2010-11 MIDDLE TENNESSEE Blue Raiders

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2010-11 MT Schedule (0-0)

Date	Opponent	TV	Time
N4	**Lincoln Memorial (exh.)**		**5:30 p.m.**
N9	**Alabama-Huntsville (exh.)**		**6:30 p.m.**
N14	**USF**		**1 p.m.**
N16	at Austin Peay		7 p.m.
N21	at Arkansas		2 p.m.
N26	**ETSU**		**7 p.m.**
N28	**South Dakota State**		**2 p.m.**
D1	at Tennessee Tech		8 p.m.
D3	at Georgia Tech		6 p.m.
D7	at UCF		11 a.m.
D9	**Xavier**	**MTTV/CSS**	**7 p.m.**
D12	**James Madison**	**MTTV**	**12:30 p.m.**
D20	*vs. St. Bonaventure#*		*4 p.m.*
D21	*vs. Kansas State#*		*5 p.m.*
D29	at Kentucky	FSN South	5 p.m.
J2	at South Alabama*		2 p.m.
J5	**North Texas***		**7 p.m.**
J8	at Louisiana*		2 p.m.
J12	**Florida Atlantic***		**7 p.m.**
J16	at Arkansas State*	SBN/CSS	Noon
J19	**Troy***		**7 p.m.**
J23	**Denver***	**SBN/CSS**	**Noon**
J26	at Florida Atlantic*		6 p.m.
J29	at FIU*		3:30 p.m.
F2	**ULM***		**2 p.m.**
F5	**South Alabama***		**5:30 p.m.**
F9	at Western Kentucky*		7:30 p.m.
F12	**FIU***		**TBA**
F17	at Troy*		5:15 p.m.
F20	at UALR*	SBN/CSS	1 p.m.
F27	**Western Kentucky***	**SBN/CSS**	**3 p.m.**
M5-8	Sun Belt Tournament (Hot Springs, Ark.)		TBA
M19-22	NCAA Tournament 1st/2nd Rounds		TBA
M26-29	NCAA Tournament Sweet 16/Elite 8		TBA
A3-5	NCAA Final Four (Indianapolis, Ind.)		TBA

- UTSA Holiday Classic (San Antonio, Texas)
* - Sun Belt Conference game
MTTV - Middle Tennessee Television
CSS - Comcast/Charter Sports Southeast
SBN - Sun Belt Network
All times Central and subject to change
Home games in **bold** played inside the Murphy Center

Tonight's Game at a Glance...

Radio
GoBlueRaiders.com online stream
Dick Palmer ..... Play by Play
Duane Hickey ..... Analyst

TV
none

Web Video
GoBlueRaiders.com through America One Networks

Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders (0-0)	Lincoln Memorial Lady Railsplitters (0-0)
Head Coach .....Rick Insell	**Head Coach ..... Stephanie Smith**
Alma Mater .....MIddle Tennessee/1977	Alma Mater Campbellsville/1988
6th year at Middle Tennessee .....125-39 (.762)	3rd year at Lincoln Memorial ..... 20-36 (.357)
6th year Overall.....125-39 (.762)	3rd year Overall..... 20-36 (.357)
vs. Lincoln Memorial ..... n/a	vs. Middle Tennessee..... n/a

Quick hitters...

- Middle Tennessee will face Lincoln Memorial at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the first of two exhibitions this year before beginning the regular season Nov. 14 at home against USF.
- The Blue Raiders advanced to the 13th NCAA Tournament in school history a year ago, finishing with a 25-6 record (17-1 Sun Belt) and winning the Sun Belt Tournament title.
- The two seniors on this year's squad, Emily Queen and Anne Marie Lanning, both garnered Preseason All-Sun Belt accolades. Queen was tabbed to the league's Second Team, while Lanning was picked on the league's Third Team. Both honors are the first of their respective careers.
- Queen, the team's top returning rebounder with 5.8 pg, re-joins the team after season-ending surgery last January. She will be sidelined during the early portion of the campaign after having another surgery in late October.
- Lanning enters the season needing just 234 points to become the 25th member of the 1,000-point club in school history. She is the team's top returning scorer with 8.4 pg.
- Junior Tina Stewart is the only other member of the squad to have a start in her career.
- Eleven of the 15 members on the roster are either sophomores or freshmen with two seniors and two juniors comprising the remainder of the 15-player squad.
- Two opponents (Xavier and Kentucky) are ranked in the Preseason Top 25 polls, while four others (Georgia Tech, James Madison, UALR and Western Kentucky) are receiving votes.

