

COLORADO BASKETBALL

2008-09

vs. Lafayette

College Leopards

(2-2, 0-0 Patriot League)

Tuesday, November 25, 7:05 p.m. (MST.)

Arena: Coors Events Center (11,064)

Television: none

Radio: KKZN 760: Mark Johnson,
Charles Johnson



Colorado Buffaloes (2-1, 0-0 Big 12)

Date	Opponent	Result/Time
Fri. Nov. 14	ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF	W, 76-56
Tue. Nov. 18	MONTANA STATE	L, 82-85 (ot)
Sat. Nov. 22	HARVARD	W, 70-57
Tue. Nov. 25	LAFAYETTE	7 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 29	^at Stanford (FSN)	8:30 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 3	TCU (FSN RM)	8 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 10	COLORADO STATE (FSN RM)	8 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 19	PRAIRIE VIEW A&M	8 p.m.
Tue. Dec. 23	LOUISIANA-MONROE	7 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 28-30	#Rainbow Classic	
-Tue. Dec. 28	vs. Coppin State	10:30 p.m.
Dec. 29	vs. Buffalo or Pepperdine	tba
Dec. 30	vs. George Washington/Hawaii/CSU/Vermont	tba
Mon. Jan. 5	at SMU (FSN RM)	6 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 7	WESTERN STATE	7 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 14	*at Missouri (ESPNU)	7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 17	*KANSAS (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Tue. Jan. 20	*at Texas Tech (FSN RM)	6 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 24	*KANSAS STATE (Big 12)	4 p.m.
Tue. Jan. 27	*IOWA STATE (FSN RM)	8:30 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 31	*at Kansas (ESPNU)	2 p.m.
Wed. Feb. 4	*NEBRASKA (FSN RM)	9 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 7	*at Oklahoma (Big 12)	11:30 a.m.
Wed. Feb. 11	*at Iowa State (FSN RM)	5:30 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 14	*TEXAS (ESPN)	Noon
Wed. Feb. 18	*at Nebraska (ESPNU)	7 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 21	*MISSOURI (Big 12)	11:30 a.m.
Wed. Feb. 25	*OKLAHOMA STATE (FSN RM)	9 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 28	*at Baylor (Big 12)	2 p.m.
Wed. Mar. 4	*TEXAS A&M (ESPNU)	7 p.m.
Sat. Mar. 7	*at Kansas State (Big 12)	11:30 a.m.
Wed.-Sat. Mar. 11-14	Phillips 66 Big 12 Basketball Championship (Oklahoma City, Okla.)	

* - Big 12 Conference game

^ - Big 12/Pac-10 Hardwood Series

- Honolulu, Hawaii

(Big 12) - Big 12 Network, previously branded as ESPN Plus

(FSN RM) - Fox Sports Rocky Mountain

All Times Mountain All Home Games **BOLD CAPS**

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FOR STARTERS (individual)... Cory Higgins has led the team in rebounding all three games (7.3 rpg.) ... Higgins also leads CU in scoring, rebounding, assists, steals, minutes played ... Casey Crawford and Dwight Thorne II top the team in FG% (13-of-21, .619) and from the 3-pt. arc (6-of-11, .545) ... Jermyl Jackson-Wilson has a blocked shot in every game this season ... Austin Dufault netted double-digits for the third straight game, in addition to grabbing a season-best six boards against the Crimson ... Casey Crawford's team-leading 18 points off the bench was a CU-first since Javon Coney scored 15 points in a reserve role at Nebraska last season (15 pts., March 19, 2008) ... Thorne II has made at least one three-pointer in every game this season, and in five consecutive games dating back to last season ... Floor General Nate Tomlinson led the team in assists against Harvard and ranks second overall with four a game.

FOR STARTERS (team)... CU has placed four players in scoring double-digits all three games ... The Buffs are shooting .507 from the field after three contests and that falls slightly under the 2002-03 team's .524 shooting percentage after the first three games of the season. However, the 2008-09 team is shooting better at the FT line (.716 to .677) and limiting its turnovers (11.7 to 17.7) to the school's last NCAA Tournament team ... After tonight, CU takes to the road for the first time this season traveling to Stanford in the second year of the Big 12/Pac-10 Harwood Series ... Colorado has outrebounded their first opponent (Harvard, 28-to-25) ... CU's starters have averaged 54.7 points, while the bench has contributed 21.3 ppg.

FIRST FOR EVERYTHING... Tonight is CU's first-ever match up with Lafayette College and first-ever match up against the Patriot League. (American, Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy).

CECC RECORD...maybe a school record? Sophomore guard Cory

Higgins was the first CU student-athlete to lead the team in rebounds AND assists the first two games of any season since 1973-

TEAM AVERAGES

	CU	LAF
Points	76.0	71.2
Points Allowed	66.0	73.2
Scoring Margin	+10.0	-2.0
Field Goals	24.7	23.3
Field Goal Att.	48.7	53.8
Field Goal Pct.	.507	.433
3-pt Field Goals	7.3	8.5
3-pt Field Goal Att.	20.0	25.8
3-pt Field Goal Pct.	.367	.330
Free Throws	19.3	16.3
Free Throw Att.	27.0	22.3
Free Throw Pct.	.716	.730
Offensive Rebounds	5.7	8.8
Defensive Rebounds	24.0	28.0
Total Rebounds	29.7	36.8
Rebounding Margin	-3.7	-3.4
Fouls	17.7	21.5
Assists	16.0	14.0
Turnovers	11.7	19.3
Blocks	1.7	2.3
Steals	5.7	6.0

PROBABLE STARTERS

COLORADO

Pos/No	Player	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown	PPG	RPG	APG
G 1	Nate Tomlinson	6-2	180	Fr.	Sydney, Australia	6.7	3.3	4.0
G 11	Cory Higgins	6-5	185	So.	Danville, Calif.	15.7	7.3	4.7
G 12	Dwight Thorne II	6-2	185	Jr.	Arlington, Texas	13.3	4.0	2.0
F 33	Austin Dufault	6-8	210	Fr.	Killdeer, N.D.	11.7	4.3	1.7
F 34	Casey Crawford	6-9	235	RS-So.	Overland Park, Kan.	11.3	2.3	1.5

LAFAYETTE

Pos/No	Player	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown	PPG	RPG	APG
G 14	Andrew Brown	5-11	175	Sr.	Littleton, Colo.	15.3	2.3	3.0
G 20	Ben Wheeler	6-3	180	So.	Herndon, Va.	4.5	4.0	2.3
G 23	Jeff Kari	6-2	205	Jr.	Lisle, Ill.	17.0	5.8	3.5
F 30	Darion Benbow	6-7	170	So.	New York, N.Y.	5.0	4.3	0.5
C 54	Marek Koltun	6-10	255	Jr.	Krakow, Poland	2.0	2.5	1.5^

^ - blocked shots

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Location Boulder, Colo.
 Population 103,216
 Founded/Enrollment 1876/28,942
 Colors Silver, Black, Gold
 Nickname Buffaloes (Bufs)
 Mascot Ralphie V, the Buffalo
 Arena Coors Events Center (11,064)
 Elevation 5,345
 NCAA Affiliation/Conference Division I/Big 12
 President Bruce Benson (Colorado '64)
 Chancellor G. P. Bud Peterson (Kansas St. '75)
 Vice Chancellor Student Affairs Ron Stump
 (Northern Michigan '69)
 Provost Phil DiStefano (Ohio State '68)
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 Web Site www.CUBuffs.com
 Big 12 web page www.Big12sports.com
 Athletic Department 303/492-7931
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BASKETBALL INFORMATION

Head Coach ... Jeff Bzdelik (Illinois-Chicago '76)
 Record, Years at School 14-21/2nd year
 Career/Years 89-68 (.567)/6th year
 Best Time to Contact through SID office
 Associate Head Coach
 Steve McClain (Chadron State College '84)
 Assistant Coaches
 Derrick Clark (California-Lutheran '95)
 Charles Baker (Eastern Kentucky '90)
 Dir. of Operations Jody Bailey (Louisville '95)
 Ath. Trainer . Larry Willock (New Mexico '68, '71)

TEAM INFORMATION

2007-08 Overall Record 12-20
 Home: 6-9; Away: 3-10; Neutral: 3-1
 Conference Record/Finish 3-13/12th
 Big 12 Tournament 1-1

Starters Returning (2) ... Higgins, Jackson-Wilson
 Starters Lost (3) Hall, King-Stockton, Roby
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 7/4
 Newcomers 5
 Transfers 1
 Seniors 1 (Jackson-Wilson)
 Juniors 2 (Beckley, Thorne II)
 Sophomores 4 (Higgins, Knutson, Coney,
 Zehnder)
 Redshirt Sophomore Transfer 1 (Crawford)
 Freshmen .. 5 (Dufault, Eckloff, Kelley, Tomlinson,
 Veal)

HISTORY

First Year of Basketball 1901-02
 All-Time Record 1,106-1,076 (.507)
 2,182 games
 NCAA Berths 10
 (Won:9, Lost: 12; two 3rd place finishes '42, '55)
 Last Appearance, Result 2002-03
 (lost to Michigan State in 1st round)
 NCAA Appearances 2003, 1997, 1969,
 1963, 1962, 1955, 1954, 1946, 1942, 1940
 NIT Berths 8
 (Won 8, Lost 7; won NIT in 1940, runner up '38)
 Last NIT Appearance/Result 2005-06
 (lost to Old Dominion in 1st round)
 Last Conference Title 1968-69 (Big 8)
 - won conference title 8 times, four prior to
 1950

74. It's a Coors Events Conference Center mark (building opened in 1979). The research was stopped at the 1972-73 season because assists were not kept. So, in the last 35 years, no CU player has led his team in rebounding AND assists in the first two games of the season.

POSTER COVER... Freshman guard Ryan Kelley is tonight's featured athlete. Kelley hails from Pomona, Calif. where he attended Diamond Ranch HS and was a three-year basketball letterwinner. He averaged 17 points, 4.0 rebounds, 2.4 assists and 1.4 steals per game as a senior, in addition to being named a two-time All-California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) first-team selection junior and senior years.

LAFAYETTE UPDATE... The Lafayette Leopards bring a 2-2 record into Boulder. After opening the season with a pair of wins over Wagner (73-67) and Stony Brook (80-71), the Leopards have lost two straight - both at home to Temple (55-71) and Rider (77-84). Lafayette went 15-15 overall and 6-8 in the Patriot League and are coached by the all-time winningest coach in school history and the second longest tenured coach in the Patriot League, Fran O'Hanlon (Villanova, '70). O'Hanlon enters his 14th season as the Leopards' head coach. Lafayette is located in Easton, Pa. with an enrollment of 2,403 students.

CU ROOTS... Lafayette freshman guard Andy Moore is the son of former CU women's tennis head coach Jeff Moore. The elder Moore coached in Boulder from 1978-1982, went 66-40 and ranks third all-time in victories.

ON THIS DAY (Nov. 25)... CU is 5-2 on this date in history and last played on this date during the 2001-02 campaign falling at St. Joe's, 81-75. That team finished 15-14 only winning twice in 11 meetings on the road.

LAST GAME RECAP... Redshirt-sophomore Casey Crawford came off the bench to score a career-high 18 points CU to a 70-57 win over the Harvard

Crimson. It was the first time in 60 years that the two teams have played one another. Cory Higgins added 14 points and grabbed nine rebounds. CU saw balanced scoring sending four players in double digits for the third straight game. Junior Dwight Thorne II and freshman Austin Dufault each added 11 for the Buffs (2-1).

3-POINT STREAK... Dating back to the 2001-02 season, CU has made a 3-pointer in 198 consecutive games. Last time they failed to make at least one trey was Jan. 16, 2002 against Iowa State in Boulder. The Buffs won 63-61.

HAWAII BOUND...AGAIN... The Buffaloes will be making another trip to the Hawaiian Islands playing in the 2009-10 Maui Invitational in Honolulu. It will be CU's first-ever appearance in the Maui hosted by Division II college Chaminade, and sponsored by EA Sports. The Buffaloes will be one of eight schools participating in the 26th edition of the tournament. Joining CU next year will be Arizona, Gonzaga, Louisville, Maryland, Vanderbilt, and Wisconsin.

TEAM TIDBITS OF OPENER.. CU shot 50% from the field in both halves (51.9% for the game) against Arkansas-Pine Bluff. The last time the Buffs shot 50% in both halves was against Oklahoma (Feb. 9, 2008) ... The Buffaloes made 10 three-pointers from the new NCAA 3-point line of 20'9"... The 10 treys are the most for CU since making 10 against Oklahoma State (Feb. 3, 2007) ... The CU defense held Ark-PB to 20 points in the first half, the lowest since allowing Iowa State 15 in Ames (Jan. 29, 2008).

BEST FROM 3-POINT ARC... Already in the young season, Casey Crawford is CU's best 3-point shooter of players standing over 6'5" since 1997. Austin Dufault is also on the list.

