



# LONE STAR CONFERENCE VOLLEYBALL

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### LSC STANDINGS

School	Conf	CPct.	Overall	Pct.	Streak	Home	Away	Neutral
West Texas A&M	14-0	1.000	25-3	0.893	W19	16-0	7-1	2-2
Angelo State	11-4	0.733	20-7	0.741	W1	12-1	6-3	2-3
Texas Woman's	10-4	0.714	19-8	0.704	W5	5-1	9-4	5-3
Texas A&M-Commerce	7-6	0.538	20-7	0.741	W3	5-3	9-4	6-0
Tarleton State	7-7	0.500	14-12	0.538	L2	6-3	4-6	4-3
Midwestern State	6-9	0.400	15-11	0.577	W2	6-6	7-4	2-1
Texas A&M-Kingsville	5-9	0.357	14-17	0.452	L5	5-7	5-6	4-4
Eastern New Mexico	4-10	0.286	7-17	0.292	L1	2-7	3-5	2-5
Cameron	0-15	0.000	7-21	0.250	L1	2-7	2-11	3-3

### LSC VOLLEYBALL

West Texas A&M claimed the program's 18th Lone Star Conference Championship this past weekend as they improved to 25-3 overall with a perfect 14-0 mark in league play. The wins stretched WT's win streak to 19 matches while also winning the last 24 matches at the WTAMU Fieldhouse "The Box" dating back to last season.

WT has earned the top seed and the right to host the 2013 LSC Championship on November 21-23 in Canyon, Texas. The rest of the field - Angelo State, Texas Woman's, Tarleton State, A&M-Commerce, Texas A&M-Kingsville, Midwestern State, and Eastern New Mexico - is set with seeding to be determined by results of the final eight LSC games.

League play wraps up this week with one match Tuesday and Thursday, two contests Friday and four on Saturday.

LSC volleyball teams are 141-103 overall this season. The squads are currently 12-8 combined versus Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference teams, and 23-9 against the Heartland Conference, which are the other leagues in the NCAA South Central Region.

### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

#### OFFENSIVE

**Breanne Snyder, Texas A&M University - Commerce, JR, Woodway, Texas, Midway HS**

Snyder set a new career high .533 hitting percentage versus Texas A&M-International and then set a new mark the next night attacking at a .700 clip against Texas A&M-Kingsville. She recorded nine and 14 kills, respectively, to average 3.83 kills per set, which is a full kill higher than her season mark. The Woodway native led the Lions in points (16) versus the Javelinas.

**Arielle Bond, Angelo State University, SO, El Paso, Texas, Franklin HS**

Bond played consistently strong offense for the Belles last weekend with 13 kills in a loss to West Texas A&M and 13 kills in a sweep of Eastern New Mexico. The sophomore outside hitter finished the weekend with 4.33 kills per set and a .323 hitting percentage. She also had two block assists.

#### DEFENSIVE

**Agatha Gibbons, Eastern New Mexico University, JR, Suva, Fiji, St. Joseph's Sec./New Mexico Military Institute**

Gibbons totaled 17 blocks and 15 kills over three matches. She had 10 blocks with three solo, in a 3-2 win over Lubbock Christian. The 10 blocks are the most by an Eastern New Mexico player in a match since 2007. Gibbons also added eight kills with a .375 attack percentage against the Chaps. Versus Tarleton State, she produced six kills on a .294 attack percentage and had four blocks in the sweep. Gibbons followed with a three block, one kill performance against nationally-ranked Angelo State.

**Laura Iwuchukwu, West Texas A&M University, SR, Edmond, Okla., Edmond North HS**

Iwuchukwu continued to dominate in the middle for the No.6 Lady Buffs as they claimed their 18th Lone Star Conference Championship with sweeps over No.17 Angelo State and Tarleton State in Canyon. The Edmond, Oklahoma native registered 17 blocks (2.83/set) on the weekend to go along with 17 kills (2.83/set) in the pair of wins on Senior Weekend. Iwuchukwu continues to lead all of Division II in blocks with 169 (22 solo, 147 assisted) for an incredible average of 1.76 per set.