Middle Tennessee Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.-Exp.	Hometown	GP/GS*	PPG*	RPG*
1	Janay Brinkley	G	5-6	Fr.-HS	Pasadena, Md.	--	--	--
3	Emily Queen	F	6-1	Sr.-3L	Ashland, Ky.	12/7	4.4	5.8
11	Jamila Ajanaku	G	6-1	So.-1L	Memphis, Tenn.	12/0	0.5	0.3
13	Icelyn Elie	G	6-1	So.-1L	Lebanon, Tenn.	19/0	1.8	0.9
14	Dymon Raynor	C	6-3	So.-1L	La Vergne, Tenn.	24/0	1.9	1.5
20	Tina Stewart	G	5-7	Jr.-2L	Memphis, Tenn.	26/4	2.5	0.9
21	Ebony Rowe	F	6-1	Fr.-HS	Lexington, Ky.	--	--	--
23	Lauren March	F	6-2	R-Fr.	Lewisburg, Tenn.	--	--	--
24	Kortni Jones	G	5-9	So.-1L	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	30/0	1.1	1.3
30	Anne Marie Lanning	G	5-11	Sr.-3L	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	30/21	8.4	2.3
32	Jordyn Luffman	G/F	6-1	Fr.-HS	Lawrenceburg, Tenn.	--	--	--
34	Stephanie Myers	C	6-5	Fr.-HS	La Vergne, Tenn.	--	--	--
44	Molly McFadden	F	6-1	Jr.-2L	Sparta, Tenn.	7/0	0.7	1.3
50	KeKe Stewart	C	6-1	Fr.-HS	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	--	--	--
52	Laken Leonard	G	5-10	Fr.-HS	Whitleyville, Tenn.	--	--	--

*** - 2009-10 stats**

Head Coach	Rick Insell (Middle Tennessee, 1977), sixth season
Assistant Coach	Lynn Burkey (Tennessee, 1974), first season
Assistant Coach	Kim Clark (Liberty, 2000), first season
Assistant Coach	Alex Fuller (Tennessee, 2008), first season
Director of Operations	Mariska Harris (Trevecca Nazarene, 2008), first season
Graduate Assistant	Joe Bonham (Middle Tennessee, 2010), first season

Blue Raiders' Record When...

Stat	2009-10	Under Insell
Overall	25-6	125-39
at Home	12-1	65-7
on the Road	10-4	46-28
at Neutral Sites	3-1	14-4
Overall vs. Sun Belt	20-1	94-11
vs. SBC at Home	9-0	44-1
vs. SBC on the Road	8-1	36-9
vs. SBC in Tournament	3-0	14-1
After a Loss	6-0	25-12
In Overtime	1-0	3-1
1-3 Pt. Margin	1-0	6-7
4-5 Pt. Margin	0-1	6-8
6-10 Pt. Margin	3-0	17-5
11-20 Pt. Margin	8-3	33-13
20+ Pt. Margin	13-2	63-6
Leading at the Half	24-1	112-8
Tied at the Half	1-0	3-1
Trailing at the Half	0-5	10-30
Leading at 5 min. mark	24-1	118-7
Trailing at 5 min. mark	1-5	7-32
Shooting 50% or better	11-0	45-2
Shooting 50% or less	14-6	76-37
Shoots better than opp.	14-0	77-2
Opp. Shoots 50% or Better	3-3	20-22
Opp. Shoots 50% or Less	22-3	105-17
Outrebounds Opponent	16-1	73-6
Opponent Outrebounds	8-5	49-32
Rebounds are tied	1-0	3-1
Shoots 70% or Better FT	18-2	86-21
Shoots more FT than Opp.	13-2	66-8
Opp. Shoots more FT	12-4	53-31
Shoots 40% or Better 3FG	12-0	49-5
More Turnovers than Opp.	1-3	10-16
Less Turnovers than Opp.	23-2	110-21
Turnovers are tied	1-1	4-2
Scores less than 60 pts.	1-3	3-14
Scores 60-69 pts.	1-3	21-19
Scores 70-79 pts.	7-0	39-5
Scores 80-89 pts.	5-0	33-1
Scores 90-99 pts.	4-0	18-0
Scores more than 100 pts.	7-0	11-0
On Mondays	2-0	8-6
On Tuesdays	1-0	10-1
On Wednesdays	10-2	29-9
On Thursdays	0-1	17-5
On Fridays	0-0	5-3
On Saturdays	6-1	33-7
On Sundays	6-2	23-7
In November	3-2	18-10
In December	4-2	23-12
In January	8-1	40-5
In February	7-0	26-5
In March	3-1	18-6

