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MASSBAY UPENDS #8 COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND (DII)
Buccaneers celebrate winter holidays with big win

Framingham, Mass. – Division II powerhouse and eighth-ranked Community College of Rhode Island (11-4) visited MassBay's Framingham Gymnasium Saturday afternoon. MassBay (12-5) sent the team home with a 77-75 loss.

The Buccaneers rebounded from a 72-71 loss against Nassau to open the second semester with an impressive victory over CCRI. MassBay jumped out on its Region XXI mates by 10 early in the first half behind Jamal Swanson’s (Cambridge, Mass.) 11 first-half points.

Swanson connected on 8-of-10 free throws on his way to a team-high 23 points and six rebounds. Mike Young (Boston, Mass.) contributed 10 points. Team leading scorer Deshawn Gibbons (Boston, Mass.) was held to just nine points, eight rebounds, and three assists. Gibbons found the bottom of the net when it counted, however, connecting on a deep jumper to win the game at the buzzer.

Prior to the CCRI win, MassBay traveled to Garden City, New York to face national powerhouse Nassau Community College on January 8. The Buccaneers fell short, losing 72-71. They were led by Gibbons who collected a double-double of 19 points and 11 rebounds. Tyrell Mosley (Boston, Mass) contributed 14 points. Young and Swanson added 12 points each.

MassBay hosts its next two games on January 17 (Holyoke) and January 22 (Quinsigamond). When MassBay hosts Holyoke at 1:00 p.m., the game will celebrate Summer Camp Day.

About MassBay Community College
Massachusetts Bay Community College (MassBay) is an open-access, accredited two-year public educational institution. The College grants associate degrees and certificates in a range of disciplines through its five divisions of academics: the Division of Health Sciences; the Division of Humanities; the Division of Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (S.T.E.M.); the Division of Social Sciences & Professional Studies; and the Division of Transportation & Energy. Offering over 60 academic programs, MassBay serves Boston and the MetroWest communities with locations in Wellesley Hills, Framingham and Ashland (Automotive Technology Center).

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