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 Member since 2003

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SCHOOL WEBSITES

Ohio Valley Conference.....	www.OVCsports.com
Austin Peay	www.LetsGoPeay.com
Eastern Illinois	www.EIUpantthers.com
Eastern Kentucky	www.EKUSports.com
Jacksonville State.....	www.JSUGamecockSports.com
Murray State	www.GoRacers.com
Southeast Missouri	www.GoSoutheast.com
Tennessee State	www.TSUTigers.com
Tennessee Tech.....	www.TTUSports.com
UT Martin	www.UTMSports.com

OVC GAMES ON THE RADIO/INTERNET

Austin Peay

On the Radio	WVRY-FM 105.1
On the Internet.....	www.letsgopeay.com
Talent	David Loos, Van Stokes

Eastern Illinois

On the Radio	Hit Mix 88.9 (WEIU)
On the Internet.....	www.weiuhitmix.net
Talent	Mike Bradd, Jack Ashmore

Eastern Kentucky

On the Radio	WCYO-FM 100.7
On the Internet.....	www.wcyofm.com
Talent	Greg Stotemyer, Carl Hayden

Jacksonville State

On the Radio	WLJS-FM 91.9
On the Internet.....	www.jsu.edu/92j
Talent	Mike Parris, Ray Hammett

Murray State

On the Radio	WFGE-FM 103.7
On the Internet.....	www.GoRacers.com
Talent	Neal Bradley

Southeast Missouri

On the Radio	ESPN 92.9 FM (KLSC)
On the Internet.....	GoSoutheast.com
Talent	Erik Sean, Rick Wieser, Todd Bonacki

Tennessee State

On the Radio	102.1 FM/101.9 FM/830 AM
On the Internet.....	TSURadio.com (WTST The Blaze)
Talent	Albert Dawson

Tennessee Tech

On the Radio	98.5 Kiss FM
On the Internet.....	www.TTUSports.com
Talent: ...	Roger Ealey, Buddy Pearson, Dylan Vazzano

UT Martin

On the Radio	WCMT-FM 101.3/WUTM 90.3
On the Internet.....	www.UTMSports.com
Talent	Tom Britt, Chris Brinkley

Note: All above radio listings are Flagship stations only and does not include radio network affiliates.

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Eastern Kentucky	(859) 622-2226
Jacksonville State.....	(256) 782-5585/5586
Murray State	(270) 809-6811
Southeast Missouri	(573) 651-2191
Tennessee State	(615) 565-4450
Tennessee Tech.....	(931) 372-6030/6031
UT Martin	(731) 881-7694/7632

MEDIA INFORMATION

OVCSPORTS.COM

The official website of the Ohio Valley Conference is OVCsports.com. The website is a direct partnership with SIDEARM Sports. The website contains all the latest news on the conference including releases, statistics and standings.

OVC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The OVC will name an Offensive, Defensive, Special Teams and Newcomer of the Week each Sunday afternoon during the regular season. A full report featuring league standings, statistics and weekly matchups will be available on Monday afternoons. The release will be posted on OVCsports.com and emailed to local and national media. If you would like to be added to the distribution list send an email to kschwartz@ovc.org.

OVC COACHES TELECONFERENCES

During the regular season a weekly teleconference featuring the league's nine head coaches will be held every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. Central Time (the exception being the Oct. 22 call which will be on a Wednesday). The first teleconference will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 26. A schedule of what times coaches will appear weekly is below. For information on how to access the call, please contact Kyle Schwartz in the OVC Office (615-690-6685 or kschwartz@ovc.org).

10:00 - Chris Hatcher, Murray State
10:07 - Watson Brown, Tennessee Tech
10:14 - Kim Dameron, Eastern Illinois
10:21 - John Grass, Jacksonville State
10:28 - Tom Matukewicz, Southeast Missouri
10:35 - Kirby Cannon, Austin Peay
10:42 - Jason Simpson, UT Martin
10:49 - Rod Reed, Tennessee State
10:56 - Dean Hood, Eastern Kentucky

OVC AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Media and fans can get the latest updates on Ohio Valley Conference happenings by using the social media outlets of Twitter and Facebook. Followers and fans of the OVC on each application will get breaking news first and have the chance to access special content and receive special deals. The OVC can be found on Twitter at <http://www.twitter.com/ovcsports> and on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/ovcsports>. You can also check out the league's YouTube Channel at <http://www.YouTube.com/ohiovalleyconference> and the OVC's Blog at OVCEXtra.com.