Miscellaneous	
Current Streak	Lost 1
Home Court Streak	Won 11
Road Court Streak	Won 6
Neutral Court Streak	Lost 1
Consecutive Games with a 3-Pointer	17

Preseason All-Sun Belt awards

Middle Tennessee placed a pair of players on the Preseason All-Sun Belt Teams, as seniors **Emily Queen** and **Anne Marie Lanning** garnered Second Team and Third Team accolades, respectively, following a vote of the league's head coaches. The honors are the first of their respective careers.

First Team
Chastity Reed, UALR*
Kaetlyn Murdoch, Denver
Elisa Carey, FIU
Amy McNear, Western Kentucky
Arnika Brown, Western Kentucky
* - Preseason Player of the Year

Second Team
Emily Queen, Middle Tennessee
Asriel Rolfe, UALR
Shanika Butler, UALR
Shay Scott, Arkansas State
Jasmine Godbolt, North Texas

Third Team
Anne Marie Lanning, Middle Tennessee
Britteni Rice, Denver
Lyrell Barfield, Florida Atlantic
Mercedes Johnson, Louisiana
Donette McNair, Troy

Early Predictions

The Blue Raiders were chosen to finish second in the East Division of the Preseason All-Sun Belt poll, as voted upon by the league's head coaches. Middle Tennessee received one first-place vote and 56 overall points by the 12 coaches.

East Division

1.	Western Kentucky	71 (11)
2.	Middle Tennessee	56 (1)
3.	FIU	43
	South Alabama	43
5.	Florida Atlantic	22
6.	Troy	17

West Division

1.	UALR	72 (12)
2.	Denver	55
3.	Arkansas State	45
4.	North Texas	39
5.	ULM	21
6.	Louisiana	20

Youth is Served

Middle Tennessee will field one of the youngest teams not only in the Sun Belt, but also across the country both in terms of age and experience. Only three Blue Raiders enter the season with at least one start in their collegiate careers and 11 of the 15 players on the roster are either sophomores or freshmen.

Seniors **Emily Queen** and **Anne Marie Lanning** comprise the elder stateswomen on the squad, followed by juniors **Molly McFadden** and **Tina Stewart**. Among the quartet, only McFadden has yet to start a game in her career.

The remaining players include sophomores **Jamila Ajanaku**, **Icelyn Elie**, **Kortni Jones** and **Dymon Raynor**, redshirt freshman **Lauren March** and true freshmen **Janay Brinkley**, **Laken Leonard**, **Jordyn Luffman**, **Stephanie Myers**, **Ebony Rowe** and **KeKe Stewart**.

Were you not here before?

Freshman **KeKe Stewart** may be a familiar name to hardcore Blue Raider fans. Stewart was an original member of Rick Insell's first recruiting class, in 2006, along with recent graduates Brandi Brown, Chelsia Lymon and Jackie Pickel that was ranked as high as No. 10 nationally.

Stewart came to campus the summer before her freshman campaign, went through workouts and then decided college and basketball were not what she wanted to continue doing. She returned home to Oak Ridge, Tenn., went to work and had a child before rededicating herself to furthering her education and returning to the court. After a series of meetings with Coach Insell and other members of the Middle Tennessee athletic administration, she was allowed to rejoin the team over the summer and has shown glimpses of the skills that made her the No. 2-rated forward in the state coming out of high school.

