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## Shelly Smith

Cedarville University

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For immediate release:

CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Mattawan High School graduate Shelly Smith is a member of the women's varsity basketball team at Cedarville College in Ohio. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Smith of Osseo.

Smith, who is a sophomore forward, carries an elementary education major at Cedarville. There are no seniors on the team and Shelly is one of just five upperclassmen on the roster. Nine of the 14 players are freshmen.

Smith has appeared in all 12 games for Cedarville thus far with two starts. She has scored 15 points and grabbed 19 rebounds.

Cedarville has struggled out to a 3-9 start through games of Jan. 16. Coach Bob Fires lost four starters and nearly 50 points per game from last year's 20-10 club. That was a school record for victories in a season as the Yellow Jackets made the NAIA District 22 playoffs and later finished as the runner-up in the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) national tournament.

Cedarville is a Baptist liberal arts college located in southwestern Ohio, 25 miles east of Dayton. The school has an enrollment of approximately 1900 students.

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