

2009 Phillips 66 Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship COX CONVENTION CENTER: March 12, 2009

Game Notes: No. 5 Kansas State 68, No. 12 Colorado 51

Individual & Team Notes...

Shalee Lehning's 30 minutes today moved her into first on Kansas State's all-time career minutes played. With 4,163 minutes, Lehning passed Kendra Wecker (2001-05).

Kansas State's victory over Colorado evened the all-time series record between the two teams at 32 wins apiece.

Colorado's Brittany Spears finished the game with 23 points making her just the second player in CU history to tally 1,000 career points and the 22nd overall.

Ashley Sweat finished with 19 points to lead Kansas State for the 20th time this season. Sweat now has 1, 244 career points, placing her 16th on the all-time scoring list.

Marlies Gipson 14-point performance against Colorado put her career total at 1, 267 points. Gipson also grabbed 10 rebounds to record her 18th career double-double and lead K-State in rebounding for the 10th time this season.

Kansas State outrebounded Colorado 32-21, making the Wildcats 16-1 when owning the rebound advantage.

Big 12 Championship Notes...

With the win by Kansas State, No. 5 seeds improved to 12-1 in the first round of the Phillips 66 Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship. In the history of the event, the No. 12 seed is now 1-12 in first round games.

Kansas State improved to 5-3 in first round games, while Colorado dropped to 3-5.

Colorado's 17 first-half points tied for the fifth-fewest points scored in a half at the Championship.

Kansas State's win snapped a three-game losing streak in the opening round of the tournament. The last Wildcat victory came against Kansas in the first round in 2006.

Kansas State is now 12-12 overall in the league tournament, while CU moves to 8-12.