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Quick Facts

University Information
- Location: Stillwater, OK
- Founded: Dec, 29, 1890
- Address: 220 Athletics Center
- Stillwater, OK 74078
- Colors: Orange and Black
- Enrollment: 36,551
- President: V. Burns Hargis
- Mascot: Pistol Pete

Athletics Information
- Academic Web Site: www.okstate.com
- Home Facility: Animal Science Arena
- Faculty Athletic Rep: Dr. Meredith Hamilton

Coaches
- Head Coach: Larry Sanchez
- Associate Director: Stephen Howard
- Assistant Directors: Jordan Smith
- Assistant Coaches: Jamie Bluemke, Jenna Brumley
- Graduate Assistants: Harry Endicott, Kinsey McDougald

Equestrian Information
- 2016-17 Record: 9-4
- 2017 Postseason: NCEA Quarterfinals
- 2017 Big 12 Finish: Second
- Team Members Returning/Lost: 37/11
- Team Name: Cowboys

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Personnel Breakdown

Riders Returning
- Marie Aemone
- Alyssa Blessing
- Matilda Svehla
- Mia Bray
- Natalie Campbell
- Kristen Chamberland

Riders Lost
- Emilie Johnson
- Kylee Pedigo
- Jessica Pedigo
- Kaylee Sower

All-Americans
- Catelyn Johnson (Skuve)

Returners
- Catelyn Johnson (Skuve)
- Alyssa Blessing
- Matilda Svehla
- Mia Bray

Homecoming/Previews School
- Somerset, Pennsylvania/Somerset High School
- Buckeye, Ark./Arkansas Business and Finance Center
- Austin, Texas/Alexander
- Edmond, Oklahoma/Edmond North High School
- Fallbrook, Calif./La Costa Springs
- Aubrey, Texas/Aubrey
- Colorado Springs, Colo./Laurel-Palmer
- Indio, Calif./La Quinta
- Carmel, Calif./Palm Desert
- Stillwater, Okla./Ponca
- El Dorado Hills, Calif./Catholic (Girls)
- Moorpark, Calif./La Reina
- Enniscule, Washington/Enniscule High School
- Arvada, Colo./Ralston Valley
- Evansville, Indiana/Indiana High School
- Burleson, Texas/Notre Dame High School
- Panama, New York/The Ramsey School
- O’Neac, Calif./Minerva
- Bosler, Colo./Holy Family
- Tuba, Okla./Cairns
- Austin, Texas/Hyde Park
- Dawson, Ind./Dawson/Bedford
- Vancouver, Wash./Wing High School
- Palm City, Fla./Palm City
- Paris, Tenn./Gallatin
- Cleveland, Ohio/Laurel Springs
- Canton, Calif./Cantons Class
- Warren, Ohio/Champion
- Elbert, Colorado/Pine Ridge High School
- Tennesse City, Calif./East Oak

The Woodards/The Woodards Christmas Academy

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Oklahoma State enters the 2017-18 season looking to build off last year’s success of getting second in the Big 12 and reaching the quarterfinals of the NCEA Championships.

The Cowgirls return seven All-Americans from the 2016-17 season that saw the team post a 9-4 overall record. This team boasts six returning All-Americans and some impressive incoming riders.

The team’s only first-team All-American, Hannah Mitchell was also named the NCEA Rider of the Year. Mitchell posted a team-best 9-1 regular season record for the Cowgirls that included five consecutive MOP honors coming against every OSU opponent during the spring season.

Ebba Lange and Maggie Drysch were both awarded second-team NCEA All-American honors. The team also returns three honorable mention NCEA All-Americans which included Carly Barrick, Hannah Janson and Danielle Cohen.

The Cowgirls bring in 14 new riders to this season’s team, including 12 freshmen and two transfers.

The Cowgirls open up their season at home on October 7 against Baylor, the reigning Big 12 Conference champions. The Cowgirls then go on the road for the next two meets, traveling to SMU on Oct. 21 before taking on South Carolina on October 27.

The final two meets of the fall season are at home for the Cowgirls. TCU comes to Stillwater on November 10 and Texas A&M, the defending national champions, will face the Cowgirls in the last meet of the fall on November 17.

The spring semester competition starts with a home meet against Auburn on February 3. The Cowgirls then head west to California to face Fresno State and SMU on February 16. After that, the Cowgirls travel to Texas to take on TCU on February 24. Sanchez’ team returns to Stillwater for the last regular season home meet against Fresno State on March 3 and wraps up the regular season on March 17 at Baylor.

The 2018 Big 12 Equestrian Championships will be in Fort Worth, Texas; the two-day event starts on March 30.

The NCEA National Championships will be held in Waco, Texas, from April 19-21 to conclude the season.
Larry Sanchez is in his 19th season at the helm of the Oklahoma State Equestrian program. Sanchez has led the Cowgirls to six national championships and five Big 12 titles.
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In 2014, Sanchez added another impressive accomplishment to his resume, becoming the first coach in Big 12 Equestrian history to lead his team to three consecutive Big 12 Championships.

As one of the most respected and successful equestrian coaches in the country, Sanchez has been essential in the sport’s move toward varsity recognition. He currently serves as the spokesperson for the Varsity Equestrian Steering Committee, which is responsible for the development, organization and implementation of all aspects involved with assembling varsity equestrian as an emerging NCAA sport.

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ASSISTANT COACHES AND STAFF

Sammy Elser is in her third year as an assistant coach under Sanchez.

Elser attended Oklahoma State from 2006-10 and contributed to the Cowgirls winning three straight Big 12 Championships.

Elser competed in Equitation over Fences during her career at OSU as well as competing in Equitation on the Flat during her senior campaign. Earning multiple Most Outstanding Player awards while at OSU, her addition to the coaching staff was a simple choice for Sanchez.

Throughout her career, Elser qualified and competed in USET, Medal, Maclay and NEHC Finals, placing seventh in 2008 and ninth in 2009 in Zone 1 Maclay Regionals and placed fifth at the NEHC Finals in 2009.

Jenna Blumer is in her third year as an assistant coach for Cowgirl Equestrian.

Blumer’s career at Oklahoma State includes three straight Big 12 Championships. A three-time National Collegiate Equestrian Association All-American and Big 12 Reining Rider of the Year, Blumer was also named to the First Team NCEA Academic All-America squad in 2013 and 2014.

In 2013, Blumer finished her career as a Cowgirl with an undefeated record at the NCEA championship. She was named the Most Outstanding Reiner and was a major component to the Cowgirls’ 2013 Western National Championship.

Blumer has held 16 years of experience in the National Reining Horse Associations. She is a three-time World Champion, Reserve World Champion, NRHA Derby Collegiate Reining Challenge Champion and a two-time All-American Quarter Horse Congress Champion.

Kate Chesley previously worked as the Director of Operations for the K-State Equestrian team before its final season in 2015-2016. Chesley served as a graduate assistant with the Wildcats from 2010-2013, and as the team’s Assistant Western Coach for two seasons from 2013-2015.

An El Paso, TX native, Chesley’s primary duties at K-State included the oversight of all administrative duties of the team, care and maintenance of the horses and arranging all travel for the program.

Prior to her time in Manhattan, Chesley rode for the NMSU Equestrian team from 2005-2009. At the Varsity Equestrian National Championship in 2005 she helped the western team to a 5th place finish, in 2006 she helped the western team to a 3rd place finish and an Overall 6th place finish. In her senior year she qualified for the 2009 VENC as an individual rider in both Horsemanship and Reining, finishing in the Top 4 in both events.

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CLINT JACKSON
HERD MANAGER

SHANICE CHEATHAM
TRAINER
The Cowgirls return a roster that features an NCEA Rider of the Year in Hannah Mitchell and six All-Americans. Mitchell will look to add to her freshman year which saw her take home the Big 12 Rider of the Year in Reining and All-American honors.
ALEXA BEATY - Junior - ABILENE, TEXAS/ABILENE HS

- 5-1 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 Two MOP honors against Delaware State and Georgia

MADDIE BENDER - COLLEGE SPRING, CO/ALEX LEWIS-PALMER HS

- 1-3 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 Second Team NCEA All-Academic

ALEXIA BOWMAN - Corpus Christi, TX/CORPUS CHRISTI HS

- 7-6 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 AQHA Youth Youth World Champion, Youth Limited World Champion and Reserve Youth World Champion....

CLAIRE BURGER - New Braunfels, TX/NEW Braunfels HS

- 8-8-3 overall record as a Cowgirl
- Competed at UT-Martin.

CAROLYN BRUNO - Carleton, MI/CHERRY HIGGINS HS

- 8-7-2 overall record as a Cowgirl
- 2017 AQHA Youth High Point Champion and Circuit Champions

KAITLYN ARNOLD - Austin, Texas/ABINGTON HS

- 1-2 overall record as a Cowgirl
- Junior (16-17): Did not compete.
- Sophomore (15-16): Won 2-0 against Ohio State.