FCS PLAYOFFS/OVC TIEBREAKER

The participants in the 2014 NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (formerly I-AA) Playoffs will be announced on Sunday, Nov. 23. In the event of a tie for the OVC Championship, the following procedures will be used to break all ties and to determine the league's NCAA playoff representative.

TWO-WAY TIES

1.) A two-way tie shall exist only if the tied teams have the same number of losses.

2.) Should two teams have the same number of losses, and the two teams played each other during the regular season, the winner of the head-to-head contest shall be the league's postseason representative.

3.) If the two tied teams have the same number of losses, but did not play each other during the regular season, the following procedure shall be utilized to break the tie:

a.) A comparison of each team's head-to-head record against the team occupying the highest position in the regular-season standings that each team has played. If one team won its game against that team, the winning team shall be declared the representative.

b.) Should the procedure outlined in Item a. fail to break the tie, the process will continue to the next-place team and beyond until the tie is broken.

c.) When arriving at another group of tied teams, composite records between the tying teams shall be utilized to determine if one of the tied teams has won more games against the group of tied teams.

4.) If the procedures described previously fail to break the tie, the representative shall be determined by a coin flip.

MULTIPLE TIES

1.) A multiple tie (three or more teams) shall exist only if the tied teams have the same number of losses.

2.) If all of the teams involved in the multiple tie played each other during the regular season, then the composite records among the tied teams shall be compared to break the tie.

3.) If the process outlined in Step 2 reduces the tie to a tie among two teams, the two-team tiebreaker formula shall then be utilized.

4.) If not all of the tied teams played each other during the regular season, or if step 2 does not break or reduce the tie, the following procedure shall be utilized:

a.) A comparison of each of the tied teams' head-to-head record against the team occupying the highest position in the regular-season standings that each team has played. If one team won its game against that team, the winning team shall be declared the representative.

b.) Should the procedure outlined in Item a. fail to break the tie, the process will continue to the next-place team and beyond until the tie is broken.

c.) When arriving at another group of tied teams, composite records between the tying teams shall be utilized to determine if one of the tied teams has won more games against the group of tied teams.

5.) If the procedures described previously fail to break the tie, the representative shall be determined by a blind drawing.

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE STYLE GUIDE

Official Institution Name "Nickname"	Preferred Athletics Reference	Unacceptable Usages	PMS Colors
Austin Peay State University "Governors" or "Govs" (men's teams) "Lady Govs" (women's teams)	Austin Peay, APSU	Austin Peay State, AP Lady Governors	200 Red
Belmont University "Bruins"	Belmont	Lady Bruins	Red 186, Blue 281
Eastern Illinois University "Panthers"	Eastern Illinois, EIU	Lady Panthers	2945 Blue, 422 Gray White
Eastern Kentucky University "Colonels"	Eastern Kentucky, EKU	--- White	209 Maroon, 429 Gray
Jacksonville State University "Gamecocks"	Jacksonville State, JSU Jax State	Jacksonville, Jack State Lady Gamecocks	186 Red, 122 Gold
Morehead State University "Eagles"	Morehead State, MSU	Morehead	286 Blue, 116 Yellow
Murray State University "Racers"	Murray State, MSU	Murray, Lady Racers	123 Gold, 289 Blue
Southeast Missouri State University "Redhawks"	Southeast Missouri State Southeast Missouri, Southeast	---	186 Red, 05 Cool Grey Black
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville "Cougars"	SIUE (preferred) SIU Edwardsville	Southern Illinois-Edwardsville SIU-E	485 Red, 462 Dark Brown 7505 Brown, 465 Gold 7504 Light Brown
Tennessee State University "Tigers", "Lady Tigers" (WBB only), "Tigerbelles" (W-Track only)	Tennessee State, TSU	---	Reflex Blue
Tennessee Technological University "Golden Eagles"	Tennessee Tech, TTU, Tech	Tenn. Tech, TT	266 Purple, 109 Gold
The University of Tennessee at Martin "Skyhawks"	UT Martin, UTM	Tennessee-Martin UT-Martin, Martin	289 Blue, 151 Orange
Ohio Valley Conference	Ohio Valley, OVC	Valley	194 Maroon, 874 Gold Black



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Now in its 67th year, the Ohio Valley Conference continues to build on the success that has made it the nation's eighth-oldest NCAA Division I conference. In May 2011 the Conference expanded for the second time in four years, adding Belmont University which began competition in the 2012-13 academic year. The addition of Belmont gave the OVC 12 members, the most the league has had at one time in its illustrious history. The move added a second team in the city of Nashville and was the first addition to the league since Southern Illinois University Edwardsville joined in 2008. Subsequently, the league has shown its stability over the past decade, seeing only one member institution depart over the past 14 years.

