



2009 HORNET BASEBALL

**#3 Emporia State Hornets (35-6, 23-3 MIAA) at
Pittsburg State (10-28, 7-17 MIAA)**

April 15 • 3 p.m. • Pittsburg, Kan. • Al Ortolani Field

Radio: None **Internet:** None

Series Record: ESU leads 50-29 **Last Meeting:** at ESU 14, PSU 10 (4/8/09)
Up Next: vs. Sterling • April 21 • 6 p.m. • Emporia, Kan. • Glennen Field (500)

2009 Schedule and Results

35-6, 23-3 MIAA

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 10	at Southwestern Oklahoma St.	W, 19-9
Feb. 14	at Regis	L, 14-18
Feb. 15	at Regis (DH)	L, 2-10; W, 10-9
Feb. 17	at Central Oklahoma	W, 18-13
Feb. 20	at Colorado Mines	W, 6-1
Feb. 21	at Colorado Mines (DH)	W, 18-4; W, 11-0
Feb. 22	at Colorado Mines	W, 19-2
Feb. 24	Newman	W, 20-9
March 2	NW Missouri (DH)	W, 3-0; W, 10-9 (11)
March 3	at Newman	L, 9-11
March 6	Nebraska-Omaha	W, 7-5
March 7	Nebraska-Omaha (DH)	L, 3-4, W, 5-3
March 8	Nebraska-Omaha	W, 5-4
March 10	Bemidji State	W, 6-2
March 13	Fort Hays State	W, 5-1
March 14	Fort Hays State (DH)	W, 10-0; W, 6-5
March 15	Fort Hays State	W, 11-3
March 17	Central Oklahoma	W, 3-2
March 20	at Central Missouri	L, 3-7
March 21	at Central Missouri (DH)	W, 2-1; W, 6-2 (8)
March 22	at Central Missouri	W, 7-5
March 25	vs. Wayne State^	W, 7-1
March 30	Washburn (DH) *Hays, Kan.	W, 10-1; W, 9-8
April 1	Bethany	W, 12-9
April 5	Missouri Western (DH)	L, 2-9; W, 9-5
April 6	Missouri Western (DH)	W, 6-2; W, 10-0 (7)
April 8	Pittsburg State (DH)	W, 14-2; W, 14-10
April 10	at Truman (DH)	W, 12-4; W, 18-8
April 11	at Truman (DH)	W, 16-0; W, 5-1
April 15	at Pittsburg State (DH)	3 p.m.
April 21	Sterling	6 p.m.
April 24	at Missouri Southern	6 p.m.
April 25	at Missouri Southern (DH)	1 p.m.
April 26	at Missouri Southern	12 noon
May 1	Southwest Baptist (DH)	4 p.m.
May 2	Southwest Baptist (DH)	12 noon
May 8-10	MIAA Tournament (Kansas City)	TBA
May 14-17	NCAA South Central Regional	TBA

Home games in all Bold are played at GLENNEN FIELD in the Trusler Sports Complex

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JUNGLE SAFARI

ESU will travel to Pittsburg, Kan. for a mid-week match-up with the Gorillas. The Hornets have won nine straight and 16 of their last 17 games.

LAST AT-BAT

#5 Emporia State pitchers combined to strike out 32 batters through 16 innings to cruise to 16-0 and 5-1 victories over Truman. At the plate ESU put together 29 hits including two home runs and three doubles. In game one, Tyler Applehans was the highlight on the mound pitching a complete game shutout through seven in the 16-0 win. He struck out a career high 17 batters while allowing only two hits.

In game two Colby Killian pitching 7.0 innings and struck out a career high 11 to earn his fourth win and second straight in the 5-1 win.

THE COACHES

Bob Fornelli is 251-95 in his sixth season at ESU and is 557-208 overall in his 13th year as a head coach. He has led ESU to two of the last three MIAA Championships and the 2007 MIAA Tourney title. A 1991 graduate of ESU, Fornelli has taken teams to the NCAA tournament ten times, including his first five years at ESU, and was the national runner-up in 2000 while at FHSU.

Steve Bever is 505-431 in his 19th season with the Gorillas.

