Thiel (6-12, 5-9 PAC) vs. Franciscan 12-7 (7-7 PAC)

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025 | 3 p.m.

Maenpa Court at Beeghly Gymnasium

Greenville, Pa.

2024-25 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time / Score
11/8	Penn State Shenango#	W 73-51
11/9	Bridgewater#	L 68-64
11/13	PENN STATE BEHREND	L 94-76
11/16	CHATHAM*	L 86-74
11/20	ALLEGHENY*	W 67-62
11/23	SAINT VINCENT*	W 73-70
11/26	at Geneva*	L 72-59
11/30	at Edinboro	Canceled
12/4	WESTMINSTER*	W 77-68
12/7	at Franciscan*	L 58-54
12/10	at Bethany*	W 83-72
1/2	at IUP	L 93-58
1/4	GROVE CITY*	L 69-48
1/8	at Wash. and Jeff.*	L 77-59
1/15	at Allegheny*	L 78-69
1/18	WAYNESBURG*	W 77-52
1/22	GENEVA*	L 64-41
1/25	at Saint Vincent*	L 77-54
1/29	at Westminster*	L 78-71
2/1	**FRANCISCAN***	**3 p.m.**
2/5	BETHANY*	7:30 p.m.
2/8	at Chatham*	2 p.m.
2/12	at Grove City*	7:30 p.m.
2/19	WASH. AND JEFF.*$	7:30 p.m.
2/22	at Waynesburg*	3 p.m.

ALL CAPS - HOME GAME

Buzz Ridl Classic

* PAC Game

$ Senior Night

TODAY'S MATCHUP

THIEL TOMCATS

Record (PAC)	6-12 (5-9)
Last Game	L 78-71 at Westminster (1/29)
Head Coach	Tim Loomis
Thiel Record	191-261 (19th season)
Overall Record	325-452 (In 31st season)

FRANCISCAN BARONS

Record (PAC)	12-7 (7-7)
Last Game	W 81-74 vs. Bethany (1/29)
Head Coach	Joe Wallace
Franciscan Record	72-133 (9th season)
Overall Record	72-133 (In 9th season)

GAME LINKS

Live Stream

https://thielathletics.com/calendar?-date=2/1/2025&vtype=list

Live Stats

https://thielathletics.com/sidearmstats/mb-ball/summary

SERIES HISTORY

All-Time Series	THI leads 6-3
Current Streak	FRA W2
Under Tim Loomis	THI leads 6-3
First Meeting	82-66 THI (2/1/2008)
First THI Win	82-66 (2/1/2008)
Last Meeting	58-54 FRA (12/7/2024)
Since 2010	THI leads 5-3

PAC STANDINGS

SCHOOL	PAC	PAC HOME	PAC AWAY	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
Chatham	13-1	6-1	7-0	16-3	6-2	9-0	1-1
Saint Vincent	10-3	5-1	5-2	14-4	8-1	5-2	1-1
W&J	10-4	5-2	5-2	14-5	7-2	6-2	1-1
Grove City	10-4	5-2	5-2	13-6	7-3	6-3	0-0
Geneva	7-6	4-2	3-4	9-9	4-4	3-5	2-1
FRANCISCAN	**7-7**	**4-3**	**3-4**	**12-7**	**7-3**	**4-4**	**1-1**
Waynesburg	5-9	2-5	3-4	7-12	4-6	3-6	0-0
THIEL	**5-9**	**4-3**	**1-6**	**6-12**	**4-4**	**1-7**	**1-1**
Allegheny	4-9	2-4	2-5	6-12	3-5	3-7	0-0
Westminster	2-11	2-6	0-5	5-13	5-7	0-6	0-0
Bethany	1-11	0-6	1-5	6-11	4-6	2-5	0-0

PAC LEADERS

Points

Luke Barker (ALL)	21.1
SAWYER BUTLER (FRA)	**19.2**
Ryan Rachic (GEN)	17.9

Rebounds

Nathan Plotner (WJC)	9.5
Antone Baker (WAY)	9.2
Cole Dailey (BET)	8.2

Assists

Blaine Gartley (CHA)	4.4
Mick Hergenrother (WES)	4.2
JOSH ZIMMERMAN (FRA)	**3.8**

Blocks

Cole Dailey (BET)	2.6
Nathan Plotner (WJC)	2.3
Jevontae Jones (SVC)	1.6

Steals

JOSH ZIMMERMAN (FRA)	**3.5**
Diaun Pinkett (CHA)	3.2
Hergenrother (WES) / Gartley (CHA)	2.5

