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Flames Get Horizon League Tourney Win Over Youngstown State, 79-59

Cedrick Banks nets 14 points to lead Illinois-Chicago to easy win.

Milwaukee, Wis. - University of Illinois at Chicago Head Men's Basketball Coach [Jimmy Collins](#) was able to clear his bench as his Flames rolled to a 79-59 victory over Youngstown State in the Horizon League Second Round at the U.S. Cellular Arena on Friday night.

With the victory, UIC advances to Saturday's Horizon League semi-final matchup against host UW-Milwaukee at 7:30 p.m.

"No question that it was good to play (the second team) for a majority of the second half," Collins said. "(Saturday) is going to be a war and our guys are going to need their rest."

Junior forward [Cedrick Banks](#) led UIC with 14 points, while [Aaron Carr](#) and [Armond Williams](#) each tallied 13 points apiece for the Flames. Senior [Kyle Kickert](#) tallied five points and a game-high nine rebounds, while junior guard [Martell Bailey](#) had seven points and seven assists for the Flames.

Senior point guard [Jonathan Schneiderman](#) chipped in 11 points, including three treys. As a team, UIC shot 63.6% (7-for-11) from beyond the arc.

"We had four guys in double-figures," Collins said. "It showed that we had some good team play tonight."

With the victory, UIC improves to 21-7 on the campaign, while the Penguins end the campaign at 9-20.

Doug Underwood posted a game-high 20 points for Youngstown State, while Adam Baumann added 13 for the Penguins.

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Armond Williams during the first half in the Horizon League win over Youngstown State.

With the scored tied at 12 in the first half, UIC went on a 17-0 run, led by seven points from Banks, over a seven-minute span to take a commanding 29-12 lead over the Penguins.

For the first half, UIC shot a blistering 50% (13-for-26) from the field, and 57.1% (4-for-7) from beyond the three-point arc.

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