academic and athletic excellence, but also was one of the university's finest. Among the highlights of the 1996-1997 academic/athletic year:

- The Division of Physical Education and Athletics honored 62 scholar-athletes who achieved a semester grade-point average of 3.0 or higher.
- The men's basketball team advanced to the semifinal round of the Eastern College Athletic Conference tournament.
- Tory Black, a sophomore on the men's basketball team, led the nation in blocked shots per game among Division III players.
- The men's volleyball team won the Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association championship and advanced to the Division III national championship game.
- The women's swimming team won the Skyline Conference championship.

'97-'98 OUTLOOK

When the NJIT men's basketball team took the floor for its first practice this season, head coach Jim Catalano was faced with the challenge of competing at the NCAA Division II level for the first time.

Following the move to Division II this season, the Highlanders begin the process of blending their returning players from a year ago with a talented and experienced group of new ones including six junior college transfers, and one Division I transfer.

NJIT returns senior captain Jeff Sonnema and junior Tory Black, both frontcourt starters on last season's 18-9 team. Sonnema, a 6-foot-6 forward, led the Highlanders in scoring last season, averaging 15.1 points per game from the small-forward position. He was named to the All-Skyline Conference second team. Black, a 6-foot-5 forward, led Division III in blocked shots, averaging seven per game. He set a national record with 16 blocks in a game against Polytechnic, Feb. 5, 1997.

The Highlanders are expecting strong performances from two Division I transfers at the forward and center positions. Latif McMorris, a 6-6, 215-pound power forward from Union Catholic High School, transferred from Hampton University, in Virginia, where he averaged 2.4 points and 4.5 rebounds per game during the 1995-1996 season.

The Highlanders will get additional help up front from 6-6 junior Sean Price and 6-8 freshman Steve Porto. Price, who transferred from Hardford Community College, in Maryland, averaged 12.1 points and 13 rebounds per game. Porto, who blocked 73 shots last season, has impressed the coaches with his athleticism and work ethic. Porto, who also averaged 13.7 points and 8.2 rebounds per game at Monsignor Farrell High School, in New York, will come off the bench to provide size, skill and mobility at the center position.

NJIT's backcourt will be a blend of junior college transfers and a sharp-shooting freshman. The Highlanders are counting on 6-2 junior Akeil Johns, another transfer from Hardford Community College, to play immediately at the shooting-guard position. Johns has the versatility to play point guard, shooting guard and small forward, but his biggest attribute is his scoring ability. Johns led Division II junior colleges in scoring last season, averaging 32 points per game.

Two former New Jersey junior college players will fill the point-guard position. Carlito Rosemond, a 6-0 transfer from Brookdale Community College, and Anthony Coley, a 5-11 transfer from Essex County Community College, will both play at the point guard and off-guard positions. Steve Ricciardi, a 5-10 freshman from Seton Hall Prep, will play shooting guard and possibly point guard. Ricciardi averaged 13 points per game for Seton Hall Prep, the Parochial League Class A state champions. He has the ability to extend the defense with his shooting range beyond the three-point line. NJIT will have added depth at guard because of returning backcourt reserves Michael Catalano and Anthony Tavares. Catalano, a 5-9 shooting guard, and 5-10 Tavares will come off the bench this season.

The Highlanders are hoping for additional support in the back-court and at small forward from junior college transfers Jeff Starr and David Rankine and returning sophomore William Dempsey. Starr, a 6-1 transfer from Chesapeake Community College, will back up both the point and shooting-guard positions. Rankine, a 6-4 transfer from Brookdale Community College who averaged 18 points and eight rebounds per game last season, will play small forward and some off-guard. Rankine was a teammate of Rosemond at Brookdale and Passaic High School. Dempsey, a 6-4 forward who averaged 6.9 points per game last season, had 32 and 19-point games. He will contribute at both small and power forward.

For the first time, NJIT will compete in the New York Collegiate Athletic Conference (NYCAC), one of the strongest in the nation. The NYCA includes perennial powerhouses such as the College of St. Rose, Philadelphia Textile, Adelphi College, and C.W. Post College.

The Highlanders begin the season in a tournament, Nov. 14-15, in West Virginia against West Virginia Wesleyan College and Glenville State College. They will later play at the University of California at Riverside and at California Maritime. The University of California at Riverside advanced to the 1995-1996 NCAA Division II national championship game.