Minutes

Mark Rachic (GEN)	36.8
Luke Barker (ALL)	36.4
Ryan Lang (ALL)	34.8

THIEL ROSTER

1	Marlon Ellerbee	Gr.	G	6-1	Temple Hills, Md. / Oxon Hill
2	Mike Brown	Jr.	G	5-10	Clinton, Md. / Gwynn Park
3	Ryan Grant	Fr.	G	6-2	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. / Cardinal Gibnons
4	Kyiam Exum	Gr.	G	5-8	Temple Hills, Md. / Central
5	John Morgan	Jr.	F	6-6	Indianapolis, Ind. / Lebanon
6	Logan Lentz	So.	G	6-1	Greenville, Pa. / Greenville
7	Anthony Henderson II	Fr.	G	6-1	Miramar, Fla. / Somerset Academy
8	Khamari Accursio-Harris	So.	G	6-3	Jupiter, Fla. / Jupiter
9	Rob Thomas	Fr.	G	6-4	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Penn Hills
10	Xavier Jenkins	Fr.	G	6-0	Baltimore, Md. / Wakefield
11	Deuce Bevins	Jr.	G	6-4	Clinton, Md. / Gwynn Park
12	Gabriel Gonzalez	Sr.	G	6-2	Merida, Venezuela / Southwest Miami
14	Jeremiah Smith	Fr.	G	6-4	Oxon Hill, Md. / Oxon Hill
15	Christian Davis	So.	F	6-6	Washington, D.C. / DC International
20	Griffin Fraterigo	So.	G	5-11	Schenectady, N.Y. / Scotia-Glenville
21	Das Sanders	Fr.	F	6-6	Dallas, Texas / Fort Worth Christian

FRANCISCAN ROSTER

1	Sawyer Butler	So.	G	6-2	Beaver, Pa. / Beaver Area
2	Malachi Rose-Burton	Jr.	G	6-0	Woodsfield, Ohio / Monroe Central
3	Nathan Richards	Fr.	G	6-0	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Baldwin
4	Joseph Ehinger	So.	F	6-4	Ypsilanti, Mich. / Homeschool
5	Travis Zimmerman	Jr.	F	6-6	Wheeling, W.Va. / Wheeling Park
10	Aiden Townsend	So.	F	6-4	Beaver, Pa. / Beaver Area
11	Derrick Derrow	Sr.	G	6-2	Moundsville, W.Va. / John Marshall
12	Josh Zimmerman	5th	G	6-2	Steubenville, Ohio / Steubenville
13	Reece Miller	Jr.	G	5-11	Strongsville, Ohio / Columbia Station
14	Nicholas Allienello	Gr.	F	6-4	Johnston, R.I. / Providence Country Day
15	Anthony Angelle	Fr.	F	6-3	Breaux Bridge, La. / St. Thomas More Cath.
20	Thomas Kristian	So.	G	6-0	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Central Catholic
21	Karl Yonkeu	So.	SF	6-4	Manchester, N.H. / Holy Family Acad.
22	Aidan Jacomet	Fr.	G	6-1	Dayton, Ohio / Oakwood
23	David Zarycki	Fr.	F	6-8	Plant City, Fla. / Homeschool
25	Frank Bellissimo	Jr.	G	6-1	New Smyrna Beach, Fla. / New Smyrna Beach
30	Joseph Fatica	Fr.	G	5-11	Syracuse, N.Y. / Homeschool
31	Volodymyr Trotsko	Fr.	F	6-6	Bila Tserkva, Ukraine / Colts Neck
32	Anthony Ciola	Fr.	G	6-3	Burke, Va. / Homeschool
33	Yann Yonkeu	Sr.	C	6-8	Manchester, N.H. / Holy Family Acad.

THIEL AVERAGES

No.	Name	PPG	RPG	APG
1	Ellerbee, Marlon	10.9	5.8	2.1
2	Brown, Mike	10.5	3.4	1.8
3	Grant, Ryan	1.5	1.0	0.1
4	Exum, Kyiam	0.1	0.3	0.0
5	Morgan, John	3.1	2.6	0.2
6	Lentz, Logan	3.3	2.9	0.6
7	Henderson II, Anthony	4.6	2.4	0.9
8	Accursio-Harris, Khamari	8.9	6.2	1.1
9	Thomas, Rob	10.8	4.6	0.6
11	Bevins, Deuce	0.7	0.7	0.0
12	Gonzalez, Gabriel	10.2	2.8	1.4
14	Smith, Jeremiah	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	Davis, Christian	0.7	0.1	0.0
21	Sanders, Das	2.5	2.9	0.4

FRANCISCAN AVERAGES

No.	Name	PPG	RPG	APG
1	Butler, Sawyer	19.2	6.1	2.6
2	Rose-Burton, Malachi	2.4	1.6	0.9
3	Richards, Nathan	2.9	1.2	1.2
4	Ehinger, Joseph	1.0	1.5	0.0
5	Zimmerman, Travis	9.8	7.7	0.9
10	Townsend, Aiden	7.3	3.6	1.0
11	Derrow, Derrick	0.4	0.5	0.5
12	Zimmerman, Josh	13.2	6.2	3.8
13	Miller, Reece	3.0	0.0	0.0
14	Allienello, Nicholas	1.6	0.9	0.3
15	Angelle, Anthony	1.0	0.5	0.0
20	Kristian, Thomas	0.8	0.5	0.4
21	Yonkeu, Karl	6.3	5.4	1.2
22	Jacomet, Aidan	0.7	0.3	0.0
23	Zarycki, David	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	Bellissimo, Frank	7.3	1.1	0.6
30	Fatica, Joseph	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	Trotsko, Volodymyr	1.9	0.9	0.2
32	Ciola, Anthony	1.7	1.0	0.0
33	Yonkeu, Yann	1.9	2.5	0.1