Career 3-Point FG Percentage of Players over 6'5" (min. 6 attempts)

Name	Height	3-Point %	Yrs Played
Casey Crawford	6'9"	.545 (6-of-11)	2008-09
Martice Moore	6'7"	.397 (35-of-63)	1995-97
Xavier Silas	6'5"	.383 (44-of-115)	2006-07
Andy Osborn	6'9"	.374 (98-of-262)	2004-06
Greg Jensen	6'6"	.341 (14-of-41)	1993-97
Nick Mohr	6'5"	.329 (115-of-349)	1998-2002
Kyle Williams	6'6"	.317 (32-of-101)	1998-2000
Martane Freeman	6'7"	.279 (17-of-61)	2004-06
Jeremy Williams	6'7"	.269 (7-of-26)	2006-07
Austin Dufault	6'8"	.250 (2-of-8)	2008-09
Will Smith	6'6"	.203 (13-of-64)	1996-00
Fred Edmonds	6'5"	.166 (1-of-6)	1993-97

2008-09 Roster (PROBABLE Starting Line Up)

G #1 Nate Tomlinson **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-2, 180, Fr. Sydney, Australia **6.7** **3.3** **4.0** **0.0** **35.0**

Led team in assists in Harvard win with five • Second on team in assists (12) • Became the first freshman point-guard since 2002-03 (Antoine McGee) to start the season opener • Coach Bzdelik calls Nate, "A true floor general."

G #11 Cory Higgins **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-5, 185, So.-1L, Danville, Calif. **15.7** **7.3** **4.7** **2.0** **38.7**

Tri-Captain • Statistical leader in points, rebounds, assists, steals, minutes played • Netted first career 20-point game with 21 in OT against Montana State • Has started every game as a Buff (35) • Played 44 minutes against MSU w/ a career best 11-of-14 at FT line • Has led team in rebounding all three games.

G #12 Dwight Thorne II **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-2, 185, Jr.-2L, Arlington, Texas **13.3** **4.0** **2.0** **1.3** **31.7**

Tri-captain • Scored a career-best 21 points vs. Montana State along w/ six made FGs • Tied with Crawford in FG% (13-of-21, .619 and from 3-point arc (6-of-11, .545) • Second on team in scoring and third in rebounding • 8-of-11 from FT line (.727).

F #33 Austin Dufault **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-8, 210, Fr., Killdeer, N.D. **11.7** **4.3** **1.7** **0.7** **31.0**

Third in team scoring • 12-of-26 from the field (.462) • made first career 3-pointer vs. MSU • Started all three games • Great shooting touch from long range; can shoot, pass, dribble • One of three players averaging 30+ minutes • Second in steals (4).

F #34 Casey Crawford **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-9, 235, RS-So., Overland Park, Kan. **11.3** **2.3** **1.5** **1.3** **19.0**

Career-best 18 points with 4 3-pointers in win over Harvard • One four players averaging 10 or more points • Tied with Thorne in FG% (13-of-21, .619 and from 3-point arc (6-of-11, .545) • Sat out last year after transferring from Wake Forest, knows the system after practicing all of last year • Excellent range from perimeter.

G #3 Matt Favaro **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-5, Jr., Mountain View, Calif. **2.0** **0.0** **0.0** **0.0** **2.0**

One of three practice players; added to the roster for all home games.

G #10 Ryan Kelley **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-2, 185, Fr., Pomona, Calif. **0.5** **0.0** **0.0** **0.0** **2.0**

A reserve off the bench • Nephew of former CU great Vince Kelley (1981-84).

G #14 Javon Coney **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-3, 200, So.-1L, Chicago, Ill. **0.0** **0.0** **0.0** **0.0** **4.0**

Non-scholarship student-athlete • 14 games played last season • Season-best 15 points with three 3-pointers with two steals at Nebraska (Mar. 9).

F #15 Toby Veal **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-7, 225, Fr. Savannah, Ga. **0.0** **1.0** **0.0** **0.0** **2.0**

Explosive rebounder, finisher around the basket; comes off the bench.

G #24 Levi Knutson **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-4, 190, So.-1L, Littleton, Colo. **7.0** **1.0** **1.0** **0.3** **18.0**

Tied career-high 12 points versus Montana State • Plays hard every night.

G #25 Andrew Zehnder **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-3, 175, So.-1L, Arvada, Colo. **2.0** **0.0** **-** **-** **2.0**

Non-scholarship student-athlete.

F #31 Jermyl Jackson-Wilson **PTS** **REB** **AST** **BLK** **MIN**
6-6, 230, Sr.-2L, Milwaukee, Wis. **6.0** **4.3** **1.3** **1.0** **21.3**

Tri-Captain • Enters third and final year • Active around rim, crashes boards.

F #55 Trey Eckloff **PTS** **REB** **AST** **ST** **MIN**
6-9, 225, Fr., Englewood, Colo. **4.0** **2.0** **0.0** **0.0** **11.5**

Four points & two boards each in first two games • Youngest scholarship student-athlete in the Big12 • Another CU big man that can shoot, pass and dribble.

CU TEAM NOTES...CU is playing a school-record eight home games before Christmas (previous high was seven set five times, most recently 1998-99) ... Entering the 2008-09 season, CU's starting lineup may consist of freshmen and sophomores. It will be the school's youngest starting five to play at one time since 1985-86 when four freshmen, one sophomore started three straight games ... For the 12th time in school history a CU team will have at least five freshmen on a roster ... CU plays nine non-conference home games, the most of any season since 1995-96 (nine). This season will be the first time playing Lafayette, Coppin State, George Washington (pending), Vermont (pending).

YOUTH MOVEMENT...A combination of 10 underclassmen (five freshmen and five sophomores) highlight the roster matching one of the youngest CU teams in history. Back in 2006-07, CU had 10 underclassmen (eight freshmen), in addition to the 1992-93 season (four freshmen, six sophomores).

DEFENSE THROUGH THE YEARS...Over his six years as a collegiate coach and two-plus seasons as a head coach in the NBA, Jeff Bzdelik has installed playing defense as a major part of the game. Here's a look at his teams over the years. The 2005-06 season at Air Force was a nation's best of all 970 collegiate schools in Division I (326), D-II (265), and D-III (379).

1986-87	UMBC	70.1 ppg. (28 gms)
1987-88	UMBC	78.0 (28 games)
2002-03	Denver (NBA)	#92.4 (82 games)
2003-04	Denver (NBA)	96.1 (82 games)
2004-05	Denver (NBA)	97.4 (28 games)
2005-06	USAFA	*54.7 (31 games)
2006-07	USAFA	**56.0 (35 games)
2007-08	Colorado	^62.4 (32 games)
2007-08	Colorado	66.0 (three games)

* - nation's best

** - runner up nationally (Princeton 53.3)

^ - lowest in CU history 46 years

- franchise record (shattered mark by more than five points)

JUST A KID...Forward Trey Eckloff is perhaps the youngest men's basketball freshman ever on any CU roster. Born April 30, 1990, Eckloff would be a senior at Cherry Creek High School in Englewood, Colo. He's the youngest scholarship student-athlete in the Big 12 Conference, however, Nebraska non-scholarship freshman Ross Ferrarini, born May 25, 1990, is the youngest overall.

LOST FOR THE SEASON...Junior forward Trent Beckley will miss the 2008-09 basketball season with a stress fracture in his lumbar spine. According to CU men's basketball athletic trainer Larry Willock, Beckley's injury does not require surgery, as the bone tissue is healing. Beckley, a native of Vail, Colo., played in 10 games last season. He

Double-Digit Scoring Games

	Career	'08-09
Cory Higgins	18	3
Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	12	-
Levi Knutson	7	1
Dwight Thorne II	5	2
Javon Coney	1	-
Casey Crawford	2	2
Austin Dufault	3	3
Nate Tomlinson	1	1

Double-Digit Rebounding Games

(shares included)	Career	'08-09
Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	4	-

Scoring Leaders

Cory Higgins	2	1
Casey Crawford	2	2
Javon Coney	1	-
Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	1	-
Dwight Thorne II	1	1

Rebounding Leaders

Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	10	-
Cory Higgins	7	3
Dwight Thorne II	1	-

Assist Leaders

Cory Higgins	11	2
Dwight Thorne II	4	-
Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	4	1
Nate Tomlinson	1	1

Steal Leaders

Cory Higgins	10	1
Casey Crawford	1	1
Dwight Thorne II	6	1
Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	5	-

Block Leaders

Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	23	3
Austin Dufault	1	1
Casey Crawford	1	1

Double-Doubles Career '08-09

Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	2	-
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Career Games Starts Played

Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	38	62
Dwight Thorne II	10	59
Cory Higgins	35	35
Levi Knutson	1	35
Javon Coney	-	16
Trent Beckley	-	15
Andrew Zehnder	-	8
Casey Crawford	2	3
Austin Dufault	3	3
Nate Tomlinson	3	3
Matt Favaro	-	1
Ryan Kelley	-	2
Trey Eckloff	-	2

was a walk-on during his freshman and sophomore years, and was awarded a scholarship at the beginning of the 2008-09 school year.

FTs WHEN IT COUNTS...Sophomore Cory Higgins is the team's most experienced from the free throw line with under five minutes to play (including OT) making 25-of-36 (.694). Here's the last three years of the returning letterwinners.

2008-09	2-5	Pct.	*0-2	Pct.
Matt Favaro	-	-	2-2	1.000
Cory Higgins	2-4	.500	6-7	.857
Ryan Kelley	-	-	1-2	.500
Levi Knutson	2-2	1.000	-	-
Dwight Thorne II	2-2	1.000	0-2	.000
Nate Tomlinson	-	-	2-4	.500

2007-08	2-5	Pct.	*0-2	Pct.
Levi Knutson	-	-	5-6	.833
Javon Coney	-	-	2-2	1.000
Cory Higgins	10-14	.714	12-16	.750
J. Jackson-Wilson	6-8	.750	1-3	.333
Dwight Thorne II	2-2	1.000	1-2	.500

2006-07	2-5	Pct.	0-2	Pct.
J. Jackson-Wilson	3-5	.600	3-5	.600
Dwight Thorne II	1-2	.500	-	-

(*includes overtime)

NO EXHIBITION GAME...For the first time since the 1985-86 season, CU did not play one exhibition game to start the season. Instead, the Buffs played a pair of closed door scrimmages against Utah and at Northern Colorado.

FROSH & SOPHOMORE STARTING...There might a time this season when the starting five could be comprised of only freshmen and sophomores. Here's a look at youth in past seasons and how they fared.

2006-07: Three freshmen in starting lineup: Kal Bay, Jeremy Williams, Xavier Silas: four times (at KU, at BU, OSU, at KSU). The quartet went 1-3 (defeated OSU, 89-77), lost by an average of 18 points.

2006-07: Two freshmen in starting lineup: Xavier Silas/Jeremy Williams: five times; Kal Bay/Jeremy Williams - three times; Dwight Thorne II/Jeremy Williams: once; Thorne/Williams, Silas: once

1985-86: Four freshman, one sophomore started three consecutive games and lost them all by average of 29.3 points per game.

Feb. 5, 1986 at Kansas, L, 64-100

Feb. 8, 1986 at Kansas State, L, 53-79

Feb. 12, 1986 vs. Iowa State, L, 57-83

Matt Bullard - Fr.: Started all 28 games;

Ken Countryman - Fr.: Started only three

games all season; David Kuosmen - Fr.:

Started four games all season; Jeff Penix -

Fr.: Started only three games; Scott Wilke - So.: Started nine games.

TV APPEARANCES...CU will play on television 20 times this season, six of those nationally (FSN, ESPN, ESPNU 4 times). Here are the rest ... ABC Regional: 1; FSN: 1; ESPN: 1; ESPNU: 4; Big 12 Network (previously ESPN Regional): 5; FSN RM: 8.

COACHES SAY...The conference coaches have picked the Buffaloes to finish in 12th place in the 2008-09 standings. Here's each season since 1996-97, the predicted finish and the actual placing that CU ended up ...

Season	Predicted	Actual
2008-09	12th	?
2007-08	12th	12th
2006-07	12th	12th
2005-06	9th	5th
2004-05	10th	11th
2003-04	6th	4th
2002-03	9th	t-5th
2001-02	7th	9th
2000-01	7th	9th
1999-2000	8th	7th
1998-99	10th	8th
1997-98	9th	9th
1996-97	no poll	2nd

BIG 12 OPENER...CU opens conference play at Missouri for the first time in the 13-year history of the Big 12. It's also the first time playing a northern division opponent since 2003-04 and first time in Big 12 play playing a northern opponent on the road.

MORE OPENER INFO...For the second straight year, CU will open conference play on the road (at Missouri). It will be the first time since 2004, CU will play against the Big 12 North. The Buffaloes have lost 11-straight conference openers. The Buffs have not won an opener since Jan. 4, 1997.