'97-'98 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown
3/4	Steve Ricciardi	G	5-10	165	Fr.	Weehawken
10	Dave Rankine	F	6-3	195	Jr.	Passaic
11	Michael Catalano	G	5-9	165	Soph.	Kinnelon
14	Anthony Tavares	G	5-10	165	Soph.	Newark
12	Akeil Johns	G	6-2	185	Jr.	Hardford,Md.
20	Jeff Sonnema	F/C	6-7	220	Sr.	North Haledon
21	Anthony Coley	G	6-0	175	Jr.	Washington, D.C.
22	Tory Black	F/C	6-6	190	Jr.	Newark
31	Latif McMorris	F/C	6-6	215	Soph.	South Orange
33	Jeff Starr	G	6-1	165	Jr.	Crofton, Md.
35	Carlito Rosemond	G	6-0	195	Jr.	Passaic
42	William Dempsey	F	6-4	190	Soph.	Wayne Valley
45	Sean Price	F/C	6-6	190	Jr.	Hardford, Md.
44	Steve Porto	F/C	6-8	230	Sr.	Staten Island, N.Y.

Head Coach: James Catalano

Assistant Coaches: Tom Reilly, Joe Ciaola, Mike Ruane

Captain: Jeff Sonnema

PLAYER PROFILES

Team Captain



JEFF SONNEMA

6-7, 220 lbs.

Junior, Forward/Center

North Haledon, N.J./

Manchester Regional H.S.

A projected starter at the small-forward position ... 1996-1997: Led NJIT in scoring, averaging 15.2 points per game and six rebounds per game ... Started all 27 games ... Selected to the New Jersey College Basketball Association All-

Independent Conference first team and the All-Skyline Conference second team ... 1995-1996: Averaged 4.9 points and 2.4 rebounds per game ... Started 13 of 26 games ... Made 51 of 101 field goals for 50.5 percent ... 1994-1995: Averaged 3.2 points per game coming off the bench ... Three-year starter for Manchester Regional High School ... First-team All-Bergen-Passaic Scholastic League selection ... Second-team All-Passaic County selection ... Averaged 17 points and four steals per game ... Played in the Bergen-Passaic All-Star Classic ... Pitches and plays first base on the Highlanders baseball team ... Major: management.

Returning Players



TORY BLACK

6-5, 190 lbs.

Sophomore, Forward/Center

Newark, N.J./St. Benedict's Prep

1997-1997: Led the Highlanders in rebounds with 6.2 per game ... Led Division III with 7.6 blocked shots per game ... Set a national record for blocked shots in a game with 16 against Polytechnic, Feb. 5 ... 1995-1996:

Averaged 4.9 points, 3.6 rebounds and

3.3 blocks per game ... Started 13 of 27 games ... Had a team-high 11 rebounds in a 94-90 victory against Stevens Institute of Technology ... Varsity letterman at St. Benedict's Prep ... Averaged four points, four blocks and three rebounds per game ... Major: management.



MICHAEL CATALANO
5-9, 165 lbs.
Sophomore, Guard
Kinnelon, N.J./Kinnelon H.S.

1996-1997: Appeared in 19 games last season ... Played two years of varsity basketball at Kinnelon High School ... Was a tri-captain in his senior year ... The son of head coach James Catalano ... Averaged 8.5 points and 5.6 assists per game in his senior year, making a team-high 49 three-

point shots ... Major: industrial engineering.



WILLIAM DEMPSEY
6-3, 190 lbs.
Sophomore, Forward/Guard
Wayne, N.J./Wayne Valley H.S.

1996-1997: Averaged 6.9 points per game, shooting 56.2 percent from the field ... Scored 32 points in his first game at NJIT in a 137-37 victory against the University of Connecticut at Stamford ... Played three years of varsity basketball at Wayne Valley High School ... Averaged 24

points and 10 rebounds in his senior year... Selected to the All-Passaic County first team ... Played in the Bergen-Passaic All-Star Classic ... Scored more than 1,000 points in high school ... Major: computer science.



ANTHONY TAVARES
5-9, 165 lbs.
Sophomore, Guard
Newark, N.J./East Side H.S.

1996-1997: Appeared in 19 games last season ... A two-year varsity letterman at East Side High School, in Newark ... Averaged 13.1 points and four assists in his senior year ... Major: management.

PLAYER PROFILES

New Players



ANTHONY COLEY

6-0, 175 lbs.