The 2009-10 school year saw a change in leadership as Beth DeBauche was named the seventh full-time Commissioner in league history on July 28, 2009. The last three commissioners of the OVC have moved onto jobs as the commissioner of the Big Ten, Big 12 and the Mid-American Conferences.

The OVC's proud history dates back to 1948, but seeds for the new league were actually planted in 1941. It was then that Roy Stewart, the athletics director at Murray State, Charles "Turkey" Hughes, the athletics director at Eastern Kentucky, and Kelly Thompson, the public relations director at Western Kentucky, first broached the idea of forming a new conference. Discussions were put on hold by World War II, but reemerged Feb. 27-28, 1948 at the Kentucky Hotel in Louisville as the three original institutions combined with Morehead State, Louisville and Evansville to form the OVC.

In the 1950s, the OVC became a pioneer on a much more significant scale socially. During times of racial segregation, league member Morehead State became one of the first non-traditionally black mid-southern institutions to accept a black student. In 1958 Marshall Banks earned athletically-related aid at Morehead, which signed a second black athlete, Howard Murphy, a year later. In 1961 Murphy earned all-conference recognition as a halfback in football. With racial barriers broken, the rest of the institutions in the league began to provide educational and athletic opportunities to African-Americans.

After Title IX legislation passed in 1972, women's athletics began a rebirth on the national scene as the NCAA began sponsoring and marketing women's sports. Recognizing the need to provide increased opportunities for female athletes, the OVC began formulating plans for women's athletics in 1975 and established women's championships in the sports of basketball, tennis and track in 1977, with cross country and volleyball added over the next four years. Those sports were initially governed by the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (IAIW), but the overall strength of women's programs in the league was demonstrated by the automatic bids the OVC instantly received when the NCAA became the governing body in 1982. The conference added women's golf and softball in 1994 and women's soccer in 1998.

Through the past 66 years, 15 teams have won or shared the league's football title. The list is led by Eastern Kentucky, winner of 21 outright or shared football crowns, which is tied for the most in Football Championship Subdivision history (with Massachusetts). Among OVC teams, former member Middle Tennessee is next with 11 titles, followed by Tennessee Tech with 10, and Murray State and former member Western Kentucky with eight apiece. Eastern Illinois has claimed seven football crowns and Jacksonville State has three, while Morehead State, Tennessee State and former members Evansville and East Tennessee State have captured two apiece. Austin Peay, Southeast Missouri, UT Martin and former member Youngstown State have one title apiece.

Murray State and Evansville tied for the initial football championship, and the Racers participated in the first-ever bowl game by an OVC team, tying Sul Ross State 21-21 in the 1948 Tangerine Bowl. From 1948 to 1975, OVC teams played in 15 bowl games, winning eight of them. Eastern Kentucky and Western Kentucky were also participants in the NCAA Division II playoffs in the early and mid-1970s prior to the NCAA's reclassification of football programs into Division I-AA. The term "I-AA" lasted until the end of the 2006 season when it was changed to Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS).

The first Division I-AA/FCS football playoff was held in 1978 with only four teams, which is the only year through present day that the OVC did not field a playoff representative. In 1979, four of the nation's top teams were invited to the playoffs, and two of them - Eastern Kentucky and Murray State - were from the OVC. Murray dropped its semifinal game to Lehigh, but the Colonels nipped Nevada-Reno in double overtime and claimed the national championship a week later with a 30-7 victory over Lehigh. EKV was coached by former All-America quarterback Roy Kidd, who was in his 16th year at the helm of his alma mater and who skippered the Colonels to a second national title three years later. Following the 2002 season, Kidd retired after 39 years at EKV; upon retirement, he ranked sixth all-time among Division I coaches with 315 victories, earning him a spot in the College Football Hall of Fame. EKV's 20 FCS playoff appearances are the second for the most all-time (behind only Montana and tied with Appalachian

State).