1997-2008 Big 12 Openers

Jan. 12, 2008	at Texas A&M	L, 68-81
Jan. 6, 2007	Texas	L, 78-102
Jan. 7, 2006	at Texas	L, 64-89
Jan. 8, 2005	at Oklahoma	L, 55-85
Jan. 5, 2004	KANSAS	L, 62-77
Jan. 11, 2003	at Oklahoma	L, 54-69
Jan. 5, 2002	KANSAS	L, 85-97
Jan. 6, 2001	at Baylor	L, 56-61
Jan. 8, 2000	KANSAS	L, 69-84
Jan. 2, 1999	TEXAS	L, 68-73
Jan. 3, 1998	OKLAHOMA	L, 68-69
Jan. 4, 1997	NEBRASKA	W, 79-73

CU DURING BIG 12 INCEPTION... CU saw a dramatic decrease in turnovers per game (13.4) and improvement at the free throw line (.684) under first-year head coach Jeff

No.	Student-Athlete	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)
1	Nate Tomlinson	PG	6-2	180	Fr.	HS	Sydney, Australia (Lee Academy [Maine])
3	Matt Favaro	F	6-5	195	Jr.	HS	Mountain View, Calif. (Los Altos HS)
10	Ryan Kelley	G	6-2	185	Fr.	HS	Pomona, Calif. (Diamond Ranch HS)
11	Cory Higgins	G	6-5	180	So.	1L	Danville, Calif. (Monte Vista HS/The Pendleton School [Bradenton, Fla.])
12	Dwight Thorne II	G	6-3	185	Jr.	2L	Arlington, Texas (Martin HS)
14	Javon Coney	G	6-3	200	So.	1L	Chicago, Ill. (Latin HS)
15	Toby Veal	F	6-7	225	Fr.	HS	Savannah, Ga. (Johnson High School HS)
24	Levi Knutson	G	6-4	190	So.	1L	Littleton, Colo. (Arapahoe HS)
25	Andrew Zehnder	G	6-3	175	So.	1L	Arvada, Colo. (Standley Lake HS)
31	Jermyl Jackson-Wilson	F	6-6	230	Sr.	2L	Milwaukee, Wis. (Fork Union Military Academy [Va.]/Rufus King/Ohio St.)
33	Austin Dufault	F	6-8	210	Fr.	HS	Killdeer, N.D. (Killdeer HS)
34	Casey Crawford	F	6-9	235	So.	RS	Overland Park, Kan. (Blue Valley North HS / Wake Forest)
55	Trey Eckloff	F	6-9	225	Fr.	HS	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek HS)

Head Coach: Jeff Bzdelik (Illinois-Chicago '76)

Assistant Coach: Steve McClain (Chadron State College '84)

Assistant Coach: Derrick Clark (California-Lutheran '95)

Assistant Coach: Charles Baker (Eastern Kentucky '90)

Director of Basketball Operations: Jody Bailey (Louisville '95)

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

14	Coney, Javon
34	Crawford, Casey
33	Dufault, Austin
55	Eckloff, Trey
3	Favaro, Matt
11	Higgins, Cory
31	Jackson-Wilson, Jermyl
10	Kelley, Ryan
24	Knutson, Levi
12	Thorne II, Dwight
1	Tomlinson, Nate
15	Veal, Toby
25	Zehnder, Andrew

Bzdelik. It was also a school-low in 28 years.

Years	PPG	FG %	3-Pt.%	FT%	To	W's
2008-09	76.0	.507	.367	.716	11.7	2
2007-08	62.4	.451	.343	.684	13.4	12
2006-07	69.1	.417	.313	.655	17.5	7
2005-06	76.8	.434	.342	.646	14.0	20
2004-05	71.6	.435	.353	.629	14.4	14
2003-04	74.2	.464	.372	.621	14.6	18
2002-03	75.2	.443	.326	.669	14.0	20
2001-02	79.7	.453	.357	.677	17.0	15
2000-01	80.6	.460	.359	.715	16.5	15
1999-00	75.2	.426	.339	.686	14.3	18
1998-99	73.1	.414	.344	.702	14.7	18
1997-98	71.4	.404	.346	.688	14.3	13
1996-97	73.1	.420	.362	.681	13.9	22

2007-08 REVIEW...Here are a few tidbits from last year's team in case you missed it:

- Nine losses by an average of 4.8 points
- Defense allowed oppts. 64.4 ppg. – lowest in 46 years
- 13.4 turnovers a game – lowest in 28 years 12.9 turnovers in Big 12 play – lowest by a CU team in 12-year history of the Big 12
- Conference-only games, finished third overall in FG% (.448)
- Team shot .684 percentage from the free throw line, team-best since 2000-01 (.715)
- In conference play/conference tournament, lost by: one point; two points; four points; five points; six points; seven points
- CU's win over Baylor in the Big 12 Championship tournament marked the first time a No. 12 seed has defeated a No. 5 seed in the Big 12 tournament
- Shot over 50 percent from the field 11 times
- CU shot a season-best 62 percent from the field for the game at Texas A&M (school second-best .773 from the field in the second half)

DOUBLE-DOUBLE THIS YEAR?... Not since the 2001-02 season has CU had a student-athlete average a double-double (Stephane Pelle).

Player	Year	ppg.	rpg.
Stephane Pelle	2001-02	12.8	10.8
Shaun Vandiver	1990-91	21.2	10.0
Shaun Vandiver	1989-90	22.3	11.2
Shaun Vandiver	1988-89	18.2	10.5
Alex Stivrins	1984-85	15.7	11.7
Jim Creighton	1971-72	17.5	10.2
Cliff Meely	1970-71	28.0	11.6
Cliff Meely	1969-70	20.9	12.8
Cliff Meely	1968-69	23.8	12.0
Jim Davis	1963-64	18.5	12.7
Jim Davis	1962-63	13.8	12.7
Roger Voss	1960-61	17.6	10.1
Wilky Gilmore	1959-60	13.9	10.6
Burdette Haldorson	1954-55	21.0	13.8

SUN, BEACH & X-MAS... Colorado is one of eight teams participating in the 45th year of the 2008 Outrigger Hotels Rainbow Classic, Dec. 27-30. The Classic, celebrating its 45th year, is the longest running eight-team tournament in the country.

The Rainbow Warriors open the tournament on Dec. 27 against Colorado State at 7:30 p.m. Preceding that game is George Washington and Vermont at 5:00 p.m. On Dec. 28, Buffalo and Pepperdine meet at 5:00 p.m., followed by Colorado and 2008 NCAA Tournament participant Coppin State at 7:30 p.m. The first-round winners advance to the tournament's championship rounds, Dec. 29-30, while the losers will play in the consolation rounds.

UH and Colorado State, former Western Athletic Conference rivals, have met 43 times before. This will be Colorado State's third appearance in the Classic. Colorado

and Pepperdine will each be making their second appearances. Colorado finished third in the 1999 Classic and Pepperdine finished fourth in the 2003 edition. Buffalo and Vermont will be making their inaugural appearances in the tournament, as well as Coppin State, though this will be the third visit to the Stan Sheriff Center for the Eagles in as many years.

The Rainbow Warriors have captured five of the last seven titles, including four straight from 2001-04. Last year, Saint Mary's of the West Coast Conference captured the championship with Hawai'i finishing in eighth place.

Rainbow Classic History Notes

- Since 1964, 153 teams have participated in the annual Rainbow Classic.
- Host Hawai'i has won the most championships (11), including four consecutive from 2001-04.
- North Carolina ranks second to UH with three titles, followed by Purdue and Illinois with two.
- Hawai'i is 72-60 (.545) all-time in the Rainbow Classic.
- Hawai'i has reached the championship game 19 times in 44 years.
- The Classic boasts a rich history of all-time great players, including "Pistol" Pete Maravich, Isiah Thomas and Michael Jordan.

CU IN THE PRO WORLD... There is a number of CU basketball members with ties to the professional ranks. From head coach Jeff Bzdelik to the four student-athletes.

Coach Bzdelik: Head Coach of the Denver Nuggets (2002-05);

Casey Crawford: father, Steve played with the Boston Red Sox;

Cory Higgins: father, Rod played in the NBA from 1982-95, currently the general manager of the Charlotte Bobcats;

Dwight Thorne II: cousin, Acie Law IV played for the Texas A&M Aggies and great uncle, Ernie Banks played with the Cubs.

CU ASSISTANTS... Joining Coach Bzdelik on his staff for his second year is a trio of the finest basketball minds in the game today.

Steve McClain, Associate Head Coach

- 22 years of coaching experience
- Won 157 games in nine years as the head coach at the University of Wyoming; recorded the most regular season victories (60) of any Mountain West Conference head coach
- Four NIT appearances, One NCAA Appearance
- Led Hutchinson to the Junior College 1994 National Championship and earned National JC Coach of the Year honors

Derrick Clark, Assistant Coach

- Brings 11 years of coaching experience and his fourth season with Coach Bzdelik
- Helped direct Air Force to a 50-16 record during his two-years in Colorado Springs
- Assisted USAFA to the 2005-06 NCAA Tournament and 2006-07 NIT Final Four
- As an assistant at Metro State, helped the Roadrunners to a pair of NCAA Division National Championships

Charles Baker, Assistant Coach

- Brings 20 years of coaching expertise
- Returns to the Big 12 Conference after spending six years with K-State (2000-06)
- At K-State, helped assemble a trio of Top 25 recruiting classes and assisted the recruiting of three consensus Top-100 players
- Only head coaching stint, turned Shorter Junior College into a consistent winner leading his teams to four consecutive Arkansas State Junior College championships, and four-straight 20-win seasons.

20012-13 CLASS... On Nov. 12, the CU mbb team announced that **Alec Burks**, **Keegan Hornbuckle**, and **Shane Har-**

ris-Tunks officially signed National Letters of Intent to continue their education at CU.

"With the signing of these three young men, once again we have taken a major step toward creating the vision for this program," Bzdelik said. "All three are highly skilled, highly intelligent and play with a competitive spirit."

Burks is a 6-foot-5 shooting guard from Grandview, Mo., is a skilled left-handed player who is capable of playing point-guard and will fit CU's system because of his ability to shoot from distance and slash to the basket.

He committed to CU over Kansas State.

"Alec has the potential to be a 6-5 point-guard because of his athleticism and passing ability," Bzdelik said. "Not only is he an excellent shooter, he has great vision."

Burks earned first-team all-Suburban Mix Six League honors as a junior after averaging 19.9 points and 4.8 rebounds per game. Rivals.com lists Burks as the No. 31st point-guard in the class of 2009.

Hornbuckle is a 6-foot-6 small forward from Los Angeles, Calif., is a smooth shooter with deep three-point range and the ability to finish above the rim in transition. Hornbuckle helped Campbell Hall High to a 31-5 record as a junior in 2007. He is rated as the No. 34 small forward/shooting guard by Scout.com.

Hornbuckle selected CU over Arizona and Arizona State.

"Keegan is a long, skilled and athletic perimeter player that fits our system," Bzdelik said.

Harris-Tunks is a 6-foot-11 center/forward from Sydney, Australia, will join current CU freshman guard Nate Tomlinson, who also hails from Sydney.

Harris-Tunks is the third recruit to sign with the Buffaloes, selected CU over Vanderbilt and Gonzaga.

"Shane comes to us with an abundance of international experience," Bzdelik said. "He is a wide-big body who will provide us with a defensive post presence, defensive rebounding and shot blocking. From an offensive standpoint, he gives us a physical presence who can also pass and shoot the ball from the perimeter."

Harris-Tunks spent the last year and a half at the Australian Institute of Sport, a prestigious academy that has college like demands both athletically and academically.

Why is the University of Colorado known as CU and not UC or U of C? The same applies at Kansas-KU, Missouri-MU, Nebraska-NU, Oklahoma-OU and Denver-DU. "Midwestern casualness," says the

former and late-CU historian Fred Casotti. It has always been this way at Colorado, for whatever reason, and at the other five listed above-but seemingly nowhere else in the USA. In the 1950s, there was a concerted effort to eliminate the use of "CU" on the Boulder campus, both as a symbol and in speech, but Casotti said that no one would buy into it. "Nobody would change," he said. "It's easier to say than U of C, UC sounds like slang or something (as in 'you see'), and it was traditional. By trying to eliminate it, they reinforced it."

