

Bennie Lewis III (Player Profile)
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High School:
 Nick Name: BJ
 Height: 6'7
 Weight: 185
 Position: SG/SF
 National HS Basketball ranking: 296/375
 High School: East St. Louis
 Coach: Dennis Brooks
 Phone: (618) 646-3700
 Record: 26 wins 5 losses (2003-04)

Grade: Senior
 School Academic Rank: 2nd in class
 GPA: 4.8/ 5 point scale
 ACT: 24
 Address: 4901 State Street,
 City: East St. Louis State: IL
 Zip Code: 62205

Best Games as a Junior:

Teams:		pts	fg	3pt	s	as	r	ft
Lincoln (IL)	9	3/6	3/6	1	1	1		
Danville (IL)	11	4/6	1/3		3	2	2/2	
Edwardsville (IL)	11	2/4	2/3	2		9	5/8 (see attached article)	
Belleville East (IL)	10	2/3	2/3		2	2	4/4	
Belleville East (IL)	9	3/3	2/3				3/3	
Triad (IL)	9	4/4	1/1					

Best Defensive game as a Junior:

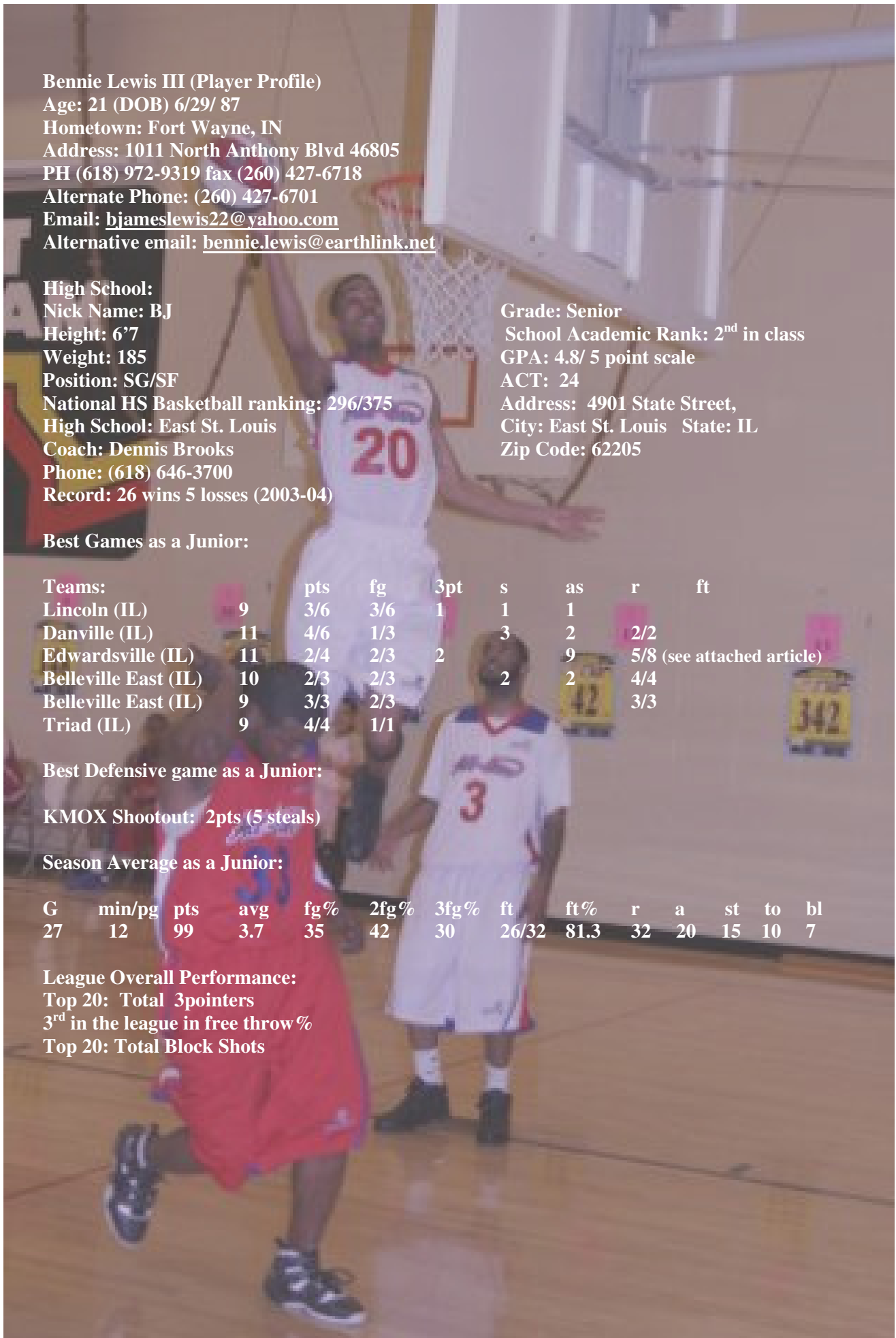
KMOX Shootout: 2pts (5 steals)

