



2012 BIG SKY VOLLEYBALL



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PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Each week of the 2012 volleyball season, the Big Sky office selects a Player of the Week. The winner is announced Mondays by noon via a PDF document email and the release is also available on the website. Nominations are made by each institutions' sports information director.

WEEKLY PRESS RELEASE

The Big Sky Conference media relations department produces a weekly volleyball release every Monday during the season. Media can receive the releases as a PDF document via email by contacting Megan Lobdell at 801.392.1978 ext. 19 or email at mlobdell@bigskyconference.org.

ALL-CONFERENCE AND INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Following the completion of the regular season, the Big Sky names First, Second and Honorable Mention All-Conference Teams. Individual awards consist of the Most Valuable Player, Outstanding Freshman, Top Newcomer and Libero of the Year. All awards are voted on by Big Sky volleyball coaches.

CREDITS

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A new era in the Big Sky Conference begins in 2012-13 as the league enters its 50th year of athletic competition, and its 25th sponsoring women's collegiate athletics.

The Division I Big Sky Conference welcomes the University of North Dakota and Southern Utah University into the fold as full members. Cal Poly and UC Davis join the league as affiliate members in football, where the league competes at the Championship Subdivision level (formerly I-AA).

The additions of North Dakota and Southern Utah give the stable Big Sky 11 full institutions and 13 football members. The current lineup includes four of the six charter members: Idaho State University, The University of Montana, Montana State University and Weber State. Northern Arizona enters its 43rd season in the Big Sky, giving the conference five members with at least 40 years of continuous membership.

Eastern Washington University joined the Big Sky Conference in 1987, followed by Portland State University and Sacramento State in 1996. The Big Sky became a nine-team league in 2006 with the addition of the University of Northern Colorado.

The league has become one of the strongest Division I conferences in the West and is a national leader in the Football Championship Subdivision. Six times, Big Sky teams have won the Division I National Championship, including Eastern Washington in 2010. A Big Sky team has played for the national championship in three of the past four seasons.

The Big Sky Conference was established in 1963 by six charter members – Idaho, Idaho State, Gonzaga, Montana, Montana State and Weber State. Those six schools formed the foundation of the Big Sky before the league expanded in 1970 by adding Boise State and Northern Arizona. Gonzaga left the Sky in 1979 and was replaced by Nevada, which gave the league eight members. The conference grew to nine schools in 1987 with the addition of Eastern Washington.

BIG SKY CONFERENCE INSTITUTIONS

CAL STATE UNIVERSITY SACRAMENTO

- SACRAMENTO, CALIF.
- MEMBER SINCE 1996

EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

- CHENEY, WASH.
- MEMBER SINCE 1987

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY

- POCATELLO, IDAHO
- CHARTER MEMBER SINCE 1963

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

- MISSOULA, MONT.
- CHARTER MEMBER SINCE 1963

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

- BOZEMAN, MONT.
- CHARTER MEMBER SINCE 1963

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

- GRAND FORKS, N. D.
- MEMBER SINCE 2012

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

- FLAGSTAFF, ARIZ.
- MEMBER SINCE 1970

NORTHERN COLORADO UNIVERSITY

- GREELEY, COLO.
- MEMBER SINCE JULY 1, 2006

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY

- PORTLAND, ORE.
- MEMBER SINCE 1996

SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY

- CEDAR CITY, UTAH
- MEMBER SINCE 2012

WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY

- OGDEN, UTAH
- CHARTER MEMBER SINCE 1963

The 1990s saw change in the makeup of the league, beginning in 1992 when Nevada departed and put the Big Sky back at eight teams. In 1996 Boise State and Idaho left and at the same time the conference added Portland State, Sacramento State and Cal State Northridge. The Big Sky maintained nine teams for five years before Cal State Northridge departed in the spring of 2001.

The Big Sky now includes nine states spanning from the Pacific Ocean to the Red River Valley of North Dakota. The league is represented along the entire west coast with institutions in Washington, Oregon and California. League schools also range up and down the Rocky Mountains with institutions in Montana, Idaho, Utah, Arizona and Colorado.

On Feb 25, 1963, the name Big Sky was adopted by the six presidents of the charter members as the name of the new conference. The name Big Sky originated in a novel written by the late A.B. (Bud) Guthrie of Great Falls, Mont., in 1947 entitled "The Big Sky." Jack Hollowell, a former Montana advertising director, promoted the Big Sky theme for the Treasure State. While on a track and field trip from Pocatello, Idaho, to Missoula, Mont., legendary Dubby Holt of Idaho State saw a "Welcome to Big Sky Country" sign as his team entered Montana. Holt, and his athletes thought "Big Sky" would be a perfect name for the new conference. Harry Missildine of the Spokane Spokesman-Review called for

the newly formed league to be named the Big Sky Conference in his column dated Feb. 20, 1963.

The Big Sky sponsors championships in 15 sports, including men's and women's cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field, basketball and tennis. In addition, there are also championships in football, and women's volleyball, golf and soccer. This upcoming spring, the Big Sky will sponsor a softball championship for the first time.

In 1988-89, the Big Sky Conference first began sponsoring women's sports. The former Mountain West Conference existed from 1982-88, sponsoring championships for women's sports at the same institutions the Big Sky had men's programs. The Big Sky merged with the Mountain West in 1988, forming one league for both men and women.

Doug Fullerton, the fifth commissioner of the Big Sky Conference, is in his 18th year at the helm. Fullerton took over the Big Sky on July 1, 1995, replacing longtime commissioner Ron Stephenson, who passed away in 2011. Stephenson served the league for 14 years. Steve Belko was the commissioner from 1977-81, while John Roning held the post from 1971-77. The first league commissioner was Jack Friel, who served from 1963-71.



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PRESEASON POLLS RANK NORTHERN COLORADO NO. 1

OGDEN, Utah (August 13, 2012) - In a vote by the league's head volleyball coaches, Northern Colorado was picked to win the 2012 Big Sky Conference title. This is the second time since 2006 that the Bears were favored in the preseason.

The poll was released on Monday by the league. The coaches were not allowed to vote for their own teams.

Northern Colorado received nine first-place votes for a total of 99 points. The Bears are looking to defend their regular-season and postseason championships. In 2011, the Bears won the regular-season title with a 13-3 record. Northern Colorado swept Eastern Washington and Portland State to win the conference title and qualify for the NCAA tournament.

NC will host the 2012 championship in Greeley, Colo., Nov. 23-24. The tournament will expand to six teams with quarterfinals and semifinals being played on Friday, and the championship on Saturday.

Northern Colorado is coached by Lindsey Oates (formally Benson), who enters here eighth season at the helm and led the Bears to a 22-9 overall and 13-3 league record in 2011. The postseason championship was the second for NC. The Bears won their first conference championships in 2009 by defeating Portland State 3-1.

The Bears return conference MVP Player Kelley Arnold and conference tournament MVP Marissa Hughes.

Portland State was picked to finish second with one first-place vote and 88 total points. PSU defeated Sacramento State in the semifinals, but lost to the Bears in the championship. Portland State finished the season 18-13 and 12-4 in the league.

The Vikings won the 2010 conference tournament by defeating the Bears 3-2. PSU is led by head coach Michael Seemann, who is entering his sixth season. The Vikings return outside hitter Megan Ellis and setter Garyn Schlatter, but lost libero Nicole Bateham.

Eastern Washington was chosen third by the coaches with 71 points. The Eagles finished the season 13-15 and 9-7 in the conference. The Eagles are coached Miles Kydd, who is entering his fifth season.

Kydd is returning to his roster outside hitter Cora Kellerman, who redshirted the 2010 season and was named Big Sky First Team in 2011.

League newcomer North Dakota was picked fourth with 70 points and one first-place vote. UND finished the 2011 season with a 26-5 overall and 8-2 in the Great West. UND is the three-time (2009-11) defending Great West Conference Champions. North Dakota has a very young roster this season that doesn't have a senior on it.

Montana is ranked fifth in the preseason with 62 points. UM is led by Jerry Wagner, entering his seventh season. Wagner has coached Montana to four Big Sky tournaments in his first six years. UM missed the tournament last season after finishing fifth with an 11-13 overall and 8-8 conference record.