MADDIE BENDER - Colorado Springs, Colo./Lewis-Palmer HS

- 2017 Second Team NCEA All-Academic

CARLY BARRICK - Fallbrook, Calif./LAUREL SPRINGS HS

- 35-25-1 overall record as a Cowgirl
- 2017 NCEA All-American award honorable mention
- 2017 All-Big 12 team for Equitation over Fences

MIA BRAY - Long Beach, Calif./CALA QUINER HS/UT MARTIN

- 2-4 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 Second Team NCEA All-Academic

LUCY BREEN - Spring, TX/ST. ANTHONY'S HS

- 9-6 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 AQHA Youth High Point Champion and Circuit Champions

KIRSTEN CHAMBERLAND - Abington, Mass./BRYANT COLLEGE ACADEMY

- 6-8-3 overall record as a Cowgirl

LIBBY COLLINS - Carrollton, Texas/PLANO WESTFORD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

- 15-9 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 MOP honor at Delaware State

NATALIE CAMPBELL - Abbotsford, British Columbia/INDIGO, CALIF./LA QUINTA HS

- 2017 First Team NCEA All-Academic

DANIELLE COHEN - Cooper City, Fla./COOPER CITY HS

- 17-11-3 overall as a Cowgirl

LIBBY COLLINS - Carrollton, Texas/Plano Westford Christian Academy

- 2017 MOP honor at Delaware State
- 2017 AQHA Horsemanship challenge in Oklahoma City representing Oklahoma State

NATALIE CAMPBELL - Abbotsford, British Columbia/Indigo, Calif./La Quinta HS

- 2017 First Team NCEA All-Academic

DANIELLE COHEN - Cooper City, Fla./Cooper City HS

- 2017 All-Big 12 team for Reining

RETURNING RIDER BIOS

KAITLYN ARNOLD

AUSTIN, TEXAS/ABINGTON HS

- 1-2 overall record as a Cowgirl
- Junior (16-17): Did not compete.
- Sophomore (15-16): Won 2-0 against Ohio State.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO/ALEX LEWIS-PALMER HS

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- 2017 Second Team NCEA All-Academic

CARLY BARRICK

FALLBROOK, CALIF./LAUREL SPRINGS HS

- 35-25-1 overall record as a Cowgirl
- 2017 NCEA All-American award honorable mention
- 2017 All-Big 12 team for Equitation over Fences

Sophomore (15-16): Paced a 9-4 overall record in Equitation over Fences.
- 2017 NCEA All-Academic
- 2017 Second Team NCEA All-Academic
- 2017 MOP honor at Delaware State

LUCY BREEN

Spring, TX/ST. ANTHONY'S HS

- 9-6 overall as a Cowgirl
- 2017 AQHA Youth High Point Champion and Circuit Champions

Kirsten was born February 9, 1996 in New Westminster, BC to Dan and Julie Chamberland. Multiple APHA and PTRA World Champion and Reserve World Champion Mules in English and Western events. Two-time APHA Youth Champion. Qualified for principal’s honor roll in high school.

NATALIE CAMPBELL

Abbotsford, British Columbia/INDIGO, CALIF./LA QUINTA HS

- 2017 First Team NCEA All-Academic

DANIELLE COHEN

Cooper City, Fla./COOPER CITY HS

- 17-11-3 overall as a Cowgirl

Libby was born July 20, 1996 to Mark and Lori Collins in Carrollton, Texas. Was a member of the National Honor Society and National Charity League in high school and graduated with magna cum laude honors.

KIRSTEN CHAMBERLAND

Abington, Mass./BRYANT COLLEGE ACADEMY

- 6-8-3 overall record as a Cowgirl

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RETURNING RIDER BIOS

MAGGIE DRYSC
EL DORADO HILLS, CALIF./OAK RIDGE VALLEY HS

R-Freshman (16-17): Did not compete
Freshman (15-16): Did not compete

Personal: Taylor was born March 28, 1997 in Denver, Colorado to Nancy and Katie Hickman. Ended 2013 ranked No. 12 in the nation in the Youth Trail after not being able to show for five months due to surgeries for her and her horse. Played tennis in high school, where she athletic lettered back-to-back years her sophomore and junior years and academic lettered her junior year. Majoring in Sociology. Also minoring in Business Entrepreneurship.

TAYLOR HICKAM
ARVADA, COLO./BASALTON VALLEY HS

Sophomore (15-16): Rode to a 10-10 regular season record...garnered a 7-3 record in Equation on the Flat with five MOP honors...snagged second-team NCEA Academic honors and All-Big 12 team honors for Equitation on the Flat. Also grabbed first-team NCEA Academic honors.

KRISTIN HULL
LISLESDON, N.D./FARFIELD SENIOR HS

Junior (16-17): Held an 11-17 overall record during the season...Went 6-6 in Equitation on Flat and 5-9 in Equitation over Fences...Earned Most Outstanding Performer award at Kansas State.

Sophomore (14-15): Competed in both English events, going 10-7 on the season...Earned two MOP honors during wins against Baylor and Kansas State...Was an outstanding performer in the NCEA Academic honors.

Freshman (13-14): Did not compete

Personal: Maggie is the daughter of Scott and Beverly Drysch. Born on August 2, 1995. Majored in Nutrition. While in high school, volunteered for the College Preparatory Invitational horse show...Majoring in marketing.

KATIE JONES
WELLINGTON, FLA./WELLINGTON HS

13-22-2 overall as a Cowgirl
2016 Second Team Academic All-Big 12
2016 NCEA Academic Honorable Mention

Junior (16-17): Snagged a 7-3 regular season record with a season-high score of 84 coming against TSU and SDSU.

Sophomore (15-16): Went 3-11-2 in both English events.

Freshman (14-15): Recorded a 3-8 overall record for the season with all three wins coming from Equitation on the Flat matches...Was named the Big 12 Rider of the Month for October in Equitation on Flat.

Personal: Katie was born April 21, 1996 to Deborah Sieges and Kyle Jones. Is the owner of multiple wins and championships at the Winter Equestrian Festival...Was part of the Equine/Pre-Vet Academy in high school...Majoring in business management.

EBBA LANGE
Gnesta, SWEDEN/NGROPS CONRIGIA

22-15-2 overall as a Cowgirl
2017 NCEA Rider of the Month in October
2017 Second Team NCEA All-American
2017 All-Big 12 Reining Team

Sophomore (15-16): Went 2-0 at the Big 12 Championships with MOP honors in Reining.

Freshman (14-15): Named to the NCEA Academic first team.

Personal: Kristin was born June 16, 1995 in Miss. She qualified for Superintendent’s Honor Roll all four years, was a member of the Spirit Committee, student council, Spanish club, pre-med society and was a distinguished graduate. Nutritional sciences major with an option in allied health.

ADDIE MINNICK
TULSA, OKLA./OAK RIDGE HS

R-Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.
Freshman (15-16): Did not compete

Personal: Addie was born on Sept. 28, 1996 in Chicago, Illinois to Lisa and John Pinkley. Showed at the Macay Finals, was fifth in the Southeast Medal Finals and finished 12th at the Mid-Atlantic Regionals during high school. Also competed on the weight lifting team in high school. While in high school, volunteered for the College Preparatory Invitational horse show. Majored in Nutrition.

KENDALL PEDIGO
VANCOUVER, WASH./KING’S WAY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

15-24 overall as a Cowgirl
2017 First Team NCEA All-Academic
2016 First Team Academic All-Big 12
2015 First Team NCEA All-Academic

Sophomore (15-16): Held a 6-4 regular season record with two MOP honors against SMU and Baylor...Was named All-American in Reining.

Freshman (14-15): Named to the NCEA Academic first team.

Personal: Kendall was born April 7, 1995 in Vancouver, Washington to Rick and Teri Pedigo...Was the Oregon Hunter Jumper Association 2013 Overall Champion in 16-17 Large Junior Hunters and 16-17 Equitation, as well as the Overall 2013 Reserve Champion and 16-17 Equitation, as well as the Overall 2013 Reserve Champion in 7/8 year old Young Jumpers...Majoring in marketing.
RETURNING RIDER BIOS

JULIA PURUS
JUNIOR
PURCELL, OKLA./PURCELL HS

2017 NCEA All-Academic honorable mention
2016 First Team Academic All-Big 12
2016 Second Team NCEA All-Academic

Junior (16-17): Held a 4-6 regular season record with wins against Baylor and TCU during Big 12 Conference play. Was named to the NCEA All-Academic honorable mention team.

Sophomore (15-16): Was impressive with a 9-4-1 record as a sophomore with a 7-0 winning streak during the middle of the season.

Freshman (15-16): Held a 2-4-1 record in seven Reining events during the season.

Personal: Julia was born Aug. 9, 1996 in Greenwich, Connecticut to Gubert and Randy Purus. Ranked in the top 10 in the NRHA world standings. Participated in National Honor Society in high school. Majoring in animal science.

MADELINE ALEWINE
SOPHOMORE
ROCKEY, ARIZ./ARIZONA AGRIBUSINESS AND EQUINE CENTER

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.

Personal: Madeleine was born on June 12, 1998, to Ron and Lisa Alewine. In 2015, Maddie was named to the AP/HA top 5 for Horsemanship and top 10 for Pleasure. Hunter under Showmanship and Trail. In 2014, was named the #1 AQHA Novice World Champion. In high school, was an NHS and FHA member. Majoring in Agricultural Communications and Agricultural Business.

