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Beavers Post C-Note On Opening Night In 102-83 Win Over Niagara

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CORVALLIS, Ore. - No [Jared Cunningham](#). No problem. The Oregon State men's basketball team opened its 2012-13 season with a convincing 102-83 win over Niagara Friday night in the regional round of the 2K Sports Classic benefiting Wounded Warrior Project.

The Beavers lost Cunningham, the team's leading scorer last season, to the NBA but didn't miss a beat on offense as six players scored in double figures to help Oregon State hit the century mark, a year after it had a school-record four 100-point games.

The 102 points is the most in a game by a Beavers' team since Nov. 25, 1997 when they tied a school record with 116 points in a win over UC San Diego. Oregon State scored 101 points three times last season and 100 once.

Junior [Roberto Nelson](#) took over Cunningham's spot in the starting lineup after coming off the bench in all 36 games last season and responded with a game-high 22 points, including a career-high tying five three-pointers. He added three assists, three steals and two rebounds.

[Eric Moreland](#) started his sophomore campaign with a monster night with 14 points, 13 rebounds, five blocked shots and two assists. It's his fourth career double double and the five blocks were just one shy of the six he had last season to equal the school record.

Junior [Ahmad Starks](#) added 18 points on a career-best six triples and tied a career high with seven rebounds, while senior [Angus Brandt](#) added 18 points and eight rebounds. Junior [Devon Collier](#) came off the bench to score 14 points with seven boards and a career-high six assists, and senior [Joe Burton](#) was the sixth OSU player in double digits with 10 points to go along with six rebounds and five assists.

The Beavers return to action on Sunday when they host New Mexico State at 6:30 p.m. in the other 2K Sports Classic regional round contest in a game that will be televised nationally on ESPNU.