Junior, Guard

Washington D.C./Central H.S.

A transfer from Essex County College ... Averaged 17.2 points and 6.4 assists per game while at Essex County College ... Major: management.



AKEIL JOHNS

6-2, 185 lbs.

Junior, Guard

Hardford, Md./Hardford Tech

A transfer from Hardford Community College, in Maryland ... Led Division II junior colleges in scoring last season, averaging 32 points per game ... Named to the all-region first team and All-Maryland Junior College first team ... Major: management



SEAN PRICE

6-6, 190 lbs.

Junior, Forward/Center

Hardford Md./William Penn H.S.

A transfer from Hardford Community College, in Maryland ... Averaged 12.1 points and 13 rebounds per game last season ... Blocked 73 shots last season ... Named to the all-region third team and All-Maryland Junior College third team ... Major: computer information systems.



DAVE RANKINE

6-3, 195 lbs.

Junior, Forward

Passaic, N.J./Passaic H.S.

A transfer from Brookdale Community College ... Averaged 18 points, eight rebounds and two steals per game last season ... Selected to the All-Garden State Athletic Conference first team ... Named team most valuable player, leading Brookdale to a 23-5 record ... Major: management.



CARLITO ROSEMOND

6-0, 195 lbs.

Junior, Guard

Passaic, N.J./Passaic H.S.

Transfer student from Brookdale Community College ... Named most valuable player in the Garden State Athletic Conference Junior College All-Star Game ... Averaged 15 points, six assists and six rebounds per game last season Scored 1,220 points in two seasons at Brookdale ...Major: management.



JEFF STARR

6-1, 165 lbs.

Junior, Guard

Crofton, Md./Arundel H.S.

A transfer from Chesapeake Community College ... Averaged 15 points, eight assists and four rebounds per game last season ... Set a single-game team record at Chesapeake with nine three-point baskets ... Was the team captain at Chesapeake and led the team in assists the past two seasons ... Major: management.

PLAYER PROFILES

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LATIF McMORRIN

6-6, 215 lbs.

Sophomore, Forward

South Orange, N.J./

Union Catholic H.S.

A transfer from Hampton University, in Virginia ... Averaged 2.9 points and 4.3 rebounds for Hampton University during the 1995-1996 season ... Selected to the all-area first team and All-Union County first team at Union Catholic High School ... Major: management.



STEVE PORTO

6-8, 230 lbs.

Freshman, Center/Forward

Staten Island, N.Y./

Monsignor Farrell H.S.

Averaged 13.7 points and 8.2 rebounds per game last season and blocked 77 shots ... Selected to the All-Staten Island second team by the Staten Island Daily News ... Named to the All-Catholic High School Interscholastic Athletic Association first team ... Recorded 15 double-doubles in his senior season ... Major: management.



STEVE RICCIARDI

5-10, 165 lbs.

Freshman, Guard

Weehawken, N.J./Seton Hall Prep

Averaged 13 points per game for Parochial League Class A state champion Seton Hall Prep ... Became only the eighth player at Seton Hall Prep to score more than 1,000 points ... Named to the All-Iron Hills Conference first team and All-Essex County second team ... Major: chemical engineering.

COACHING



JAMES CATALANO *Head Coach*

James Catalano begins his 19th season at the helm of the highly successful NJIT men's basketball program. During his tenure, Catalano clearly established himself as one of the best Division III coaches in the nation.

The numbers tell only part of the story: 376 victories and only 123 losses. His .753 winning percentage is the third best among active Division III coaches. His accomplish-

ments at the Division III level complete the picture. Catalano won six consecutive Independent Athletic Conference (IAC) championships and 11 overall, and his teams have appeared in the NCAA Tournament in five out of the last seven years. Catalano once won six consecutive Coach of the Year honors, four in IAC and two in the Skyline Conference. The National Association of Basketball coaches (NABC) selected him Division III Atlantic District Coach of the Year in 1993 and 1995.

In 1994-1995, the Highlanders posted a 28-2 record, winning 22 consecutive games, hosted the NCAA Atlantic Region finals, advanced to the "Elite Eight" and just missed a chance to advance to the Division III Final Four. All of the accomplishments added up to the best season in NJIT men's basketball history.

In the 1993-1994 season, Catalano recorded his 300th career victory in a 94-72 triumph against Mount St. Vincent. The victory came during a stretch in which the Highlanders finished the regular season with 17 consecutive victories.