SCOUTING REPORT

Pittsburg State is 10-28 on the year with a 7-17 record in the MIAA. They are hitting .279 as a team entering the week. They are led by Austin Kirkwood who is hitting .349 with four home runs and 24 RBI. Jason Murphy is hitting .325 with a team leading six home runs. The Gorilla pitching staff enters the double header with 7.61 ERA. Tim Brown is 6-3 with a 3.81 ERA on the season.

THE SERIES

ESU leads the overall series 50-29 after sweeping the Gorillas in Emporia earlier this season. They have now won 14 of the last 15 meetings.

LAST TIME THEY PLAYED

The #5 Emporia State baseball team swept a mid-week double-header with Pittsburg State 14-2 and 14-10 wins. ESU managed 29 hits 11 of which were for extra bases including three home runs. In game two ESU trailed 9-4 at one point before roaring back to take a 14-10 victory. Chris Dobler hit a grand slam in the first inning and finished two of five with four RBI. Andy Cotton went four for four and added two RBI along with Caleb Williamson who also added two. Austin Anderson pitched 5.1 innings in relief to pick up the win.

ON DECK

ESU will return home to face Sterling on April 21 at 6 p.m. from Glennen Field.

ESU Probable Line-up

Line-up	No	Name	Yr.	B/T	BA	HR	RBI	SB	Hometown	
1	CF	4	Conner Crumbliss	Sr.	L/R	.402	4	39	21	Arkansas City, Kan.
2	LF	3	Jeremy Francis	Jr.	R/R	.381	3	33	16	Emporia, Kan.
3	1B	32	Kenny Burkhead	Jr.	R/R	.413	5	58	19	Berryton, Kan.
4	DH	8	Marc Albers	Jr.	R/R	.319	2	9	1	Lawrence, Kan.
or	DH	7	Chris Dobler	Sr.	L/L	.371	2	13	3	Topeka, Kan.
5	2B	6	Anthony Dreiling	Sr.	R/R	.297	3	33	7	Lawrence, Kan.
6	C	27	Mike Sharp	Sr.	R/R	.387	9	43	3	Liberty, Mo.
7	3B	1	Kevin Wempe	So.	R/R	.272	4	26	5	Topeka, Kan.
8	RF	22	Caleb Williamson	Sr.	R/R	.283	2	14	5	Baxter Springs, Kan.
9	SS	10	Andy Cotton	So.	R/R	.342	1	23	3	Lincoln, Neb.

Starting Pitchers

Pos	No	Name	Yr	W-L	ERA	Sv	K	BB	Hometown
LHP	28	Tyler Applehans	Sr.	6-1	2.97	0	48	22	Fredonia, Kan.
LHP	36	Ryan Anthony	Sr.	6-1	2.38	0	51	18	Overland Park, Kan.
RHP	17	Ben Graham	Jr.	4-2	2.82	0	38	6	Holden, Mo.
RHP	23	Colby Killian	Jr.	4-0	5.48	0	51	25	McMinnville, Tenn.
RHP	30	Cole More	Jr.	5-0	4.76	0	26	15	Lee's Summit, Mo.

In The Bulpen

Pos	No	Name	Yr	W-L	ERA	Sv	K	BB	Hometown
RHP	11	Austin Anderson	Jr.	1-0	7.04	1	14	5	Omaha, Neb.
RHP	37	Dominic King	Fr.	3-0	4.98	0	14	6	Wichita, Kan.
RHP	16	Brett Mize	Jr.	0-0	5.17	0	15	12	Bartlesville, Okla.
RHP	26	Diego Soto	Sr.	4-1	3.24	7	33	13	Tucson, Ariz.