SARAH CLYMER
SOPHOMORE
EDMOND, OKLA./EDMOND CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.

Personal: Sarah was born on July 6, 1997, to Jeff and Shari Clymer in Edmond, Oklahoma. Was the PHA World and Reserve World Champion. Was a NSBA World Show finalist. In high school, was a member of National Honors Society. Majoring in Sports Management.

HUNTER DEJANE
JUNIOR
MEAD, WASH./MEAD HS/TCU

Sophomore (16-17): Did not compete.

Personal: Hunter was born on Nov. 21, 1996, to Guy and Jane DeJane in Thousand Oaks, California. Received NRHA, RMQHA and Eastern Plains Reining Horse Association Scholarships. Majoring in Political Science. DeJane’s has two sisters who also competed for NCEA teams.

MADISON KRAMER
SOPHOMORE
GALLAS, WYOMING/NEBRASKA HUSKIES

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.

Personal: Madison was born on June 26, 1998, to Robert and Cheryl Kramer. In 2015, Madison was named the #1 AP/HA Novice World Champion. In high school, was an NHS and FHA member. Majoring in Animal Science.

PARKER AUGUST
SOPHOMORE
LEWISTON, IDAHO/LEWISTON HS

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.

Personal: Parker was born on July 5, 1997, to Kirk and Sarah August. In 2015, was named the #1 AP/HA Novice World Champion. In high school, was a member of National Honors Society. Competed for the Washington State University Equestrian team and was a team captain. Was the 2015 USEF Scholastic Equestrian League Varsity Champion and Non-Pro and Youth. Was on the honor roll in high school. Majoring in Business.

MOLLY DUNN
SOPHOMORE
MIDSPRING, CALIF./LA VIEA HS/ KANSAS STATE

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.

Sophomore (15-16): Competed at Kansas State where she was named Most Outstanding Sophomore and was a 2-time letterwinner.

Personal: Molly is the daughter of Julie and Bob Dunn. Was a Reserve Champion Varsity Jumper. Volunteered at Ride On in high school. Majoring in Economics.

HANNAH JANSON
SOPHOMORE
BERKELEY, MASS./RANNY MARVIN ACADEMY BAY VIEW HS

Freshman (16-17): Went 4-1 on the regular season with an MOP against TCU. Was named the 2014 AQHA California Youth World Team and won a 2-time USEF letterman. Was the Fieldstone Grand Prix. Was a member of National Honors Society and Rho Kappa History Honors Society in high school. Majoring in Business and minoring in Psychology.

PAIGE KEMPER
SOPHOMORE
GALAGA, OHIO/BIG WALNUT HS

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete.

RETURNING RIDER BIOS

LAUREN MOORHEAD

AUSTIN, TEXAS/BETTENDORF HS

Freshman: (16-17); Did not compete

Personal: Lauren is the daughter of Paula and Patrick Moorhead. In 2015, qualified for the Maclay Finals, Zone 7 Equitation Championship, Pessa/US Hunt Seat Medal Final and USHJA Essex Classics Hunter Equitation. Was a member of student council in high school. ... Mapping in Business Marketing.

MATILDA SCHULMAN

TAREZANA, CALIF./JUNIHERA CANYON HS

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete

Personal: Matilda is the daughter of Paula Corley and Michael Schulman. ... Qualified for USEF during the last three years of her junior riding campaign. ... Was the 2013 SHSA 17-under metal final winner. ... In high school, was on the honor roll. ... Majoring in Business and English.

EMILY MORRIS

DAVENPORT, IOWA/BETTENDORF HS

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete

Personal: Emily is the daughter of David Morris and Heidi Mihl. ... Was in the NRHA Youth 14-18 Top Ten World Standings in 2014 and 2015. ... Was also named the NRHA Derby Champion. ... In high school, was in National Honors Society and was her class Salutatorian. ... Majoring in Biology.

EMMA VERPLANK

EDMOND, OKLA./OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete

Personal: Emma was born on Aug. 15, 1997, to Kim and Scott Verplank. ... She was the Congress Champion and named to the AQHYA World Show top 10. ... In high school, she was a member of National Honors Society. ... Majoring in Animal Science. ... Her father, Scott, played golf at Oklahoma State.

CAITLYN SANCHEZ

STILLWATER, OKLA./STILLWATER HS

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete

Personal: Caitlyn is the daughter of Larry and Julie Sanchez. ... Was a member of the All-State Cheer team in high school. ... Majoring in Physiology.

KRISTI WIGGINS

TEMPEST, CALIF./BECKETT OAK HS

Freshman (16-17): Did not compete

Personal: Kristi is the daughter of Everett and Karen Wiggins. ... Was the 2014 NRHA Derby Youth 14-18 Champion. ... Was named an AQHA Youth World Show finalist in 2014 and a qualifier in 2013 and 2015. ... Was the NRHA Derby level 1 finalist in 2015. ... Was the AQHA Novice Youth Reserve Champion in 2013. ... Majoring in Animal Science.

NATALIE ALCORN

SOMERSET, PENN./SOMERSET HIGH SCHOOL

Freshman: Born April 15, 1999 to David and Joan Alcorn in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. ... Was the 2017 AQHYA Reserve World Champion Trail, the 2017 NSBA Reserve World Champion Trail and the 2016 NSBA Reserve World Champion Trail. ... Was third place in the 2016 NSBA World Show Horsemanship and the 2014 12-14 Auerter Horse Congress Horsemanship. ... In high school, was a member of the National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society. ... Majoring in Aviation.

ABIGAIL BRAYMAN

CHARLESTON, SOUTH ISLAND/ISLANDVILLE GREEN VIRTUAL

Personal: Was born to Wendy and Matthew Brayman on March 14, 1999 in Charleston, Rhode Island. ... In 2016, won the New England Equitation Championship. ... Was sixth place in the Kathy Scholl Equitation Challenge. ... Was Top 25 Medal and Macay Finals in 2016. ... Qualified for George Morris Class in Wellington in 2017. ... She hosted a coat drive in November the past three years each collecting over 100 coats. ... Plans to major in sports media.

MACKENZIE CHAPMAN

BELLEVUE, NEBRASKA/BELLEVUE HS

Personal: Was born to Rob and Kelly Chapman on March 2, 1999 in Battle Creek, Michigan. ... Was a nine time APHA World or Reserve World Champion. ... Was in the APHA top twenty twice. ... Was a member of the honor roll and National Honor’s Society. ... Played lacrosse, volleyball, basketball and soccer in high school. ... Volunteered at Chef Center and was a member of Youth Alliance. ... Plans to major in Animal Science.

SYDNEE GEMAR

SUTTON, NEBRASKA/SUTTON HS

Personal: Sydnee was born May 4, 1999 to Niki and Steve Gemar in Hastings, Nebraska. ... Was Congress Champion. ... Was Top 10 in the AQHYA World Show and multiple Top 10 Congress. ... In high school, was valedictorian, an American mathematics competition winner, a Quiz Bowl competitor and an Actions Day Winner. ... Was a member of National Honors Society, Principal’s Student and a member of FCCLA and Student Council. ... Acted in high school and won Most Outstanding Actor Award at Conference One Act and was All-State Once Act. ... Mapping in Biology.

STEPHANIE HELSEN

ESSINGTON, WASH./ESSINGTON HS

Personal: Stephanie was born August 21, 1999 to Inger Mahnberg and Mike Helsen in Puyallup, Washington. ... In high school, she played basketball and volleyball. ... Was a member of National Honor Society, Young Life and Future Farmers of America. ... Majoring in business.

NEWCOMER ROSTER AND BIOS

NATASHA POLITZ

SOMERSET, PENN./SOMERSET HIGH SCHOOL

Freshman: Born Sept. 19, 1999 to Rachel and Martin Politz in Somerset, Pennsylvania. ... Was in the Apha World Show top 10. ... Was a member of the National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society. ... Majoring in Exercise Science.

SYDNEY VERPLANK

EDMOND, OKLA./OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Freshman: Born Jan. 30, 1999 to Scott and Kim Verplank in Edmond, Oklahoma. ... Was a member of the National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society. ... Played lacrosse, volleyball, basketball and soccer in high school. ... Volunteered at Chef Center and was a member of Youth Alliance. ... Plans to major in Animal Science.

AVI DRYSC

EL DORADO HILLS, CALIF./EL DORADO RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Personal: Was born to Beverly and Scott Drysc on June 10, 1998 in Bellevue, Washington. ... She qualified for the CPHA Junior Equitation Finals Medal, CPHA Foundation Equitation Medal Finals, the Norcal Juniors Equitation Medal Finals and Reserve Champion. ... Was ambassador of Red Cross Club in high school. ... Volunteered at local elementary schools, involved with Autism Speaks and involved with JDRF. ... Plans to major in marketing.