The Grizzlies finished one point ahead of sixth place Sacramento State, which finished with 61 points. The Hornets finished third last season with a 17-15 overall and 10-6 conference.

The Hornets lost in the semifinals to Portland State at the 2011 conference tournament. SAC is returning outside hitter Janelle Currey, rightside hitter Kayla Beal and setter Hannah Hettinga.

Rounding out the poll were Idaho State (7th, 48 points), Northern Arizona (8th, 33), Southern Utah (9th, 30), Weber State (10th, 24) and Montana State (11th, 19).

The 2012 season begins Aug. 24th, and the first conference match will be played on Sept. 13.

VOLLEYBALL POLL

<u>Team</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Northern Colorado	99 (9)
2. Portland State	88 (1)
3. Eastern Washington	71
4. North Dakota	70 (1)
5. Montana	62
6. Sacramento State	61
7. Idaho State	48
8. Northern Arizona	33
9. Southern Utah	30
10. Weber State	24
11. Montana State	19

2011 STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>Record (BSC)</u>
1. Northern Colorado	22-9 (13-3)
2. Portland State	18-13 (12-4)
3. Sacramento State	17-15 (10-6)
4. Eastern Washington	13-15 (9-7)
5. Montana	11-13 (8-8)
6. Idaho State	14-14 (7-9)
7. Northern Arizona	15-10 (6-10)
8. Montana State	6-23 (4-12)
9. Weber State	3-26 (3-13)

(Number of first place votes in parenthesis)a

Friday, August 24

Eastern Washington vs. San Francisco ¹	10:00 a.m.
North Dakota vs. Southern California ²⁸	10:00 a.m.
Southern Utah at Utah ¹⁹	Noon
Northern Colorado vs. TCU ³¹	3:00 p.m.
Sacramento State at College of Charleston ¹⁶	4:00 p.m.
Eastern Washington vs. Seattle ¹	4:00 p.m.
Montana vs. Washington State ⁷	4:30 p.m.
Weber State vs. Portland ²²	4:30 p.m.
Portland State vs. Gonzaga ²⁵	4:30 p.m.
Northern Arizona vs. Citadel ¹³	5:00 p.m.
Idaho State vs. Arizona St. Univ. ⁴	5:00 p.m.
North Dakota vs. Texas State ²⁸	5:30 p.m.
Montana State at SIU-Edwardville ¹⁰	7:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 25

Eastern Washington vs. Presbyterian ¹	8:00 a.m.
Northern Colorado at Belmont ³¹	9:00 a.m.
Southern Utah vs. Portland ¹⁹	9:30 a.m.
Montana State vs. Western Illinois ¹⁰	10:00 a.m.
Northern Arizona vs. CSU Bakersfield ¹³	10:00 a.m.
Portland State vs. Boise State ²⁵	10:00 a.m.
Weber State vs. Utah ²²	12:00 p.m.
North Dakota at Texas A&M ²⁸	12:30 p.m.
Eastern Washington at Wyoming ¹	12:30 p.m.
Montana at Idaho ⁷	12:30 p.m.
Idaho State at University Texas El-Paso ⁴	1:00 p.m.
Sacramento State vs. Jacksonville ¹⁶	1:30 p.m.
Southern Utah at Utah State ¹⁹	2:00 p.m.
Northern Colorado vs. Alabama A&M ³¹	2:30 p.m.
Montana vs. Pacific ⁷	4:30 p.m.
Montana State vs. Santa Clara ¹⁰	5:00 p.m.
Idaho State vs. Fresno State Univ. ⁴	5:30 p.m.
Northern Arizona at UNLV ¹³	7:00 p.m.
Sacramento State vs. North Carolina State ¹⁶	7:00 a.m.
Portland State at Washington ²⁵	7:00 p.m.
Weber State at Utah State ²²	7:30 p.m.

Friday, August 31

Idaho State at Portland ⁹	11:00 a.m.
Southern Utah vs. Maryland Eastern Shore ²⁰	11:00 a.m.
Southern Utah vs. Kennesaw State ²⁰	3:00 p.m.
Weber State vs. Seattle ²³	3:00 p.m.
Northern Arizona vs. Fresno State ¹⁴	4:00 p.m.
Eastern Washington vs. UC Riverside ²	4:00 p.m.
Montana vs. Utah State ⁸	5:00 p.m.
Idaho State vs UNLV ⁹	5:00 p.m.
Sacramento State vs. Boise State ¹⁷	6:30 p.m.
Weber State vs. Alabama State ²³	7:00 p.m.
Portland State at Pacific ²⁶	7:00 p.m.
North Dakota vs. South Dakota ²⁹	7:00 p.m.
Northern Colorado vs. Oklahoma ³²	7:00 p.m.
Montana State vs. Quinnipac ¹¹	7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 1

Portland State vs. Northern Illinois ²⁶	10:00 a.m.
Eastern Washington vs. South Dakota St. ²	11:00 a.m.
Montana State vs. Southeastern Louisiana ¹¹	11:00 a.m.
Northern Arizona at Colorado ¹⁴	11:00 a.m.
Montana at San Diego State ⁸	12:00 p.m.
Northern Colorado vs. Air Force ³²	12:00 p.m.
North Dakota vs. Green Bay ²⁹	1:00 p.m.
Southern Utah at UNC Asheville ²⁰	1:00 p.m.
Sacramento State vs. Morgan St. ¹⁷	1:00 p.m.
Northern Arizona vs. Cornell ¹⁴	4:00 p.m.
Idaho State vs Tennessee State University ⁹	5:00 p.m.
Portland State vs. Nevada ²⁶	5:00 p.m.
Montana vs. Sacred Heart ⁸	5:00 p.m.
Eastern Washington at Gonzaga ²	6:00 p.m.
North Dakota vs. Stephen F. Austin ²⁹	7:00 p.m.
Southern Utah at Savannah State ²⁰	7:00 a.m.
Northern Colorado vs. North Dakota State ³²	7:00 p.m.
Montana State at Akron ¹¹	7:00 p.m.
Sacramento State vs. Saint Mary's ¹⁷	7:30 p.m.
Weber State at Washington State ²³	9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 4

Weber State at Utah Valley	7:00 p.m.
UC Santa Barbara at Portland State	7:00 p.m.
North Dakota at South Dakota State	7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 5

Eastern Washington at Boise State	6:00 p.m.
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2012 COMPOSITE SCHEDULE



Friday, September 7

Montana State vs. Belmont ¹²	10:00 a.m.
North Dakota vs. Rice ³⁰	10:00 a.m.
Eastern Washington at Iowa State ³	10:30 a.m.
Weber State vs. Southern ²⁴	11:00 a.m.
Southern Utah at Boise State ²¹	1:00 p.m.
Eastern Washington vs. Syracuse ³	2:00 p.m.
Portland State vs. Bowling Green ²⁷	3:00 p.m.
North Dakota vs. Alabama A&M ³⁰	4:00 p.m.
Montana State vs. Niagara ¹²	5:00 p.m.
Northern Arizona vs. UC Riverside ¹⁵	5:00 p.m.
Idaho State vs. St. Francis ¹⁰	5:00 p.m.
Southern Utah vs. UC Irvine ²¹	5:00 p.m.
Weber State at Southeastern Louisiana ²⁴	5:00 p.m.
Montana vs. Furman ⁹	7:00 p.m.
Sacramento State at Fresno State ¹⁸	7:00 p.m.
Northern Colorado vs. Tulsa ³³	7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 8