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WHEN THE HORNETS TAKE THE FIELD

Starters

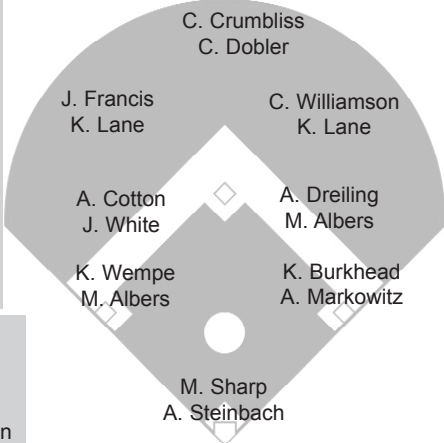
T. Applehans
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 C. Moore
 B. Graham

Bullpen

D. Soto
 A. Anderson
 B. Mize
 C. Lippoldt

DH

K. Lane
 M. Albers
 C. Dobler
 C. Williamson



HE'S A WINNER

Emporia State head baseball coach Bob Fornelli has 557 career wins and 251 wins at Emporia State. Coach Fornelli picked up his 250th win as a Hornet with 16-0 win over Truman on April 11, 2009. Fornelli is the third winningest coach at Emporia State by victories (251) and is ranked first by percentage (.725), where he ranks third nationally, ahead of ESU Hall of Honor member Dave Bingham. Overall, Fornelli is 251-95 (.725) in his sixth year at ESU and 557-208 (.728) in his 13th season as a head coach. Fornelli got his 500th career win with an 8-5 victory over Pittsburg State on April 1, 2008.

GET THOSE BATS OUT Y'ALL

The Hornets are hitting the ball well, averaging .340 on the year as a team good for first in the MIAA. They have outscored their opponents 382-199 through the first 41 games and are outscoring teams 191-80 in the fifth through eighth innings. The Hornets have 164 extra base hits including 37 home runs on the season. They have also gotten it done on the bases stealing 92 of 109 bases. They are first in the MIAA in batting average. They are currently tied for first in the league in total doubles, second in stolen bases, leading in runs scored, runs driven in, total hits and second in total home runs. They are tenth in the nation in doubles per game.

IN THE FIELD AND ON THE HILL

Defensively ESU has only committed 48 errors on the season through 41 games good for .968 fielding percentage which leads the MIAA. The Hornets have also turned 34 double plays so far this year which leads the league with four more than their nearest competitor. ESU starting pitchers are a combined 25-4 with six complete games and three shut-outs. As a staff ESU ranks fourth in the MIAA in pitching. Combined as a staff, ESU starters are only allowing opposing hitters a .247 batting average. The Hornet bullpen has ten wins this season along with nine saves. ESU leads the league in shut-outs and they are fourth in the league in complete games.

COOL, CONNER AND COLLECTED

Outfielder **Conner Crumbliss** (Sr./Arkansas City, Kan.) hit two home runs for the Hornets in their 11-3 win over Fort Hays State. He is hitting .402 this year and has 30 extra base hits with 22 doubles, four home runs and four triples. He is third on the team in RBI with 39 on the year and has a .471 on-base percentage and a .659 slugging percentage which leads the team. He has a team high 21 stolen bases on the season including five times during the year stealing second and third consecutively. He is currently leads the MIAA in runs scored, second in hits, total bases and doubles, third in stolen bases, fifth in slugging percentage, sixth in on-base percentage, RBI and batting average. His steal of home plate against UNO tied the game. He is hitting .419 on the season against left-handed pitchers. He is hitting .400 when there are runners on base this season even though he is ESU's lead off hitter. Three of his four home runs this season have been to lead off the game. He also has five assists this season from his center field position. He is leading the nation in runs scored per game and doubles per game.

KENNY THE SHARK

First baseman **Kenny Burkhead** (Jr./Berryton, Kan.) has been named MIAA Hitter of the Week twice this season. He is hitting .413 to go along with five home runs, 20 doubles, one triple and a team high 58 RBI. He is leading the MIAA in runs batted in. He is currently third in the league in hits per game and fourth in total bases. He is also ranked third in doubles and batting average, seventh in slugging percentage and sixth in runs scored per game. He is currently fifth in the MIAA and second on the team in stolen bases with 19 on the year. Against Central Oklahoma he was five of six with three doubles and seven RBI and also scored three runs as ESU won the game 18-13. He is also second on the team with 19 two-out RBI. He is hitting .474 this year with runners in scoring position.