Julia Purus

LAUREN MOORHEAD

AUSTIN, TEXAS/BETTENDORF HS

EMILY MORRIS

DAVENPORT, IOWA/BETTENDORF HS

SERENA LEWIS

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

COWGIRLS

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HARLEY HUFF
FRESHMAN
EVANSVILLE, INDIANA/F. J. REITZ HIGH SCHOOL

Personal: Was born to Janet and J.R. Huff on April 30, 1999 in Evansville, Indiana...In 2015, was the AQHYA Horsemanship World Champion...Got second in the AQHYA Reserve World Champion...Got third in the AQHYA Bronze Champion...Was a four time Congress Champion in the All-American Quarter Horse Association...Was a member of the student council...Plans to major in marketing.

KAYLA MCCARTHY
JUNIOR
MANASQUAN, NEW JERSEY/ THE RANNEY SCHOOL

Personal: Kayla was born June 15, 1997, to Robert and Madeleine McCarthy in Weymouth, Massachusetts...She previously attended TCU and was a two-year letter winner there...She was also a three-time recipient of the USHJA Zone 2 College Scholarship...Was on the honor roll all four years in high school and was on the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll...In high school, she was the community service club vice president and a member of the Equestrian club...Plans to major in economics.

LIA TURENNE
FRESHMAN
ELBERT, COLORADO/ PALMER RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Personal: Lia was born May 7, 1999, to Maria and Ron Turenne in San Clemente, California...Vansity lettered USEF...Was a NRHA Youth Point High achiever...Was RMQHYA High...Won a photography achievement award for Colorado...In high school, she was a member of DECA, photography club, school spirit club and she was a Link Leader...Majoring in Animal Science.

CALLEY HUSTON
FRESHMAN
COTTAGE GROVE, WISC./ARGYLE HIGH SCHOOL

Personal: Was born June 27, 1998, to Pebbles and Wade Huston in Cottage Grove, Wisconsin...Was a 3x World Champion and 7x Congress Champion...Texas State recognition for World Champion...In high school, she played basketball and was named to the Honor Roll her senior year...Also showed cows...Majoring in Animal Science.

KATIE SCHELL
FRESHMAN
CLEVELAND, OHIO/LAUREL SPRINGS

Personal: Katie was born December 12, 1998, to Dawn and Scott Schell in Gainesville, Florida...Was a 2016 5th Zone Five Horsemanship Champion...Had wins in equitation at shows such as WFF, Lake Placid Traverse City, Kentucky Horse Park and Tryon...She qualified for Medal and Maclay Finals three years in a row...In high school, she ran track and was a member of the National Honors Society...Majoring in Finance.

CASSIDY WILBOURN
FRESHMAN
THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS/ THE WOODLANDS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Personal: Was born to Chad and Leslie Wilbourn on March 13, 1999 in Santa Cruz, California...Made it to the Hunt seat Medal finals...Was 4th place in the Prix de States National Junior Jumper Championships...High Achievement in Biology Award, high honor roll award, head of school award and high achievement in Honors Great books...Was a small group chapel leader, member of Student Council, Patriots Club, Wellness Club, Latin Club and Mu Alpha Theta Math Club...Was a part of Therapeutic Recreational Services and Saint John’s Program for Real Change...Plans to major in Biological Sciences and Pre-Med.
The 2017-18 Cowgirl Equestrian schedule is highlighted by five home matches, including two Big 12 matches against Baylor and TCU. The Cowgirls will also get a visit from the defending national champions, Texas A&M.
The Big 12 enters its 22nd year in 2017-18 as it continues to promote the strength and success of one of the nation’s premier athletic conferences under the direction of eighth-year commissioner Bob Bowlsby.

TCU and West Virginia joined the league on July 1, 2012 and became the Big 12’s first additions since inception, joining Baylor, Iowa State, Kansas, Kansas State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Texas and Texas Tech.

With 10 members, the Big 12 remains as the only automatic qualifier to four bowl games and the first to host site for two events and the most recent in Atlanta. A true force in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and in the Association of NCAA Directors of Athletics (NODA), the Big 12 is a leader in the classroom, on the field of play and in the community, with 2016-17 Big 12 student athletes having earned All-America recognition in 2016. In its first 21 years, the Big 12 distributed $2.941 billion in-vehicle support to its member institutions and sent at least 70 percent of its teams to postseason play for 18 of its 23 sports.

THE BIG 12 CONFERENCE: A NATIONAL LEADER

National academic accolades have always been strong in the Big 12. Ty Darlington (Oklahoma) was the recipient of the 2015 William V. Campbell Trophy, known as the Academic Heisman. Gabe Iard (Oklahoma) was presented the NCAA Today’s Top 10 Award in January 2015. It recognizes former student-athletes for their successes on the fields and courts, in the classroom and in the community. Since 1998, the Big 12 has a total of 11 honorees for this prestigious award. In the last three seasons, 11 student-athletes were recipients of the NCAA Elite 90 Award with Oklahoma State’s Christian Lolstedt (men’s cross country) and Baylor’s Jenny Bendick (men’s tennis) picking up the most recent honors in 2016-17. The accolade showcases individuals who have reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level, while also achieving the highest academic standard among their peers.

In its short history, the Big 12 has built over 600 Academic All-America recipients, averaging about 30 each season. The Big 12 student-athletes have shown commitment to their studies by earning numerous individual academic recognitions. Twelve times in the last 12 years a league administrator has garnered the top academic honor for their respective sport, including Christine Heilman (Iowa State) for track & field/track in 2016. The Big 12 can take pride in other stories that combine on and off the field success. In the fall of 2013, former Texas Tech track and field student-athlete Rees Okafor was named the 2013 Big 12 Women’s Track Athlete of the Year. Patience Knight (Texas Tech) was the recipient of the Honda Inspiration Award in 2013 while former Oklahoma State’s Christian Liddell was honored in 2015. It is given to an outstanding female college athlete who overcomes adversity to excel in her sport. Oklahoma State women’s basketball was the inaugural recipient of the Together We R’ Team Award in 2012, recognizing programs that have thrived to success in the face of adversity.

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Institutions can also nominate student-athletes for the prestigious Dr. Prentice Gautt Postgraduate Scholar- ship. A total of 49 scholars have received over $2.9 million in postgraduate financial aid through the first 21 years of the program.

The Big 12 sponsors 25 sports. Men’s squads include baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field, swimming & diving, tennis and wrestling. Women’s teams are fielded in basketball, cross country, equine sport, golf, gymnastics, indoor track & field, soccer, softball, swimming & diving, tennis and volleyball.

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THE BIG 12 CONFERENCE: A NATIONAL LEADER

Final Standings

1. Baylor
2. Oklahoma State
3. TCU

2017 All-Big 12 Team

Equestrian

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Savannah Jenkins, Sr., Baylor
Carly Barrick, Jr., Oklahoma State
J Assembly Orme, Jr., TCU

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2017-18 OPPONENT CAPSULES

BAYLOR
Location: Waco, Texas
Home Facility: Willis Family Equestrian Center
Head Coach: Cassie Maxwell (Texas A&M 2006)
Experience: Fourth year
2017 Record: 13-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 6-2
Equestrian Contact: Matthew May
Office: 979-862-5437
Email: matt.mays@tcu.edu
Website: gofrogs.com

SMU
Location: Dallas, Texas
Home Facility: Dallas Equestrian Center
Head Coach: Carol Swit (Mary Washington)
Experience: Fourth year
2017 Record: 13-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: N/A
Equestrian Contact: Spencer Stewart
Office: 214-265-2863
Email: ssweeny@smu.edu
Website: smuathletics.com

SOUTH CAROLINA
Location: Columbia, S.C.
Home Facility: Bythewood, S.C.
Head Coach: Cassie Maxwell (South Carolina, 1991)
Experience: Fourth year
2017 Record: 10-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 5-3
Equestrian Contact: Patrick Osborne
Office: 803-777-5301
Email: osbompe@usc.edu
Website: gamecocks.com

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS BAYLOR
Series History: OSU leads, 20-11
Last Meeting: March 25, 2017 in Waco
Final Score: OSU 11, TCU 7

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS SMU
Series History: OSU leads, 19-11
Last Meeting: October 15, 2016 in Dallas
Final Score: OSU 11, SMU 8

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS SOUTH CAROLINA
Series History: South Carolina leads, 7-5
Last Meeting: Nov. 21, 2014 in Stillwater
Final Score: OSU 15, South Carolina 5

SERIES MEET-BY-MEET SCORES

TCU

Location: Fort Worth, Texas
Home Facility: Turning Point Ranch
Head Coach: Haley Schollfeld (Texas A&M 2002)
Experience: Fourth year
2017 Record: 13-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 6-2
Equestrian Contact: Matthew May
Office: 979-862-5437
Email: matt.mays@tcu.edu
Website: gofrogs.com

TEXAS A&M
Location: College Station, Texas
Home Facility: Hobbard Equestrian Complex
Head Coach: Tara McKinney
Experience: 19th season
2017 Record: 13-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 3-0
Equestrian Contact: Evan Roberts
Office: 979-862-5432
Email: erobert@tamu.edu
Website: aggies.tamu.edu

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS TCU
Series History: OSU leads, 16-13
Last Meeting: March 25, 2017 in Waco
Final Score: OSU 14, TCU 10