#### SETTER

**Jordan Neal, Texas A&M University - Commerce, SR, Joshua, Texas, Joshua HS**

Neal posted her 10th and 11th straight matches of 40 plus assists with the 42-assist matches as the Lions hit an notable .390 this past week. The 42 assists are the third highest total in a three set match for the Neal on the season. The Joshua native continues to lead the LSC assists per set (11.60). Neal has more assists than Texas Woman's, Midwestern State, Eastern New Mexico and Cameron.

**Marija Jovanovic, Midwestern State University, SR, Subotica, Serbia, 11th Belgrade Gym./Florida A&M**

Jovanovic guided the Midwestern State attack to an efficient .277 team kill rate as the Mustangs rolled to a pair of four-wins over Northwestern Oklahoma State and Cameron last week. The senior setter from Subotica, Serbia averaged 10.00 assists per set and fell a kill shy of notching a triple double with nine kills, 42 assists

### FIRST SERVE

- Two LSC teams are ranked in AVCA poll (Nov. 11): No. 6 West Texas A&M and No. 17 Angelo State. Texas Woman's is receiving votes as well.

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, November 12, 2013**

West Texas A&M at Lubbock Christian, 6:30 p.m.

\*Tarleton State at A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.

Southwestern Oklahoma at Cameron, 7 p.m.

Southeastern Oklahoma at Texas Woman's, 7 p.m.

Midwestern State at Dallas Baptist, 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 13, 2013**

Incarnate Word at Angelo State, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, November 14, 2013**

\*Texas A&M-Kingsville at Midwestern State, 7 p.m.

**Friday, November 15, 2013**

\*West Texas A&M at Texas Woman's, 7 p.m.

\*Eastern New Mexico at A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.

**Saturday, November 16, 2013**

\*Angelo State at Tarleton State, 12 p.m.

Midwestern State at Southwestern Okla., 2 p.m.

\*Eastern New Mexico at Texas Woman's, 2 p.m.

\*Texas A&M-Kingsville at Cameron, 2 p.m.

\*West Texas A&M at A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.

*All times are CST; \* denotes LSC game*

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at [lonestarconference.org](http://lonestarconference.org).

### WEEKLY AWARDS

#### Offensive

S-10	Laura Iwuchukwu, WTAMU
	Maddie Huth, ASU
S-17	Stacie Murrah, TSU
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S-24	Arielle Bond, ASU
	Josie Santos, TWU
O-1	Amy Davault, A&M-C
	Maddie Huth, ASU
O-8	Lauren Bevan, WTAMU
	Kelsey Washington, TAMUK
O-15	Halie Harton, WTAMU
	Amy Davault, A&M-C
O-22	Halie Harton, WTAMU
	Lauren Frye, ENMU
O-29	Kelle Carver, CU
	Stacie Murrah, TSU
N-5	Lexi Davis, WTAMU
	Marcela Alves, TWU
N-12	Breanne Snyder, A&M-C
	Arielle Bond, ASU

#### Defensive

S-10	Shelby Wilt, ASU
	Kaitlyn Molloy, MSU
S-17	Emily Klein, TSU
	Laura Iwuchukwu, WTAMU
S-24	Morgan Wilson, TWU
	Laura Iwuchukwu, WTAMU
O-1	Marcela Alves, TWU

and 11 digs to go along with four blocks Tuesday night at Northwestern Oklahoma. Jovanovic went for 38 assists with four kills, five digs and four blocks Saturday against Cameron.

## OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Marcela Alves, Texas Woman's University, led the team with 12 kills in a 3-0 win at Texas A&M-Kingsville and help the Pioneers to their fifth straight sweep. She posted a .308 hitting percentage and five total blocks on defense. On the season Alves is the team leader in kills (226), kills per set (2.48) and total blocks (125).

Lauren Frye, Eastern New Mexico University, helped lead Eastern New Mexico to a 2-1 record last week as she totaled 40 kills with a .214 attack percentage and 14 blocks. She had 17 kills with a .225 attack percentage in a five-set victory at Lubbock Christian. In the team's first win over the Chaps since 2005 and first in Lubbock since 2000. In the match she also set a career-high with eight blocks, seven of them assisted. Frye led all players with 14 kills and a .414 attack percentage as the Zias swept Tarleton State to end a 12-match winless streak to the TexAnns. She added three blocks as well against TSU. Frye ended the week with nine kills and three blocks, one solo, on senior night against Angelo State.