Catalano has enjoyed an unbroken string of success at NJIT. Only once, during the 1983-1984 season, have the Highlanders finished with a winning percentage below .500. Every other season has produced a winning percentage better than .600. During the last 10 seasons, NJIT has won more than 80 percent of its games.

In addition to his coaching duties, Catalano is the university's director of physical education and athletics, succeeding the retired J. Malcolm Simon in June of 1994.

A native of New Jersey, Catalano was an outstanding athlete at Belleville High School, earning All-Essex County honors in basketball and Parade All-American and all-state recognition in baseball. In 1977, he was inducted into the Belleville Athletic Hall of Fame.

After attending Kean College for a year, Catalano transferred to Jersey City State College, where he was a three-year starter on the basketball and baseball teams. In his senior season, he was named to the Division III All-Metropolitan basketball team.

Catalano earned a master's degree in educational administration and supervision from William Paterson University and a Ph.D. in education from LaSalle University.

In addition to his responsibilities at NJIT, Catalano served on numerous committees including two terms as president of both the IAC and Skyline Conference. He co-founded the Jersey "9"

Association and the Skyline Conference. He also served on the NABC national college committee, has chaired the Division III All-American committee and is a former president of the Kinnelon Board of Education.

He has teamed with his wife, Pattie, to develop a nationally recognized unique educational and athletic learning program, called "Athaleemics." The program involves teaching at-risk youths academics through athletic examples and experiences.

Catalano and his wife reside in Kinnelon with their two children, Michael, 19, a sophomore guard on NJIT's basketball team, and Jenna, 18, a freshman captain of the cheerleader squad at NJIT.

Catalano File

- In his 18 years at NJIT, Catalano has compiled a 376-123 record and a .753 winning percentage, third best among active Division III coaches.
- He reached the 100-victory mark when NJIT defeated FDU-Madison, 77-59, during the 1984-1985 season.
- He recorded his 300th win, Feb. 5, 1994, in a 94-72 victory against Mount St. Vincent.
- He has never endured a losing season in his 17 years as coach of the NJIT men's basketball team.
- He has guided NJIT to 13 consecutive postseason appearances including NCAA berths in five out the last seven seasons.
- He coached the Highlanders to 10 outright Independent Athletic Conference titles in 1982, 1983, 1985, 1987, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996 and a tie in 1988.
- He led NJIT to consecutive Skyline Conference championships in 1993, 1994 and 1995.
- He coached the Highlanders to Eastern College Athletic Conference Metro Division III tournament titles in 1982, 1985 and 1988.
- He has been named Independent Athletic Conference Coach of the Year five consecutive seasons from 1991-1995; named National Association of Basketball Coaches Atlantic District Coach of the Year in 1993 and 1995; named Coach of the Year by Division III Magazine in 1994; and was named Skyline Conference Coach of the Year in 1991.

COACHING



TOM REILLY

Associate Head Coach

Entering his sixth season on the NJIT men's basketball staff, Tom Reilly's experience as a coach has produced positive results for the program. In Reilly's five years with the program, the Highlanders have compiled a 110-29 record and four NCAA Tournament berths.

During his scholastic coaching career at Vailsburg High School, in Newark, and Columbia High School, in Maplewood, his teams won a New Jersey state championship, state sectional title, two Newark city championships and several conference titles. Reilly also served as an assistant coach at Montclair State University, from 1972-1976, and Manhattan College, from 1976-1977.

In addition to his coaching responsibilities at NJIT, Reilly serves as recruiting coordinator for the Division of Physical Education and Athletics. He also is a frequent guest lecturer at numerous basketball camps. He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Upsala College and a master's in education from Kean College.



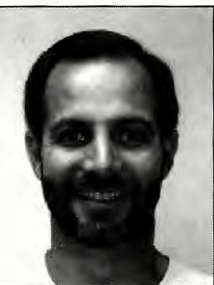
MIKE RUANE

Assistant Coach

In his third year as assistant coach and sports information director at NJIT, Ruane joined Catalano's staff after working as an assistant coach at West Virginia Wesleyan College. Along with his responsibilities as assistant basketball coach and sports information director, Ruane also is the head coach of both the men's and women's tennis teams at NJIT.

Ruane, originally from Reading, Pa., graduated from Alvernia College in 1992, where he lettered in basketball, baseball and cross-country. He served as an assistant basketball coach and head coach of the freshmen team at his alma mater, Holy Name High School.