SERIES MEET-BY-MEET SCORES

TEXAS A&M

Location: College Station, Texas
Home Facility: Hobbard Equestrian Complex
Head Coach: Tara McKinney
Experience: 19th season
2017 Record: 13-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 3-0
Equestrian Contact: Evan Roberts
Office: 979-862-5432
Email: erobert@tamu.edu
Website: aggies.tamu.edu

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS TEXAS A&M
Series History: OSU leads, 19-11
Last Meeting: April 14, 2017 in Waco
Final Score: OSU 1, TAMU 0

SERIES MEET-BY-MEET SCORES

AUBURN

Location: Auburn, Ala.
Home Facility: Auburn University Horse Center
Head Coach: Greg Williams (Auburn, 1986)
Experience: 22nd year
2017 Record: 10-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 4-2
Equestrian Contact: Patrick Osborne
Office: 334-844-9800
Email: wlt0006@auburn.edu
Website: auburntigers.com

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS AUBURN
Series History: Auburn leads, 10-4
Last Meeting: March 11, 2017 in Stillwater
Final Score: OSU 9, AUB 10

SERIES MEET-BY-MEET SCORES

SMU

Location: Dallas, Texas
Home Facility: Onoewood Farm
Head Coach: Cassie Maxwell (Auburn, 2006)
Experience: Fourth year
2017 Record: 10-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 5-3
Equestrian Contact: Spencer Stewart
Office: 214-265-2863
Email: ssweeny@smu.edu
Website: smuathletics.com

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS SMU
Series History: OSU leads, 19-11
Last Meeting: October 15, 2016 in Dallas
Final Score: OSU 11, SMU 8

SERIES MEET-BY-MEET SCORES

South Carolina

Location: Blythewood, S.C.
Home Facility: Onewood Farm
Head Coach: Cassie Maxwell (South Carolina, 1991)
Experience: Fourth year
2017 Record: 13-5
2017 Conference Record/Finish: 5-3
Equestrian Contact: Margaret Maslow
Office: 803-777-5204
Email: mmaslow@mailbox.sc.edu
Website: gamecocks.com

SERIES CAPSULE VERSUS SOUTH CAROLINA
Series History: South Carolina leads, 7-5
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The Cowgirls ended the year as one of the top teams in the country once again. They finished the year second in the Big Championships. The team posted a 9-4 record, with a 4-0 record at home.
OSU hosted their final regular season matchup against Fresno State, honoring their four seniors as Read, Drysch, Davis and Jordan Lange were commemorated for their accomplishments as Cowgirls. Barrick, Maddy Bender and Mitchell all won MOP honors for the match as Mitchell won her ninth-straight matchup.

The Cowgirls then looked to the Big 12 Championships in Waco, Texas. OSU lost to TCU, 11-8, but fell to Baylor in the championship match. 11-7. Read and Lange were awarded MOP honors at the Big 12 Championships in Horsemanship and Reining, respectively.

A slate of awards would be given to the Cowgirls during championship season as five Cowgirls were named to All-Big 12 teams. Barrick was on the All-Big 12 Equitation over Fences team. Drysch was named to the All-Big 12 Reining on the Flat team and Mitchell. Cohen and Lange were all named to the All-Big 12 Reining team. Mitchell won the 2017 Ruiding Rider of the Year award, and Larry Sanchez was honored as the Big 12 Coach of the Year.

The Cowgirls earned a bye at the 2017 NCEA Championships before facing Texas A&M in the quarterfinals. Davis won the lone point for OSU as the season ended during the NCEA Championship quarterfinals.

“We were all disappointed with our outcome at Nationals, however, we refuse to let one weekend define the entire season,” said OSU head coach Larry Sanchez.

OSU held 23 spots on the NCEA-Academic teams and had seven NCEA-American, the second most among any school. Mitchell held a first-team NCEA All-American spot for Reining, while Lange and Drysch earned spots on the NCEA-American second team in Reining and Equitation on the Flat, respectively. Janson and Barrick earned honorable mentions in Equitation over Fences, and Davis earned a spot on the honorable mention Equitation on the Flat team, her third NCEA-American award. Cohen wrapped up the awards with an honorable mention in Reining.

The Cowgirls closed out the regular season with a trip to Waco, Texas, where they would lose to the Bears, 15-4. Mitchell and Beatty were once again honored as the MOP for their victory. Carly Barrick and Kirsten Chamberland would provide two more points to the Cowgirls total by winning in Equitation over Fences and Horsemanship, respectively.

“The bond of the team this year was really something different from the past 4 years, I’ve been here” captain Maggie Drysch said. “Not only were we close, but we had each other backs which made the victories so much more special and the losses a little less bitters.”

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History

Started in 1999, the OSU equestrian team remains one of the nation's top programs for equestrian. Head coach Larry Sanchez has led the Cowgirls to six national championships and five Big 12 championships.
COWGIRLS AT THE NCEA CHAMPIONSHIPS

NCEA NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

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COWGIRLS IN THE BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS

2000
NCEA National Champions

2003
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2004
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2005
Western National Champions

2006
NCEA National Champions

2009
Ally Blais - Individual National Champion
Hunter Seat Flat

2013
Western National Champions

NCEA CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES

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ALL-BIG 12 PERFORMERS

2012
Laurel Hahnson (Horsemanship) Lauren White (Equitation on the Flat)

2013
Katy Krshka (Horsemanship and Reining) Lindsey McIlwain (Horsemanship)

2014
Katy Krshka (Horsemanship and Reining) Lindsey McIlwain (Horsemanship)

2015
Katy Krshka (Horsemanship and Reining) Lindsey McIlwain (Horsemanship)

2016
Katy Krshka (Horsemanship and Reining) Lindsey McIlwain (Horsemanship)

COWGIRLS IN THE BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS

COWGIRLS IN THE NCEA CHAMPIONSHIPS

BIG 12 COACH OF THE YEAR
2013 - Larry Sanchez
2017 - Larry Sanchez

BIG 12 EQUITATION ON THE FLAT RIDER OF THE YEAR
2012 - Jordan White

BIG 12 HORSEMANSHP RIDER OF THE YEAR
2012 - Katy Krshka
2013 - Katy Krshka
2015 - Katy Krshka

BIG 12 REINING RIDER OF THE YEAR
2012 - Caroline Daniels
2013 - Jenna Blumer
2014 - Jenna Blumer
2015 - Katy Krshka
2017 - Hannah Mitchell

BIG 12 SCHOLAR-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
2013 - Jenna Blumer
2016 - Justine Peters
COWGIRL ALL-AMERICANS

2006-07 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Overall Record: 11-4 Conference: 3-3 Home: 5-1
National Finish: Fifth Hunter Seat: Fifth
Western: Fourth
Away/Western: 1-5 Neutral: 5-2

10/7/2006 TCU : 2008 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Stilwater, Okla. W, 15-1
10/14/2006 Baylor : Stillwater, Okla. W, 17-7
10/21/2006 Kansas State : Stillwater, Okla. W, 13-17 (1720-1698.5)
11/11/2006 Texas A&M - College Station W, 16-16 (1376-1376.5)
12/2/2006 New Mexico State - Manhattan, Kan. W, 10-8
12/7/2006 Miami (Ohio) - Stillwater, Okla. W, 11-5
2/11/2007 Texas A&M - Stillwater, Okla. L, 14-12
3/1/2007 Fresno State - Stillwater, Okla. W, 12-4
3/31/2007 Kansas State - College Station, Texas W, 8-7
4/2/2007 Texas A&M - College Station, Texas L, 9-8
4/8/2007 Stephen F. Austin - Nacogdoches, Texas W, 11-4
4/13/2007 Texas A&M - Stillwater, Okla. L, 4-4 (1127.5-1097) (Western)
4/20/2007 New Mexico State - Stillwater, Okla. L, 6-11 (Western)
4/27/2007 Texas A&M - Stillwater, Okla. W, 5-3 (Hunter Seat)
2007-08 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Overall Record: 11-3 Conference: 4-2 Home: 7-0
National Finish: Fourth Hunter Seat: Fourth
Western: Fourth
Away/Western: 3-4 Neutral: 2-4

10/6/2007 Tennessee-Martin - Stilwater, Okla. W, 16-4
10/13/2007 Baylor - Stillwater, Okla. W, 20-4
10/20/2007 South Carolina - Stilwater, Okla. W, 16-3
11/12/2007 Texas A&M - Stillwater, Okla. W, 16-9
11/17/2007 Stephen F. Austin - Nacogdoches, Texas W, 11-4
2/16/2008 Georgia Athens, Ga. L, 10-8
2/17/2008 Auburn - Auburn, Ala. L, 10-9
3/8/2008 Texas A&M - College Station, Texas L, 13-11
4/7/2008 Kansas State - Stillwater, Okla. L, 6-1 (Western)
4/16/2008 Georgia - Stillwater, Okla. L, 7-1 (Hunter Seat)
4/19/2008 Auburn - Stillwater, Okla. L, 6-2 (Hunter Seat)
4/25/2008 Kansas State North Carolina, W, 6-2 (Hunter Seat)
2008-09 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Overall Record: 14-7 Conference: 5-3 Home: 8-1
National Finish: Third Hunter Seat: Fifth
Western: Third
Away/Western: 1-3 Neutral: 5-3