Portland State vs. Utah ²⁷	9:00 a.m.
Idaho State vs. Fairleigh Dickinson ¹⁰	9:00 a.m.
Sacramento State vs. Utah Valley ¹⁸	10:00 a.m.
Weber State vs. Louisiana Tech ²⁴	10:00 a.m.
Southern Utah vs. San Jose State ²¹	11:00 a.m.
Weber State vs. UT-Pan American ²⁴	12:00 p.m.
Northern Colorado vs. Ball State ³³	12:00 p.m.
Montana vs. Towson ⁹	12:00 p.m.
North Dakota at Ole Miss ³⁰	1:00 p.m.
Northern Arizona vs. Penn ¹⁵	1:00 p.m.
Idaho State vs. St. John's ¹⁰	3:00 p.m.
Montana State vs. Ohio ¹²	4:00 p.m.
Eastern Washington vs. Iowa ³	4:00 p.m.
Sacramento State vs. UC Davis ¹⁸	5:00 p.m.
Portland State at BYU ²⁷	6:00 p.m.
Montana vs. Texas Tech ⁹	7:00 p.m.
Northern Arizona at California ¹⁵	7:00 p.m.
Northern Colorado vs. Creighton ³³	7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 12

Oregon at Portland State	7:00 p.m.
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Thursday, September 13

*Montana State at North Dakota	7:00 p.m.
*Montana at Northern Colorado	7:00 p.m.
*Eastern Washington at Sacramento State	7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 14

*Northern Arizona at Idaho State	7:00 p.m.
*Southern Utah at Weber State	7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 15

*Montana at North Dakota	7:00 p.m.
*Southern Utah at Idaho State	7:00 p.m.
*Northern Arizona at Weber State	7:00 p.m.
*Montana State at Northern Colorado	7:00 p.m.
*Portland State at Sacramento State	7:00 p.m.

Monday, September 17

*Portland State at Eastern Washington	7:00 p.m.
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Tuesday, September 18

Utah Valley at Southern Utah	7:00 p.m.
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Thursday, September 20

*Eastern Washington at Montana State	7:00 p.m.
*North Dakota at Weber State	7:00 p.m.
*Sacramento State at Northern Arizona	7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 21

*Northern Colorado at Idaho State	7:00 p.m.
*Portland State at Montana	7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 22

*North Dakota at Idaho State	7:00 p.m.
*Eastern Washington at Montana	7:00 p.m.
*Portland State at Montana State	7:00 p.m.
*Sacramento State at Southern Utah	7:00 p.m.
*Northern Colorado at Weber State	7:00 p.m.

Monday, September 24

*Northern Arizona at Southern Utah	7:00 p.m.
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Thursday, September 27

*Sacramento State at Northern Colorado	7:00 p.m.
*Southern Utah at Eastern Washington	7:00 p.m.
*Northern Arizona at Portland State	7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 28

*Weber State at Montana	7:00 p.m.
*Idaho State at Montana State	7:00 p.m.
*Northern Arizona at Eastern Washington	7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 29

*Sacramento State at North Dakota	2:00 p.m.
*Idaho State at Montana	7:00 p.m.
*Weber State at Montana State	7:00 p.m.
*Southern Utah at Portland State	7:00 p.m.

Montana, October 1

*Northern Colorado at North Dakota	7:00 p.m.
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2012 COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, October 3

*Weber State at Idaho State 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 4

*Montana at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Northern Arizona 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Colorado at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

*North Dakota at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

Friday, October 5

*Northern Colorado at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

*Idaho State at Sacramento State 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 6

*North Dakota at Portland State 1:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Weber State at Sacramento State 7:00 p.m.

*Montana at Northern Arizona 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 9

North Dakota at North Dakota State 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 11

*Southern Utah at North Dakota 7:00 p.m.

*Eastern Washington at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Arizona at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

Friday, October 12

*Portland State at Idaho State 7:00 p.m.

*Sacramento State at Montana 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 13

*Northern Arizona at North Dakota 7:00 p.m.

*Sacramento State at Montana State 7:00 p.m.

*Portland State at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

*Southern Utah at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

*Eastern Washington at Idaho State 8:00 p.m.

Monday, October 15

*Montana at Montana State 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 16

Sacramento State at Santa Clara 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 18

*Idaho State at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Weber State at Northern Arizona 7:00 p.m.

*Eastern Washington at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

Friday, October 19

*North Dakota at Montana 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Colorado at Montana State 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 20

*Northern Colorado at Montana 7:00 p.m.

*North Dakota at Montana State 7:00 p.m.

*Weber State at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Idaho State at Northern Arizona 7:30 p.m.

*Sacramento State at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

Monday, October 22

*Sacramento State at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 23

Northern Colorado at Denver 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 25

*Idaho State at North Dakota 7:00 p.m.

*Weber State at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

*Montana at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

*Southern Utah at Sacramento State 7:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 27

*Northern Arizona at Sacramento State 1:00 p.m.

*Weber State at North Dakota 4:00 p.m.

*Idaho State at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

*Montana at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

Southern Utah at CS Bakersfield 8:00 p.m.

Monday, October 29

UT-Pan American at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

*Southern Utah at Northern Arizona 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 1

*Portland State at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Colorado at Sacramento State 7:00 p.m.

*Eastern Washington at Northern Arizona 7:30 p.m.

Friday, November 2

*Montana at Idaho State 7:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 3

*North Dakota at Sacramento State 1:00 p.m.

*Eastern Washington at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Montana at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

*Portland State at Northern Arizona 7:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Idaho State 8:00 p.m.

2012 COMPOSITE SCHEDULE



Monday, November 5

*North Dakota at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 7

*Idaho State at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 8

*Portland State at North Dakota 7:00 p.m.

*Eastern Washington at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 9

*Sacramento State at Idaho State 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Arizona at Montana 7:00 p.m.

*Southern Utah at Montana State 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 10

*Eastern Washington at North Dakota 7:00 p.m.

*Southern Utah at Montana 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Arizona at Montana State 7:00 p.m.

*Sacramento State at Weber State 7:00 p.m.

*Portland State at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 13

Colorado State at Northern Colorado 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 15

*North Dakota at Northern Arizona 6:00 p.m.

*Northern Colorado at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Idaho State at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

*Montana State at Sacramento State 7:00 p.m.

*Weber State at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 17

*North Dakota at Southern Utah 7:00 p.m.

*Weber State at Eastern Washington 7:00 p.m.

*Montana at Sacramento State 7:00 p.m.

*Idaho State at Portland State 7:00 p.m.

*Northern Colorado at Northern Arizona 7:30 p.m.

Monday, November 19

*Montana State at Montana 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 23

Big Sky Conference Championships
at Northern Colo.

Saturday, November 24

Big Sky Conference Championships
at Northern Colo.