2009 MIAA Standings

as of April 13



	MIAA			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
ESU (5)	23	3	0.885	35	6	0.854
UNO (19)	22	6	0.786	32	11	0.744
MSSU	18	8	0.692	26	14	0.650
UCM	16	8	0.667	25	10	0.714
FHSU	16	14	0.533	24	20	0.545
MWSU	11	15	0.423	22	20	0.524
WU	9	13	0.409	16	19	0.457
NWMSU	8	16	0.333	16	22	0.421
PSU	7	17	0.292	10	28	0.263
SBU	5	19	0.208	7	29	0.194
TSU	5	21	0.192	8	32	0.200

() ABCA/Collegiate Baseball Newspaper Division II ranking

MIAA Schedule

Wednesday, April 15

*ESU	@	PSU 3:00 PM [7/9]
Missouri S&T	@	MSSU 6:00 PM
*NWMSU	@	TSU 1:00 PM [7/9]
*FHSU	@	WU 2:00 PM [7/9]

Friday, April 17

*FHSU	@	UNO 2:00 PM
*SBU	@	MWSU 4:00 PM [7/9]
*NWMSU	@	MSSU 6:00 PM
*TSU	@	UCM 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 18

*SBU	@	MWSU 12:00 PM [7/9]
*FHSU	@	UNO 1:00 PM [2-7]
*NWMSU	@	MSSU 1:00 PM [2-7]
*TSU	@	UCM 2:00 PM [2-7]
*WU	@	PSU 3:00 PM [7/9]



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**ABC/Collegiate Baseball Newspaper
 Division II Poll**
 April 13, 2009



No.	Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1.	Southern Arkansas	36-7	468	4
2.	Mesa State	34-5	466	3
3.	Emporia State	35-6	450	5
4.	Florida Southern	33-7	434	1
5.	Grand Valley State	31-5	418	2
6.	UC San Diego	25-8	398	6
7.	Barry	33-6	388	7
8.	Georgia College & State	28-11	360	8
9.	Abilene Christian	34-12	354	9
10.	West Alabama	29-10	346	11
11.	West Chester	28-9	312	14
12.	Tusculum	28-12	296	10
13.	Ashland	30-8	294	16
14.	USC Aiken	29-14	268	24
15.	UT Permian Basin	29-10	258	17
16.	Nebraska - Omaha	32-11	224	19
17.	Delta State	27-13	212	20
18.	Sonoma State	24-11	200	15
19.	Tampa	31-12	196	13
20.	Western Oregon	21-9	166	18
21.	Cameron	34-12	144	12
22.	Cal State Los Angeles	26-14	140	23
23.	Wayne State (Neb.)	24-8	124	27
24.	Angelo State	31-15	90	25
25.	Ouachita Baptist	31-14	82	RV
26.	Barton	28-15	78	29
27.	Kutztown	26-9	64	NR
28.	Francis Marion	26-13-1	46	RV
29.	California (Pa.)	27-8	34	26
30.	Rockhurst	27-13	22	RV

Also Receiving Votes: Southern Indiana 16, Cal State Chico 10, Valdosta State 10, Catawba 8, Erskine 6, Colorado State - Pueblo 4, St. Mary's (Texas) 2, Indianapolis 2, Adelphi 2, UNC Pembroke 1, Missouri Southern State 1, Incarnate Word 1, Central Missouri 1, North Alabama 1, Lynn 1, Alabama-Huntsville 1, Henderson State 1, Nova Southeastern 1, West Florida 1, St. Cloud State 1, Concordia-St. Paul 1, Slippery Rock 1.

ESU's Other Rankings:

Poll	Ranking
Ping Baseball National (4-13)	7th
NCBWA National (4-7)	5th
NCBWA South Central Region (4-13)	1st

SHARP DRESSED MAN!

Catcher **Mike Sharp** (Sr./Liberty, Mo.) is currently second in the MIAA in home runs and runs driven in per game. He is hitting .387 on the year in 36 starts behind the plate. He is leading the team with nine home runs and is second in RBI with 43 on the year. He has a .672 slugging percentage with 21 of his 53 hits going for extra bases. He has thrown out seven runners out of 22 possible this season. He is also fourth in the MIAA in slugging percentage and tenth in batting average and doubles.