2008-09 GAME-BY-GAME LEADERS

	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	2-1	2-1	-	-
Conference	-	-	-	-
Non-Conference	2-1	2-1	-	-

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATT	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REB.	ASSISTS	BLOCKS	3-PTERS MADE	STEALS
Nov. 14	Ark-Pine Bluff	W	76-56	5689	Crawford (14)	Higgins (6)	Higgins (6)	Dufault, JJW (1)	Tomlinson (4)	Crawford (2)
Nov. 18	Montana State L		82-85 (ot)	2058	Higgins (21)	Higgins (7)	Higgins (5)	JJW (1)	Thorne II (3)	Higgins (4)
					Thorne II (21)					
Nov. 22	HARVARD	W	70-57	2957	Crawford (18)	Higgins (9)	Tomlinson (5)	Crawford, JJW (1)	Crawford (4)	Thorne II (2)

2008-09 STARTING LINEUPS

Games	G	G	G	F	F	W-L
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	Tomlinson	Higgins	Thorne II	Crawford	Dufault	1-0
MONTANA STATE	Tomlinson	Higgins	Thorne II	Crawford	Dufault	1-1
HARVARD	Tomlinson	Higgins	Thorne II	Jackson-Wilson	Dufault	1-0

2008-09 SCORING BREAKDOWN

Game	Total	1st	2nd	OT	Starters	Bench	Fr.	So.	Jr.	Sr.
ARK-PINE BLUFF	76	40	36	-	59	17	30	31	10	5
MONTANA STATE	82	30	42	10	59	23	19	35	21	7
HARVARD	70	29	41	-	46	24	15	38	11	6

FROM THE BOARDS

	Offensive			Defensive			Rebounds		
	CU	Oppt.	+/-	CU	Oppt.	+/-	CU	Oppt.	+/-
ARK-PINE BLUFF	5	12	-7	26	26	-	31	38	-7
MONTANA STATE	8	13	-5	22	24	-2	30	37	-7
HARVARD	4	7	-3	24	18	+6	28	25	+3
TOTAL	17	32	-15	72	68	+4	89	100	-11
	5.7	10.7	-5	24	22.7	+1.3	19.7	33.3	-13.6

2008-09 GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

BOLD indicates best or high for the season

Game	Score	FG-FGA	Pct.	3-Pt.-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	O-D	TOT	F/EJ	A	TO	BLK	S
COLORADO	76	27-52	.519	10-23	.435	12-20	.600	5-26	31	15/0	18	10	2	4
Ark. Pine Bluff	56	23-55	.418	4-17	.235	6-14	.429	12-26	38	19/2	9	14	2	4
COLORADO	82	26-54	.481	5-18	.278	25-34	.735	8-22	30	22/1	16	11	1	9
Montana State	85 ot	29-59	.492	11-20	.550	16-27	.593	13-24	37	27/0	14	15	3	3
COLORADO	70	21-40	.525	7-19	.368	21-27	.778	4-24	28	16/0	14	14	2	4
Harvard	57	24-51	.471	5-17	.294	4-9	.444	7-18	25	25/1	10	15	0	6

10 mini-games: College basketball games can be viewed as a series of 10 mini-games, broken up by media timeouts. Here, we break down the Buffaloes and their opponents from one timeout to the next:

	20-16	16-12	12-8	8-4	4-0	HALF	20-16	16-12	12-8	8-4	4-0	2nd	OT	FINAL
ARK.PINE BLUFF	7-5	6-2	8-5	17-5	2-2	40-20	9-6	4-8	5-6	6-4	12-12	36-36	-	W, 76-56
MONTANA STATE	6-6	3-9	3-9	10-11	8-2	30-37	6-14	14-3	3-10	6-4	13-4	42-35	10-13	L, 82-85 (ot)
HARVARD	4-7	8-4	2-7	8-7	7-9	29-34	4-6	12-7	1-2	11-4	13-4	41-23	-	W, 70-57
	17-18 5.6-6.0	17-15 5.6-5.0	13-21 4.3-7.0	35-23 11.7-7.7	17-13 5.6-4.3	99-91 33.0-30.3	19-26 6.3-8.7	30-18 10.0-6.0	9-18 3.0-6.0	23-12 7.7-4.0	38-20 12.7-6.7	119-94 39.7-31.3	10-13	76.0-66.0

Colorado Season Highs & Lows

	High	Lows
PTS	82, Montana St. (11/18)	70, Harvard (11/22)
FG Made	27, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	21, Harvard (11/22)
FG Attempted	54, Montana St. (11/18)	40, Harvard (11/22)
Highest FG Pct.	.525, Harvard (11/22)	.481, Montana St. (11/18)
3-Pt. FG Made	10, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	5, Montana St. (11/18)
3-Pt. FG Att.	23, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	18, Montana St. (11/18)
FT Made	25, Montana St. (11/18)	12, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
FT Attempted	34, Montana St. (11/18)	18, Montana St. (11/18)
FT Pct.	.778, Harvard (11/22)	.600, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Offensive Rebs.	8, Montana St. (11/18)	4, Harvard (11/22)
Defensive Rebs.	26, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	22, Montana St. (11/18)
Total Rebs.	31, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	28, Harvard (11/22)
Turnovers	14, Harvard (11/22)	10, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Assists	18, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	14, Montana St. (11/18)
Blocked Shots	2, twice	1, Montana St. (11/18)
Steals	9, Montana St. (11/18)	4, twice

Opponent Season Highs & Lows

	High	Lows
PTS	85, Montana St. (11/18)	56, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
FG Made	29, Montana St. (11/18)	23, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
FG Attempted	59, Montana St. (11/18)	51, Harvard (11/22)
Highest FG Pct.	.492, Montana St. (11/18)	.418, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
3-Pt. FG Made	11, Montana St. (11/18)	4, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
3-Pt. FG Att.	20, Montana St. (11/18)	17, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
FT Made	16, Montana St. (11/18)	4, Harvard (11/22)
FT Attempted	27, Montana St. (11/18)	9, Harvard (11/22)
FT Pct.	.593, Montana St. (11/18)	.429, Harvard (11/22)
Offensive Rebs.	13, Montana St. (11/18)	7, Harvard (11/22)
Defensive Rebs.	26, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	18, Harvard (11/22)
Total Rebs.	38, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)	25, Harvard (11/22)
Turnovers	15, twice	14, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Assists	14, Montana St. (11/18)	9, Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Blocked Shots	3, Montana St. (11/18)	0, Harvard (11/22)
Steals	6, Harvard (11/22)	3, Montana State (11/18)

COLORADO'S RECORD WHEN THE BUFFALOES...

leading opponent at half 1-0
 trailing at the half 1-1
 tied at the half -
 leading in the last 5:00 2-0
 trailing in the last 5:00 0-1
 leading in the last 2:00 2-0
 trailing in the last 2:00 0-1

shoots 60% -
 shoots 56-59% -
 shoots 50-55% 2-0
 shoots 40-49% 0-1

shoots 49.5%+3-pt. -
 shoots 40-49%+ 3-pt. 1-0
 shoots under 39% arc 1-1

scores 80-89 points 0-1
 scores 70-79 points 2-0

Shoot Better than oppt. from 3-pt. arc 2-0
 same as opponent - 3-pt. arc -
 Shoot Better from the free-throw line 2-0
 Same as opponent 0-1

FT shooting 80%+ -
 FT shooting 70%+ 1-1
 FT shooting 60%+ 1-0

fewer turnovers 2-1
 more turnovers -
 same # of turnovers -

out-rebounding oppt. 1-0
 being out-rebounded 1-1
 same rebounds as oppt. -

CU has fewer fouls 2-1
 CU has more fouls -
 same number of fouls -

Two Buffs in double digits
 Three Buffs in double-digits
 Four Buffs in double-digits 2-1
 Five Buffs in double-digits

THE LAST TIME ...20-Point Scorer

21, Cory Higgins, Dwight Thorne vs. Montana St., Nov. 17, 2008

30-Point Scorer

32, Richard Roby, Mar. 13, 2008 vs. Baylor (2ot), Kansas City, Mo.; 31, Marcus Hall, Mar. 1, 2008, Iowa State

40-Point Scorer

46, Donnie Boyce, Mar. 5, 1994 at Oklahoma State

Three 20-point Scorers in Same Game

Feb. 3, 2007 vs. Oklahoma State: Kal Bay (21), Dominique Coleman (20), Richard Roby (20)

Five Double-Figure Scorers in Same Game

Dec. 29, 2007 vs. Grambling State: Richard Roby (25), Cory Higgins (15), Marcus Hall (12), Xavier Silas (10), Dwight Thorne II (10)

Six Double-Figure Scorers in Same Game

Jan. 3, 2007 vs. Central Florida: Kal Bay (21), Marcus King-Stockton (18), Richard Roby (14), Jermyl Jackson-Wilson (13), Dominique Coleman (12), Jeremy Williams (10)

Double-Double Performance

Richard Roby (18 points, 10 rebounds), Mar. 14, 2008 vs. Oklahoma (Kansas City, Mo.)

Triple-Double Performance

David Harrison (20 points, 10 rebounds, 11 blocks), Mar. 8, 2003 vs. Nebraska

Player with 20 or More Rebounds

21, Stephane Pelle, Nov. 24, 2002 vs. Stetson

Player with 15 or More Rebounds

17, Jermyl Jackson-Wilson, Nov. 10, 2006 vs. Denver

Player with 10 or More Assists

10, Marcus Hall, Mar. 13, 2008 vs. Baylor (2ot), Kansas City, Mo.; 10, Marcus Hall, Feb. 14, 2005 vs. South Dakota State

Player with Five or More Steals

6, Marcus Hall, Mar. 4, 2008 at Kansas State

Player with Five or More Three-Point FGs Made

6, Richard Roby, Jan. 25, 2006 vs. Nebraska

Player with Five or More Blocked Shots

5, Marcus King-Stockton, Mar. 14, 2008 vs. Oklahoma (Kansas City, Mo.)

Scored 100 or More Points, Team

116, Jan. 3, 2006 vs. Savannah State (52)

Scored under 50 Points, Team

49, Mar. 14, 2008 vs. Oklahoma (54), Kansas City, Mo.

Scored under 40 Points, Team

35, Mar. 10, 2000 vs. Texas (78), Kansas City, Mo.

Shot 60.0 Percent or Better from the Field, Team

61.7, Jan. 12, 2008 at Texas A&M

Shot Under 35.0 Percent from the Field, Team

34.6, Mar. 14, 2008 vs. Oklahoma (Kansas City, Mo.)

Made 30 or More Free Throws, Team

36, Jan. 3, 2007 vs. Central Florida

Made 10 or more Three-Point Field Goals, Team

10, Nov. 14, 2008 vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff

Had 50 or More Rebounds, Team

51, Feb. 11, 2006 vs. Texas Tech

Had 25 or more assists, Team

27, Jan. 3, 2006 vs. Savannah State

Had 15 or More Steals, Team

19, Jan. 3, 2006 vs. Savannah State

Had 10 or More Blocked Shots, Team

10, Dec. 4, 2006 vs. Pepperdine



JEFF BZDELIK - HEAD COACH

Jeff Bzdelik begins his second year as the University of Colorado men's basketball head coach continuing to build the Buffaloes to greater heights in one of the best basketball conferences nationally.

Bzdelik (buzz-DEL-ik), 55, a man synonymous with success on both the professional and college levels in the state of Colorado, was named the 17th men's basketball head coach on April 4, 2007.

During his first season on the Boulder campus, Bzdelik and his staff saw a mix of positives and negatives in their 12-20 campaign. CU remained competitive despite its lack of depth losing nine games by an average of 4.8 points. The defense allowed opponents an average of 64.4 points per game, its lowest in 46 years, while committing 13.4 turnovers a game – another school-low in 28 years.

Entering the 2008-09 season, CU will again be one of the youngest and most inexperienced team in the Big 12 with five freshmen on the roster, in addition to five sophomores, two juniors and one senior.

Bzdelik came to Colorado from the United States Air Force Academy, where he guided the Falcons to a 50-16 record (a 75.8 winning percentage) in two seasons from 2005-07. During those two seasons he led the Falcons to a 2005-06 NCAA Tournament and a 2006-07 NIT Final Four appearance.

Bzdelik brings 30 years of coaching experience to the Boulder campus from the collegiate to the professional ranks. He returned to the college game in 2005-06 after 15 seasons as both a coach and scout in the NBA, including two-and-a-half seasons as head coach of the Denver Nuggets.

His two-year win total of 50 victories at the Academy was a school-best in any two-year span of the 51-year history of Air Force basketball, while his 26 victories in 2006-07 was also a school high. He's the only coach to have won at least 24 games in back-to-back seasons. Bzdelik guided the Falcons to a 31-1 home record, including a 15-0 mark in 2005-06 and 16-1 in 2006-07.

In 2005-06, Bzdelik led the Falcons to a 24-7 record and the school's fourth appearance ever in the NCAA Tournament. He also led the Falcons to a 12-4 record and second place finish in the Mountain West Conference. Air Force also capped the season leading the nation for the fourth consecutive season in scoring defense.

"Jeff symbolizes all the essential leadership qualities that are important to successfully direct the Buff basketball program and represent the University of Colorado with class and distinction," Bohn said. "His high level of professionalism, competitive spirit, work ethic and integrity makes him the perfect choice for our world class institution."

"With the hiring of Jeff Bzdelik, the University of Colorado at Boulder has made a strong statement about our values as well as our athletic aspirations," said CU Chancellor Bud Peterson. "Coach Bzdelik's experience, commitment to excellence, concern for his players as scholar-athletes, along with his intensity and attention to detail, are a perfect fit for the type of environment we are creating here at CU."