9/20/2008 SMU - Stillwater, Okla. W, 8-2
10/11/2008 New Mexico State - Stillwater, Okla. W, 16-4
10/18/2008 Baylor - Stillwater, Okla. W, 15-9
10/25/2008 Fresno State - Fresno, Calif. L, 9-10
11/4/2008 South Carolina - College Station, Texas L, 11-14
2/7/2009 Kansas State - Stillwater, Okla. L, 15-11
2/14/2009 Baylor - Stillwater, Okla. W, 8-1
3/7/2009 Texas A&M - College Station, Texas L, 7-18

2009-10 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Overall Record: 11-8 Conference: 4-2 Home: 4-1
Western: Sixth
Away/Western: 2-6 Neutral: 5-3

3/14/2009 Auburn - Stillwater, Okla. W, 11-9
4/2/2009 Baylor - Stillwater, Okla. W, 11-6
4/17/2009 SMU - Stillwater, Okla. W, 6-2 (Hunter Seat)
4/18/2009 Kansas State - Stillwater, Okla. L, 6-1 (Hunter Seat)
4/18/2009 Fresno State - Stillwater, Okla. W, 9-0 (Hunter Seat)
4/18/2009 Georgia - Stillwater, Okla. W, 3-2 (Western)
4/18/2009 Texas A&M - Stillwater, Okla. W, 5-2 (Hunter Seat)
4/18/2009 Kansas State - Stillwater, Okla. L, 7-1 (Western)

2010-11 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Overall Record: 15-9 Conference: 2-2 Home: 5-1
Away/Western: 2-6 Neutral: 3-2
Western: Fifth
Away/Western: 2-5 Neutral: 2-3

2011-12 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Overall Record: 14-7 Conference: 4-3 Home: 8-1
Western: Fourth
Away/Western: 2-5 Neutral: 1-4

2011-12 - Coach Larry Sanchez
Big 12 Championships
Overall Record: 13-7
Home: 7-1
Away: 3-3
Neutral: 3-1

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Big 12 Championship Finish: First
3/8/2014 Texas A&M  College Station, Texas W, 11-9
3/1/2014 Baylor * Stillwater, Okla. W, 11-7
2/22/2014 TCU * Fort Worth, Texas L, 12-8
2/1/2014 Delaware State  Dover, Del. W, 16-4
10/26/2013 South Dakota State  W. Yankton, S.D. W, 10-9
10/15/2013 Kansas State * Manhattan, Kan. W, 13-7
10/1/2013 SMU  Dallas, Texas W, 17-7
9/28/2013 Auburn  Auburn, Ala. L, 10-9

Big 12 Champions: 1st Place
National Finish: Fifth

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Big 12 All-Champions: 2011-12 - Coach Larry Sanchez

Academic All-Big 12
2017
First Team
Carly Barrick, Jr.
Alexa Beauty, So.

Second Team
Maggie Drysch, Jr.

Academic All-Conference
2015-16
First Team
Carly Barrick, Jr.
Alexa Beauty, So.

Second Team
Maggie Drysch, Jr.

2016-17
First Team
Carly Barrick, Jr.
Alexa Beauty, So.

Second Team
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2017-18
First Team
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Second Team
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United State Equestrian Federation (USEF): As the National Governing Body for equestrian sport in the United States and of Varsity Equestrian, USEF shares the sport with the world while advocating fairness, excellence and equine welfare in all aspects of horsemanship and competition. USEF sends athletes and teams of the highest caliber to represent our country at home and abroad. Through more than 2,600 recognized competitions in 27 breeds and disciplines, and with 86,000 members USEF continues to grow and acknowledge equestrian athletics at every level. Learn more about USEF at www.usef.org.

American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA): With more than 350,000 worldwide members and 4.5 million registered American Quarter Horses in 80 different countries, the American Quarter Horse Association is the world’s largest equine association and a strong supporter of Varsity Equestrian. AQHA offers diverse programs for all ages and levels of horse owners, from competitive to recreation. Annually, AQHA approves around 2,900 horse shows and special events that culminate at three different World Championships: the AQHA Youth World Show, the AQHA Open/Amateur World Show and the AQHA Select World Show. In all, over 927,000 entries compete year-round at the AQHA-approved shows. Visit www.aqha.com for more information.

The Varsity Equestrian Steering Committee is working diligently to advance equestrian from emerging to full championship status. The horse industry stands firmly behind the sport and is working hand-in-hand to lay a solid foundation on which the sport can continue to grow and expand.

GOVERNANCE OF THE SPORT

Varsity Equestrian Steering Committee: The heart of any organization is its people. Besides the outstanding athletes, Equestrian is fortunate to have coaches who give of their time to serve as leaders for the sport. Several universities and athletic administrators, these coaches comprise the Varsity Equestrian Steering Committee. The committee’s charge is to develop procedures, legislation, and advance the sport via promotion and corporate sponsors. An annual meeting of the entire steering committee is held annually at the USEF Headquarters in Lexington, Kentucky.

In hunt seat equitation and horsemanship events, it is the rider and not the horse that is being judged. The actions of the horse are important only as they reflect on the horsemanship of the rider. Thus it is possible for a rider whose horse “acts up” to be placed among the winners because in the judge’s opinion she met the problem skillfully and solved it. Conversely, a seemingly good ride may mean nothing more than a placed horse carrying an unwilling passenger. The rider is always being judged in horsemanship classes, whether the class calls for jumping or whether it is run “on the flat” without jumps.

Judging equitation classes is not done by a mathematical formula. Judges are usually looking for style of riding, accuracy and judgment in the use of the aids (hands, seat and legs), suppleness and lightness of hands and a general impression of complete, quiet control. The program description of equitation classes makes reference to tests for riders in the different classes. This refers to the test of horsemanship that has been established by the American Horse Shows Association for all recognized shows and is published in the annual rulebook. Equitation judges must choose from these individual tests in judging horsemanship. The common criteria are:

Posture: The position of the body, the legs, the hands, the head and eyes are all indicators of good horsemanship. The rider’s back should be straight, chest out, head and eyes ahead in an alert, relaxed position. The appearance of the rider should give the impression of alert buoyancy. The movements of her body should be those that derive naturally from the horse’s movements. Correct posture at all gaits and in all movements is a basic element that judges look for in horsemanship.

Hands: A rider’s hands should keep a light but certain contact with the mouth of the horse. Reins should be on a straight line from the horse’s mouth to the rider’s elbow.

Wrong lead: In a canter, the horse leading with the wrong leg is “on the wrong lead”. Moving1 clockwise a horse should be leading with his right front leg. Moving counterclockwise, he should lead with the left.

Legs: Heels should be down. No excessive weight should be carried on the stirrup irons. Legs should be quiet under the rider at all times.

Diagonals: This fault may appear while a rider is posting (rising and sinking back in the saddle in rhythm with the horse’s trot) at the trot. The rider movement in posting should be impeded by the forward movement of the horse’s inside rear leg, that is, the rear leg that is closest to the center of the ring.
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Established as a result of the Morrill Act, the Stillwater campus of the OSU System was founded on December 25, 1890, as Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College. On July 1, 1897, Oklahoma A&M College became Oklahoma State University.

OSU’s System has an enrollment of more than 35,000 students across all its campuses. Named Oklahoma’s inaugural Truman Honor Institution for its production of Truman Scholars, OSU today boasts students from all 50 states, and more than 100 nations. There are more than 250,000 OSU alumni throughout the world.

When it comes to outreach, OSU reaches across the state of Oklahoma. It has five campuses: Stillwater, which includes the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences; OSU-Tulsa; OSU-Oklahoma City; OSU Institute of Technology in Okmulgee; and the OSU Center for Health Sciences in Tulsa, which includes the OSU Medical Center. OSU also boasts 16 agricultural experiment stations statewide, extension offices serving all the state’s 77 counties and research facilities in Stillwater and Tulsa.

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OU conducts innovative research and technology transfer that enhance Oklahoma’s economic vitality and its quality of life. The focus has expanded greatly since 1890, but the first cornerstone of the university’s land-grant mission remains as crucial for the future of Oklahoma as it was at statehood. Interdisciplinary collaborations with academic institutions, government agencies, private business, and industry ensures that contributions of faculty and student researchers to the development of new knowledge and its dissemination are pertinent and lasting.

Areas of emphasis include: alternative energies and conservation; animal-based agriculture and biotechnology; environmental protection; food production and safety; manufacturing and advanced materials; national defense and homeland security; sensors and sensor technologies; aerospace and unmanned aerial systems; and transportation and infrastructure.

Although OU is a large, comprehensive university, its size does not minimize the personal attention given to each student. OU encourages all students when they first enroll to identify the college in which they wish to major. Because the average number of students majoring in any one department is less than 150, the student can count on personal attention in a friendly environment.

OU offers students many distinct advantages. It has nearly 15 million volumes in the library, modern research laboratories and equipment, excellent physical education, recreation and student union facilities, nationally-recognized residence hall programs, outstanding cultural and sporting events, nearly 500 student organizations, and nearly 40 nationally affiliated fraternities and sororities that provide a stimulating educational and social environment.

