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University of Minnesota GOLDEN GOPHERS

VS

Minnesota State University MAVERICKS

- # Name
- 0 Al Nolen
- 1 Lawrence McKenzie
- 2 Ryan Saunders
- 3 Kevin Payton
- 4 Travis Busch
- 11 Jonathan Williams
- 13 Dan Coleman
- 20 Lawrence Westbrook
- 23 Brandon Smith
- 24 Blake Hoffarber
- 33 Jamal Abu-Shamala
- 34 Damian Johnson
- 50 Spencer Tollackson

Head Coach:

Tubby Smith

Associate Head Coach:

Ron Jirsa

Assistant Coaches:

Vince Taylor

Saul Smith



MINNESOTA BEGINS '07-'08 CAMPAIGN

The Minnesota Golden Gophers begin their 2007-2008 season tonight with an exhibition game against the Minnesota State University Mankato Mavericks. Tonight's game will also serve as Minnesota head coach Tubby Smith's first game at the helm of the Golden Gophers.

TUBBY SMITH: BY THE NUMBERS

- 1 National Championships**
- 3 National Coach of the Year Awards (1998, 2003, 2005)**
- 4 NCAA Elite 8 Appearances**
- 5 SEC Regular Season Championships**
- 5 SEC Tournament titles**
- 14 Consecutive 20-win seasons, currently the third-longest streak in the nation**
- 387 Career head coaching victories, in only 16 seasons as head coach**

- # Name
- 1 Marcus Hill
- 2 Jadee Jones
- 3 Jake Morrow
- 4 Preston Whitaker
- 5 Stephen Kirschbaum
- 10 Jesse Clark
- 21 Mitch Gosson
- 25 Taylor Morrow
- 30 Joe Drapcho
- 34 Mike Bisenius
- 40 Mitch Grundman
- 42 Kyle Swanson
- 44 Landon Benson
- 50 Atila Santos
- 55 Curt Greeley

Head Coach:

Matt Margenthaler

Associate Head Coach:

Mike Schott

Assistant Coach:

Austin Hansen

The Gophers look to move forward after a trying 2006-2007 season that saw the changing of coaches and a 9-22 record. Nine letterwinners return from last season, including all five starters – led by seniors Lawrence McKenzie, Dan Coleman, and Spencer Tollackson. New to the team are freshmen Al Nolen and Blake Hoffarber.

The Mavericks are coming off the most successful season in school history in terms of wins (28). All-time school scoring leader Luke Anderson was lost to graduation, but Mankato still returns four starters from a year ago, led by big 6-10, 245 pound senior Atila Santos.

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