TOURNAMENT KEY

*Big Sky Conference Matches

¹Wyoming Invitational

²Gonzaga Invitational

³Iowa State Tournament

⁴UTEP Tournament

⁵University of Portland Tournament

⁶St John

⁷Idaho Tournament

⁸San Diego State Tournament

⁹Montana Tournament

¹⁰SIU-Edwardsville Tournament

¹¹Akron Tournament

¹²Ohio University Tournament

¹³UNLV Invitational

¹⁴Colorado Tournament

¹⁵Cal Tournament

¹⁶College of Charleston Tournament

¹⁷Sacramento State Invitational

¹⁸Fresno State Classic

¹⁹Utah State Tournament

²⁰Savannah State Tournament

²¹Boise State Tournament

²²Utah State Tournament

²³Washington State Tournament

²⁴Southeastern Louisiana Tournament

²⁵Northwest Challenge

²⁶34th Annual Community Bankers Classic

²⁷BYU Nike Invitational

²⁸Texas A&M Invitational

²⁹UND Classic

³⁰Ole Miss Tournament

³¹Belmont Invitational

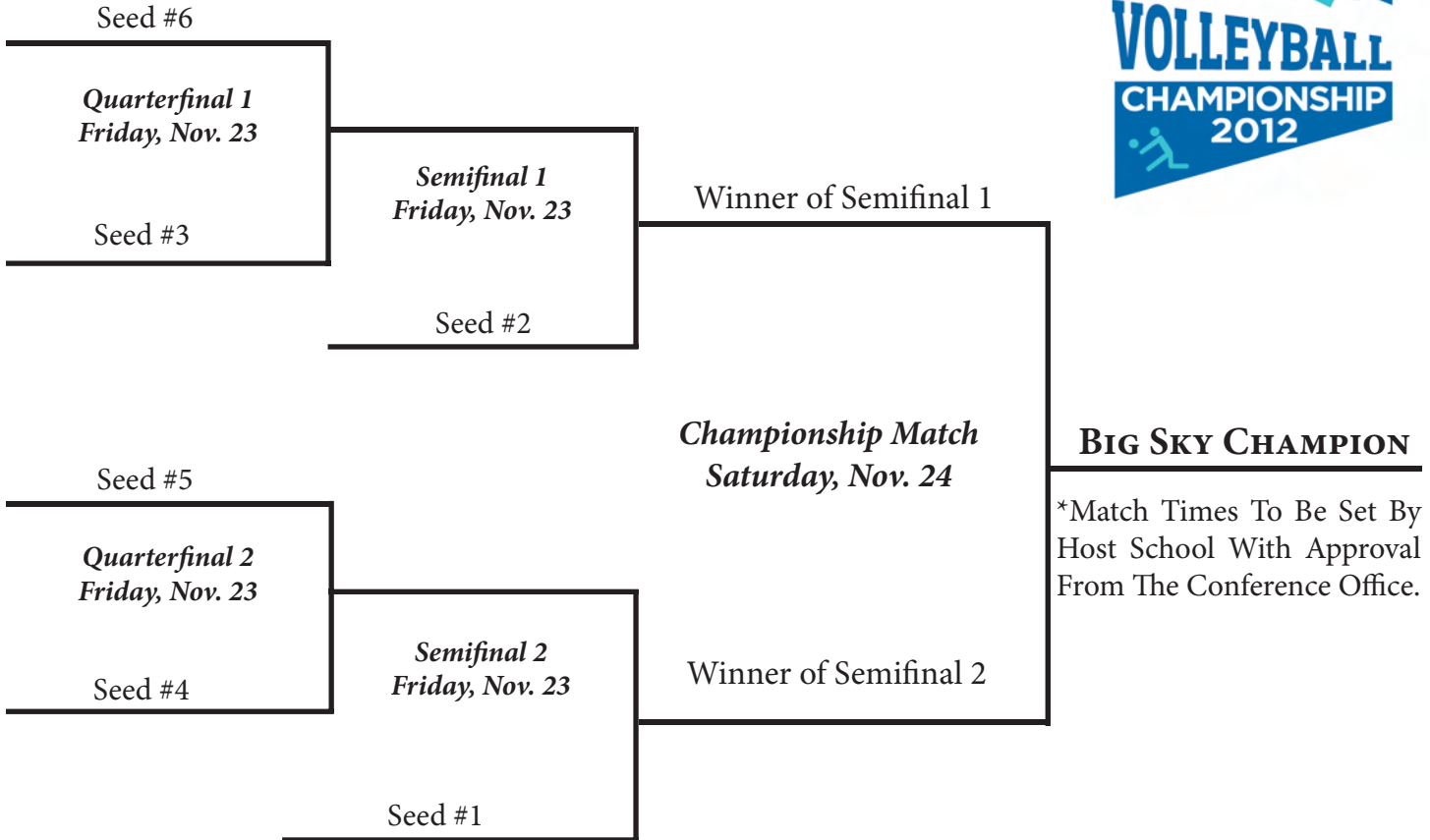
³²Hampton Inn & Suites Northern Colorado Classic

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2012 BIG SKY CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET

Greeley, Colo. • Hosted by Northern Colorado • November 23-24



*Match Times To Be Set By Host School With Approval From The Conference Office.

BIG SKY VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT TIE BREAKER PROCEDURES

Ties for entry and seeds into the championship will be decided by the results of head-to-head conference play, i.e:

1. Results of head-to-head (match) competition between/among institutions.
2. Percent of total sets won between/among tied teams:

Sets won
Total sets
3. Scoring margin of sets between/among tied teams:

Offensive points minus defensive points
Total sets played
4. Results of competition against the remaining conference institutions in descending order (1, 2, 3, etc.)
5. RPI rating the last week prior to championship

Note: In the event host is not #1 or #2 seed, Conference office would bracket championships to ensure the host plays late morning match and therefore if advanced would play in late semifinal game. If host is #1 or #2, it would automatically be late semifinal game and would face the winner of the late morning match regardless of that team's seed. (Retention of #3 vs. #6 and #4 vs. #5 in quarterfinals) Teams will not be re-bracketed.

There will be a play-in game in the event that the host team does not finish in the top six and earn a bid to the championship.

2011 BIG SKY CONFERENCE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

	Big Sky Matches						All Matches										
	W	L	Pct	SETS	H	A	W	L	Pct	SETS	H	A	N	3SET	4SET	5SET	Stk.
Northern Colorado*^&	13	3	.812	44-18	7-1	6-2	22	9	.710	77-35	9-3	9-6	4-0	15-3	6-1	1-5	L1
Portland State*	12	4	.750	39-22	6-2	6-2	18	13	.581	64-52	8-3	7-7	3-3	9-6	5-4	4-3	L1
Sacramento State*	10	6	.625	38-24	6-2	4-4	17	15	.531	66-57	8-5	6-7	3-3	7-4	8-7	2-4	L2
Eastern Washington*	9	7	.562	33-33	4-4	5-3	13	15	.464	48-66	5-5	5-6	3-4	2-9	3-3	8-3	L4
Montana	8	8	.500	33-34	7-2	1-6	11	13	.458	43-54	6-5	2-7	3-1	1-6	5-4	5-3	W2
Idaho State	7	9	.438	36-35	3-5	4-4	14	14	.500	55-55	5-5	6-5	3-4	5-6	5-3	4-5	L2
Northern Arizona	6	10	.375	27-38	3-5	3-5	15	10	.600	54-46	6-5	5-5	4-0	5-3	4-5	6-2	L5
Montana State	4	12	.250	22-42	2-6	2-6	6	23	.207	37-74	3-6	3-12	0-5	3-9	1-9	2-5	W3
Weber State	3	13	.188	16-42	2-6	1-7	3	26	.103	24-78	2-11	1-11	0-4	1-15	1-6	1-5	L3

* Big Sky Tournament Participants; ^ Regular-Season Champion and 2012 Tournament Host; & Tournament Champion

NORTHERN COLORADO WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

Top-seeded Northern Colorado claimed its second Big Sky volleyball championship title in three years after defeating the No. 2 Seed Portland State 3-0 in the title match at the Scott Center... Northern Colorado, which won the regular-season title, earns the Big Sky's automatic bid to the NCAA Championships... The Bears' setter and tournament MVP Marissa Hughes had a double-double with 42 assists and 14 digs in the championship win over Portland State. Hughes recorded 30 assist alone in the first two sets. Northern Colorado had three players in double-digit kills including regular-season MVP Kelley Arnold had 14 kills and a .458 hitting percentage in the championship match alone. Andrea Spaustat added 11 kills and Alyssa Wilson added 12 kills with a .407 hitting percentage. Amanda Arterburn, the league's libero of the year, notched 21 digs in defense... The win over NC was the third win against Portland State in 2011... Portland State ended its season with a 18-13 record. The Vikings were the defending tournament champions after defeating the Bears 3-2 in 2010.



Friday, November 25

Semifinal #1

No. 4 Seed Eastern Wash. vs. No. 1 Seed Northern Colo.
NC Won 3-0

Semifinal #2

No. 3 Seed Sacramento St. vs. No. 2 Seed Portland St.
PSU Won 3-1

Saturday, November 6

Championship Match

No. 1 Seed Northern Colo. vs. No. 2 Seed Portland St.
NC Won 3-0

BIG SKY ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Marissa Hughes, Northern Colorado - MVP
 Alyssa Wilson, Northern Colorado
 Kelley Arnold, Northern Colorado
 Amanda Arterburn, Northern Colorado
 Garyn Schlatter, Portland State
 Nicole Bateham, Portland State
 Kelsey Elston, Sacramento State

NC CLOSES OUT SEASON IN NCAA FIRST ROUND

Northern Colorado finished off its season at 22-9, after falling in three sets to the No. 3 nationally ranked Hawai'i in the first round of the NCAA tournament. The Bears came out strong to give the Rainbow Wahine a little scare in the first set before being overpowered by the UH. The Rainbow Wahine made their 30th appearance to the tournament... Regular-season MVP Kelley Arnold recorded 13 kills in the loss. Amanda Arterburn added 19 digs and Marissa Hughes had 24 assists. The Bears finished their third straight 20-win season under Lyndsey Benson. This was NC's second appearance in the tournament.