**UNIVERSITY HISTORY**

The story of Oklahoma State University began on Christmas Eve, 1890, at the McDorman Opera House in Oklahoma City when Territorial Governor George W. Swayne signed legislation establishing the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College (OAMC) in Payne County.

OAMC’s first students assembled for class on Dec. 14, 1891, even though there were no buildings, no books, and no curriculum. The college’s first students attended classes at the Stillwater Congregational Church. The original campus consisted of 200 acres of prairie that were donated by four local landowners. The college’s first six graduates received their diplomas in 1896.

Visitors to the OSU campus often marvel at its beauty and consistency of architecture. Much of the credit goes to legendary president, Harry G. Bennett, who served from 1928-1951. Dr. Bennett’s 25-year campus master plan envisioned some of the university’s most famous structures. These include Clary-Lee Hall, the Edmon Low Library and the OSU Student Union.

A new campus master plan is guiding unprecedented upgrades to its campus landscape.

A new campus master plan is guiding unprecedented construction that is making OSU more competitive in academics and athletics. Since the fall of 2008, OSU has opened the Multimodal Transportation Terminal, the North Classroom Building, the west end zone of Boone Pickens Stadium, a refurbished Old Central, the Donald W. Reynolds Architecture Building, an upgraded Murray Hall, the Henry Belmon Research Center and a renovated Student Union, considered the most comprehensive union in the country. Most recently, the university has opened the University Commons residential life facility, Bert Cooper Engineering Structures Lab, a new information technology building, library annex, Greenwood Tennis Center, a new outdoor track, a renovated Altgelt Indoor and a new wing to the College of Sciences building. Following a $27 million makeover over the past 3 years, new campus landscapes have been upgraded as well.

OSU grew quite rapidly following World War II. The 1940s-50s years were marked by a huge enrollment surge. The mid-1940s also were a golden era for athletics at Oklahoma A&M. In a five-day period in early 1945, A&M teams won the Cotton Bowl, the NCAA championship in wrestling, and the NCAA championship in basketball. The next year, the wrestling and basketball teams repeated as national champions, and the football team won the Sugar Bowl to clinch a national title, which was retroactively awarded by the Football Writers Association of America.

By the 1950s, the college had grown substantially. In 1957, Oklahoma A&M became The Oklahoma State University for Agriculture and Applied Science.

During the next three decades, OSU would build academic programs to match its new status. Enrollment more than doubled from 10,385 in 1970 to more than 20,000 in 1990. OSU became a statewide university system, adding branches in Oklahoma City in 1946 and Oklahoma City in 1981. OSU merged with the Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1989, and OSU-Tulsa was born in 1989.

Today, OSU has more than 35,000 students across five campuses and a presence in every Oklahoma county through its extension offices and experiments. From six graduates in 1896, to more than 7,000 annually today, the small college on the prairie has grown and prospered far beyond the dreams of its founders. OSU teaching, research and graduations are making a bigger impact on the lives of people around the world than ever before. It’s great to be a Cowboy!
from 1952 to 1966, graduated from then Oklahoma A&M State University and in law from the University of Oklahoma. Hargis is a firm believer in the power of imagination and collaboration, and his wife, Ann, have two married children and three grandchildren. As the private fundraising organization for Oklahoma State University, the OSU Foundation unites donor and university passions and priorities to achieve excellence. We invite you to learn more about our organization, our leaders and those who support America’s Brightest Orange. As always, please feel free to contact us for additional information or visit us the next time you’re in Stillwater.
Very few athletic departments produce the kind of consistent success found at Oklahoma State. OSU’s athletic department boasts NCAA team championships in five different sports – wrestling (10 titles), men’s golf (10 titles), men’s cross country (four titles), men’s basketball (two titles) and baseball (one title). Additionally, OSU football and equestrian have been recognized as national champions by other organizations, with football honored as the American Football Coaches Association National Champion in 1985 and equestrian earning four team national titles as recognized by the National Collegiate Equestrian Association.

Counting NCAA team titles plus football, OSU has won 12 national championships – a mark that sits fifth among all Division I schools.

That same success translates on the conference level, where Oklahoma State has amassed 429 team championships throughout the 2017-18 academic year. A team-by-team look at OSU athletics:

**MEN’S CROSS/COUNTRY/TRACK AND FIELD**

Oklahoma State has won three NCAA cross country team championships since 2009 and finished in the top 10 at the NCAA Championships in six of the last eight seasons. The Cowboys have won nine straight Big 12 titles from 2010-2017, including the 2012 outdoor championship.

OSU won the 2014 and 2016 Big 12 Outdoor Track and Field Championship and placed 19th at the 2016 NCAA outdoor championships. A Cowboy has won NCAA titles in two of the past three outdoor seasons, with Chase Melton finishing 1,500 meters in 2015 and Nick Miller winning the hammer throw in 2016. The 2017 squad featured 11 national All-Big 12 selections, including Big 12 men’s cross country champion Dean Heil.

**WOMEN’S CROSS/COUNTRY/TRACK AND FIELD**

Vince Cipollone (C) had the top finish of his OSU career and has placed in the top four in each of his past six seasons. For OSU, Heil had his top three finishes at the Big 12 meet from 1990-2010. Heil’s win in 2001 was the 20th NCAA indoor championship and as a team, OSU placed 10th at the 2016 NCAA indoor meet and 12th at the 2012 NCAA outdoor meet, both of which marked the best in program history.

In 2017, the Cowboys earned second in the league with 24 Academic All-Big 12 honorees.

**SOCCER**

The Cowboys have earned Big 12 championships and advanced to the Elite Eight.

**MEN’S BASKETBALL**

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**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

Vanessa Shippy was the 2016 Big 12 Player of the Year and was selected as the Most Outstanding Player of the NCAA Tournament.

The 2017 Cowboy point guard Jawun Evans was named to the AP All-America Second Team and was a finalist for the Naismith Trophy.

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**MEN’S GOLF**

The Cowboys have piled up 18 conference championships through the years and have competed in the NCAA Championship since the league’s inception, including the 2017 Big 12 title. In Robin Stocks’ first season, the Cowgirls have earned Academic All-Big 12 recognition.

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In many ways, Pickens is a record-setting philanthropist. His $165 million gift to his alma mater, Oklahoma State University, in 2005 is the single largest gift for athletics in NCAA history, and the $7 million donation to the American Red Cross in 2005 is the largest individual contribution in the 100-year history of that organization. His unprecedented giving to athletics has triggered a renaissance in Oklahoma State University’s football program and was a key factor in its first Big 12 championship in 2011 and its first BCS Bowl win in the Fiesta Bowl matchup with Stanford in 2012.

On May 21, 2008, Pickens gave $100 million for the endowment of major faculty chairs and professorships at Oklahoma State University. The OSU School of Geology already bears his name from previous gifts to OSU.

Over the years, Pickens has donated over $2.5 billion to Oklahoma State, split virtually equally between athletics and academics.

In 2010, OSU launched its campus-wide “Branding Oklahoma State” campaign and T. Boone Pickens again led the charge with yet another $100 million gift to his alma mater. Recently, Pickens has become a national and indeed a world leader on the energy front with the launching of the Pickens Plan, which is a unique private sector initiative formed to address the economic and national security threats posed by America’s ever-increasing reliance on OPEC oil.

T. Boone Pickens is arguably OSU’s (and the state’s) most visible personality. His various endeavors and colorful demeanor have been chronicled on the covers of most American business publications and by some of the most-watched television programs in the country.

During the span of his long career, T. Boone Pickens has created thousands of jobs and made billions of dollars for others as well as himself — and he isn’t tired about spreading it around. “I like making money. I like giving it away…. not as much as I like making it, but it’s a close second,” he has often said.

The breadth of his philanthropy — which approaches $1 billion during his career — includes health and medical research, treatment and services, entrepreneurship, kids at risk, education and athletics, with a particular focus on his alma mater, Oklahoma State University; corporate health and safety; and conservation and wildlife management. While many donations involve tens of millions of dollars and attract headlines, there are hundreds more ranging from hundreds of thousands to several hundred. Each is important in its own way.

The establishment of the T. Boone Pickens Foundation has ensured his continued ranking as one of the top U.S. philanthropists. The Pickens Foundation is improving lives through grants supporting educational programs, medical research, athletics and corporate wellness, at-risk youth, the entrepreneurial process and conservation and wildlife initiatives.
The Conference’s hard work ethic and strong values have directly on the field of play with a full round-robin schedule. With 10 members, the Big 12 remains as the only au-

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the Big 12 entered its 22nd year in 2017-18 as it con-

inued to promote the strength and success of one of the nation’s premier athletic conferences under the direction of sixth-year commissioner Bob Bowlsby.

The Big 12 is committed to member institutions and it is a competitive environment where scholarship and fan play take center stage. Whether on the field, in the classroom, or within the community, the student-athletes, administrators, coaches and game officials of the Big 12 support the highest ideals in sportsmanship.

