

## NJCAA DII MEN'S NATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

### CINCINNATI STATE TECHNICAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE

(Cincinnati, OH)

VS

### BROWN MACKIE COLLEGE

(Salina, KS)

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*Danville, IL-* Game 10 of the NJCAA DII Men's Basketball Tournament featured NJCAA District 10 Champion Cincinnati State Technical & Community College and NJCAA District 2 Champion Brown Mackie College. The winner of this game will advance to the semifinals of the championship bracket to play the winner of Cecil vs. Lewis and Clark.

Cincinnati State started the game off with the hot hand and took the 8-0 lead. Brown Mackie was not able to get any points on the board until 4 minutes into the game. They then went on an 8-0 run to tie the game 8-8 with 13 minutes left in the first half. Both teams traded baskets for the next several minutes. Cincinnati State was able to extend to a 4 point lead, led by Rayshawn Goins. Goins scored his 13<sup>th</sup> point with under 8 minutes to go in the first half. Brown Mackie struggled to find a way to guard Goins and were paying for it. Cincinnati State constructed a 6 point lead with 6 minutes to go. Fortunately for Brown Mackie, they were able to make some tough shots to shrink the margin to 2 points. Brown Mackie continued to rally and took the 29-28 lead with 4 minutes remaining in the half, led by some athletic plays by Brian Word. Cincinnati State changed their defensive look by going to a 2-3 zone to close the half. Brown Mackie took advantage by hitting several more deep jumpers to hold on to their lead at the break. **HALFTIME SCORE:** Brown Mackie 40, Cincinnati State 33.

#### **1<sup>ST</sup> HALF LEADERS FOR CINCINNATI STATE:**

Rayshawn Goins, 6'6", Soph, 16pts

James Millen, 6'2", Soph, 9pts

#### **1<sup>ST</sup> HALF LEADERS FOR BROWN MACKIE:**

Brian Word, 6'4", Soph, 12pts

Robbie Lewis, 6'6", Soph, 9pts

David Sanders, 5'11", Soph, 9pts

Brown Mackie certainly did not lose their shooting touch during the halftime break. They made a couple big shots to put themselves up 10 points right away in the half. After a couple minutes, Cincinnati State went on a rampage and tied the game with 15

minutes left in the contest. Over the next 5 minutes, both teams were playing physical defense. Neither team was able to build any significant lead. This was until Cincinnati State broke out a 7-0 run to go up 57-50 with 9 minutes to play. Brown Mackie Head Coach Francis Flax decided to take a timeout with about 6 minutes left to play. His team came out of the timeout utilizing a full-court press, much like Cincinnati State was doing to them. Unfortunately for Brown Mackie, they were given few opportunities to put on the full-court press because they missed countless shots over a 6 minute span. With under 4 minutes to go, Cincinnati State inflated the lead to 62-52. Brown Mackie went nearly 10 minutes without scoring, which obviously made it difficult for them to muster up a comeback. Cincinnati State went on to win in double figures. **FINAL SCORE:** Cincinnati State 75, Brown Mackie 65.

Cincinnati State will now advance to the semi finals of the championship bracket to face the winner of Cecil and Lewis & Clark on Friday at 6:00 PM. Brown Mackie will continue to play in the consolation bracket vs. the loser of the aforementioned game on Thursday at 3:00 PM.

**GAME LEADERS FOR CINCINNATI STATE:**

Rayshawn Goins, 6'6", Soph, 20pts, 11rbs

Jamarien Paul-Brown, 14pts

James Millen, 6'2", Soph, 13pts

Quentin Williford, 11pts

Illya Glover, 11pts

**GAME LEADERS FOR BROWN MACKIE:**

Brian Word, 6'4", Soph, 15pts

David Sanders, 5'11", Soph, 15pts

Robbie Lewis, 6'6", Soph, 13pts