Prior to returning to the college ranks with the Air Force Academy, Bzdelik was the Denver Nuggets head coach for two-and-a-half seasons (2002-2005). He was named head coach in August of 2002 after spending one year as a scout for the Nuggets. Bzdelik engineered one of the biggest turnarounds in NBA history during his second season in 2003-04, leading the Nuggets to the playoffs for the first time since 1994-95 while posting a 43-39 record. The 26-game improvement over the previous year was the sixth-best in NBA history.

Bzdelik also became the first coach in league history (since the adoption of an 82-game schedule) to guide a team to the playoffs the year after winning less than 20 games. In his first season, Bzdelik earned NBA-wide praise for Denver's competitiveness, work ethic and never-give-up attitude. Despite having the youngest team in franchise history, Bzdelik's team shattered the franchise record for scoring defense by more than five points per game, giving up only 92.4 per outing. In addition, the Nuggets led the league in turnovers forced (17.1 per game) and had six of the top 12 marks for single-season scoring defense.

Surprisingly to many, he was let go by the Nuggets after just 28 games into the 2004-05 season, with the team off to a 13-15 start. But that decision would eventually become Air Force's and now Colorado's gain.

From 1995-2001, Bzdelik was an assistant coach under Pat Riley in Miami, holding the title of Assistant Coach/Director of Scouting during the final two years. With the Heat, he was responsible for the preparation of all game plans, video coordination and statistical data as well as player development.

In 2000, he was recognized by *The USA Today* as one of the NBA's top five assistant coaches. In the 1998 Pro Basketball issue of *Sports Illustrated*, he was voted as the NBA's best advance scout by league general managers.

Prior to his tenure with the Heat, Bzdelik spent the 1994-95 season as the lead scout for Riley and the New York Knicks. He also served as an assistant coach with the Washington Bullets from 1988-94 and was Wes Unseld's first assistant in 1993-94. In addition, he coached the Bullets summer league team in 1988 and 1994.

The Illinois native began his coaching career in 1978 at Davidson (N.C.) College. In 1980, he was named an assistant coach at Northwestern University where he spent six seasons and was instrumental in the Wildcats' first NIT appearance in school history.

He then accepted his first head coaching position at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County, one he would handle for two years before moving on to the NBA.

During the 1986-87 season at UMBC, his squad was cited by *The Sporting News* as having "One of College's Biggest Turnarounds," in the school's inaugural season in Division I. After going just 11-44 the previous two seasons as a Division II program before Bzdelik's arrival, UMBC went 12-16 in his first year and 13-15 in 1987-88 in Division I. His teams excelled in the classroom as well, posting a 2.86 grade point average during his tenure.

Bzdelik is a 1976 graduate of the University of Illinois-Chicago, where he earned a bachelor's degree in physical education. He earned four varsity letters in basketball at UIC and was named team MVP as a senior in 1975-76. He still holds the school record for the best free-throw percentage in one season, shooting 88.1 percent (59-for-67) from the line in 1975-76 and still ranks among UIC's all-time leading scorers.

Bzdelik also spent six years in the Army National Guard during the early to mid 1970s.

In June 2008, Bzdelik was one of six coaches invited by the USO (United Service Organizations) to visit and experience the Persian Gulf called "Operation Hoop Talk: Talking Hoops with the Troops."

During the tour, Bzdelik and the coaches visited Bethesda and Walter Reed Hospitals in Washington, D.C., visiting wounded military personnel and toured multiple military posts in Kuwait City and Iraq. The coaches also posed for photos, signed autographs and spent quality time talking with military about the game of basketball, in addition helping boost troop morale bringing a touch of home to those in uniform.

"It keeps things in perspective," said Bzdelik on how the experience affected him. "As a coach you are in awe of the collective will, of sacrificing the individual for the collective good, of unselfishness, and dedication. And the military is the best example of this. I want to rally this message to my team, and hopefully that will help them grow. I would go back tomorrow. There is special spirit there that engulfs one, and you just feel it, and want to be around it."

Bzdelik was born December 1, 1952 and graduated from Prospect High School in Mount Prospect, Ill. He is married to the former Nina Bernardzik, who was a standout volleyball player at UIC from 1974-76 and is a member of the Flames' Athletic Hall of Fame. They are the parents of two children, Brett (19) and Courtney (17).

Hometown

Mount Prospect, Illinois

Education

University of Illinois-Chicago, B.A., Physical Education, 1976

Playing Experience

University of Illinois-Chicago:
Four-year letterwinner; Team MVP, 1976;
School-record holder for single-season
free throw percentage (88 percent)

College Experience

United States Air Force Academy,
Head Coach: 2005-07
University of Maryland-Baltimore County,
Head Coach: 1986-88
Northwestern Univ., Assistant Coach: 1980-86
Davidson College (N.C.), Asst. Coach: 1978-80

Professional Experience

Denver Nuggets, Head Coach: 2002-04.
Denver Nuggets, Scout: 2001-2002.
Miami Heat, Assistant Coach/Director
of Scouting: 1995-2001.

Year	School	Overall Record	Pct.	Conf. Record	Pct.	Highlights
2008-09	Colorado	2-1	.667	-	-	Second Season at Colorado.
2007-08	Colorado	12-20	.375	3-13	.188	First year at CU; First No. 12 seed to beat a No. 5 seed at Big 12 Tournament; Nine of 20 losses an average of 4.8 points. Defense allowed opponents an average 64.4 points per game - lowest in 46 years, while committing 13.4 turnovers a game – another school-low in 28 years.
2006-07	Air Force	26-9	.743	10-6	.625	Guided the Falcons to a 50-16 record (a 75.8 winning percentage) in two seasons from 2005-07; 2006-07 NIT Final Four; two-year win total of 50 victories was a school-best in any two-year span of the 51-year history of Air Force basketball; 26 victories in 2006-07 was also a school-high. Only AFA coach to have won at least 24 games in back-to-back seasons 31-1 home record, including a 15-0 mark in 2005-06 and 16-1 in 2006-07.
2005-06	Air Force	24-7	.774	12-4	.750	Led the Falcons to a 24-7 record and the school's fourth appearance ever in the NCAA Tournament; Air Force also capped the season leading the nation for the fourth consecutive season in scoring defense; 2005-06 NCAA Tournament.
2004-05	Denver (NBA)	13-15	.464	N/A	-	15 seasons as both a coach and scout in the NBA; two-and-a-half seasons as head coach of the Denver Nuggets.
2003-04	Denver (NBA)	43-39	.524	6th/Midwest		engineered one of the biggest turnarounds in NBA history during his second season in 2003-04, leading the Nuggets to the playoffs for the first time since 1994-95 while posting a 43-39 record. The 26-game improvement over the previous year was the sixth-best in NBA history.
2002-03	Denver (NBA)	17-65	.207	7th/Midwest		named head coach in August of 2002 after spending one year as a scout for the Nuggets; youngest team in franchise history, Bzdelik's team shattered the franchise record for scoring defense by more than five points per game, giving up only 92.4 per outing.
1987-88	UM-Balt. County	13-15	.464	-		teams excelled in the classroom as well, posting a 2.86 grade point average during his tenure.
1986-87	UM-Balt. County	12-16	.429	-		cited by <i>The Sporting News</i> as having "One of College's Biggest Turnarounds;" in the school's inaugural season in Division I after going just 11-44 the previous two seasons as a Division II program before Bzdelik's arrival.

Bzdelik's Record vs. All Opponents

Air Force	1-0	George Mason	0-2	Morgan State	1-1	SMU	1-0
American	1-1	George Washington	1-0	Mount Saint Mary's	0-2	St. Francis (PA)	1-0
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	3-0	Georgetown	0-1	Navy	2-1	Stanford	1-1
Austin Peay	1-0	Georgia	1-0	Nebraska	1-1	TCU	3-1
Baylor	1-1	Georgia Tech	1-0	New Mexico	3-1	Tennessee-Chattanooga	0-1
Brooklyn	2-0	Grambling State	1-0	New Mexico State	0-1	Texas	0-1
BYU	1-3	Harvard	1-0	New Orleans	0-1	Texas A&M	0-1
Central Connecticut	2-2	Howard	0-2	Norfolk State	1-0	Texas Pan-American	2-0
Central Florida	1-1	Illinois	0-1	North Carolina State	0-1	Texas Tech	1-1
Clemson	0-1	Iowa State	1-1	Northern Arizona	2-0	The Citadel	0-1
Coast Carolina	0-1	IPFW	2-0	Northern Colorado	1-0	Towson State	0-3
Colorado	1-0	Kansas	0-2	Northern Iowa	0-1	Tulsa	0-1
Colorado Christian	1-0	Kansas State	0-2	Northwestern	0-1	UMES	2-0
Colorado College	1-0	Lafayette	0-0	Ohio State	0-1	UNLV	3-1
Colorado State	5-0	Lamar	1-0	Oklahoma	1-1	Utah	3-1
Colorado-Colorado Springs	1-0	Long Beach State	1-0	Oklahoma State	0-1	Utica	1-1
Coppin State	3-0	Long Island	1-0	Prairie View A&M	0-0	Wake Forest	1-0
Delaware	0-1	Louisiana-Monroe	0-0	Radford	1-1	Washington	0-1
Denver	1-0	Loyola	1-0	Rider	1-0	West Chester	1-0
DePaul	1-0	Maryland	0-1	Robert Morris	1-1	Western State	1-1
Duke	0-1	Miami	1-1	Saint Mary	1-0	Wisconsin	0-1
East Carolina	1-0	Missouri	0-2	San Diego State	2-2	Wright State	1-1
Florida A&M	1-0	Monmouth	1-0	Santa Clara	1-0	Wyoming	3-4
Florida International	1-1	Montana State	0-1	Savannah State	1-0	TOTAL	89-68



Nate Tomlinson

#1

6-2, 180, Fr.

Sydney, Australia

- Tomlinson is CU's first-ever basketball student-athlete from Australia
- starting point-guard
- second on team in assists (12, 4.0 apg.)
- 6.7 ppg.
- led team in assists with five against Harvard

Season Bests

Points

Season 12 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Field Goals

Season 4 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Field Goals Attempts

Season 5 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

3-Pointers Made

Season 4 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

3-Point Attempts

Season 5 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Free Throws

Season 2 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Free Throw Attempts

Season 2 twice
Big 12 -

Rebounds

Season 5 Montana State (11/18)
Big 12 -

Offensive Rebounds

Season 2 Montana State (11/18)
Big 12 -

Defensive Rebounds

Season 4 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Assists

Season 5 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Steals

Season -
Big 12 -

Blocks

Season -
Big 12 -

Minutes

Season 38 Montana State (11/18)
Big 12 -

2008-09 Tomlinson Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	*	33	4-5	4-5	0-0	0-4 4	1	3	0	0	0	12
MONTANA STATE	*	38	2-8	0-2	0-2	2-3 5	4	4	3	0	0	4
HARVARD	*	34	1-2	0-1	2-2	0-1 1	3	5	4	0	0	4



Ryan Kelley

#10

6-2, 185, Fr.

Pomona, Calif.

- A reserve off the bench
- Nephew of former CU great Vince Kelley (1981-84)
- scored first collegiate point against Ark.-Pine Bluff
- handed out his first assist versus Harvard

Season Bests

Points

Season 1 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Field Goals

Season -
Big 12 -

Field Goals Attempts

Season -
Big 12 -

3-Pointers Made

Season -
Big 12 -

3-Point Attempts

Season -
Big 12 -

Free Throws

Season 1 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Free Throw Attempts

Season 2 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Rebounds

Season -
Big 12 -

Offensive Rebounds

Season -
Big 12 -

Defensive Rebounds

Season -
Big 12 -

Assists

Season 1 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Steals

Season -
Big 12 -

Blocks

Season -
Big 12 -

Minutes

Season -
Big 12 -

2008-09 Kelley Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	-	2	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	1
MONTANA STATE	did not play											
HARVARD	-	2	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0



Cory Higgins

#11

6-5, 185, Soph.
Danville, Calif.

- first CU student-athlete to lead the team in rebounds AND assists the first two games of any season since 1973-74; Coors Events Conference Center record (building opened in 1979)
- career-best in free throws made (11) and attempted (14) vs. Montana State
- team leader w/ 15.7 ppg.; 7.3 rpg., 4.7 apg., 2.0 spg.
- also leader in minutes (38.7)

2007-08 NOTES: Started all 32 games • Returns as team leader in points (266), points per game, assists, minutes played, FGs (95) and FG attempts (207)

• Played 35+ minutes, 17 times • Played the sixth most minutes in a season (1074)

• Big 12 averages: 8.8 ppg., 4.3 rpg., 2.5 apg. • 15 games with 5+ rebounds.