NC'S ARNOLD TABBED MVP AS ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM IS ANNOUNCED

Ogden, Utah (Nov. 24, 2011) - The Big Sky Conference has announced its volleyball All-Conference team and individual award winners for the 2011 season. Northern Colorado's Kelley Arnold was a unanimous selection for this year's Most Valuable Player. This is the first MVP honors from Northern Colorado.

The team was selected by the league coaches, who were not allowed to vote for their own student-athletes.

Northern Colorado's junior outside hitter Arnold is a two-time First Team selection along with Portland State's Garyn Schlatter. Arnold, from Berthoud, Colo., recorded 392 kills with a .287 hitting percentage. She also had 249 digs and 87 blocks. Arnold earned Big Sky player of the week honors once this season, and has tallied 12 double-doubles.

The Bears also claimed the Outstanding Freshman award and Libero of the Year award. Andrea Spaustat was named Outstanding Freshman and named to the First Team after recording 264 kills with a .353 hitting percentage so far this season. She also had 89 blocks and 66 digs. Spaustat, a freshman from Omaha, Neb., ranks 38th in the NCAA in hit-

ting percentage at .353.

For the second consecutive year, Amanda Arterburn of NC was named the Libero of the Year. She was also named Second Team All-Conference. Arterburn, a senior from Aurora, Colo., leads the conference with 27 consecutive double-digit digs. Arterburn was named POTW once this season.

Weber State's Dama Cox was named Top Newcomer. Cox is a transfer from the College of Southern Idaho, and is from Fernley, Nev.

Others named to First Team were Cora Kellerman from Eastern Washington, Breanne Van Every of Idaho State and Megan Ellis of Portland State.



*NC's Kelley Arnold
was selected as the
2011 MVP.*

FIRST-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

Name	School	Year	Pos.	Hometown
Kelley Arnold [^] #*	NC	Jr.	OH	Berthoud, Colo.
Cora Kellerman	EWU	Jr.	OH	La Conner, Wash.
Breanne Van Every	ISU	Jr.	DS	Chubbuck, Idaho
Andrea Spaustat	NC	Fr.	MB	Omaha, Neb.
Megan Ellis	PSU	Jr.	OH	Burnaby, BC
Garyn Schlatter#	PSU	So.	S	Canby, Ore.

[^] MVP, *Unanimous MVP Selection, # Two-time First Team selection, % Three-time First Team selection

SECOND-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

Name	School	Year	Pos.	Hometown
Shelby Puckett	EWU	Jr.	OH	Latah, Wash.
Kayla Reno	UM	So.	OH	Spanaway, Wash.
Amanda Arterburn	NC	Sr.	DS	Aurora, Colo.
Marissa Hughes	NC	Jr.	S	Huntington Beach, Calif.
Eryn Kirby	SAC	Sr.	OH	Yuba City, Calif.
Kelsey Elston	SAC	Sr.	MH	Rocklin, Calif.

HONORABLE MENTION

Name	School	Year	Pos.	Hometown
Vanessa Muir	ISU	Sr.	MB	Smoot, Wyo.
Brittany Quick	UM	Sr.	MB	Richland, Wash.
Rachelle Allen	MSU	Sr.	OH	Longmont, Colo.
Anna Gott	NAU	Jr.	L	Phoenix, Ariz.
Sydney Kemper	NAU	Fr.	MB	Albuquerque, N.M.
Katie O'Brien	PSU	Fr.	MB	Louisville, Colo.
Aubrey Mitchell	PSU	So.	OH	Reno, Nev.
Breanne Menees	SAC	Sr.	DS	Bakersfield, Calif.
Bethany Wray	WSU	Jr.	OH	West Haven, Utah

INDIVIDUAL AWARD WINNERS

Most Valuable Player - Kelley Arnold, Jr., OH, Northern Colorado
Top Newcomer - Dama Cox, Jr., RS, Weber State
Outstanding Freshman - Andrea Spaustat, Fr., MB, Northern Colo.
Libero of the Year - Amanda Arterburn, Sr., L, Northern Colorado



Northern Colorado's Lyndsey Oates (formally Benson) was named 2011 Coach of the Year after leading the Bears to the regular-season and post-season titles.

LYNDSLEY OATES NAMED COACH OF THE YEAR

Ogden, Utah (Nov. 29, 2011) - Northern Colorado's Lyndsey Oates (formally Benson) was named the 2011 Big Sky Conference Coach of the Year after leading her team to its second-ever championship title on Nov. 26. The honor is the second for Oates, who was selected in a vote by her fellow conference coaches.

The Bears entered this year's tournament as the No. 1 seed and defeated Eastern Washington in the semifinals, and Portland State in the championship to claim the title. It was the second Big Sky Championship title since joining the league in 2006. The Bears won the title and Oates was named COY in 2009.

Northern Colorado won the regular-season title and will host the 2012 championship. The Bears earned the Big Sky's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament and lost in three sets to Hawai'i in the first round in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Oates had four players named to the all-conference team in 2011, including the regular-season Most Valuable Player in Kelley Arnold. Arnold was also named First Team along with teammate Andrea Spaustat, who was named the Freshman of the Year. Named to Second Team were Marissa Hughes and Amanda Arterburn. Arterburn was also named Libero of the Year for the second year in a row.

After defeating Eastern Washington in the semifinals of the conference championship, the Bears saw the Vikings for the third time in three years in the championship match. PSU won the 2010 championship, but NC wasn't going to let that happen this year as the Bears defeated the Vikings 3-0. Hughes was named tournament MVP, while teammates Arnold, Arterburn and Alyssa Wilson were named to the All-Tournament Team.

Oates took over the volleyball program on August 8, 2005, just three days prior to the start of camp. She first joined the Bears as a graduate assistant in 2003 and was promoted to full-time assistant in December of 2004. Just eight months later she began her journey as head coach.

Northern Colorado notched 14 wins in 2005. It was the Bears' inaugural season at the NCAA Division I level and Oates' first at the head of the program. They took fourth-place at the NCAA Division I Independent Championship that year.

She continued that momentum in 2006, leading Northern Colorado to a 13-16 overall and 7-9 league record. The Bears advanced to the Big Sky Championship in their first season of eligibility and earned a quarterfinal win over Montana. Northern Colorado has made it to the postseason tournament every year since.

The native of Eaton, Colo., spent the 2002 season as an assistant coach at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala. She was raised in Colorado and was a standout at Eaton High, where she earned All-State honors three times and set the state record for career kills with 981.

Oates played Division I volleyball at Louisiana State and was a three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll selection. She earned a degree in mass communications in 2002, before completing her master's degree in athletic administration at Northern Colorado in December 2004.

BIG SKY CONFERENCE LEADERS BY CLASS

All Matches

Hitting Percentage

Senior - Vanessa Muir, ISU - .267
 Junior - Kelley Arnold, NC - .296
 Sophomore - **
 Freshman - Andrea Spaustat, NC - .349

Kills

Senior - Eryn Kirby, SAC - 3.11
 Junior - Kelley Arnold, NC - 3.87
 Sophomore - Kayla Reno, UM - 2.84
 Freshman - Andrea Spaustat, NC - 2.69

Assists

Senior - **
 Junior - Marissa Hughes, NC - 11.15
 Sophomore - Lori Mendenhall, ISU - 9.00
 Freshman - **

Digs

Senior - Breanne Menees, SAC - 5.46
 Junior - Anna Gott, NAU - 4.65
 Sophomore - Nicole Baker, MSU - 4.63
 Freshman - Kylee Searle, ISU - 4.65

Aces

Senior - Breanne Menees, SAC - 0.33
 Junior - Bethany Wray, WSU - 0.30
 Sophomore - Lindsay Niemeier, EWU - 0.30
 Freshman - Kylee Searle, ISU - 0.27

Blocks

Senior - Maddison Thivierge, SAC - 1.19
 Junior - **
 Sophomore - Kayla Beal, SAC - 0.96
 Freshman - Katie O'Brien, PSU - 1.35