ST. FRANCIS

Outfielder **Jeremy Francis** (Jr./Emporia, Kan.) is hitting .381 with three home runs and 33 RBI. He has 16 stolen bases for ESU this year and his steal of home against UNO gave ESU the lead for good. He is hitting .607 over the Hornets last eight games. He is currently fifth in the MIAA in runs scored, ninth in stolen bases, tenth in hits and on-base percentage.

THAT'S RIGHT COTTON

Shortstop **Andy Cotton** (Jr./Lincoln, Neb.) has started 36 games for the Hornets this season and is hitting .342 with one home run and 23 RBI. He also has three stolen bases on the season. He is hitting .440 over his last eight games.

NOT SO WEMPE

Third baseman **Kevin Wempe** (So./Topeka, Kan.) is hitting .272 this season and has 15 extra base hits. He has four home runs to go along with 26 RBI. He has an on-base percentage of .349 on the year as he leads the team in hit-by-pitch with nine on a year. He is currently ranked 10th in the MIAA in runs scored per game.

TONY'S PIZZA

Second baseman **Anthony Dreiling** (Sr./Lawrence, Kan.) is hitting .297 on the year with three home run and 33 runs driven in. He has seven stolen bases on the season and is hitting .324 against right handed pitching. He is hitting .789 with a runner on third and less than two outs on the year.

ON THE MARC

Designated hitter **Marc Albers** (Jr./Lawrence, Kan.) had his first career home run against Washburn to tie the game. He is hitting .319 on the season starting ten games at DH primarily against left handed pitchers. He has a .489 slugging percentage on the season. He is hitting .360 against left-handed pitchers this season.

DOBLER RADAR

Outfielder **Chris Dobler** (Jr./Alva, Okla.) has started nine games this season. He had seven RBI over the two games against Pittsburg State including a grand slam home run. He is hitting .371 with two home runs and 13 RBI on the season.

WILLIAMSON TELL OVERTURE

Outfielder **Caleb Williamson** (Sr./Baxter Springs, Kan.) is hitting .281 this season in 26 appearances for the Hornets. He is hitting .407 over his last eight games with two home runs and 11 RBI.

MULBERRY LANE

Outfielder **Kellen Lane** (Sr./Borger, Texas) is hitting .269 on the year with 16 RBI and three stolen bases. He has now made 21 starts this season with most of them coming in right field against right-handed pitching. He has been successful in advancing runners in 56 out of 84 opportunities to lead the team.



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HITTING STREAKS	Longest	Current
4 Conner Crumbliss	16	1
3 Jeremy Francis	9	3
10 Andy Cotton	9	4
6 Anthony Dreiling	8	4
27 Mike Sharp	8	-
22 Caleb Williamson	8	-
12 Kellen Lane	7	-
1 Kevin Wempe	7	7
32 Kenny Burkhead	6	4
15 Jacob White	4	4
5 Zach Theadman	4	-
8 Marc Albers	4	-
7 Chris Dobler	3	3
9 James Morrison	3	-
38 Anthony Markowitz	3	-
29 Abe Steinbach	3	-
18 Calder Cody	2	-
19 Rudy Weiser	2	1

MULTIPLE HIT GAMES	2	3	4	5+	Tot
32 Kenny Burkhead	13	3	4	1	21
4 Conner Crumbliss	11	4	4	-	19
27 Mike Sharp	9	6	1	-	16
3 Jeremy Francis	11	3	1	-	15
6 Anthony Dreiling	8	3	-	-	11
1 Kevin Wempe	8	3	-	-	11
10 Andy Cotton	6	3	1	-	10
22 Caleb Williamson	6	-	-	-	6
5 Zach Theadman	3	1	-	-	4
29 Abe Steinbach	4	-	-	-	4
18 Calder Cody	2	-	-	-	2
7 Chris Dobler	1	1	-	-	2
15 Jacob White	2	-	-	-	2
12 Kellen Lane	1	1	-	-	2
8 Marc Albers	1	1	-	-	2
Totals	86	29	11	1	127