In 1994, he earned a master's degree in education, majoring in sports and athletic administration at Temple University.



JOE CAIOLA
Assistant Coach

In his first year as assistant coach at NJIT, Caiola knows NJIT's basketball tradition well, starting for the Highlanders as a player during the 1982 and 1983 seasons.

Prior to joining NJIT, Caiola was the freshman basketball head coach at Red Bank High School.

'96-'97 RECAP

The Highlanders started the season winning the NJIT Tip-off Tournament in a 70-68 victory against Concordia College. NJIT freshman point guard Brian Joyce was named the tournament's most valuable player after scoring 17 points and recording 12 assists in the championship game. Joyce and junior forward Jeff Sonnema were selected to the all-tournament team.

NJIT opened the season with four consecutive victories before losing its next two games against Skyline Conference opponent Mount St. Mary College, 78-63, and the College of Staten Island, 78-48.

The Highlanders rebounded to defeat New York Maritime, 63-62, and Patten College, of California, 86-78, before losing to Holy Name College. In the New York Maritime victory, Sonnema began to establish himself as the Highlanders offensive threat, scoring 25 points.

NJIT opened the new year with a 103-64 victory against Skyline Conference opponent Mount St. Vincent. NJIT placed seven players in double figures in the game and improved its record to 7-3 overall and 3-1 in the Skyline Conference.

NJIT won three of its next four games, defeating Manhattanville, 60-44, St. Joseph's, of Long Island, 72-41, and Polytechnic, 68-58. The Highlanders only loss came against the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, 73-54.

The Highlanders suffered their most painful loss in their next game, 60-57, to Mount St. Vincent. NJIT freshman forward Ed Dean had a chance to win the game with the score 57-57 and two seconds left to play, but missed two foul shots. Mount St. Vincent called timeout to set up a play, and forward Anwar Hannon made a shot from half court as the buzzer sounded.

The Highlanders won their next five games beginning with an 81-65 victory against Hunter College. Sonnema scored 16 points, William Dempsey had 13 points, and Brian Joyce had 12 points, 10 assists and three steals to lead NJIT.

'96-'97 HIGHLANDERS STATISTICS

NAME	G	FIELD GOALS		THREE-POINT		FREE THROWS		REBOUNDING		ASSISTS		BLKS		STLS		SCORING	
		FG/FGA	PCT	FG/FGA	PCT	FT/FTA	PCT	TOTAL	AVG	TOTAL	AVG	TOTAL	AVG	TOTAL	AVG	PTS	AVG
Sonnema	27	169/380	44.5	13/38	34.2	59/83	71	162	6.0	34	1.3	14	14	25	25	410	15.2
Joyce	27	80/215	37.2	22/64	34.4	65/81	80.2	89	3.3	169	6.3	0	0	94	94	247	9.1
Ubinski	27	65/165	39.4	25/72	34.7	60/78	76.9	62	2.3	68	2.5	1	1	34	34	215	8.0
Black	26	84/181	46.4	0/6	0.0	29/47	61.7	161	6.2	14	0.5	198	198	21	21	197	7.6
Outley	25	72/183	39.3	17/54	31.5	13/24	54.2	81	3.2	22	0.9	11	11	21	21	174	7.0
Dempsey	27	68/121	56.2	7/15	46.7	43/53	81.1	73	2.7	8	0.3	1	1	14	14	186	6.9
Edward	26	60/115	52.2	0/1	0.0	33/49	67.3	121	4.7	11	0.4	10	10	16	16	153	5.9
Gordon	27	53/88	60.2	0/1	0.0	33/59	55.9	103	3.8	12	0.4	31	31	15	15	139	5.1
Reddick	11	13/31	41.9	0/0	0.0	10/16	62.5	40	3.6	6	0.5	6	6	0	0	36	3.3
Lynch	23	21/48	43.8	4/8	50.0	13/20	65.0	31	1.3	7	0.3	1	1	10	10	59	2.6
Madrigal	9	10/22	45.5	2/2	100	1/2	50.0	18	2.0	4	0.4	3	3	7	7	23	2.6
Harrison	24	20/59	33.9	14/39	35.9	3/10	30.0	11	0.5	7	0.3	2	2	4	4	57	2.4
Tavares	19	9/18	22.2	1/7	14.3	15/31	48.4	8	0.4	14	0.7	2	2	6	6	24	1.3