National academic accolades have always been strong in the Big 12. Ty Darlington (Oklahoma) was the recipient of the 2015 William V. Campbell Trophy, known as the Aca-

demic Heisman. Gabe Rain (Oklahoma) was presented the NCAA Today’s Top 10 Award in January 2015. It rec-

ognizes former student-athletes for their successes on the fields and courts, in the classroom and in the community. Since 1998, the Big 12 has a total of 11 honorees for this prestigious award in the last 16 seasons. Eleven student-

athletes were recipients of the NCAA Elite 90 Award with Oklahoma State’s Christian Lindhal (men’s cross country) and Baylor’s Jimmy Borden (men’s tennis) picking up the most recent honors in 2016-17. The accolades showcase individuals who have reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level, while also achieving the highest academic standard among their peers.

In its short history, the Big 12 has over 600 Academic All-America recipients, averaging about 30 each season. Big 12 student-athletes have shown commitment to their studies by earning numerous individual academic recogni-

tions. Twelve times in the past 12 years a league athlete has garnered the top academic honor for their respective sport, including Christina Hinman (Iowa State) for track & field/cross country in 2016. The Big 12 can take pride in other stories that come on and of the field success. In the fall of 2013, former Texas Tech track and field student-athlete Ashton Eaton was the recipient of the Big 12’s first NCAA Woman of the Year. Patience Knight (Texas Tech) was the recipient of the Honda Inspiration Award in 2008 while Muslim McCall-

Stafford (Texas) was honored in 2015. It is given to an outstanding female college athlete who overcomes adversity to excel in her sport. Oklahoma State women’s basketball was the inaugural recipient of the “Together We Win” Team Award in 2012, recognizing programs that have strived to succeed in the face of adversity. Following a devastating tornado south of Oklahoma City just before the Big 12 Baseball Championship in 2013, several league baseball teams along with other student-athletes, coaches and former Conference players contributed help in a variety of ways. Plus, the Conference contributed $200,000 to the relief efforts. In the fall of 2014, Oklahoma football student-athlete Sterling Shepard and head coach Bob Stoops were honored with the Disney Sports Spirit Award while Kansas football student-athlete A.J.Olson (Oklahoma) received the Lee Roy Selmon Community Spirit Award. Ty Darlington (Oklahoma) earned the 2013 Sugar Bowl Trophy which recognizes community service along with athletic and academic success. Competitive excellence, scholarship and sportsmanship are all equal components of the Big 12 philosophy. All-Big 12 teams and the Academic All-Big 12 squad are recognized for each sport at the end of the season for their respective performances. At the end of each academic year, the Conference honors its top male and female student-athletes with the Big 12 Athlete of the Year and Big 12 Sportsperson of the Year awards.

Institutions can also nominate student-athletes for the prestigious Dr. Pierece Gaunt Postgraduate Scholarships. A total of 401 scholars have received over $23.8 million in postgraduate financial aid through the first 21 years of the program.

The Big 12 sponsors 23 sports. Men’s squads include baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field, swimming & diving, tennis and wrestling. Women’s teams are fielded in base-

ball, cross country, equestrian, golf, gymnastics, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field, rowing, soccer, softball, swimming & diving, tennis and volleyball. Big 12 institutions create a league that encompasses teams and/or individuals that will represent the Conference in national postseason competition.

In its first 21 years, the Big 12 has distributed $2.961 billion to its member institutions, including a record $34.8 million per institution in 2016-17, an increase of 15 percent over the previous year. The Conference offices is headquar-

tered in Irving, Texas.
**AMERICA'S FRIENDLIEST COLLEGE TOWN**

Located in north central Oklahoma, and easy drives from Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Kansas City and Dallas, Stillwater provides college-town atmosphere with big-city access. The Stillwater Regional Airport (SHK) offers two daily flights to and from American Airlines’ largest hub at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) with more than 190 connections to 29 countries on 5 continents.

Stillwater is a rapidly growing city of 48,456 and is near the geographic center of the country. The U.S. Census Bureau recently named Stillwater as the fastest-growing city in the state of Oklahoma. Often called Oklahoma’s premier education community, Stillwater is the home of some of the region’s finest education and training institutions, including Oklahoma State University, Meridian Technology Center, Northern Oklahoma College/Osage Gateway, and one of the nation’s top-rated public school systems.

With such a strong commitment to education, it’s easy to see why Stillwater’s educational attainment is among the highest in the nation with 48 percent of its residents holding bachelor’s degrees or higher. The city is the residential anchor for the state’s technology corridor that includes Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

OSU has been called the “University of Golf,” and the five-star Karsten Creek, home of the 10-time national champion Cowboy golf team and perennial top-10 women’s program, ranks with such well-known courses as Pebble Beach. It’s one of several public and private courses that prompted Golf Digest to call the Stillwater area among the “Top 10 Places in America to retire and play golf.”

Stillwater is one of America’s safest cities with a crime rate far below the U.S. average and Oklahoma State University has been considered the safest campus in the Big 12 Conference since the league’s inception.

Security also comes in the form of great health care services centered around Stillwater Medical Center’s state of the art facilities. And with a cost of living that averages more than 10 percent below the U.S. average, the dollar buys more.

Whether you’re here for a short time or a lifetime, you’ll want to stake your claim in America’s Friendliest College Town...Stillwater, Oklahoma!

OSU PROUD

Alums of Oklahoma State University are so loyal to their alma mater as any group in America. Just look around the Stillwater campus. OSU’s director of athletics, head football coach, head wrestling coach and head baseball coach are all graduates of Oklahoma State.

Many factors contribute to the “college experience” – not the least of which is gaining a belonging and a sense of loyalty to the school, its faculty and staff, the community that embraces this university, and the athletic teams that compete to garner conference and national honors.

Stillwater is the perfect atmosphere and setting for a football game.

**OKLAHOMA STATE SPIRIT**

**Pistol Pete**

(excerpt from text written by Lance Miller)

“My boy, my old man’s name come next up on you, if you do not try to average your father. You must never stop until you are all accounted for!” These words, according to one of Eaton’s many stories, were spoken by a family friend following the fatal murder of his father. Frank quickly learned to “shoot a man’s head with both hands.” During the next few years, Frank’s days were spent teaching his mother with chore duties and practicing shooting. With each passing year, he became faster and more accurate with his guns.

When Frank was 15, he learned of the location of one of his father’s killers. After deciding it was almost time to set out on his mission, Frank wanted to make sure his shooting skills were good enough. He decided to visit Fort Gibson; a cavalry fort, to try to learn more about handling a gun. There he competed with the cavalry’s best marksmen, beating them each time. After many competitions, the fort’s commanding officer, Colonel Copinger gave Frank a marksmanship badge and a new name.

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That caricature was the basis for what is used today as the official Oklahoma State University mascot. For 35 years, the crazy old cowboy was a living symbol of OSU, representing the past of the program. As such, he would attend OSU athletic events, building traditions, etc., and sign autographs for photographs and reminisce about the Old West with anyone who would listen.

To this day, his likeness is a visible reminder of the Old West to millions of people as a symbol of colleges whose mascots pay homage to his cowboy. Every year, OSU students tryout for Pistol Pete. A panel of former “Pettis” judge the tryouts and select two best candidates based on an interview, a mime, and a pose masquer as Pistol in different “game situations.”

The two are selected split the approximately 350 appearance engagements. These appearances include all athletic events, pep rallies, business openings, weddings, birthday parties, and public school events.

**Bulletin**

The Oklahoma State University Cowboys have many symbols of their western heritage, but none is more appropriate than their mascot, Bullet. The Spirit Rider program debuted in 1984 with the first few Spirit Riders providing their own horses to serve as mascots for the OSU Cowboys.

However, in 1986, Stars Pam Money was donated to the OSU Athletic Department to be used specifically as the mascot. Since then, Bullet has delighted crowds with his traditional spirit football and not only on the field for OSU. In honor of the Spirit Rider and its tradition, Jim Hamblin sculpted the Spirit Rider bronze statue that sits next to the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in Stillwater.
Ask any Oklahoma State University graduate what OSU’s greatest tradition is, and you’ll hear one word - Homecoming.

The OSU Alumni Association has presented Homecoming at OSU since 1920 growing it from a small-town carnival to a nine-day, award-winning celebration. It is widely known as “America’s Greatest Homecoming Celebration” with its signature event, Walkaround, which regularly draws more than 80,000 spectators to view elaborate Greek house decorations, parade floats and residence halls bathed in orange.

OSU’s Homecoming is entirely run by students - more than 250 on committees within the Alumni Association and thousands more in Greek, residential and campus life. Cowboys love our Homecoming tradition and are actively contributing to an endowment to secure its future existence and growth on our campus.

Homecoming is a driving force in the Stillwater community. In 2013, the Harvest Carnival event contributed 18,500 pounds of canned food donations to the local Harvest II food drive. Homecoming also highlights other OSU sports at Homecoming & Hoops where fans can preview the upcoming season’s squads for Cowboy and Cowgirl basketball in addition to enjoying a pep rally for Saturday’s football game.

From the Edmon Low Library’s orange fountain to Hester Street painted for coaches and players to view during “The Walk,” OSU and its alumni are proud to claim “America’s Greatest Homecoming Celebration.” Homecoming 2017: ‘Herald Your Fame’ is October 6-14 and will conclude with the Baylor vs. OSU football game on Saturday, October 14.