

2003-04 GAME BY GAME RECAPS

GAME #1

Nov. 15, 2003
at Romeoville, Ill. (656)

Ferris State	36	27	-	63
Lewis (Ill.)	42	34	-	76

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	36.7	40.7	50.0	23	14	21
LU	52.2	50.0	67.9	43	26	15

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Thomas, 19	Shanahan, 7
LU	McGhee, 16	Holmes, 12

Notes: FSU led by as many as eight points in the first half before Lewis stormed back in the Bulldogs' 76th season opener.

GAME #4

Nov. 22, 2003
at Grand Rapids, Mich. (400)

Ferris State	44	33	-	77
Cornerstone	45	36	-	81

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	35.9	34.6	75.0	39	16	19
CU	51.9	61.5	73.9	44	21	16

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Thomas, 26	Corey Epps, 7
CU	Freund, 20	Wurn, 7

Notes: Despite a game-high 26 points from Willie Thomas, the Golden Eagles pulled out a victory in the consolation game of their tourney.

GAME #7

Dec. 11, 2003
at Big Rapids, Mich. (581)

Lake Superior State	20	45	-	65
Ferris State	38	50	-	88

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	47.6	36.8	30.0	50	9	21
LSSU	35.6	23.5	73.1	38	16	13

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Thomas, 27	Thomas, 9
LSSU	Jamison, 25	Jamison, 10

Notes: Ferris posted its second consecutive win by outscoring LSSU 38-20 in the first half at Big Rapids (Mich.) High School.

GAME #10

Dec. 20, 2003
at Evansville, Ind. (2,200)

Ferris State	43	19	-	62
Southern Indiana	36	53	-	89

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	36.7	44.4	60.0	26	25	22
USI	59.3	30.0	65.5	42	23	10

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Thomas, 29	Shaw, 4
USI	Oden, 20	Harris, 9

Notes: FSU took a seven-point halftime lead at top-ranked USI before falling in the Sprint PCS/Southern Indiana Challenge.

GAME #2

Nov. 17, 2003
at Mount Pleasant, Mich. (2,575)

Ferris State	33	25	-	58
Central Michigan	33	40	-	73

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	35.6	05.6	93.8	37	25	16
CMU	48.3	38.1	64.3	36	24	15

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Corey Epps, 12	Thomas, 9
CMU	Brigitha, 18	Brigitha, 8

Notes: Ferris led by 12 points six minutes into the game but the NCAA-I Chippewas responded to win in the first series' meeting since 1990.

GAME #5

Dec. 4, 2003
at Findlay, Ohio (500)

Ferris State	37	21	-	58
Findlay	28	41	-	69

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	36.7	35.7	44.4	36	21	26
UF	41.8	5.9	68.8	42	16	12

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Two Tied, 12	Shanahan, 10
UF	Pfeifer, 15	Rethman, 9

Notes: Ninth-ranked Findlay went on an 18-0 run in the second half to edge FSU, which led by nine points at halftime.

GAME #8

Dec. 13, 2003
at University Center, Mich. (401)

Ferris State	39	49	-	88
Saginaw Valley State	29	47	-	76

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	42.9	42.1	73.7	46	14	16
SVSU	50.0	33.3	64.7	35	24	15

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Thomas, 29	Shaw, 8
SVSU	Brown, 25	Brown, 10

Notes: Ferris ran its winning streak to three straight games as senior Willie Thomas hit seven treys and the Bulldogs forced 24 miscues.

GAME #11

Dec. 29, 2003
at Erie, Pa. (301)

Ferris State	45	34	-	79
Cheyney (Pa.)	35	55	-	90

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	37.7	34.4	52.6	36	12	23
CU	52.7	43.8	75.8	45	18	13

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Thomas, 25	Daniels, 7
CU	Gloster, 26	Frazier, 10

Notes: The Bulldogs dropped their opening game in the 30th annual Porreco Cup at Gannon University's Hammermill Center.

GAME #3

Nov. 21, 2003
at Grand Rapids, Mich. (200)

Ferris State	48	25	-	73
St. Xavier (Ill.)	39	35	-	74

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	43.1	36.0	61.5	26	9	21
SXU	55.6	61.5	64.0	38	22	19

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Springs, 13	Carlton Epps, 7
SXU	Telander, 25	Regan/Watson, 7

Notes: The Bulldogs led by 17 points in the first game of the Cornerstone Classic before the Cougars rallied at Byron Center High School.

GAME #6

Dec. 6, 2003
at Ashland, Ohio (750)

Ferris State	46	40	-	86
Ashland	35	31	-	66

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	49.3	52.6	90.9	41	22	20
AU	44.1	36.8	46.7	33	24	15

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Carlton Epps, 26	Shanahan, 14
AU	Emmons, 18	Emmons, 7

Notes: The Bulldogs won their first game of the year against the Eagles, who gave up 16 offensive boards in the league tilt.

GAME #9

Dec. 19, 2003
at Evansville, Ind. (500)

Ferris State	27	50	-	77
Indianapolis	37	53	-	90

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	44.3	45.8	70.6	30	19	24
Indy	49.1	43.3	77.8	36	22	12

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Carlton Epps, 22	Shaw, 5
Indy	Logan, 27	Wright, 13

Notes: Nationally-ranked Indianapolis took a 10-point halftime advantage and beat FSU at the Sprint PCS/Southern Indiana Challenge.

GAME #12

Dec. 30, 2003
at Erie, Pa. (296)

Ferris State	38	36	10	-	84
Glennville State	36	38	14	-	88

Stats	FG%	3PT%	FT%	Reb.	TO	F
FSU	59.3	52.4	50.0	28	15	22
GSC	60.0	46.7	70.0	25	11	12

Leaders	Points	Rebounds
FSU	Carlton Epps, 24	Thomas, 6
GSC	Burge, 27	Taylor, 5

Notes: Ferris lost an overtime decision in the consolation game of the Porreco Cup to Glennville State (W.Va.).