Beatriz Villalba, Midwestern State University, paced Midwestern State to a pair of wins over Northwestern Oklahoma State and Cameron last week while posting her fourth and fifth double-figure kill performances of the season. The 5-11 senior from Safford, Ariz. put down 11 kills while hitting .380 to go along with four digs in a four-set win over NWOSU Tuesday night in Alva. Villalba then added 10 kills with three digs and two blocks in a 3-1 victory over Cameron Saturday afternoon at Ligon Coliseum. For the week, Villalba averaged a team-high 2.62 kills per set with a .306 attack percentage.

Shelby Wilt, Angelo State University, continued her defensive prowess with strong road matches against West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico. The all-time digs leader in ASU history, Wilt recorded 24 digs against WT before supplying 15 digs in a sweep of the Zias. Wilt finished the weekend with 6.50 digs per set and also had two aces. She now has 485 digs in her junior season.

Morgan Wilson, Texas Woman's University, led the team with 16 digs in a 3-0 win at Texas A&M-Kingsville and help the Pioneers to their fifth straight sweep. On the season she is the team leader on defense with 460 digs and 4.55 digs per set. Wilson has played in all 101 set and 12 service aces.

Sarah Garfield, Midwestern State University, played a key role in helping Midwestern State to a pair of wins over Northwestern Oklahoma State and Cameron last week. The freshman middle blocker out of Holliday High School extended her multiple-block streak to 14 matches logging five blocks in the four-set victories over the Rangers and Aggies. Garfield also proved to be an offensive force putting down eight kills with a single error in 17 attacks (.412) Tuesday at Northwestern Oklahoma then notched 10 kills with two errors in 18 attacks (.444) to go along with four digs Saturday against Cameron. Garfield averaged 1.25 blocks per set while helping the Mustangs limit the opposition to a .095 hitting percentage. Offensively, she put down 2.25 kills per set operating with a smooth .429 attack percentage.

Maggi Jo Keffury, Angelo State University, provided 73 assists last weekend in LSC matches against West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico. Keffury supplied 41 assists in a three-set loss to WT before running a potent offense with 32 assists in a sweep of the Zias.

Keffury averaged 12.17 assists per set for the Belles and now has 1,072 assists this season.

Danielle Barker, Tarleton State University, was a bright spot for the TexAnns last weekend as the senior total 63 assists for a 10.5 per set average with no ball-handling errors and a double-double against Eastern New Mexico. The senior had 38 assists and 14 digs against the Zias for her team-leading 11th double-double of the season. Barker also led the team in hitting percentage at .292 with nine kills.

Kayla Rivero, Texas Woman's University, led the team with 18 assists in a 3-0 win at Texas A&M-Kingsville and helped the Pioneers to their fifth straight sweep. She ran a 6-2 offense and averaged 6.00 assists per set. Rivero leads the team with 524 assists on the season third in digs with 222.

Kennedi Catano, Eastern New Mexico University, led Eastern New Mexico with 57 assists on the week for a 5.18 assist per set average. She recorded a double-double at Lubbock Christian with 24 assists and 13 digs as the Zias hit .204 in the five-set contest. In the first victory over Tarleton State since 2005, ENMU hit .319, the highest this season, and had just six errors as Catano finished with 22 assists and 11 digs for her second straight double-double and fifth of the season. The six attack errors are the fewest by the team since 2010 and the least in a LSC match since at least 2001. Also, the Zias attack percentage versus the TexAnns was their highest in a conference match since 2005. Catano finished the week with an 11-assist, 7-dig performance versus the Rambelles.