20+ points: 1

10+ points: 18

10+ rebounds: 0

5+ assists: 2

Season/Career Bests

Points

Season	21	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	15	at Texas A&M (Jan. 12)
Career	21	Montana State (11/18)

Field Goals

Season	5	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	6	at Texas A&M (Jan. 12)
Career	7	Grambling State (Dec. 29)

Field Goals Attempts

Season	10	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	11	at Kansas State (Mar. 4)
Career	11	twice

3-Pointers Made

Season	1	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	2	four times
Career	2	seven times

3-Point Attempts

Season	4	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	4	six times
Career	4	nine times

Free Throws

Season	11	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	6	at Oklahoma State (Feb. 6)
Career	11	Montana State (11/18)

Free Throw Attempts

Season	14	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	7	twice
Career	14	Montana State (11/18)

Rebounds

Season	7	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	8	three times
Career	8	three times

Offensive Rebounds

Season	2	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	3	at Kansas State (Mar. 4)
Career	3	at Kansas State (Mar. 4)

Defensive Rebounds

Season	8	Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12	8	at Texas (Jan. 19)
Career	8	twice

Assists

Season	6	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	4	twice
Career	7	at Colorado State (Dec. 22)

Steals

Season	4	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	5	at Iowa State (Jan. 29)
Career	5	at Iowa State (Jan. 29)

Blocks

Season	-	
Big 12	1	twice
Career	2	Grambling State (Dec. 29)

Minutes

Season	44	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	46	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	46	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)

2008-09 Higgins Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	*	36	4-10	1-4	3-6	0-6 6	1	6	3	0	1	12
MONTANA STATE	*	44	5-8	0-3	11-14	2-5 7	2	5	4	0	4	21
HARVARD	*	36	3-7	0-3	8-11	1-8 9	2	3	2	0	1	14

Higgins Career & Big 12 Statistics

Career Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	32	32	1074	33.6	95	207	.459	25	75	.333	51	75	.680	23	113	136	4.3	68	0	73	66	11	36	266	8.3

Big 12 Conference Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	16	16	566	35.4	46	108	.426	15	40	.375	33	45	.733	16	53	69	4.3	37	0	35	34	2	19	140	8.8

Big 12 Post-Season Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	2	2	83	41.5	8	12	.667	0	3	.000	5	9	.556	3	13	16	8.0	5	0	5	5	1	0	21	10.5



Dwight Thorne II

#12

6-2, 185, Jr.

Arlington, Texas

- first career 20-point game (21 points) vs. Montana State
- second in team scoring (13.3 ppg.)
- tied for first in 3-pointers (6-of-11), .545 (w/ Crawford)

2007-08 NOTES: played 29 games w/ five starts

- Career-best 5-of-10 FGs w/ three 3-pointers in upset win over Baylor (Mar. 13) at Big 12 tourney
- 18-of-22 FT (.818).

10+ points: 3 total in 2007-08

20+ points: 1 total

10+ rebounds: 0

5+ assists: 1

2008-09 Thorne Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	*	26	3-5	2-4	0-0	1-4 5	3	1	2	0	1	8
MONTANA STATE	*	37	6-10	3-5	6-8	1-4 5	4	3	0	0	1	21
HARVARD	*	32	4-6	1-2	2-3	0-2 2	2	2	3	0	2	11

Season/Career Bests

Points

Season	21	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	14	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	21	Montana State (11/18)

Field Goals

Season	6	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	5	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	6	Montana State (11/18)

Field Goals Attempts

Season	10	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	10	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	10	twice

3-Point Field Goals

Season	3	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	3	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	3	twice

3-Point Field Goal Attempts

Season	5	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	8	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	8	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)

Free Throws

Season	6	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	4	Oklahoma (Feb. 9)
Career	6	Montana State (11/18)

Free Throws Attempts

Season	8	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	4	Oklahoma (Feb. 9)
Career	8	Montana State (11/18)

Rebounds

Season	5	twice
Big 12	4	Kansas (Feb. 2)
Career	6	Colorado Christian (Nov. 20)

Offensive Rebounds

Season	1	twice
Big 12	1	three times
Career	2	twice

Defensive Rebounds

Season	4	twice
Big 12	3	three times
Career	6	Colorado Christian (Nov. 20)

Assists

Season	3	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	3	Kansas State (Feb. 24, 2007)
Career	5	twice

Steals

Season	2	Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12	2	twice
Career	2	five times

Blocks

Season	-	
Big 12	1	at Texas (Jan. 19)
Career	1	three times

Minutes

Season	37	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	38	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)
Career	38	vs. Baylor (Mar. 13)

Thorne II Career & Big 12 statistics

Career Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	29	5	434	15.0	33	82	.402	13	47	.277	18	22	.818	8	26	34	1.2	28	1	26	21	2	11	97	3.3
2006-07	27	2	368	13.6	20	77	.260	7	46	.152	11	16	.688	2	31	33	1.2	36	0	33	28	1	11	58	2.1
TOTALS	56	7	802	14.3	53	159	.333	20	93	.215	29	38	.763	10	57	67	1.2	64	1	59	49	3	22	152	2.7

Big 12 Conference Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	16	5	204	12.8	10	32	.313	6	19	.316	8	11	.727	3	7	10	0.6	12	0	13	8	1	7	34	2.1
2006-07	16	2	232	14.5	19	56	.339	7	30	.233	5	8	.625	0	16	16	1.0	24	0	17	14	0	5	50	3.1
TOTALS	32	7	436	13.6	29	88	.330	13	49	.265	13	19	.684	3	23	26	0.8	36	0	30	22	1	12	84	2.6

Big 12 postseason Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	2	0	62	31.0	7	18	.389	5	15	.333	1	2	.500	0	5	5	2.5	6	1	1	1	0	0	20	10.0
2006-07	1	0	12	12.0	0	1	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0.0
TOTALS	3	0	74	24.7	7	19	.368	5	16	.313	1	2	.500	1	5	6	2.0	8	1	2	3	0	0	20	6.7



Javon Coney

#14

6-3, 200, Soph.

Chicago, Ill.

- Non-scholarship student-athlete
- 14 games played
- Season-best 15 points with three 3-pointers with two steals at Nebraska (Mar. 9).

10+ points: 1

Season/Career Bests

Points

Season	-	
Big 12	15	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	15	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

FG

Season	-	
Big 12	4	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	4	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

FGA

Season	-	
Big 12	5	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	5	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

3-Pt. Made

Season	-	
Big 12	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

3-Pt. FGA

Season	-	
Big 12	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

FT

Season	-	
Big 12	4	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	4	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

FTA

Season	-	
Big 12	4	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	4	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

Rebounds

Season	-	
Big 12	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

Offensive Rebounds

Season	-	
Big 12	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	3	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

Defensive Rebounds

Season	-	
Big 12	2	vs. Oklahoma (March 14, 2008)
Career	2	vs. Oklahoma (March 14, 2008)

Steals

Season	-	
Big 12	2	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	2	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

Minutes

Season	8	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	10	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	10	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)

2008-09 Coney Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	-	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MONTANA STATE	did not play											
HARVARD	did not play											

Coney Career & Big 12 statistics

Career Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	14	0	50	3.6	5	12	.417	3	9	.333	4	4	1.000	3	3	6	0.4	4	0	0	0	0	2	17	1.2

Big 12 Conference Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	8	0	30	3.8	4	9	.444	3	7	.429	4	4	1.000	3	0	3	0.4	4	0	0	0	0	2	15	1.9

Big 12 Post-Season Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	2	0	6	3.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0



Toby Veal

#15

6-7, 225, Fr.

Savannah, Ga.

• first CU mbb student-athlete since Martice Moore, 1996-97 (Atlanta)

2008-09 Veal Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	-	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1 1	0	0	0	0	0	0
MONTANA STATE	did not play											
HARVARD	did not play											

Season Bests

Points

Season -
Big 12 -

Field Goals

Season -
Big 12 -

Field Goals Attempts

Season 1 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/18)
Big 12 -

3-Pointers Made

Season -
Big 12 -

3-Point Attempts

Season -
Big 12 -

Free Throws

Season -
Big 12 -

Free Throw Attempts

Season -
Big 12 -

Rebounds

Season 1 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/18)
Big 12 -

Offensive Rebounds

Season -
Big 12 -

Defensive Rebounds

Season 1 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/18)
Big 12 -

Assists

Season -
Big 12 -

Steals

Season -
Big 12 -

Blocks

Season -
Big 12 -

Minutes

Season 2 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/18)
Big 12 -



Levi Knutson

#24

6-4, 190, Soph.
Littleton, Colo.

- tied career-high w/ 12 points vs. Montana State; in addition to free throws made (4)

2007-08 total: 32 games w/ one start

- Netted double-digits six times
- Big 12 best: 11 pts. on 4-of-7 shooting vs. Baylor (Feb. 27)
- Scored eight or more points 11 times
- Returns with a team-best 27 treys • 22-of-28 FT (.786).

10+ points: 7 times

Season/Career Bests

Points

Season	12	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	11	twice
Career	12	twice

Field Goals

Season	4	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	4	Baylor (Feb. 27)
Career	4	twice

Field Goals Attempts

Season	8	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	7	Baylor (Feb. 27)
Career	10	at Wyoming (Dec. 8)

3-Pointers Made

Season	1	twice
Big 12	2	five times
Career	3	three times

3-Point Attempts

Season	5	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/18)
Big 12	5	three times
Career	8	at Wyoming (Dec. 8)

Free Throws

Season	4	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	2	four times
Career	4	twice

Free Throw Attempts

Season	4	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	2	six times
Career	4	three times

Rebounds

Season	1	three times
Big 12	3	three times
Career	4	SMU (Jan. 4)

Offensive Rebounds

Season	-	
Big 12	1	twice
Career	1	three times

Defensive Rebounds

Season	1	twice
Big 12	3	twice
Career	4	SMU (Jan. 4)

Assists

Season	1	three times
Big 12	3	twice
Career	4	Colorado Christian (Nov. 20)

Steals

Season	1	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	1	twice
Career	1	six times

Blocks

Season	-	
Big 12	-	
Career	1	Savannah State (Nov. 16)

Minutes

Season	22	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	36	twice
Career	36	twice

2008-09 Knutson Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	-	11	1-5	1-5	0-0	0-1 1	0	1	0	0	0	3
MONTANA STATE	-	22	4-8	0-2	4-4	0-1 1	2	1	0	0	1	12
HARVARD	-	21	2-6	1-3	1-1	0-1 1	2	1	0	0	0	6

Knutson Career & Big 12 statistics

Career Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	32	1	584	18.3	49	118	.415	27	81	.333	22	28	.786	3	40	43	1.3	31	0	38	24	1	5	147	4.6

Big 12 Conference Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	16	0	285	17.8	19	57	.333	11	41	.268	10	12	.833	2	16	18	1.1	14	0	18	8	0	1	59	3.7

Big 12 Post-Season Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	2	0	21	10.5	0	4	.000	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	0	3	3	1.5	3	0	2	1	0	1	0	0.0



Andrew Zehnder

#25

6-3, 175, So.

Arvada, Colo.

- Non-scholarship student-athlete
- played seven games a year ago
- Scored five points last season vs. Grambling (Dec. 29) with a 3-pointer.

Season/Career Bests

Points

Season	2	Arkansas-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	-	
Career	5	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)

FG

Season	1	Arkansas-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	-	at Nebraska (March 9, 2008)
Career	2	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)

FGA

Season	1	Arkansas-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	-	
Career	2	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)

3-Pt.

Season	-	
Big 12	-	
Career	1	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)

3-PTA

Season	-	
Big 12	-	
Career	1	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)

Rebounds

Season	-	
Big 12	1	twice
Career	1	twice

Offensive Rebounds

Season	-	
Big 12	1	twice
Career	1	twice

Minutes

Season	2	Arkansas-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	7	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)
Career	7	Grambling State (Dec. 29, 2007)

2008-09 Zehnder Game-by-Game

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Zehnder Career & Big 12 statistics

Career Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	7	0	19	2.7	2	3	.667	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	2	0	2	0.3	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.7

Big 12 Conference Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	4	0	9	2.3	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	0	2	0.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

Big 12 Post-Season Statistics

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Jermyl Jackson-Wilson
#31
6-6, 230, Sr.
Milwaukee, Wis.

- most experienced Buff with 62 games played
- averaging 21.3 minutes, averaging 6.3 ppg., 4.3 rpg.