'96-'97 RESULTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>	<i>W/L</i>	<i>Score</i>
11/22	Univ. of Conn. at Stamford <i>NJIT Tip-Off Tournament</i>	W	137-37
11/23	Concordia College <i>NJIT Tip-Off Tournament</i>	W	70-68
11/26	Yeshiva	W	69-54
11/30	St. Joseph's College	W	75-38
12/3	Mount St. Mary *	L	78-63
12/5	Staten Island	L	78-46
12/7	New York Maritime *	W	63-62
12/28	Patten College (Calif.)	W	86-78
12/30	Holy Names College (Calif.)	L	73-54
1/4	Mount St. Vincent *	W	103-64
1/8	Manhattanville *	W	60-44
1/18	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy *	L	73-54
1/23	Polytechnic	W	68-58
1/25	St. Joseph's College	W	72-41
1/27	Mount St. Vincent *	L	60-57
1/31	Hunter	W	85-61
2/3	Yeshiva	W	64-43
2/5	Polytechnic	W	56-50
2/7	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy *	W	81-60
2/10	Bard College	W	88-24
2/12	Mount St. Mary College *	L	85-83
2/18	Manhattanville *	L	78-72
2/22	New York Maritime *	W	66-50
2/25	Molloy College	L	67-62
2/26	Yeshiva	W	61-55
2/27	John Jay College	W	80-71
2/29	College of Staten Island <i>First Round ECAC Tournament</i>	L	65-62

* Skyline Conference Game

Home games in **Bold**

NJIT High Scorer

Dempsey 32

Joyce 17

Sonnema 18

Outley 13

Sonnema 25

Black 10

Sonnema 25

Sonnema 19

Outley 13

Joyce 19

Ubinski 11

Sonnema 14

Sonnema/Dempsey 14

Sonnema 20

Sonnema 16

Sonnema 17

Sonnema 20

Sonnema 22

Lynch/Sonnema/Dempsey 12

Sonnema 21

Outley 18

Gordon 14

Ubinski 15

Sonnema 24

Dempsey/Gordon 17

Ubinski 20

Opponent High Scorer

Hodd 16

Crump 28

Jacobson 18

Mannix 7

Fuller 28

Cali 20

Nukk 15

Williams 17

Cook 17

Hannon 10

Slattery 12

Wali 23

Heiden 15

Hannon 17

Plevritis 22

Jacobson 12

Wali 13

Garrett/Baird 14

Reece/Kerkour 10

Newton 22

Slattery 24

Nukk 25

Steiner 21

Milavsky 16

Raitond 23

O'Leary 16

TEAM RECORDS (SINCE 1954)

Most points, season:

2,761 (1994-1995)

Most points, game:

139 vs. SUNY-Purchase (139-30), 1/26/87

Most points allowed, game:

129 vs. Mercy (79-129), 2/23/77

Lowest average points allowed, season:

52.3 points per game (1964-1965)

Highest scoring average, season:

96.4 points per game (1986-1987)

Highest scoring margin, season:

26.1 points (1988-1989) (NJIT 90.8, Opp. 63.9)

Most field goals made, season:

1,047 (1988-1989)

Most field goals attempted, season:

2,236 (1991-1992)

Highest field goal percentage, season:

55.3 percent (996 of 1,809) (1988-1989)

Most field goals made, game:

60 vs. SUNY-Purchase (1/26/87)

Most field goals attempted, game:

106 vs. SUNY-Purchase (1/26/87)

Most three-point field goals made, season:

281 (1991-1992)

Most three-point field goals attempted, season:

772 (1991-1992)

Highest three-point field goal percentage, season:

65.9 percent (1986-1987)

Most three-point field goals, game:

22 vs. Stevens Institute of Technology(1/17/90)

Most three-point field goals attempted, game:

44 vs. Pratt (11/26/91)

Most rebounds, season:

1,363 (1994-1995)

Most rebounds, game:

71 vs. Bard (2/19/94)

Most victories, season:

28 (1994-1995)

Highest winning percentage, season:

.933 (28-2) (1994-1995)

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most points, career:

2,028, Clarence Pierce (1992-1996)

Most points, season:

624, Clarence Pierce (1994-1995)

Most points, game:

44, Mike Grubbs (1976-1977);

44, Clarence Pierce vs. Stevens Institute of Technology (1/15/94)