Who are you?

In addition to a very young team on the court, Rick Insell had a busy offseason replacing his entire coaching staff. Joining the Blue Raiders are three new assistant coaches, a new director of operations and a new graduate assistant.

Lynn Burkey, **Kim Clark** and **Alex Fuller** join Insell as members of the coaching staff.

Burkey is a long-time high school and AAU coach in Tennessee, most recently serving as the head coach at Shelbyville Central HS in Shelbyville, succeeding Insell six years when he took the reigns of the Middle Tennessee program.

Clark joins the Blue Raiders after having spent the last six seasons as an assistant coach at Gardner-Webb in Boiling Springs, N.C., where her father, Rick Reeves, is the head coach.

Fuller played for Insell at Shelbyville Central and went on to win a pair of National Championships at Tennessee under Pat Summitt. She most recently was a graduate manager at Kansas.

Midstate native **Mariska Harris** is the program's new director of operations. A former athletic and academic All-American at Trevecca Nazarene in Nashville, she was the head coach at Independence HS before coming to Middle Tennessee.

Joe Bonham is the new graduate assistant after serving the last four years as a manager for the Blue Raider program, including the last two as the team's head manager.

Tale of the Tape

* - 2009-10 stats

Stat	*MT/OPP**	*LMU/OPP**
Overall Record	25-6	11-17
Conference Record	17-1	5-11
Field Goals Made	911/712	716/764
Field Goals Attempted	1982/1678	1605/1748
Field Goal Percentage	.460/.424	.446/.437
3-Point Field Goals Made	313/140	228/180
3-Point Field Goals Attempted	848/384	622/497
3-Point Field Goal Percentage	.369/.365	.367/.362
Free Throws Made	371/426	340/439
Free Throws Attempted	501/621	448/613
Free Throw Percentage	.741/.686	.759/.716
Total Rebounds	1113/1119	918/1123
Rebounding Average	35.9/36.1	32.8/40.1
Rebounding Margin	-0.2	-7.3
Assists	552/358	418/465
Turnovers	491/723	586/528
Assist/Turnover Ratio	1.1/0.5	0.7/0.9
Turnover Margin	+7.5	-2.1
Blocks	74/59	50/83
Steals	380/203	241/228
Total Points	2506/1990	2000/2147
Points Per Game	80.8/64.2	71.4/76.7
Scoring Margin	+16.6	-5.2
Score by Period	1226-1269-11/889-1092-9	956-1044/1020-1127

National Polls

Associated Press (Preseason)

1	Connecticut (39)	0-0	992
2	Baylor (1)	0-0	934
3	Stanford	0-0	922
4	Tennessee	0-0	886
5	*Xavier*	*0-0*	*818*
6	Duke	0-0	802
7	Ohio State	0-0	759
8	Texas A&M	0-0	664
9	*Kentucky*	*0-0*	*649*
10	Oklahoma	0-0	595
11	West Virginia	0-0	579
12	Notre Dame	0-0	560
13	Georgetown	0-0	506
14	St. John's	0-0	452
15	North Carolina	0-0	420
16	UCLA	0-0	382
17	Texas	0-0	274
18	Florida State	0-0	270
19	Georgia	0-0	241
20	Iowa State	0-0	195
21	Maryland	0-0	134
22	Iowa	0-0	121
23	TCU	0-0	117
24	Vanderbilt	0-0	109
25	Michigan State	0-0	105

Others Receiving Votes: LSU 75, *Georgia Tech 73*, Dayton 67, Gonzaga 64, DePaul 49, California 44, North Carolina State 28, Bowling Green 22, Nebraska 19, Temple 15, Green Bay 15, San Diego State 8, Wisconsin 8, USC 7, *James Madison 5*, Rutgers 4, *UALR 3*, Arizona State 2, Pittsburgh 2, Kansas 1, Miami (Fla.) 1, Penn State 1, Tulane 1