In addition to Kidd, other coaching legends in the OVC include Charles "Bubber" Murphy, who coached at Middle Tennessee from 1947-1968, Western Kentucky's Jimmy Feix (1968-83), Wilburn Tucker (1954-67) and Don Wade (1968-82) of Tennessee Tech, Bill Ferguson (1967-77) of Murray State, Guy Penny (1959-67) of Morehead State and Boots Donnelly (1977-78 at Austin Peay; 1979-1998 at Middle Tennessee). Following the 2011 season Eastern Illinois head coach Bob Spoo retired after 25 years at the school (the last 16 as members of the OVC). In his time as an OVC coach he compiled 92 total victories (fifth-most in league history) and 68 OVC wins (fourth-most in league history) and was inducted into the OVC Hall of Fame in 2012.

A sampling of former OVC football stars, some of whom were All-Americans during their collegiate careers before achieving stardom at the professional ranks, include Jim Youngblood and Larry Schreiber (Tennessee Tech), Phil Simms (Morehead State), Virgil Livers and Dale Lindsey (Western Kentucky), Myron Guyton and Chad Bratzke (Eastern Kentucky), Cortland Finnegan (Samford) and Tony Romo and Jimmy Garoppolo (Eastern Illinois). In 2008, former Tennessee State standout Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie became just the fourth NFL First Round draft pick in OVC history when he was selected 16th overall by the Arizona Cardinals. He would break into the starting lineup halfway through his rookie season and started at cornerback for the Cardinals in Super Bowl XLIII.

The 2007 season marked a return to scholarship football and the OVC for the Austin Peay Governors. Following the 1996 season the Governors dropped scholarship football and competed as both an independent (1997-00, 2006) and as a member of the Pioneer Football League (2001-05).

The 2007 season also brought new vernacular to the Ohio Valley Conference and the division formerly known as I-AA. Beginning with the 2006 National Championship game the term I-AA was changed to NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) in a decision by the Division I Board of Directors. The new label was chosen to communicate in a positive and clear manner the unique differences between Division I football categories (chiefly, the post-season opportunity) while still defining them within the Division I experience. The FCS includes programs that compete in an effort to participate in the NCAA championship postseason structure (one of 89 NCAA national championships) as opposed to the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) which competes in an effort to participate in the postseason bowl system (the 35 NCAA-licensed events which includes the Bowl Championship Series).

In 2010 Southeast Missouri State, picked to finish seventh in the preseason poll, compiled a 7-1 Conference record on the way to its first OVC Championship since joining the league in 1991. Overall the Redhawks were 9-2 during the regular season and earned a berth in the FCS Playoffs, its first playoff berth at any level in the program's 104-year history. Southeast would lose to eventual national champion Eastern Washington in the second round of the playoffs. Head coach Tony Samuel capped the year by winning the Sports Network's Eddie Robinson Award, given to the National Coach of the Year. Samuel was the second OVC coach to win the award (joining Murray State's Houston Nutt who won the award in 1995).

For only the second time in league history in 2011, three teams shared the OVC football championship, as Eastern Kentucky, Jacksonville State and Tennessee Tech finished with 6-2 records. The only other time in league history more than two champions were crowned at the end of the year was 1962 (when four teams shared the crown).

In 2012 Eastern Illinois became just the fourth football team in OVC history to go from worst-to-first in winning the OVC Championship. The Panthers were led by head coach Dino Babers who became just the fourth first-year head coach to win an OVC Championship (joining Boots Donnelly in 1977, Jason Simpson in 2006 and Dean Hood in 2008). During the year Eastern Illinois junior wide receiver Erik Lora shattered the FCS single-season receptions record, hauling in 136 passes in 12 games; that mark was 13 more than the previous NCAA record and 44 more than the previous OVC mark.

In 2013 Eastern Illinois repeated as OVC Champions behind Walter Payton Award winner Jimmy Garoppolo. The quarterback became just the second OVC player to earn the National Player of the Year Award, joining former EIU signal caller Tony Romo (2002). Garoppolo passed for 5,050 yards (second most in NCAA single-season history) and 53 touchdowns (fourth in NCAA history) in leading the Panthers to a 12-2 record and berth to the quarterfinals of the FCS Playoffs. Garoppolo was drafted by the New England Patriots in the second round of the 2014 NFL Draft, becoming just the fifth OVC player selected in that round and first OVC quarterback selected since 1998.