Most rebounds, career:

1191, Rich Olsen (1964-1968)

Most rebounds, season:

402, Joe Gavao (1968-1969)

Most rebounds, game:

23, Andrew South vs. New York Maritime (3/7/94)

Most assists, career:

611, Lance Andrews (1989-1993)

Most assists, season:

292, Joe Marcotte (1994-1995)

Most assists, game:

17, Joe Marcotte vs. Yeshiva (1/25/94);

17, Joe Marcotte vs. Southern Vermont (2/26/95)

17, Clarence Pierce vs. Centenary (1/18/95)

Most blocked shots, season:

198, Tory Black (1996-1997)

Most blocked shots, game:

16, Tory Black vs. Polytechnic (2/5/97)

1,000 Point Club

Player	Years	Points
Clarence Pierce	1992-1996	2,028
Chris Miles	1985-1989	1,875
Lance Andrews	1989-1993	1,755
Tom Gallagher	1981-1985	1,638
Warren Rogers	1983-1987	1,390
Andrew South	1992-1995	1,345
Reggie James	1985-1989	1,250
Ken Chance	1982-1986	1,231
Bob Zanzalari	1979-1983	1,224
Sal Gagliardo	1981-1985	1,192
Larry Tosato	1952-1956	1,143
Kevin Jackson	1988-1992	1,139
Rich Olsen	1964-1968	1,118
Lou Mezzina	1988-1992	1,104
Charles Brown Jr.	1985-1988	1,004

COACHING RECORDS

Coach: James Catalano

Year	Record	Pct.	IAC	Skyline	ECAC	NCAA
1979-1980	21-5	.807	2nd			
1980-1981	16-9	.640	2nd			
1981-1982	24-5	.827	1st		1st	
1982-1983	19-7	.731	1st		3rd	
1983-1984	12-12	.500	2nd			
1984-1985	22-7	.759	1st		1st	
1985-1986	16-10	.615	2nd		3rd	
1986-1987	23-6	.793	1st		3rd	
1987-1988	23-6	.793	1st		1st	
1988-1989	23-6	.793	2nd		2nd	
1989-1990	18-10	.643	2nd		3rd	
1990-1991	25-5	.833	1st	2nd		1st rnd.
1991-1992	24-6	.800	1st	3rd	2nd	
1992-1993	22-4	.846	1st	1st		2nd rnd.
1993-1994	23-4	.852	1st	1st		1st rnd.
1994-1995	28-2	.933	1st	1st	1st	Reg. Final
1995-1996	18-10	.643	1st	3rd		1st rnd.
1996-1997	18-9	.643	—	3rd	3rd	

First Place Finishes

Totals	376-123	.753	11	3	4	0
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Men's Basketball Coaching Records

(Since 1953)

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Fred Bauder (1953-1961)	67	60	.527
Joseph Fitzgerald (1961-1966)	49	43	.532
Lou Torciocollo (1966-1971)	42	56	.429
Rem Becker (1971-1976)	21	79	.210
Jim Racke (1976-1979)	14	56	.200
James Catalano (1979-present)	376	123	.753

N.Y. COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE

Adelphi University

Garden City, N.Y.
Founded: 1896
Enrollment: 8,100
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Brown and Gold
President: Dr. James Norton
(Interim)
Men's Basketball Coach: Steve
Clifford

C.W. Post College

Brookville, N.Y.
Founded: 1954
Enrollment: 8,000
Nickname: Pioneers
Colors: Green and Gold
President: Dr. David J.
Steinberg
Men's Basketball Coach: Tom
Galeazzi

Concordia College

Bronxville, N.Y.
Founded: 1881
Enrollment: 600
Nickname: Clippers
Colors: Blue and Gold
President: Dr. Ralph Schultz
Men's Basketball Coach: John
Dwindell

Dowling College

Oakdale, N.Y.
Founded: 1955
Enrollment: 5,940
Nickname: Golden Lions
Colors: Royal Blue and Gold
President: Dr. Victor P. Meskill
Men's Basketball Coach: Joe
Pellicane

Mercy College

Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.
Founded: 1939
Enrollment: 5,000
Nickname: Flyers
Colors: Blue and White
President: Dr. Jay Sexter
Men's Basketball Coach: Steve
Kelly