Conference Matches

Hitting Percentage

Senior - Brittany Quick, UM - .299
 Junior - Kelley Arnold, NC - .299
 Sophomore - **
 Freshman - Andrea Spaustat, NC - .356

Kills

Senior - Eryn Kirby, SAC - 3.28
 Junior - Kelley Arnold, NC - 3.95
 Sophomore - Kayla Reno, UM - 2.82
 Freshman - Andrea Spaustat, NC - 2.95

Assists

Senior - **
 Junior - Marissa Hughes, NC - 11.23
 Sophomore - Kortney James, UM - 9.46
 Freshman - **

Digs

Senior - Amanda Arterburn, NC - 5.57
 Junior - Anna Gott, NAU - 5.08
 Sophomore - Nicole Baker, MSU - 5.00
 Freshman - Kylee Searle, ISU - 5.13

Aces

Senior - Amanda Arterburn, NC - 0.28
 Junior - Dama Cox, WSU - 0.40
 Sophomore - Lindsay Niemeier, EWU - 0.38
 Freshman - Kylee Searle, ISU - 0.25

Blocks

Senior - Maddison Thivierge, SAC - 1.33
 Junior - **
 Sophomore - Briana Wilms, WSU - 1.19
 Freshman - Katie O'Brien, PSU - 1.48

Points

Senior - Eryn Kirby, SAC - 3.81
 Junior - Kelley Arnold, NC - 4.59
 Sophomore - Kayla Reno, UM - 3.25
 Freshman - Andrea Spaustat, NC - 3.54

Double-Double Leaders

Player	Total
NIEMEIER, Lindsay-EWU	17
KIRBY, Eryn-SAC	16
DALLMANN, Kelli-NAU	15
ELLIS, Megan-PSU	14
ARNOLD, Kelley-NC	13
SCHLATTER, Garyn-PSU	13
HUGHES, Marissa-NC	11
VAN EVERY, Breanne-ISU	11
RENO, Kayla-UM	11
PUCKETT, Shelby-EWU	10
SCHILE, Kelsey-UM	10
ROBERTS, Amy-UM	10
MENDENHALL, Lori-ISU	10
KELLERMAN, Cora-EWU	10
CURREY, Janelle-SAC	10
BROWN, Laney-EWU	8
JAMES, Kortney-UM	8
DOWNS, Danielle-ISU	8
LUNDQUIST, Jennifer-MSU	7
ALLEN, Rachelle-MSU	7
HORTON, Sarah-MSU	6
HETTINGA, Hannah-SAC	5
WRAY, Bethany-WSU	5
CHRISTENSEN, Kobi-NAU	4
WILSON, Jen, NAU	4
WILLIAMS, Breanna-NC	3
SCHLATTER, Kasey-MSU	3
PENROD, Caitlin-WSU	3
KRISTINIKOVA, Domi-PSU	3
CORRADO, Cheyne-PSU	3
LEGAUX, Karissa-ISU	1
COX, Dama-WSU	1
O'BRIEN, Katie-PSU	1
MUIR, Vanessa, ISU	1
MITCHELL, Aubrey, PSU	1
KIRBY, Kalee-NAU	1

STATISTICAL LEADERS

All Matches

Individual Stat Leaders

Hitting %: Andrea Spaustat, NC - .349
Kills: Kelley Arnold, NC - 3.87
Assists: Marissa Hughes, NC - 11.15
Digs: Breanne Menees, SAC - 5.46
Aces: Breanne Menees, SAC - 0.33
Blocks: Katie O'Brien, PSU - 1.35
Points: Kelley Arnold, NC - 4.53

Team Stat Leaders

Hitting %: Northern Colorado - .241
Kills: Northern Colorado - 14.25
Assists: Northern Colorado - 13.44
Digs: Sacramento State - 18.39
Aces: Sacramento State - 1.46
Blocks: Sacramento State - 2.76
Opp. Hitting %: Sacramento State - .152

Conference Matches

Individual Stat Leaders

Hitting %: Andrea Spaustat, NC - .356
Kills: Kelley Arnold, NC - 3.95
Assists: Marissa Hughes, NC - 11.23
Digs: Amanda Arterburn, NC - 5.57
Aces: Dama Cox, WSU - 0.40
Blocks: Katie O'Brien, PSU - 1.48
Points: Kelley Arnold, NC - 4.59

Team Stat Leaders

Hitting %: Northern Colorado - .247
Kills: Northern Colorado - 14.37
Assists: Northern Colorado - 13.43
Digs: Sacramento State - 19.47
Aces: Sacramento State - 1.55
Blocks: Sacramento State - 2.93
Opp. Hitting %: Sacramento State - .129

HOME ATTENDANCE IN THE SKY

Team	Matches	Total	Avg.
Eastern Washington	10	7,641	764
Idaho State	10	4,392	439
Montana	11	5,106	464
Montana State	9	6,821	758
Northern Arizona	11	5,374	489
Northern Colorado	12	12,052	1,004
Portland State	11	5,037	458
Sacramento State	13	3,811	293
Weber State	13	6,333	487

USA TODAY/AVCA TOP 25
November 21, 2011 - Final

Rk.	School	2011 Rec.
1	Southern California (53)	24-4
2	Nebraska (2)	23-3
3	Hawai'i (5)	26-1
4	UCLA	24-5
5	Texas	20-4
6	Stanford	21-6
7	Illinois	25-4
8	Purdue	25-4
9	Penn State	21-7
10	California	25-6
11	Washington	21-7
12	Northern Iowa	30-1
13	Oregon	20-8
14	Iowa State	22-4
15	Tennessee	26-3
16	Kentucky	26-4
17	Florida	23-5
18	Pepperdine	21-6
19	Minnesota	16-11
20	San Diego	27-4
21	Florida State	24-5
22	Michigan	19-11
23	Long Beach State	20-6
24	Western Kentucky	31-3
25	Miami (FL)	24-4

Others Receiving Votes and appearing on two or more ballots: Colorado State 58; Texas A&M 52; Ohio State 42; Dayton 29; Michigan State 29; Tulsa 29; Arizona 24; Northern Illinois 15; Duke 13; Cincinnati 11; Kansas State 11; Oregon State 5

Big Sky Opponents in Italics



BIG SKY IN NCAA RANKINGS

<i>Individual</i>		<i>Team</i>	
<u>Assists Per Set</u>		<u>Aces Per Set</u>	
27. Marissa Hughes, NC	11.15	43. Sacramento State	1.46
<u>Blocks Per Set</u>		<u>Assist Per Set</u>	
23. Katie O'Brien, PSU	1.35	12. Northern Colorado	13.44
49. Maddison Thivierge, SAC	1.19	<u>Blocks Per Set</u>	
<u>Digs Per Set</u>		14. Sacramento State	2.76
18. Breanne Menees, SAC	5.46	24. Portland State	2.66
35. Amanda Arterburn, NC	5.21	42. Weber State	2.55
<u>Hitting Percentage</u>		<u>Digs Per Set</u>	
49. Andrea Spaustat, NC	0.349	9. Sacramento State	18.39
<u>Points Per Set</u>		23. Northern Colorado	17.59
50. Kelley Arnold, NC	4.53	<u>Kills Per Set</u>	
		17. Northern Colorado	14.25
		<u>Match W-L Pctg.</u>	
		46. Northern Colorado	0.733

THE SKY VS RANKED TEAMS

Below is a listing of the matches against Top 25 teams from the most recent 2011 AVCA poll.

Top 25 Opponents

- No. 4 Washington Def. Portland State, 3-0
- No. 16 Oregon Def. Portland State, 3-0
- No. 1 Cal Def. Sacramento State, 3-0
- No. 10 Nebraska Def. Weber State, 3-0
- No. 19 Colorado State Def. Northern Colorado, 3-0
- No. 3 Hawai'i Def. Northern Colorado, 3-0

Opponents Receiving Votes

- Arizona Def. Eastern Washington, 3-0
- St. Mary's Def. Weber State, 3-0
- St. Mary's Def. Sacramento State, 3-0
- UC Davis Def. Northern Colorado, 3-2
- UC Davis Def. Sacramento State, 3-2



Eastern Washington's Cora Kellerman earned First Team All-Conference honors.