2007-08: Played in all 32 games w/ 21 starts

- 309 career rebounds (5.2)
- Returns as team leader in FG% (.460), rebounds (142), blocks (26)
- 11 games with six or more rebounds

10+ points: 10 (2006-07), 2 (2007-08) - 12 total

10+ rebounds: 3 (2006-07), 1 (2007-08) - 4 total

5+ assists: 1 (2006-07) - 1 total

5+ blocks: 1 (2006-07) - 1 total

Season/Career Bests

Points

Season	7	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	15	at Texas Tech (Feb. 17, 2007)
Career	16	Wyoming (Nov. 26, 2006)

Field Goals

Season	3	Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12	6	twice
Career	7	Wyoming (Nov. 26, 2006)

Field Goal Attempts

Season	4	twice
Big 12	9	twice
Career	11	Wyoming (Nov. 26, 2006)

Free Throws

Season	3	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	7	Texas A&M (Jan. 13, 2007)
Career	7	twice

Free Throw Attempts

Season	4	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	8	Texas A&M (Jan. 13)
Career	9	Central Florida (Jan. 3)

Rebounds

Season	5	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	11	at Iowa State (Feb. 21, 2007)
Career	17	Denver (Nov. 10, 2006)

Offensive Rebounds

Season	1	twice
Big 12	5	twice
Career	11	Denver (Nov. 10, 2006)

Defensive Rebounds

Season	4	twice
Big 12	10	at Iowa State (Feb. 21, 2007)
Career	10	at Iowa State (Feb. 21, 2007)

Assists

Season	2	Arkansas-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	5	Oklahoma State (Feb. 3, 2007)
Career	5	twice

Steals

Season	-	
Big 12	4	at Kansas State (Mar. 4)
Career	4	at Kansas State (Mar. 4)

Blocks

Season	1	three times
Big 12	2	three times
Career	6	No. Colorado (Dec. 2, 2006)

Minutes

Season	28	Montana State (11/18)
Big 12	35	at Iowa State (Feb. 21, 2007)
Career	35	at Iowa State (Feb. 21, 2007)

2008-09 Jackson-Wilson Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	-	14	2-3	0-0	1-3	1-3 4	2	2	0	1	0	5
MONTANA STATE	-	28	2-4	0-0	3-4	1-4 5	5	1	2	1	0	7
HARVARD	*	22	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-4 4	3	1	2	1	0	6

Jackson-Wilson Career & Big 12 statistics

Career Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	32	21	611	19.1	63	137	.460	0	2	.000	24	45	.533	52	90	142	4.4	93	3	33	45	26	21	150	4.7
2006-07	27	16	626	23.2	81	152	.533	0	0	.000	54	86	.628	71	96	167	6.2	82	1	39	56	27	24	216	8.0
TOTALS	59	37	1237	21.0	144	289	.498	0	2	.000	78	131	.595	123	186	309	5.2	175	4	72	101	53	45	366	6.2

Big 12 Conference Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	16	6	278	17.4	33	63	.524	0	0	.000	15	26	.577	20	39	59	3.7	46	1	14	22	8	11	81	5.1
2006-07	16	7	332	20.8	41	85	.482	0	0	.000	31	48	.646	33	52	85	5.3	47	0	23	32	9	12	113	7.1
TOTALS	32	13	610	19.1	74	148	.500	0	0	.000	46	74	.622	53	91	144	4.5	93	1	37	54	17	23	194	6.1

Big 12 Post-Season Statistics

Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	3FGA	3Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	O	D	T	Avg	PF	FO	A	T	BS	ST	TP	Avg
2007-08	2	2	45	22.5	2	11	.182	0	0	.000	3	4	.750	7	7	14	7.0	10	2	4	4	1	0	7	3.5
2006-07	1	1	24	24.0	6	9	.667	0	0	.000	0	3	.000	1	4	5	5.0	5	1	0	3	0	0	12	12.0
TOTALS	3	3	69	23.0	8	20	.400	0	0	.000	3	7	.429	8	11	19	6.3	15	3	4	7	1	0	19	6.3



Austin Dufault

#33

6-8, 210, Fr.

Killdeer, N.D.

- first CU student-athlete from North Dakota since Ozzie Carlson, 1960-61 (Valley City)

- scored double-digits in his first three collegiate games

- third in scoring 11.7 ppg., averaging 31 minutes a game

2008-09 Dufault Game-by-Game

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK.-PINE BLUFF	*	31	5-11	0-2	3-4	1-3 4	2	2	2	1	0	13
MONTANA STATE	*	37	5-10	1-3	0-0	1-2 3	4	2	2	0	2	11
HARVARD	*	25	2-5	1-3	6-6	2-4 6	1	1	2	0	0	11

Season Bests

Points

Season 13 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Field Goals

Season 5 twice
Big 12 -

Field Goals Attempts

Season 11 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

3-Pointers Made

Season 1 twice
Big 12 -

3-Point Attempts

Season 3 twice
Big 12 -

Free Throws

Season 6 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Free Throw Attempts

Season 6 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Rebounds

Season 6 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Offensive Rebounds

Season 2 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Defensive Rebounds

Season 4 Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12 -

Assists

Season 2 twice
Big 12 -

Steals

Season 2 Montana State (11/18)
Big 12 -

Blocks

Season 1 Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12 -

Minutes

Season 37 Montana State (11/18)
Big 12 -

#34
6-9, 235, RS-So.
Overland Park, Kan.

- career-best 18 pts. off the bench in win over Harvard; also added four 3-pointers
- tied for first in 3-pointers (6-of-11), .545 (w/ Thorne)
- scored 14 points in his CU debut, tying Jermyl Jackson-Wilson's debut of 14 back in 2006-07. The 14 points is a CU high by a transfer or freshman in a debut over the last four years.

2006-07: Played just one season at Wake Forest before opting to transfer ... played in nine games as a freshman.

Named the Gatorade Player of the Year in the state of Kansas his senior year of high school

Game	GS	Min	FGs	3FGs	FTs	O-D-R	Pf	A	To	BL	ST	Pts
ARK-PINE BLUFF	*	19	6-8	2-3	0-1	2-0-2	2	3	1	0	2	14
MONTANA STATE	*	10	1-3	0-1	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	0	1	2
HARVARD	*	28	6-10	4-7	2-2	1-3-4	1	0	1	1	1	18

Season	14	Ark.-Pine Bluff (11/14)
Big 12	-	



#55
6-9, 225, Fr.
Englewood, Colo.

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Season	28	Harvard (Nov. 22)
Big 12	-	

- Youngest scholarship student-athlete in the Big12
- Another CU big man that can shoot, pass and dribble.
- averaging 11.5 minutes a game
- 4.0 ppg., 2.0 rpg.

Game #1, Nov. 14
vs. ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF

BOULDER - Sophomore Casey Crawford and freshman Austin Dufault scored 14 and 13 points, respectively leading the Colorado men's basketball team to a 76-56 season opening victory over Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

"It was what I hoped would happen," said CU head coach Jeff Bzdelik. "This team is unselfish; you just have to look at the box score and see that four players were in double digits."

"They are passionate and they are coachable. They are extremely young and we are going to be all over the map this year. I think that we need to rebound better and make more free throws, but those things are all correctable and we will continue to work on them."

With 10 underclassmen on its roster — five freshmen and five sophomores — Colorado headed into the season with one of the youngest teams in school history, and youth figured prominently in the Buffaloes strong start.

Nate Tomlinson, part of a starting lineup that included two freshmen, two sophomores and a junior, added 12 points in his first college game. Cory Higgins also had 12 points and a team-high six assists for CU, which opened a 40-20 halftime lead. Colorado outscored the Golden Lions 19-5 over the final 7:07 of the first session with Tomlinson, Higgins and Crawford all hitting 3's during the run.

Lebaron Weathers led Arkansas-Pine Bluff with game-high 22 points. Tavaris Washington added 18 points despite fouling out with 4:27 remaining.

CU shot 50% from the field in both halves (51.9% for the game). The Buffaloes made 10 three-pointers from the new NCAA 3-point line of 20'9", one of the new NCAA rule changes instituted for the 2008-09 season.

The 10 three-pointers are the most for the CU team since making ten against Oklahoma State Feb. 3, 2007. CU also added 18 assists to their 27 field goals made for the game

Game #2, Nov. 18
vs. MONTANA STATE

BOULDER - Senior Dwight Thorne II and sophomore Cory Higgins each scored 21 points, however CU's rally fell short in overtime as the visiting Montana State Bobcats escaped with an 85-82 overtime win in Boulder.

"Give Montana State credit," said CU head coach Jeff Bzdelik. "I think we were soft on defense, and soft rebounding the ball. And that was what we talked about all week when game planning. I think that the team learned a lesson about the intensity level that needs to be exhibited all the time on defense and on the boards."

Colorado drops to 1-1 on the young season and the Bobcats improved to 1-1.

Levi Knutson added 12 points and Austin Dufault tallied 11 points for the Buffs. Higgins also had a game-high five assists, four steals and grabbed a team-high seven rebounds.

Jermyl Jackson-Wilson and Nate Tomlinson each added five rebounds for CU.

Marquis Navarre's runner in the lane with 52.7 seconds remaining in the extra period broke a tie at 80, sending the Bobcats to their sixth straight win over the Buffaloes.

MSU has won the last six meetings in the series dating back to 1924. CU won the first meeting in 1924, however the Bobcats won three times in the 1930's, once in Boulder (1994) and the most recent, 1998 played in Billings.

The Buffaloes trailed by as many as 15 points in the second half, before rallying to tie it late in regulation on a Knutson drive with 15 seconds remaining. In the extra session, Thorne opened up the scoring for CU with a three-pointer, however MSU's Bobby Howard (24 points) hit a three-pointer - their 11th of the game, to tie it at 78.

After the teams traded points, making it 80-80, Montana State finally pushed ahead on a pair of free throws by Danny Piepoli (19 points) giving MSU the lead they would not relinquish.

Game #3, Nov. 22
vs. HARVARD

BOULDER - Redshirt-sophomore Casey Crawford came off the bench to score a career-high 18 points leading the University of Colorado men's basketball team to a 70-57 win over the Harvard Crimson.

This is the first time in 60 years that the two teams have played one another. Colorado now owns a 2-0 record against the Crimson (1-1).

Crawford scored 14 of his team-high 18 points in the second half and added a personal-best four three-pointers. Sophomore Cory Higgins added 14 points and grabbed nine rebounds (the third straight game he has led the team in rebounds) for the home team that saw balanced scoring sending four players in double digits for the third straight game.

Junior Dwight Thorne II and freshman Austin Dufault each added 11 for the Buffs (2-1).

"Winning is a byproduct of getting better," said CU head coach Jeff Bzdelik. "I'm not worried about winning or losing right now because the results will be there as we continue to get better. I tell them to be fearless. I'm not going to get mad if you miss a shot or try to do the right thing with effort. I want them to be fearless. They are a very unselfish team."

Colorado made a season best 52.5 percent (21-of-40) from the field and hit 77.8 percent (21-of-27) from the free throw line. CU also out-rebounded Harvard, 28-25, a season-first out-rebounding their opponent.

Harvard led at the break holding a 34-29 edge on 52 percent from the field (14-of-25) led by Linn's seven points and career-best three steals. Linn had five for the game.

CU mounted its comeback with under 12 minutes to play when Dufault scored five of his 11 points cutting CU's deficit to 47-45.

With 6:57 remaining, a three-point play by sophomore Levi Knutson tied it at 49, tying the game for the fifth and final time as the home finally pushed ahead to stay. A three-pointer by Thorne 26 seconds later, then a three-point play by Higgins on CU's next possession pushed the advantage to six points and a 55-49 lead.

CU out-scored Harvard, 41-23 in the second half.

Harvard lived-and-died with the 3-pointer, making 4-of-9 in the first half, helping the Crimson shoot 56 percent from the field (14-of-25). In the second half, Harvard only shot 1-of-8 from the arc ending up with 29.4 percent for the game.

The Crimson was led by Keith Wright with a career-high 18 points and six rebounds, while Lin added 11 points. The Crimson led by as many as nine points in the second half.

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics
Arkansas-Pine Bluff vs Colorado
11/14/08 8:30 p.m. at Coors Events Center (Boulder, Colo.)

