



Northwest

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Monday, November 16

Men's Basketball Manhattan Christian Bearcat Arena 7 p.m.

Thursday, November 19

Men's Basketball Benedictine Bearcat Arena 7 p.m.

Friday, November 20

Women's Basketball Missouri Valley Bearcat Arena 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 21

Football Abilene Christian (NCAA Playoffs - 2nd Round) Bearcat Stadium 12 p.m.
Women's Basketball William Jewell Bearcat Arena 7:30 p.m.

All times listed are Central Time

Football (10-1 / 9-0 MIAA)

- Northwest received a first-round bye in the NCAA Playoffs
- Abilene Christian handed the Bearcats their only loss of 2009, in the season opener, 19-14
- Northwest defeated Abilene in the Quarterfinals of last year's playoffs, 45-36
- Blake Bolles went 7-of-8 for 69 yds. and a touchdown, coming off the bench in the victory
- LaRon Council rushed for 78 yards and two TDs in the win
- Coach Mel Tjeerdsma is the winningest DII coach in postseason history with 25 wins
- He is 10-1 in opening games and 15-3 at home

Men's Basketball (0-0)

- The men have six straight home games to open the season, and seven of eight
- Head Coach Ben McCollum is entering his first season at the helm for the Bearcats
- McCollum played at Northwest from 2001-02 to '02-'03, and was a graduate assistant from '03-'05
- Northwest looked impressive in its exhibition game against Missouri on Friday, losing 83-60
- The Bearcats were up for part of the 1st half and trailed 34-32 with four minutes remaining

Women's Basketball (1-0)

- Northwest defeated Upper Iowa Sunday afternoon, 75-64
- Gentry Dietz led all scorers with 25 points, Dietz also led the Bearcats with eight rebounds
- 25 points is the most in a season opener since Denise Sump scored 29 in 1999
- Northwest returns five players from last year's squad