Season Average as a Junior:

G	min/pg	pts	avg	fg%	2fg%	3fg%	ft	ft%	r	a	st	to	bl
27	12	99	3.7	35	42	30	26/32	81.3	32	20	15	10	7

League Overall Performance:

Top 20: Total 3pointers
 3rd in the league in free throw %
 Top 20: Total Block Shots



AAU / SUMMER /FALL PROGRAM

BJ played for four traveling teams during the summer. Team Detroit (TD); Blessed INJ (BINJ); East St Louis HS, (ESL); and Jennings Recreation Center (JRC).

APRIL:

Larry Butler- Nike Tournament (Chicago IL) DePaul University (ESL)
Larry Butler- Nike Tournament (Chicago IL) York High School (ESL)
Charlie Weber Reebok Tournament (Washington DC) Georgetown University (TD)
Charlie Weber Reebok Tournament (Washington DC) Howard University (TD)
Reebok Tournament (Cleveland OH) Toledo University (TD)

Comment: “He shoots the ball like the Europeans,” said Rodney Heard, Dir. of Scouting, Atlanta Hawks.

MAY:

Spiece Run & Slam Tournament (Ft Wayne IN) (BINJ)
Tournament of Champions (Raleigh NC) (BINJ)

JUNE:

Southwestern Illinois College Tournament (Belleville IL) (ESL)
Toledo University Shootout TEAM CAMP (Toledo OH) (JRC)
Purdue University TEAM CAMP (Lafayette IN) (JRC)

JULY:

HS Summer League (St. Louis MO) Vashon HS (ESL)
REEBOK **ABCD** Camp (Teaneck NJ) Fairleigh –Dickinson University (individual)
REEBOK Tournament (West Virginia) (BINJ)
BIG TIME National Tournament (Los Vegas NV) (TD)
REEBOK Tournament (Los Angles CA) (TD)

August:

USSSA National Tournament (Fort Wayne IN) Spiece Fieldhouse (**D 2 11grade Champions**)
11th Grade Slam Dunk Champion (JRC)

September:

USSSA Fall Qualifier for 2005 (Fort Wayne IN) (JRC)

October:

Indiana Basketball News, College Exposure ***‘SHOWCASE OF STAR’*** (Fort Wayne IN)
(individual).

Evaluation:

“Good scorer around the rack and runs the court like a deer. Very quick jumper and very active player at both ends of the court.” Reg Tisdale, *Indiana Basketball News.com*
‘Showcase of Stars’.

High School Record: 14wins 13 losses (2004-05)

Best games as a Senior:

Teams:	pts	fg	3pt	s	as	r	ft	blks
Chicago Currie (IL)	18	5/13	2/7	2	5	5	6/6	2
Granite City (IL)	17	6/8	4/6	1	2	3	1/3	1
Alton (IL)	20	7/8	6/8	3	4	5	0	3
Edwardsville (IL)	18	5/10	3/5	4	4	7	5/6	3
Ofallon (IL)	15	5/12	5/9	1	2	2	0	1
Cahokia (IL)	23	7/17	2/8	1	2	8	7/8	3

Best Defensive game as a Senior:

Civic Memorial Shootout: 5pts;4stls;4ast;7rbs

*** Held main scorer to 2pts; 3attempts; 2rbs (14 pts below his average ppg)**

Season Average as a Senior:

G	min/pg	pts	avg	fg%	2fg%	3fg%	ft	ft%	r	a	st	to	bl
27	28.5	284	10.5	37.87	39.25	36.72	59/72	81.9	121	73	39	37	22

Honors:

Lincoln IL -Thanksgiving Holiday Tournament (All Tournament Team)

League Overall performance: Top 15 in all seven statistical categories.