MULTIPLE RBI GAMES	2	3	4	5+	Tot
32 Kenny Burkhead	10	5	1	1	17
4 Conner Crumbliss	9	3	1	-	13
27 Mike Sharp	7	3	2	-	12
3 Jeremy Francis	6	3	-	-	9
1 Kevin Wempe	4	3	-	-	7
10 Andy Cotton	7	-	-	-	7
6 Anthony Dreiling	4	1	1	1	7
22 Caleb Williamson	4	1	-	-	5
7 Chris Dobler	-	2	1	-	3
18 Calder Cody	1	2	-	-	3
12 Kellen Lane	1	2	-	-	3
29 Abe Steinbach	2	-	-	-	2
8 Marc Albers	1	-	1	-	2
15 Jacob White	1	-	-	-	1
38 Anthony Markowitz	1	-	-	-	1
Totals	48	22	5	2	77

RYAN EXPRESS

Lefthander **Ryan Anthony** (Sr./Overland Park, Kan.) picked up his first complete game and first shutout of the season in the Hornets 10-0 win over Fort Hays State. He earned his second complete game win with a 2-1 victory against Central Missouri. He is 6-1 on the year with a 2.38 ERA. Opposing hitters are only hitting .222 against him through 10 appearances. Anthony is only allowing left handed hitters to hit .192 against him this season. He is currently seventh in the MIAA in wins and fourth in opponent batting average. He is second in ERA, fifth in strikeouts and eighth in shutouts.

BIG BEN

Righthander **Ben Graham** (Jr./Holden, Mo.) made his return to the line-up with a win against Pittsburg State. He earned his third complete game win against Fort Hays State. He pitched his second complete game of the season in the win against Northwest Missouri. He threw the Hornets first complete game of the season in a 6-1 win over Colorado Mines. He is now 4-2 on the year with a 2.82 ERA. He is third on the team with 38 strikeouts this season while only giving up six walks. He has been tough against right handed hitting this season only allowing righties a .235 average on the season. He is currently eighth in the MIAA in shut-outs, seventh in complete games and third in innings pitched, fourth in ERA and ninth in opponent batting average.

JOHNNY APPLEHANS

Lefthander **Tyler Applehans** (Sr./Fredonia, Kan.) had a career high 17 strikeouts against TSU. He is 6-1 for the Hornets this season with a 2.97 ERA and is allowing hitters only a .211 average against him this season. He was a unanimous first team All-MIAA pitcher during the 2008 season.

COLBY JACK

Righthander **Colby Killian** (Jr./McMinnville, Tenn.) is 4-0 and has 51 strikeouts in 46.0 innings pitched this season. He is currently tied for the team lead and third in the MIAA in strikeouts.

I'D LIKE SOME MOORE PLEASE

Righthander **Cole Moore** (Jr./Lee's Summit, Mo.) is 5-0 this season after picking up his fifth straight win with a 18-8 victory over Truman. He has a ERA of 4.76 on the season in 34.0 innings pitched. He has also made five appearances for the Hornets out of the bullpen.

KING OF TOWN

Righthander **Dominic King** (Fr./Wichita, Kan.) is now 3-0 on the season with a 4.98 ERA. He has pitched 21.2 innings in 14 appearances as a true freshman.

MIZE GUYS

Righthander **Brett Mize** (Jr./Bartlesville, Okla.) has made seven relief appearances for the Hornets this season pitching 15.2 innings with a 5.17 ERA. Mize has been tough against righthanders this season only allowing them .160 batting average, and .203 against hitters overall.

AUSTIN CITY LIMITS

Righthander **Austin Anderson** (Jr./Omaha, Neb.) picked up his first win of the season against PSU. Now has one win and one save in 10 appearances.

GO, DIEGO, GO

Righthander **Diego Soto** (Sr./Tucson, Ariz.) leads the Hornets in appearances with 19 and has a 4-1 record with seven saves. He is only allowing hitters a .227 batting average against him with a 3.24 ERA in 25.0 innings pitched. He is currently third in the MIAA in appearances and leading the league in saves. He has 33 strikeouts this season averaging more than one strikeout per inning pitched.