Arkansas-Pine Bluff 56 • 0-1

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	Rebounds									Min	
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def	Tot	PF	TP	A	TO	Blk		Stl
35	Weathers, Lebaron	f	9-18	3-7	1-1	1	9	10	3	22	1	2	2	0	34
50	Barnett, Hugh	f	1-7	0-0	1-3	3	6	9	2	3	0	1	0	0	20
14	Calvin, Terrance	g	4-7	1-2	0-0	0	4	4	5	9	3	1	0	2	27
21	Washington, Tavaris	g	7-11	0-3	4-7	4	3	7	5	18	0	3	0	0	29
23	Townsend, Savalance	g	0-2	0-2	0-1	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	28
10	Ootsey, Antonio		1-4	0-2	0-2	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	1	11
22	Davis, George		0-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	18
24	Livisay, Nicholas		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
25	Lasker, Antoni		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	12
30	Montgomery, Gavin		1-3	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	12
42	Norman, Cory		0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	5
52	Kennedy, Terrell		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Team						1	1	2							
Totals			23-55	4-17	6-14	12	26	38	19	56	9	14	2	4	200

FG % 1st Half: 7-23 30.4% 2nd half: 16-32 50.0% Game: 23-55 41.8%
 3FG % 1st Half: 1-8 12.5% 2nd half: 3-9 33.3% Game: 4-17 23.5%
 FT % 1st Half: 5-9 55.6% 2nd half: 1-5 20.0% Game: 6-14 42.9%

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##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min	
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Off	Def								Tot
33	Dufault, Austin	f	5-11	0-2	3-4	1	3	4	2	13	2	2	1	0	31
34	Crawford, Casey	f	6-8	2-3	0-1	2	0	2	2	14	3	1	0	2	19
01	Tomlinson, Nate	g	4-5	4-5	0-0	0	4	4	1	12	3	0	0	0	33
11	Higgins, Cory	g	4-10	1-4	3-6	0	6	6	1	12	6	3	0	1	36
12	Thorne II, Dwight	g	3-5	2-4	0-0	1	4	5	3	8	1	2	0	1	26
03	Favaro, Matt		0-0	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	2
10	Kelley, Ryan		0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
14	Coney, Javon		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
15	Veal, Toby		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
24	Knutson, Levi		1-5	1-5	0-0	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	11
25	Zehnder, Andrew		1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
31	Jackson-Wilson,Jermy		2-3	0-0	1-3	1	3	4	2	5	2	0	1	0	14
55	Eckloff, Trey		1-3	0-0	2-2	0	2	2	3	4	0	1	0	0	14
Team						0	2	2							
Totals			27-52	10-23	12-20	5	26	31	15	76	18	10	2	4	200

FG % 1st Half: 14-27 51.9% 2nd half: 13-25 52.0% Game: 27-52 51.9%
 3FG % 1st Half: 6-13 46.2% 2nd half: 4-10 40.0% Game: 10-23 43.5%
 FT % 1st Half: 6-10 60.0% 2nd half: 6-10 60.0% Game: 12-20 60.0%

Deadball
Rebounds
2

Officials: Brent Meaux, K.C. Ely, Dan Nowakowski

Technical fouls: Arkansas-Pine Bluff-None. Colorado-None.

Attendance: 5689

season opener for both schools

04:27 second half- #21 Tavaris Washington (APB) fouled out

00:20 second half- #14 Terrance Calvin (APB) fouled out

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	20	36	56
Colorado	40	36	76

	In	Off	2nd	Fast	
Points	Paint	T/O	Chance	Break	Bench
ARKPB	24	11	11	2	4
CU	20	16	4	0	17

Last FG - ARKPB 2nd-00:04, CU 2nd-00:00.

Largest lead - ARKPB by 3 1st-19:00, CU by 24 2nd-04:27.

Score tied - 1 time.

Lead changed - 1 time.

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics

Montana State vs Colorado

11/18/08 7:00 p.m. at Boulder, Colo.

Montana State 85 • 1-1

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
42	Johnson, Branden	f	0-2	0-2	2-3	1	2	3	1	2	0	1	0	1	20
32	Mbunga, Divaldo	c	4-8	0-0	5-6	4	4	8	2	13	2	0	3	0	38
03	Navarre, Marquis	g	1-3	0-1	3-4	0	1	1	4	5	6	4	0	0	27
20	Bynum, Will	g	2-6	0-0	1-2	0	1	1	4	5	1	0	0	0	20
23	Rush, Eric	g	5-13	1-3	1-1	5	4	9	4	12	0	1	0	2	28
01	Brown, Austin		2-2	1-1	0-0	0	2	2	4	5	0	0	0	0	8
04	Hennessy, James		0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	3	2	0	0	16
15	Howard, Bobby		9-14	5-7	1-7	3	6	9	3	24	0	3	0	0	33
33	Piepoli, Danny		6-10	4-6	3-4	0	2	2	3	19	2	4	0	0	35
	Team					0	1	1							
	Totals		29-59	11-20	16-27	13	24	37	27	85	14	15	3	3	225

FG % 1st Half: 13-33 39.4% 2nd half: 14-23 60.9% OT: 2-3 66.7% Game: 29-59 49.2% Deadball
 3FG % 1st Half: 7-13 53.8% 2nd half: 3-5 60.0% OT: 1-2 50.0% Game: 11-20 55.0% Rebounds
 FT % 1st Half: 4-4 100.0 2nd half: 4-11 36.4% OT: 8-12 66.7% Game: 16-27 59.3% 6

Colorado 82 • 1-1

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
33	Dufault, Austin	f	5-10	1-3	0-0	1	2	3	4	11	2	2	0	2	37
34	Crawford, Casey	f	1-3	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	10
01	Tomlinson, Nate	g	2-8	0-2	0-2	2	3	5	4	4	4	3	0	0	38
11	Higgins, Cory	g	5-8	0-3	11-14	2	5	7	2	21	5	4	0	4	44
12	Thorne II, Dwight	g	6-10	3-5	6-8	1	4	5	4	21	3	0	0	1	37
14	Coney, Javon		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+
24	Knutson, Levi		4-8	0-2	4-4	0	1	1	2	12	1	0	0	1	22
31	Jackson-Wilson, Jermy		2-4	0-0	3-4	1	4	5	5	7	1	2	1	0	28
55	Eckloff, Trey		1-3	1-2	1-2	0	2	2	1	4	0	0	0	0	9
	Team					1	0	1							
	Totals		26-54	5-18	25-34	8	22	30	22	82	16	11	1	9	225

FG % 1st Half: 9-23 39.1% 2nd half: 14-25 56.0% OT: 3-6 50.0% Game: 26-54 48.1% Deadball
 3FG % 1st Half: 1-8 12.5% 2nd half: 3-7 42.9% OT: 1-3 33.3% Game: 5-18 27.8% Rebounds
 FT % 1st Half: 11-14 78.6% 2nd half: 11-12 91.7% OT: 3-8 37.5% Game: 25-34 73.5% 5

Officials: Doug Shows, Kevin Mathis, Rick Randall
 Technical fouls: Montana State-None. Colorado-None.
 Attendance: 2058
 1:32 OT- Jermyl Jackson-Wilson #31 (CU) fouled out

Score by periods	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Montana State	37	35	13	85
Colorado	30	42	10	82

Points	In Paint	Off T/O	2nd Chance	Fast Break	Bench
MSU	30	11	15	0	48
CU	32	16	4	8	23

Last FG - MSU OT-00:54, CU OT-00:10.
 Largest lead - MSU by 15 2nd-16:10, CU by 3 OT-04:37.

Score tied - 5 times.
 Lead changed - 5 times.

Official Basketball Box Score -- Game Totals -- Final Statistics

Harvard vs Colorado

11/22/08 2:05 p.m. at Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

Harvard 57 • 1-1

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
24	Miller, Doug	f	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	15
42	Wright, Keith	f	9-15	0-0	0-1	4	2	6	2	18	2	2	0	0	33
04	Lin, Jeremy	g	4-11	1-3	2-3	1	3	4	4	11	4	2	0	5	31
11	McNally, Oliver	g	2-4	0-1	2-3	0	1	1	2	6	0	1	0	0	30
23	Kenyi, Max	g	4-9	1-3	0-0	0	2	2	5	9	0	2	0	0	30
03	McGeary, Dan		2-5	1-4	0-0	0	2	2	3	5	1	0	0	0	19
10	Housman, Drew		1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	2	1	3	0	1	11
13	Boehm, Peter		2-6	2-6	0-0	1	1	2	4	6	2	2	0	0	25
22	Harris, Evan		0-0	0-0	0-2	0	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	6
Team						1	2	3				2			
Totals			24-51	5-17	4-9	7	18	25	25	57	10	15	0	6	200

FG % 1st Half: 14-25 56.0% 2nd half: 10-26 38.5% Game: 24-51 47.1%
 3FG % 1st Half: 4-9 44.4% 2nd half: 1-8 12.5% Game: 5-17 29.4%
 FT % 1st Half: 2-2 100.0 2nd half: 2-7 28.6% Game: 4-9 44.4%

Deadball
Rebounds
1

Colorado 70 • 2-1

##	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
31	Jackson-Wilson, Jermy	f	3-4	0-0	0-0	0	4	4	3	6	1	2	1	0	22
33	Dufault, Austin	f	2-5	1-3	6-6	2	4	6	1	11	1	2	0	0	25
01	Tomlinson, Nate	g	1-2	0-1	2-2	0	1	1	3	4	5	4	0	0	34
11	Higgins, Cory	g	3-7	0-3	8-11	1	8	9	2	14	3	2	0	1	36
12	Thorne II, Dwight	g	4-6	1-2	2-3	0	2	2	2	11	2	3	0	2	32
10	Kelley, Ryan		0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	2
24	Knutson, Levi		2-6	1-3	1-1	0	1	1	2	6	1	0	0	0	21
34	Crawford, Casey		6-10	4-7	2-2	1	3	4	1	18	0	1	1	1	28
Team						0	1	1							
Totals			21-40	7-19	21-27	4	24	28	16	70	14	14	2	4	200

FG % 1st Half: 10-18 55.6% 2nd half: 11-22 50.0% Game: 21-40 52.5%
 3FG % 1st Half: 5-11 45.5% 2nd half: 2-8 25.0% Game: 7-19 36.8%
 FT % 1st Half: 4-7 57.1% 2nd half: 17-20 85.0% Game: 21-27 77.8%

Deadball
Rebounds
3

Officials: Dan Chrisman, Randy Heimerman, Rodrick Dixon

Technical fouls: Harvard-None. Colorado-None.

Attendance: 2957

03:30 second half- Max Kenyi (#23) fouled out

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
Harvard	34	23	57
Colorado	29	41	70

	In Paint	Off T/O	2nd Chance	Fast Break	Bench
Points HARVAR CU	32 22	13 19	4 4	8 0	13 24

Last FG - HARVARD 2nd-00:06, CU 2nd-00:16.
 Largest lead - HARVARD by 9 2nd-14:59, CU by 15 2nd-00:16.

Score tied - 5 times.
 Lead changed - 5 times.

2008-09 Colorado MBB Statistics
Colorado Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 23, 2008)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-0

##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	pct	3fg-fga	pct	ft-fga	pct	off	def	tot	avg								
11	Higgins, Cory	3-3	116	38.7	12-25	.480	1-10	.100	22-31	.710	3	19	22	7.3	5	0	14	9	0	6	47	15.7
12	Thorne II, Dwight	3-3	95	31.7	13-21	.619	6-11	.545	8-11	.727	2	10	12	4.0	9	0	6	5	0	4	40	13.3
33	Dufault, Austin	3-3	93	31.0	12-26	.462	2-8	.250	9-10	.900	4	9	13	4.3	7	0	5	6	1	2	35	11.7
34	Crawford, Casey	3-2	57	19.0	13-21	.619	6-11	.545	2-3	.667	3	4	7	2.3	3	0	3	2	1	4	34	11.3
24	Knutson, Levi	3-0	54	18.0	7-19	.368	2-10	.200	5-5	1.000	0	3	3	1.0	4	0	3	0	0	1	21	7.0
01	Tomlinson, Nate	3-3	105	35.0	7-15	.467	4-8	.500	2-4	.500	2	8	10	3.3	8	0	12	7	0	0	20	6.7
31	Jackson-Wilson, Jermy	3-1	64	21.3	7-11	.636	0-0	.000	4-7	.571	2	11	13	4.3	10	1	4	4	3	0	18	6.0
55	Eckloff, Trey	2-0	23	11.5	2-6	.333	1-2	.500	3-4	.750	0	4	4	2.0	4	0	0	1	0	0	8	4.0
25	Zehnder, Andrew	1-0	2	2.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
03	Favaro, Matt	1-0	2	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
10	Kelley, Ryan	2-0	4	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	0.5
14	Coney, Javon	2-0	8	4.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
15	Veal, Toby	1-0	2	2.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											1	3	4									
Total.....		3	625		74-146	.507	22-60	.367	58-81	.716	17	72	89	29.7	53	1	48	35	5	17	228	76.0
Opponents.....		3	625		76-165	.461	20-54	.370	26-50	.520	32	68	100	33.3	71	-	33	44	5	13	198	66.0

TEAM STATISTICS	CU	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
SCORING	228	198	11/14/08	ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF	W 76-56	5689
Points per game	76.0	66.0	11/18/08	MONTANA STATE	Lot 82-85	2058
Scoring margin	+10.0	-	11/22/08	HARVARD	W 70-57	2957
FIELD GOALS-ATT	74-146	76-165	* - Conference game			
Field goal pct	.507	.461				
3 POINT FG-ATT	22-60	20-54				
3-point FG pct	.367	.370				
3-pt FG made per game	7.3	6.7				
FREE THROWS-ATT	58-81	26-50				
Free throw pct	.716	.520				
F-Throws made per game	19.3	8.7				
REBOUNDS	89	100				
Rebounds per game	29.7	33.3				
Rebounding margin	-3.7	-				
ASSISTS	48	33				
Assists per game	16.0	11.0				
TURNOVERS	35	44				
Turnovers per game	11.7	14.7				
Turnover margin	+3.0	-				
Assist/turnover ratio	1.4	0.8				
STEALS	17	13				
Steals per game	5.7	4.3				
BLOCKS	5	5				
Blocks per game	1.7	1.7				
ATTENDANCE	10704	0				
Home games-Avg/Game	3-3568	0-0				
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0				

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Totals
Colorado	99	119	10	228
Opponents	91	94	13	198