2011 FINAL STATISTICS - ALL GAMES



HITTING PERCENTAGE	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Northern Colorado	112	1579	603	4076	.239
2. Portland State	116	1477	673	4308	.187
3. Montana	97	1186	558	3471	.181
4. Eastern Washington	112	1380	639	4103	.181
5. Northern Arizona	100	1222	564	3697	.178
6. Sacramento State	123	1468	642	4819	.171
7. Montana State	111	1284	604	4010	.170
8. Idaho State	110	1345	671	4068	.166
9. Weber State	106	1072	676	3423	.116

OPPONENT HITTING PCT	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Sacramento State	123	1527	783	4907	.152
2. Portland State	116	1378	690	4292	.160
3. Northern Colorado	112	1315	641	4138	.163
4. Northern Arizona	100	1264	642	3772	.165
5. Eastern Washington	112	1358	625	4107	.178
6. Montana	97	1246	545	3563	.197
7. Idaho State	110	1392	607	3921	.200
8. Weber State	106	1373	603	3399	.227
9. Montana State	111	1513	591	4059	.227

ASSISTS	G	No.	Per Game
1. Northern Colorado	112	1490	13.30
2. Portland State	116	1368	11.79
3. Eastern Washington	112	1298	11.59
4. Northern Arizona	100	1152	11.52
5. Montana	97	1114	11.48
6. Idaho State	110	1245	11.32
7. Sacramento State	123	1348	10.96
8. Montana State	111	1192	10.74
9. Weber State	106	994	9.38

KILLS	G	No.	Per Game
1. Northern Colorado	112	1579	14.10
2. Portland State	116	1477	12.73
3. Eastern Washington	112	1380	12.32
4. Idaho State	110	1345	12.23
5. Montana	97	1186	12.23
6. Northern Arizona	100	1222	12.22
7. Sacramento State	123	1468	11.93
8. Montana State	111	1284	11.57
9. Weber State	106	1072	10.11

BLOCKS	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Per Game
1. Sacramento State	123	71	537	339.5	2.76
2. Portland State	116	51	515	308.5	2.66
3. Weber State	106	51	438	270.0	2.55
4. Eastern Washington	112	36	437	254.5	2.27
5. Northern Arizona	100	28	374	215.0	2.15
6. Montana	97	45	324	207.0	2.13
7. Northern Colorado	112	39	363	220.5	1.97
8. Montana State	111	41	341	211.5	1.91
9. Idaho State	110	43	327	206.5	1.88

SERVICE ACES	G	No.	Per Game
1. Sacramento State	123	180	1.46
2. Weber State	106	124	1.17
3. Northern Arizona	100	113	1.13
4. Eastern Washington	112	126	1.12
5. Idaho State	110	121	1.10
6. Portland State	116	121	1.04
7. Northern Colorado	112	116	1.04
8. Montana State	111	112	1.01
9. Montana	97	83	0.86

DIGS	G	No.	Per Game
1. Sacramento State	123	2262	18.39
2. Northern Colorado	112	1955	17.46
3. Eastern Washington	112	1853	16.54
4. Portland State	116	1894	16.33
5. Northern Arizona	100	1625	16.25
6. Idaho State	110	1691	15.37
7. Montana	97	1491	15.37
8. Montana State	111	1664	14.99
9. Weber State	106	1148	10.83

HITTING PERCENTAGE (Minimum 200/3.0 attacks per game)									
Player	Team	Cl	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct		
1. SPAUSTAT, Andrea	NC	FR	108	285	84	586	.343		
2. ARNOLD, Kelley	NC	JR	112	435	137	1025	.291		
3. O'BRIEN, Katie	PSU	FR	109	157	39	406	.291		
4. FERMANTEZ, Talia	EWU	FR	96	154	54	368	.272		
5. MUIR, Vanessa	ISU	SR	110	248	79	634	.267		
6. OEMCKE, Chelsea	MSU	SR	108	203	67	519	.262		
7. QUICK, Brittany	UM	SR	97	183	59	478	.259		
8. KEMPER, Sydney	NAU	FR	95	174	62	438	.256		
9. LUNDQUIST, Jennifer	MSU	JR	83	98	33	257	.253		
10. HAATAJA, Leigh-Ann	PSU	FR	99	153	64	358	.249		

KILLS (Minimum 2.00 per game)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game
1. ARNOLD, Kelley	NC	JR	112	435	3.88
2. ELLIS, Megan	PSU	JR	113	396	3.50
3. WRAY, Bethany	WSU	JR	102	347	3.40
4. VAN EVERY, Breanne	ISU	JR	110	373	3.39
5. KELLERMAN, Cora	EWU	JR	112	351	3.13
6. KIRBY, Eryn	SAC	SR	121	376	3.11
7. PUCKETT, Shelby	EWU	JR	108	324	3.00
8. RENO, Kayla	UM	SO	97	275	2.84
9. SULLIVAN, Lexi	NAU	JR	91	248	2.73
10. SPAUSTAT, Andrea	NC	FR	108	285	2.64

ASSISTS (Minimum 5.00 per game)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game
1. HUGHES, Marissa	NC	JR	109	1206	11.06
2. DALLMANN, Kelli	NAU	JR	100	955	9.55
3. LUNDQUIST, Jennifer	MSU	JR	83	756	9.11
4. MENDENHALL, Lori	ISU	SO	92	828	9.00
5. JAMES, Kortney	UM	SO	97	811	8.36
6. SCHLATTER, Garyn	PSU	SO	116	965	8.32
7. PENROD, Caitlin	WSU	JR	106	828	7.81
8. NIEMEIER, Lindsay	EWU	SO	112	638	5.70

SERVICE ACES (Minimum 0.10 per game)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game
1. MENEES, Breanne	SAC	SR	120	40	0.33
2. WRAY, Bethany	WSU	JR	102	31	0.30
3. NIEMEIER, Lindsay	EWU	SO	112	34	0.30
4. COX, Dama	WSU	JR	100	30	0.30
5. CURREY, Janelle	SAC	JR	121	36	0.30
6. SEARLE, Kylee	ISU	FR	110	30	0.27
7. DALLMANN, Kelli	NAU	JR	100	27	0.27
8. KORDIC, Sydney	SAC	JR	120	32	0.27
9. GOTT, Anna	NAU	JR	100	26	0.26
10. PUCKETT, Shelby	EWU	JR	108	25	0.23

BLOCKS (Minimum 0.80 per game)								
Player	Team	Cl	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Per Game	
1. O'BRIEN, Katie	PSU	FR	109	24	123	147.0	1.35	
2. THIVIERGE, Maddison	SAC	SR	84	9	91	100.0	1.19	
3. HAATAJA, Leigh-Ann	PSU	FR	99	7	104	111.0	1.12	
4. ELSTON, Kelsey	SAC	SR	121	13	122	135.0	1.12	
5. KEMPER, Sydney	NAU	FR	95	8	91	99.0	1.04	
6. MUIR, Vanessa	ISU	SR	110	17	93	110.0	1.00	
7. ORR, Ashley	WSU	FR	81	6	73	79.0	0.98	
8. BEAL, Kayla	SAC	SO	110	14	92	106.0	0.96	
9. QUICK, Brittany	UM	SR	97	11	82	93.0	0.96	
10. WILMS, Briana	WSU	SO	100	15	80	95.0	0.95	

DIGS (Minimum 1.00 per game)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game
1. MENEES, Breanne	SAC	SR	120	655	5.46
2. ARTERBURN, Amanda	NC	SR	112	587	5.24
3. SEARLE, Kylee	ISU	FR	110	512	4.65
4. GOTT, Anna	NAU	JR	100	465	4.65
5. BAKER, Nicole	MSU	SO	111	514	4.63
6. BATHAM, Nicole	PSU	SR	116	532	4.59
7. PETRONI, Lindsey	EWU	SR	75	341	4.55
8. MURPHEY, Megan	UM	SO	78	316	4.05
9. CURREY, Janelle	SAC	JR	121	435	3.60
10. ROBERTS, Amy	UM	SR	97	317	3.27