## LSC NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

### Angelo State

The No. 17-ranked Belles split a pair of Lone Star Conference matches last weekend with a three-set loss to No. 6 West Texas A&M before sweeping Eastern New Mexico on the road. ASU received strong offensive performances from Arielle Bond (26 kills), Maddie Huth (17 kills, .311 hitting percentage) and Kaelen Valdez (17 kills, 21 digs). Shelby Wilt provided a team-leading 39 digs over the two matches with setter Maggi Jo Keffury having 73 assists (12.17 per set). The Belles conclude their regular season this week with a home match on Wednesday against Incarnate Word and a noon match on Saturday at Tarleton State.

### Cameron

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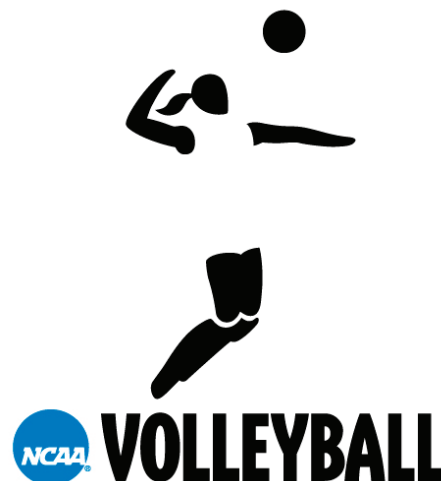
### Eastern New Mexico

Eastern New Mexico went 2-1 last week, including 1-1 in Lone Star Conference matches. The Zias defeated Lubbock Christian for the first time since 2005, and on the road since 2000, in five sets. Lauren Frye posted a team-high 17 kills with a .225 attack percentage while Bree Anna Lucero added 13 kills on a team-best .440 attack percentage. Agatha Gibbons had 10 kills in the match, the most by a Zias Randi Egley had 10 against SE Okla. St. on Nov. 1, 2007. Frye set a career-high with eight kills and Lucero contributed with seven kills. Kennedi Catano and Karra Day had 24 and 18 assists respectively. Hayley Couch recorded 25 digs versus LCU. ENMU followed with a sweep of Tarleton State at home to end a 12-match losing streak to the TexAnns. Frye led the team with 14 kills and a .414 attack percentage while Catano posted her second straight double-double and fifth of the season with 22 assists and 11 digs. Couch increased her d/s average with 24 versus TSU over the three sets. The Zias fell on senior night to 17th-ranked Angelo State in three sets. For the week Courtney Lawson had 24 kills (2.18 k/s) and 27 digs (2.45 d/s) and Lucero posted 22 kills

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(2.00 k/s), a .300 attack percentage and 12 blocks (1.09 b/s). Gibbons led the team with 17 blocks (1.55 b/s) while Frye had 14 blocks (1.27 b/s). ENMU plays three matches this week. They host New Mexico Highland s in the home finale on Tuesday and then travel to face Texas A&M-Commerce on Friday and Texas Woman's Saturday afternoon.