Molloy College

Rockville Centre, N.Y.
Founded: 1955
Enrollment: 2,300
Nickname: Lions

Colors: Maroon and White
President: Dr. Martin D. Snyder
Men's Basketball Coach: Charles
Marquardt

New York Institute of Technology

Old Westbury, N.Y.
Founded: 1955
Enrollment: 11,000
Nickname: Bears
Colors: Navy and Gold
President: Dr. Matthew Schure
Men's Basketball Coach: Sal
Lagano

Philadelphia Textile

Philadelphia, Pa.
Founded: 1884
Enrollment: 1,950
Nickname: Rams
Colors: Maroon and White
President: Dr. James P.
Gallagher
Men's Basketball Coach: Herb
Magee

Queens College

Flushing, N.Y.
Founded: 1937
Enrollment: 18,000
Nickname: Knights
Colors: Navy Blue and Silver
President: Allen Lee Sessions
Men's Basketball Coach: Kyrk
Peponakis

The College of Saint Rose

Albany, N.Y.
Founded: 1955
Enrollment: 2,300
Nickname: Lions
Colors: Maroon and White
President: Martin D. Snyder
Men's Basketball Coach: Bob
Bellizzi

Southampton College

Southampton, N.Y.
Founded: 1963
Enrollment: 1,200
Nickname: Colonials
Colors: Blue and Gold
President: Dr. David Steinberg
Men's Basketball Coach: Charlie
Peck

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Since its founding in 1881 at the urging of the Newark Board of Trade, New Jersey Institute of Technology has maintained close ties with industry, preparing successive generations of students to assume leadership roles in an increasingly technological society.

located on a 45-acre campus in the University Heights of Newark, offers programs in engineering, technology, architecture, computer science, management, mathematics and psychology studies.

Enrollment is nearly 8,200, with one-third of the student body pursuing graduate degrees. Bachelor's, master's, doctoral and professional degrees are offered through Newark College of Engineering, the School of Architecture, the College of Science and Liberal Arts, the School of Management, and the Albert Dorman Honors College.

Through the application of advanced technologies, researchers seek solutions to problems encountered by a range of organizations—from multinational corporations to local non-profit agencies. Efforts are focused on protecting the natural environment, finding new forms for the built environment, and strengthening the nation's competitive position through computer-integrated manufacturing and the skillful management of technology.

NJIT is a public research university. Its research program is among the nation's 10 fastest growing research efforts at all technological universities. NJIT spends approximately \$23 million annually on research. Funds come from a combination of federal and state agencies and corporations, as well as from gifts from alumni and friends of the university.

In recent years, the campus has undergone a major expansion that included the addition of new research, instruction, residence and recreational facilities.

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'98 SCHEDULE

<i>Day</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Time</i>
Friday	11/14	Braxton County Tournament (W.Va.) West Virginia Wesleyan College	6 p.m.
Saturday	11/15	Braxton County Tournament (W.Va.) Glenville State College	8 p.m.
Wednesday	11/19	Concordia College *	7 p.m.
Saturday	11/22	College of St. Rose *	7 p.m.
Wednesday	12/3	Dowling College *	8 p.m.
Saturday	12/6	Mercy College *	7 p.m.
Wednesday	12/10	Adelphi University *	8 p.m.
Saturday	12/13	Southampton College *	7 p.m.
Saturday	1/3	University of California at Riverside	7 p.m.
Wednesday	1/7	California Maritime	7 p.m.
Saturday	1/10	Dowling College *	7 p.m.
Wednesday	1/14	Queens College *	8 p.m.
Saturday	1/17	Philadelphia Textile *	7 p.m.
Monday	1/19	C.W. Post College *	8 p.m.
Wednesday	1/21	Molloy College *	7 p.m.
Saturday	1/24	Mercy College *	7 p.m.
Wednesday	1/28	Queens College *	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	1/31	Molloy College *	7 p.m.
Monday	2/2	New York Institute of Technology *	8 p.m.
Wednesday	2/4	Philadelphia Textile *	8 p.m.
Saturday	2/7	Concordia College *	8 p.m.
Monday	2/9	C.W. Post College *	8 p.m.
Wednesday	2/11	Southampton College *	7 p.m.
Saturday	2/14	New York Institute of Technology *	8 p.m.
Wednesday	2/18	Adelphi University *	8 p.m.
Saturday	2/21	College of St. Rose *	7 p.m.

Home games in **Bold**

* New York Collegiate Athletic Conference game