Scoring: 284 (10.5)

Assist: 73 (2.7)

Steal: 39 (1.44)

Rebounds: 121 (4.5)

3-pointers: 47 (36.72)

Free-throws: 59/72 (81.9%)

Block shots: 22 (0.81)

Bennie Lewis III (bio)

Benne Lewis was born in Melbourne Australia in 1987 while his father Bennie Lewis Jr. was playing fifteen years of professional basketball in the country. He is the grandson of the legendary Illinois Hall of Fame basketball coach Bennie Lewis Sr., who coached the likes of LaPhonzo Ellis, Cuonzo Martin, and Darius Miles. Although born in Australia, BJ as he is known was raised in Fort Wayne, Indiana and moved to East St. Louis, IL the beginning of his junior year in high school.

In his younger years BJ attended various camps to increase his knowledge and to learn the fundamentals of the game, from all positions on the floor. He can best be described as a “basketball player” as he has been able to adjust and adapt to all positions on the floor, but is best suited in the shooting guard / small forward positions.

Camps attended: Kevin Boyle NJ (2000)

Gene Keady Purdue Elite & Purdue Team (2001)

Gene Keady Purdue Team & Bob Knight Texas Tech (2002)

Gene Keady Purdue Team & Bob Knight Texas Tech (2003)

In 2004, BJ had to make the adjustment when coming into the senior heavy, star studded team by coming off the bench. His role was to add instant offense or defense to help the team maintain, go ahead, or even seal the game with a steal or free throws. He led the team in free throw percentage, (81.3) while only committing 10 turnovers and 14 fouls in 27 games.

In 2005, the program was centered on his play and big things were expected. BJ had a very extensive summer, and works hard on his game daily. Because he was still growing, and he was a young 17 year old it was anticipated that he would grow some more, up as well as out. His consistent growth each year, (6'4-160lbs to 6'6 1/2-175lbs) from October 2003 to October 2004 indicated probable heights of 6'7 to 6'8 by the end of 2005. **(He's now 6'8 -195lbs)**

BJ possesses good 30' range, with mid range pull-up and slam dunk capabilities, the kid truly has talent.

Academically, he was also a university's dream, as he was able to maintain his position on the National Honor Roll for 3 years running. He held a 4.8 GPA in a 5 point system, and was ranked 2nd in his senior class. He was also heavily recruited for academic scholarships.

At Benedict College, South Carolina under Coach Fred Watson, Bennie Lewis continued his career as a student athlete maintaining a 3.63 GPA; making the Deans List 8 consecutive semesters; becoming a member of the National Dean's list (2 yrs); being selected to the SIAC All Academic (2yrs), and NABC Academic Honor Roll.

Athletically, he led his teams to 4 consecutive NCAA D2 tournament bids with a trip to the sweet 16; 3 consecutive regular season conference championships; 1 conference tournament championship; 100 wins in four years; scoring more than One Thousand career points.

As Bennie Lewis prepares himself for the next level, he brings with him a high basketball IQ, a love for the game, and an understanding of winning basketball. He is truly a coach's player. His assets will pad the columns of stat sheets, as he is proficient in all basketball fundamentals.

Bennie Lewis III

Height 6'8; Weight 195lbs

Position: SG/SF

Benedict College (Tigers) Columbia, South Carolina

Freshman Year Summary

2005-2006 Season: 22 Wins 7 Losses (Conference Champions) NCAA DII Qualifier

Games	Starts	Min	Avg.	FG-FGA	FG-Pct	3pt-3ptA	3pt-Pct	FT-FTA	FT-Pct	RB	RPG	A	ST	PTS	PPG
29	7	12.5		49-130	.376	29-85	.341	25-31	.806	59	2.0	11	13	152	5.2

Best Games as a Freshman:

Team	FG	3pt	FT	R	PTS	A	TO	S	Min
USC Aiken	5-10	4-6	5-6	6	19	1	2	2	29
Miles College	6-10	3-6		4	15		1	1	23
Clark Atlanta	8-11	4-6	1-1	3	21	3			17
Ft Valley ST.	3-6	3-4	2-2	3	11	1	3	1	23
Paine College	2-7	0-3	5-8	6	9		1		34

SIAC

Conference Tournament:

Miles College	4-10	3-6		4	11	1			30
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NCAA Division II Tournament

Montevallo, AL	4-16	4-14	3-3	4	15		2		34
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Sophomore Year Summary