THIEL LEADERS

Points

Marlon Ellerbee	10.9
Rob Thomas	10.8
Mike Brown	10.5

Rebounds

Khamari Accursio-Harris	6.2
Marlon Ellerbee	5.8
Rob Thomas	4.6

Assists

Marlon Ellerbee	2.1
Mike Brown	1.8
Gabriel Gonzalez	1.4

Blocks

Khamari Accursio-Harris	0.9
Rob Thomas	0.8
Das Sanders	0.6

Steals

Marlon Ellerbee	1.4
Rob Thomas	1.3
Gabriel Gonzalez	1.1

Minutes

Mike Brown	32.6
Marlon Ellerbee	26.3
Khamari Accursio-Harris	26.0

FRANCISCAN LEADERS

Points

Sawyer Butler	19.2
Josh Zimmerman	13.2
Travis Zimmerman	9.8

Rebounds

Travis Zimmerman	7.7
Josh Zimmerman	6.2
Sawyer Butler	6.1

Assists

Josh Zimmerman	3.8
Sawyer Butler	2.6
Nathan Richards	1.2

Blocks

Josh Zimmerman	1.1
Travis Zimmerman	1.0
Aiden Townsend	1.0

Steals

Josh Zimmerman	3.5
Sawyer Butler	1.9
Aiden Townsend	1.1

Minutes

Josh Zimmerman	32.7
Sawyer Butler	31.4
Karl Yonkeu	25.5

GAME NOTES

MARLO'S GETTIN' HOT -- **Marlon Ellerbee** posted a season-high-tying and team-leading 19 points at Westminster Wednesday on 8-of-19 shooting ... His 19 field-goal attempts were a career high ... Ellerbee tallied 19 points against Waynesburg on Jan. 18 ... He has totaled at least 10 points in 13-of-18 games on the season ... On the glass, he has grabbed at least four rebounds in 13 straight games and 16-of-18 games on the year ... He is second on the team and tied for 15th in the PAC in boards per game (4.3).

THREEEEEEEEEE -- Thiel attempted its second most 3-pointers (20) in a game at Westminster Wednesday ... **Mike Brown** drained a season-high-tying four 3-balls (4-of-8) in the defeat ... Brown has drilled at least three 3-pointers in five games this year ... He is a career 40 percent (8 -for-20) 3-point shooter in games against Franciscan ... In their first meeting of the year on Dec. 7 in Steubenville, Ohio, Brown went 3-for-6 from beyond the arc.

KING KHAMARI -- In back-to-back games and 4 of his last 6 games, **Khamari Accursio-Harris** has dropped at least 10 points ... He posted 15 points on 6-of-11 against Westminster last time out ... He pitched in 10 points on 4-of-9 at Saint Vincent last Saturday ... He has corralled at least five boards in each of the last six games ... In 2 of those 6 games, he grabbed eight and nine boards, respectively.

THE BUTLER DID IT -- Franciscan's **Sawyer Butler** is second in the PAC in scoring (19.2 ppg) ... He is shooting 38.4 percent from the field on the year ... Butler posted 22 points on 6-of-15 shooting and 8-of-8 at the line in the first Thiel-Franciscan meeting this season ... He has logged 20-plus points in 11-of-18 games on the year and has eclipsed 30 points once.

INSIDE THE NUMBERS -- The Barons are second in the PAC to Allegheny in 3-point shooting percentage (35.2) ... They hold opponents to the third lowest mark from deep (29.7 percent) in the conference ... Franciscan is 1 of 3 teams to average at least 40 boards per game (40.1) ... Thiel (+.61) and Fraciscan (+.21) are fourth and fifth, respectively, in the PAC in turnover margin.

GOTTA MAKE THE FREEBIES -- Thiel is fifth in the PAC in free-throw shooting (71.1 percent) ... Franciscan is last at 65.2 percent.

SERIES STATS -- Thiel is 4-0 against Franciscan in home matchups ... The Tomcats' last three home wins over the Barons have all come by less than 6 points ... The Blue and Gold lead the all-time series 6-3 ... Thiel has scored at least 76 points in all six victories with an average of 86 points per win ... In 2-of-3 series losses, the Tomcats have scored 54 and 59 points, respectively ... The last six matchups have all been decided by 7 points or less.

STOP THE SKID -- Thiel enters Saturday's contest on a three-game losing streak with losses to Geneva (64-41), Saint Vincent (77-54) and Westminster (78-71) ... Dating back to the beginning of the new year, the Tomcats have dropped 7-of-8 games.

PAC OUTLOOK -- Chatham (13-1) holds a 2.5-game lead over Saint Vincent (10-3) for the top spot ... Washington and Jefferson and Grove City are tied for third at 10-4 ... Geneva (7-6) and **Franciscan** (7-7) occupy spots five and six with the top six teams qualifying for the PAC Championship Tournament ... **Thiel** and Waynesburg are both 5-9 and sit two games behind Franciscan for the final spot ... Allegheny is 4-9 and 2.5 games back ... The top two seeds will receive byes into the semifinals.