The 2013 season saw the OVC snap a 19-game playoff losing streak dating back to the 2000 season. Tennessee State shutout Butler (marking the first OVC road playoff victory since 1986) to snap the streak while later that day Jacksonville

FORMER COMMISSIONERS OF THE OVC



Art Guepe
(1963-75)



Paul Dietzel
(1975-76)



Bob Vanatta
(1976-79)



Jim Delany
(1979-89)



Dan Beebe
(1989-2003)



Dr. Jon Steinbrecher
(2003-09)

State smashed Samford in the first round. A week later Eastern Illinois beat Tennessee State while Jacksonville State won at McNeese State to each advance to the quarterfinals; that marked the first time the OVC put two teams in the quarterfinals in the same season since 1991. Overall the four total playoff wins in the same season established a new OVC record.

Football wasn't the only sport in which the OVC was quickly gaining respect. In 1955, the OVC became only the second six-member league nationally to earn an automatic bid to the prestigious NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament, which, at that time, was limited to only 24 participants. The Conference quickly proved worthy of that bid, as Morehead State defeated Marshall (107-92) and Wayne State (95-84) in the 1956 tournament. Fifteen years later, former OVC member Western Kentucky became the first and only Conference team to reach the Final Four. The Hilltoppers defeated Jacksonville, Kentucky and Ohio State before losing to Villanova in double overtime in the national semifinals. WKU went on to finish in third place after beating Kansas 77-75 in the consolation game.

The league also had another historical moment in November 2008 when the NCAA awarded Nashville the 2014 NCAA Women's Division I Final Four. The OVC served as the host of the prestigious event, which is one of the biggest sporting events the city of Nashville can host. The event was held April 6 & 8 at Bridgestone Arena in downtown Nashville and was played in front of sold-out crowds for both the semifinals and championship as UConn topped Notre Dame in a battle of undefeated teams to win its ninth national title.

Over its 66 years, OVC teams have garnered national championships and bowl games in football, along with national team or individual titles in the sports of rifle, cross country, track and golf.

The OVC has also produced several Olympic athletes, including Murray State's Morgan Hicks, who was a member of the 2004 United States Olympic Rifle Team and Morehead State's Brian Shimer who competed in five Winter Olympics in bobsled (winning a bronze medal in 2002) and coached the 2010 United States bobsled team to its first gold medal since 1948. Former Morehead State football and Eastern Kentucky track and field athlete Dallas Robinson competed with the U.S. bobsled team during the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics. In addition, some of the greatest players in professional sports were educated at OVC institutions. The list includes former greats such as football's Phil Simms (Morehead State), basketball's Clem Haskins (Western Kentucky) and Bubba Wells (Austin Peay) and two-sport star Steve Hamilton (Morehead State) to present-day standouts like basketball player Kenneth Faried (Morehead State), football player Tony Romo (Eastern Illinois) and baseball players A.J. Ellis (Austin Peay) and Shawn Kelley (Austin Peay). Hamilton is the only athlete to ever play in the NCAA Basketball Championship, a Major League Baseball World Series (New York Yankees) and

a NBA Championship Series (Los Angeles Lakers).

The playing field is not the only place where OVC athletes are working hard. The league also recognizes excellence in the classroom. Six Scholar-Athlete Awards are presented yearly to male and female athletes, while others are commended for their academic success by being Medal of Honor recipients or earning a spot on the Commissioner's Honor Roll. Additionally, the league annually presents one institutional Academic Achievement Award, as well as separate team awards in each Conference-sponsored sport. Since the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-America program began, the Ohio Valley Conference has had 229 student-athletes honored with the award, including 50 over the last five years (2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14).

