

Evan Turner Turns Out Triple-Double In 100-60 Win Over Alcorn State

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) – Evan Turner recorded only the second triple-double ever for Ohio State with 14 points, 17 rebounds and 10 assists in the 16th-ranked Buckeyes' 100-60 victory over Alcorn State on Monday night in the 2K Sports Classic.

Turner needed one assist for 10 but his teammates missed three straight shots. A bounce pass to Jon Diebler, who had 22 points, led to a 3-pointer with just over 7 minutes left for the triple-double.

William Buford added 19 points, Jeremie Simmons 12 and Walter Offutt 11 for the Buckeyes (1-0), who host a second-round game on Thursday night against James Madison.

Jonathan Boyd scored 20 points for the Braves (0-1), who are coached by former NBA star Larry Smith and are coming off a 6-25 season. Alcorn State was ranked 342nd of the 343 teams in Division I in the Rating Percentage Index.

Ohio State, which will meet No. 6 North Carolina in the semifinals next week at Madison Square Garden, has all five starters back from a 22-11 team that lost in the first round of the NCAA tournament to Siena.

The only previously recorded triple-double at Ohio State belonged to Dennis Hopson, who had 27 points, 11 rebounds and 10 assists in a 1986 victory over Ohio University.

Turner had 12 points, 12 rebounds and eight assists in the opening half as Ohio State breezed to a 56-28 lead. Diebler had 16 points and Buford hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer for 11.

The Braves fell behind 8-0 before Byrd, who had 12 points on 3-pointers in the opening half, ended the drought. They got as close as 25-15 midway through the half before the Buckeyes went on a 19-0 run with Diebler scoring eight points.