### **Midwestern State**

Midwestern State claimed wins over Northwestern Oklahoma State and Cameron last week to improve to 15-11 on the season.... The Mustangs need one win over the final three matches of the regular season to clinch their first winning ledger since going 15-14 in 2010... MSU is currently sixth in the LSC with a 6-9 mark two games in the loss column behind Tarleton State for the No. 5 spot. If MSU defeats Texas A&M-Kingsville Thursday night and Tarleton State suffers defeats at A&M-Commerce and against Angelo State, the Mustangs would claim the No. 5 seed in next week's LSC Postseason Tournament by virtue of a season split with A&M-C. If the scenario plays out, the Lions would have swept the TexAnns. MSU and TSU split the season series as the first tie break then the tiebreakers moves on to performance in descending order in league play. Each of the top three teams -- West Texas A&M, Angelo State and Texas Woman's -- would have swept MSU and TSU leaving it to the performance against A&M-Commerce... Senior middle blocker Caitlin Wallace ranks second in the LSC and 52nd in NCAA Division II in hitting percentage (.332)... Wallace needs 13 kills to move past Geneva Hammond to move into 10th on MSU's all-time kills list and four solo blocks to move past Ashley Hester (43 solo blocks/1997-00)... Wallace rates second on the all-time blocks assist charge with 248 and needs five total blocks to move into third past Molly Truelove (292/1994-95, 97-98)... The Mustangs rank 17th in NCAA Division II in digs per set at 18.2 with five players averaging more than 2.00 digs per set including Casey Fletcher (3.99), Madelyn Johnson (3.27), Nicole Marzik (2.92), Kaitlyn Molloy (2.43) and Marissa Olivares (2.21)... Redshirt freshman Madelyn Johnson has recorded 10-or-more digs in seven consecutive matches including a pair 20-dig efforts... Senior outside hitter Beatriz Villalba has logged double-figure kills in three of her last four matches averaging 2.44 kps with a .233 attack percentage... Senior Michelle Blount notched her second double-figure kill performance of the season with 10 in a 3-1 win over Cameron on Saturday... Blount posted nine total blocks last week with a season-high six against Northwestern Oklahoma and four against Cameron... Senior middle blocker Caitlin Wallace combined for nine total blocks in wins over Northwestern Oklahoma and Cameron last week... Freshman middle blocker Sarah Garfield osted her fourth double-figure kill match of the season with 10 kills against Cameron... Garfield posted multiple blocks in each of her last 14 outings including five in both matches last week against NWOSU and CU... Senior setter Marija Jovanovic posted her fifth double-double of the season with 42 assists and 11 digs against NWOSU... Junior middle blocker Kaitlyn Molloy notched her first double-double of the campaign with 10 kills and 14 digs at Northwestern Oklahoma...

### **Tarleton State**

Tarleton State was swept by Eastern New Mexico and West Texas A&M on the road last weekend. They have two games left in the regular season as they travel to Texas A&M-Commerce Tuesday and host Angelo State for senior day on Saturday.

### **Texas A&M-Commerce**

The Lions went 2-0 on their road trip to A&M-International and A&M-Kingsville. A&M-Commerce swept both opponents to reach 20 wins for the second straight season. This marks the first time since 2000-02 seasons that the Lions have won 20 games in back-to-back seasons.

### **Texas A&M-Kingsville**

The Javelina volleyball team closed out the home portion of its schedule this past week with matches against Texas A&M-Commerce and Texas Woman's. The Javelinas lost both matches 3-0 and finished the home portion of their schedule with a 5-7 mark...The Javelinas close out the regular season this weekend with matches at Midwestern State on Friday and Cameron this Saturday...Dedra Brown – the Javelinas lone senior – hit .357 against Commerce and then put away 11 kills in her final home game on Saturday... Junior Kelsey Washington led the Javelinas with 21 kills on the weekend. She had 11 kills and 11 digs for her 16th double-double of the season...Kingsville had a .227 hitting percentage in its two matches which is above its season average of .188, however Javelina opponents hit .338...Setter Sarah Fountain had a team best 39 assists on the week and also led the Javelinas with 20 digs in the two matches.

### **Texas Woman's**

TWU volleyball defeated the host Texas A&M-Kingsville, 3-0, for its fifth straight sweep on Saturday. Senior Marcela Alves led the team with 12 kills and five total blocks while junior Morgan Wilson was the leader on defense with 16 digs. Junior Kayla Rivero and freshman Kimberly Bell ran a 6-2 offense and finished with 18 and 12 assists respectively. On the season Alves is the team leader with 226 kills and 125 total blocks. Wilson has a team-best 460 digs and Rivero leads with 524 assists. TWU will close out the regular season with three home games this week against Southeastern Oklahoma on Tuesday, West Texas A&M on Friday and Eastern New Mexico on Saturday.

### **West Texas A&M**

The No.6 Lady Buffs claimed the program's 18th Lone Star Conference Championship this past weekend as they improved to 25-3 overall with a perfect 14-0 mark in league play following sweeps of No.17 Angelo State and Tarleton State on Senior Weekend in Canyon. The wins stretched WT's win streak to 19 matches while also winning the last 24 matches at the WTAMU Fieldhouse "The Box" dating back to last season. WT has earned the right to host the 2013 LSC Championships on November 21-23 in Canyon, the Lady Buffs wrap-up their regular season schedule this week with matches at Lubbock Christian, Texas Woman's and Texas A&M-Commerce.