2006-2007 Season: 25 Wins and 5 Losses (Conference Champions); NCAA DII Qualifier

Games	Starts	Min Avg.	FG-FGA	FG Pct	3pt-3ptA	FT-FTA	FT-Pct	RB	RPG	A	S	Blks	Pts	PPG
30	3	14.5	50-155	32.2	30-79	49-58	84.5	69	2.3	18	20	13	199	6.6

Best Games as a Sophomore

Team	FG	3pt	FT	R	PTS	A	TO	S	Min
Morehouse	5	3	0	2	13	0	1	0	7
Clark	4	1	0	8	9	3	2	3	13
Stillman	4	3	1	4	12	1	1	1	18
Clark	5	2	2	0	14	1	0	1	15

SIAC Conference Tournament:

Lane	4	3	3	2	14	1	3	0	20
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NCAA Division II Tournament

Eckerd (Florida)	1	1	0	4	3	2	0	10
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Junior Year Summary

2007-2008 Season 28 Wins 5 Losses

(Conference Champions; Conference Tournament Champions; NCAA DII Sweet 16)

Games	Starts	Min Avg.	FG-FGA	FG Pct	3pt-3ptA	3pt Pct	FT-FTA	FT Pct	RB	RBG	A	S	Blks	Pts	PPG
32	14	29.6	129-289	.446	63-159	.396	40-60	.667	121	3.8	48	29	24	361	11.3

Best Games as a Junior

Team	FG	3pt	FT	R	Pts	A	TO	S	Blks	Min
Voorhees	4	2	0	4	10	2	1	1	1	40
Morris	7	3	5	5	22	3	1	1	1	24
Kentucky State	5	3	1	1	14	3	2	1	1	32
Clayton	7	4	1	5	19	2	1	1	2	24
LeMoyne Owen	5	4	0	3	14	2	0	1	3	23
Morehouse	3	3	2	4	11	1	1	1	1	28

SIAC Conference Tournament:

Albany State	4	1	3	5	12	2	0	2	0	42
Clark	4	3	1	6	12	3	1	1	0	36
Tuskegee	7	2	1	2	17	1	1	2	0	39

NCAA Division 2 Tournament:

Eckerd	6	4	2	6	18	1	1	0	1	38
Tampa	8	4	0	3	20	2	0	0	1	40
Nth Alabama	2	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	1	39

Honors: Pre-Season 1st Team SIAC All-Conference; Tournament MVP Paine Classic; Ranked as one of the top 3pt shooters in NCAA D2; Ranked as one of the top shot blockers in NCAA D2; NABC All-Academic; SIAC Conference All Academic; 2nd Team SIAC All Conference; NCAA D2 South Region All Tournament Team. National Poll: NABC ranked #8; NCAA D2South Region #2; Black College Sports Page National Ranking #1.

Senior Year Summary

2008-2009 Season 24 Wins 6 Losses

(Conference Runner-up; Conference Tournament Semifinalist; NCAA DII Qualifier)

Games	Starts	Min	Avg	FG-FGA	FG Pct	3pt-3ptA	3pt Pct	FT-FTA	FT Pct	RB	RPG	A	S	Blks	Pts	PPG
30	16	32		119-274	.434	51-132	.386	40-57	.703	120	4.1	51	22	22	339	11.3

Best Games as a Senior

Team	FG	3pt	FT	R	PTS	A	TO	S	Blks	Min
Augusta State	5	3	2	7	15	0	3	0	2	40
Albany State	10	6	2	7	28	1	1	1	2	32
Fort Valley St.	8	5	3	3	24	3	0	0	1	37
Tuskegee	8	3	2	0	21	0	1	0	1	32
Morehouse	5	2	1	6	13	1	1	3	3	36

SIAC Conference Tournament

Lane	6	4	5	10	21	6	0	1	1	38
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NCAA D2 South Regional Tournament

Arkansas Tech	4	2	0	6	10	4	0	1	1	36
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Honors: Pre-Season All Conference; ESPNU Player of the Game VS Fort Valley State; All SIAC Academic Team; NABC Academic Honor Roll; Team Leading Scorer 11.3 ppg; 121 Games Played; 1,051 career points; 173 career 3-pointer; 369 career rebounds; 128 career assist.

Conference and team statistics can be located on two web sites. The conference site is www.thesiac.com.
The school site is www.benedict.edu.