

Ice Hockey



Program Overview



Head Coach

Gary Rost
5th Year

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Coach Gary Rost returned behind the bench in 2007-08 after previously serving as interim head coach from 2001 to 2003.

Coach Rost is the past president of the NJCAA Ice Hockey Coaches Association.

He is the most senior member of the ECC Athletic Department, serving in his 33rd year on the hockey staff and 31st year with the school.

In 2009, he was named the Region 3 Coach of the Year and the Buffalo Fans Award Network College Coach of the Year.

Assistant Coaches

Bill Orr, Matt Bean



Erie goalie Ben Sawicki makes a sparkling save in the National tournament in March 2006.

Program Accomplishments

ECC's hockey program has a long and storied tradition. Over the years, the hockey team has made 16 NJCAA national tournament appearances and has six Region III championships (1988, 1990-91, 1993-94, 2009). The Kats set a school record for wins in a season in 1994-95 when they finished the year 31-1-0. ECC's history includes 33 NJCAA All-Americans and numerous All-Region players.

This past season, the Kats finished 18-4-2 and lost in the NJCAA National Championship game to MSU-Bottineau. The team was ranked number one for the majority of the season. Erie also finished 11-2-2 in Region III play.

Freshmen goalie Bryan Kalczynski and defenseman Mike Krywcum were named to the All-Rookie team. Mike Smith was named second-team All-Region.

Dan Wendt was named First-team All-Region, Rookie of the year, and was also named to the NJCAA Tournament All-Tournament team. He was the second-ranked scorer in the country.

Schedule- 2009-10

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Site</u>
Oct 24, 2009	Broome CC	7:00 pm	Away
Oct 25, 2009	Mohawk Valley	TBA	Away
Oct 31, 2009	CC Morris	5:30 pm	Away
Nov 1, 2009	CC Morris	12:15 pm	Away
Nov 7, 2009	John Carroll	3:15 pm	Home
Nov 14, 2009	St. John Fisher	3:15 pm	Home
Dec 1, 2009	Monroe CC	7:25 pm	Home
Dec 5, 2009	Hudson Valley	7:00 pm	Away
Dec 6, 2009	Mohawk Valley	2:00 pm	Away
Dec 11, 2009	John Carroll	8:00 pm	Away
Dec 12, 2009	PSU-Behrend	6:30 pm	Away
Jan 6, 2010	Niagara-ACHA	TBA	Away
Jan 13, 2010	Monroe CC	TBA	Away
Jan 18, 2010	Niagara-ACHA	1:25 pm	Home
Jan 23, 2010	Broome CC	2:50 pm	Home
Feb 2, 2010	Monroe CC	7:25 pm	Home
Feb 6, 2010	Mohawk Valley	3:15 pm	Home
Feb 12, 2010	Broome CC	3:00 pm	Away
Feb 15, 2010	Canisius-ACHA	1:25 pm	Away
Feb 20, 2010	Hudson Valley	3:15 pm	Home
Feb 21, 2010	Hudson Valley	11:55 am	Home

All dates are subject to change

2009 NJCAA National Runner-up