National Polls

ESPN/*USA Today* Coaches (Preseason)

1	Connecticut (27)	0-0	765
2	Baylor (2)	0-0	724
	Stanford (1)	0-0	724
4	Tennessee (1)	0-0	674
5	Duke	0-0	619
6	*Xavier*	*0-0*	*602*
7	Ohio State	0-0	522
8	Texas A&M	0-0	512
9	Oklahoma	0-0	506
10	*Kentucky*	*0-0*	*497*
11	West Virginia	0-0	454
12	Notre Dame	0-0	419
13	Georgetown	0-0	380
14	Florida State	0-0	298
15	UCLA	0-0	283
16	St. John's	0-0	262
17	Iowa State	0-0	226
18	North Carolina	0-0	206
19	Georgia	0-0	196
20	Texas	0-0	182
21	Vanderbilt	0-0	151
22	Gonzaga	0-0	106
23	Nebraska	0-0	95
24	Michigan State	0-0	91
25	Iowa	0-0	86

Others Receiving Votes: TCU 70, Maryland 62, Green Bay 48, LSU 46, Dayton 38, DePaul 33, *Georgia Tech 30*, Virginia 23, San Diego State 22, Oklahoma State 19, Hartford 17, California 16, *James Madison 10*, Auburn 9, *UALR 9*, Mississippi State 7, North Carolina State 6, Temple 5, Rutgers 4, Marist 4, USC 3, Purdue 3, Gardner-Webb 3, Bowling Green 2, *Western Kentucky 1*, Princeton 1, Michigan 1, Louisville 1, Liberty 1, Fresno State 1

Another Strong Schedule

Middle Tennessee has never backed down from a challenging schedule since head coach Rick Insell took over in 2005-06. This year, despite the youth on the roster, he will maintain his reputation by playing one of the toughest non-conference slates in the country.

Among the schools ranked in the Preseason Associated Press and ESPN/*USA Today* Coaches polls, two opponents (Xavier - 5th [media], 6th [coaches]; Kentucky - 9th [media], 11th [coaches]) are ranked in or just outside of the Top 10, while three others (Georgia Tech, James Madison and UALR in both and Western Kentucky by the coaches) are receiving votes.

Sun Belt Standings

East Division	Overall	SBC
Middle Tennessee	0-0	0-0
Western Kentucky	0-0	0-0
FIU	0-0	0-0
South Alabama	0-0	0-0
Florida Atlantic	0-0	0-0
Troy	0-0	0-0

West Division	Overall	SBC
UALR	0-0	0-0
Denver	0-0	0-0
Arkansas State	0-0	0-0
North Texas	0-0	0-0
ULM	0-0	0-0
Louisiana	0-0	0-0

Sun Belt Composite Schedule

Friday, November 12
Troy vs. Stony Brook (Elon, N.C.)
FIU at Baylor
Stephen F. Austin at North Texas
Davidson at UALR
New Orleans at ULM
Denver at Wyoming
Arkansas State at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

Saturday, November 13
South Alabama at Tulane
FIU vs. Rice (Waco, Texas)
Arkansas State vs. Southern/Iowa (Corpus Christi, Texas)

Sunday, November 14
USF at Middle Tennessee
Troy at Elon
FIU vs. Montana State (Waco, Texas)
Kennesaw State at Florida Atlantic
North Texas at Oral Roberts

Monday, November 15
Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Arkansas State

Tuesday, November 16
Middle Tennessee at Austin Peay
UALR at Texas A&M
Western Kentucky at Louisiana Tech
Southern Miss at South Alabama
Colorado at Denver

Wednesday, November 17
Jacksonville State at Troy
Florida Atlantic at Jacksonville

Thursday, November 18
Northwestern at Western Kentucky

Friday, November 19
South Alabama at Southern
Saint Louis at Arkansas State
Louisiana Tech at UALR
Northwestern State at ULM
Florida Atlantic at North Florida

Saturday, November 20
UAB at Louisiana
Eastern Kentucky at FIU

Sunday, November 21
Middle Tennessee at Arkansas
Western Kentucky at Duke
North Texas at George Washington