



## **2009 Phillips 66 Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship**

### **COX CONVENTION CENTER: March 14, 2009**

#### **Game Notes: No. 4 Texas A&M 74, No. 1 Oklahoma 62**

##### **Individual & Team Notes...**

Oklahoma's 21 first-half points was the fewest scored in a half by the Sooners this season. OU's previous low, 23 points, came in a 57-56 regular season loss to Texas A&M on Feb. 23.

With 15 points against the Aggies, Courtney Paris is now the all-time leading scorer in OU basketball history. Paris' 2,666 points also positioned her as the Big 12's women's basketball all-time scoring leader. With 130 career double-figure scoring outings, Paris has tied the NCAA record held by Baylor's Sophia Young (2003-06).

Texas A&M is now 2-1 against Oklahoma this season and has won five of the last seven meetings between the two teams.

Danielle Gant led the Aggies with 22 points, four rebounds and three assists, while Sydney Colson chipped in 15 points and five assists. Two other Aggies also scored in double-figures with Tanisha Smith (13) and Takia Starks (12).

##### **Big 12 Championship Notes...**

A&M is now 1-2 against OU at the Phillips 66 Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship. The 12-point margin of victory is the Sooners' worst loss in the tournament since losing by 14 points to Oklahoma State in 1999.

The two teams combined for 50 points at halftime which tied for the fifth-fewest in a Big 12 Championship semifinal contest. OU's 21 points also tied for fourth-fewest by a single team in a half.

Despite being outrebounded 31-19 in the first half, the Sooners won the final battle of the boards, 46-43. Their 46 total rebounds is second-most in the history of the semifinal round at the event, while their 20 offensive rebounds is the most in a semifinal contest.

With the victory, Texas A&M became only the second No. 4 seed to win in the semifinals of the Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship. The Aggies also won in the semifinals as a No. 4 seed a year ago in a 65-53 victory over Iowa State.