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HITTING PERCENTAGE	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Northern Colorado	58	834	309	2129	.247
2. Portland State	61	828	327	2296	.218
3. Montana	67	839	379	2425	.190
4. Eastern Washington	66	836	395	2471	.178
5. Sacramento State	62	760	329	2468	.175
6. Northern Arizona	65	778	374	2450	.165
7. Idaho State	68	829	418	2567	.160
8. Montana State	63	741	368	2372	.157
9. Weber State	58	595	384	1914	.110

OPPONENT HITTING PCT	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Sacramento State	62	727	403	2512	.129
2. Northern Colorado	58	674	328	2163	.160
3. Portland State	61	718	353	2255	.162
4. Eastern Washington	66	750	347	2418	.167
5. Idaho State	68	836	375	2471	.187
6. Montana	67	852	386	2488	.187
7. Northern Arizona	65	886	406	2511	.191
8. Weber State	58	749	347	1912	.210
9. Montana State	63	848	338	2362	.216

ASSISTS	G	No.	Per Game
1. Northern Colorado	58	779	13.43
2. Portland State	61	761	12.48
3. Eastern Washington	66	786	11.91
4. Montana	67	779	11.63
5. Northern Arizona	65	739	11.37
6. Sacramento State	62	699	11.27
7. Idaho State	68	765	11.25
8. Montana State	63	691	10.97
9. Weber State	58	559	9.64

KILLS	G	No.	Per Game
1. Northern Colorado	58	834	14.38
2. Portland State	61	828	13.57
3. Eastern Washington	66	836	12.67
4. Montana	67	839	12.52
5. Sacramento State	62	760	12.26
6. Idaho State	68	829	12.19
7. Northern Arizona	65	778	11.97
8. Montana State	63	741	11.76
9. Weber State	58	595	10.26

BLOCKS	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Per Game
1. Sacramento State	62	32	299	181.5	2.93
2. Weber State	58	32	266	165.0	2.84
3. Portland State	61	32	273	168.5	2.76
4. Montana	67	36	246	159.0	2.37
5. Eastern Washington	66	24	245	146.5	2.22
6. Montana State	63	28	205	130.5	2.07
7. Northern Arizona	65	19	224	131.0	2.02
8. Northern Colorado	58	19	184	111.0	1.91
9. Idaho State	68	27	202	128.0	1.88

SERVICE ACES	G	No.	Per Game
1. Sacramento State	62	96	1.55
2. Eastern Washington	66	84	1.27
3. Weber State	58	67	1.16
4. Idaho State	68	76	1.12
5. Northern Arizona	65	70	1.08
6. Montana State	63	65	1.03
7. Portland State	61	61	1.00
8. Northern Colorado	58	57	0.98
9. Montana	67	54	0.81

DIGS	G	No.	Per Game
1. Sacramento State	62	1207	19.47
2. Northern Colorado	58	1052	18.14
3. Eastern Washington	66	1153	17.47
4. Portland State	61	1029	16.87
5. Northern Arizona	65	1076	16.55
6. Idaho State	68	1108	16.29
7. Montana State	63	1012	16.06
8. Montana	67	1048	15.64
9. Weber State	58	651	11.22

HITTING PERCENTAGE (Minimum .200/3.0 attacks per game)										
Player	Team	Cl	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct			
1. SPAUSTAT, Andrea	NC	FR	58	171	50	340	.356			
2. O'BRIEN, Katie	PSU	FR	60	97	20	239	.322			
3. FERMANTEZ, Talia	EWU	FR	64	112	35	255	.302			
4. QUICK, Brittany	UM	SR	67	135	36	331	.299			
5. ARNOLD, Kelley	NC	JR	58	229	71	529	.299			
6. KEMPER, Sydney	NAU	FR	65	141	43	344	.285			
7. OMEMCKE, Chelsea	MSU	SR	63	132	43	318	.280			
8. THIVIERGE, Maddison	SAC	SR	46	70	21	177	.277			
9. MUIR, Vanessa	ISU	SR	68	156	50	397	.267			
10. ELSTON, Kelsey	SAC	SR	62	125	41	324	.259			

KILLS (Minimum 2.00 per game)						
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game	
1. ARNOLD, Kelley	NC	JR	58	229	3.95	
2. VAN EVERY, Breanne	ISU	JR	68	238	3.50	
3. ELLIS, Megan	PSU	JR	59	206	3.49	
4. KIRBY, Eryn	SAC	SR	61	200	3.28	
5. KELLERMAN, Cora	EWU	JR	66	212	3.21	
6. WRAY, Bethany	WSU	JR	54	173	3.20	
7. PUCKETT, Shelby	EWU	JR	62	187	3.02	
8. SPAUSTAT, Andrea	NC	FR	58	171	2.95	
9. RENO, Kayla	UM	SO	67	189	2.82	
10. ROBERTS, Amy	UM	SR	67	187	2.79	

ASSISTS (Minimum 5.00 per game)						
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game	
1. HUGHES, Marissa	NC	JR	57	640	11.23	
2. JAMES, Kortney	UM	SO	67	634	9.46	
3. LUNDQUIST, Jennifer	MSU	JR	57	535	9.39	
4. DALLMANN, Kelli	NAU	JR	65	589	9.06	
5. SCHLATTER, Garyn	PSU	SO	61	546	8.95	
6. MENDENHALL, Lori	ISU	SO	60	518	8.63	
7. PENROD, Caitlin	WSU	JR	58	458	7.90	
8. NIEMEIER, Lindsay	EWU	SO	66	365	5.53	

SERVICE ACES (Minimum 0.10 per game)						
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game	
1. COX, Dama	WSU	JR	53	21	0.40	
2. NIEMEIER, Lindsay	EWU	SO	66	25	0.38	
3. CURREY, Janelle	SAC	JR	61	20	0.33	
4. KORDIC, Sydney	SAC	JR	61	17	0.28	
5. WRAY, Bethany	WSU	JR	54	15	0.28	
6. GOTT, Anna	NAU	JR	65	18	0.28	
7. ARTERBURN, Amanda	NC	SR	58	16	0.28	
8. MENEES, Breanne	SAC	SR	62	17	0.27	
9. ELSTON, Kelsey	SAC	SR	62	16	0.26	
10. SEARLE, Kylee	ISU	FR	68	17	0.25	

BLOCKS (Minimum 0.80 per game)								
Player	Team	Cl	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Per Game	
1. O'BRIEN, Katie	PSU	FR	60	15	74	89.0	1.48	
2. THIVIERGE, Maddison	SAC	SR	46	6	55	61.0	1.33	
3. ELSTON, Kelsey	SAC	SR	62	4	70	74.0	1.19	
4. WILMS, Briana	WSU	SO	58	10	59	69.0	1.19	
5. MUIR, Vanessa	ISU	SR	68	11	64	75.0	1.10	
6. HAATAJA, Leigh-Ann	PSU	FR	58	4	59	63.0	1.09	
7. BRAY, Brooke	UM	SO	67	8	64	72.0	1.07	
8. SPAUSTAT, Andrea	NC	FR	58	5	53	58.0	1.00	
9. BEAL, Kayla	SAC	SO	53	6	46	52.0	0.98	
10. KEMPER, Sydney	NAU	FR	65	5	58	63.0	0.97	

DIGS (Minimum 1.00 per game)						
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Per Game	
1. ARTERBURN, Amanda	NC	SR	58	323	5.57	
2. MENEES, Breanne	SAC	SR	62	345	5.56	
3. PETRONI, Lindsey	EWU	SR	54	278	5.15	
4. SEARLE, Kylee	ISU	FR	68	349	5.13	
5. GOTT, Anna	NAU	JR	65	330	5.08	
6. BAKER, Nicole	MSU	SO	63	315	5.00	
7. BATEHAM, Nicole	PSU	SR	61	297	4.87	
8. MURPHEY, Megan	UM	SO	67	280	4.18	
9. CURREY, Janelle	SAC	JR	61	229	3.75	
10. ROBERTS, Amy	UM	SR	67	240	3.58	