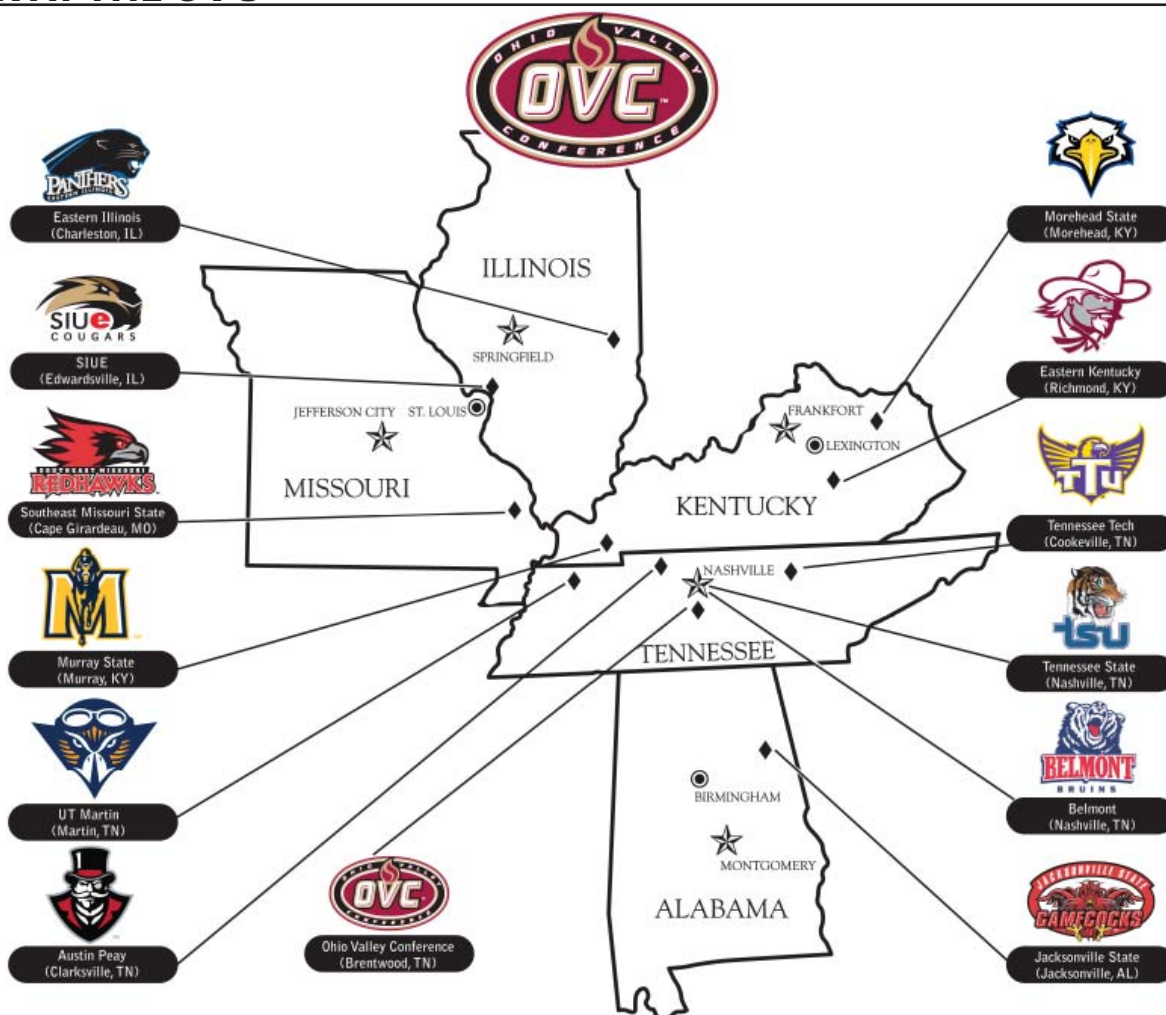
Through the early years of the league, administrators wrestled with fan behavior due to the close proximity of the Conference members and the intense rivalries which developed. Just as it did decades ago, the OVC took the leadership role on what has become a national issue. In 1995, the OVC implemented a first-of-its-kind "Sportsmanship Statement," a policy which promotes principles of fair play, ethical conduct and respect for one's opponent. The statement has become a model for others to follow across the nation, and has answered the challenge of the NCAA Presidents Commission to improve sportsmanship in collegiate athletics.

The vision of leadership demonstrated by the Founding Fathers in 1948 remains alive today as the Ohio Valley Conference prepares for the future. One example is in regard to the current trend in collegiate athletics administration for increased involvement of university presidents in setting policies and making rules. The presidents of OVC institutions, however, have always governed the Conference, long before presidential governance became a national theme.

The Ohio Valley Conference sponsors the following sports: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, tennis and track for men, and basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, track and volleyball for women. In addition, the OVC also sponsors the combined men's and women's sport of rifle.

Now in its seventh decade of competition, the Ohio Valley Conference has grown significantly from its humble beginnings while increasing the number of athletics opportunities it provides for students. Current league representatives include charter members Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University and Murray State University, along with Austin Peay State University, Belmont University, Eastern Illinois University, Jacksonville State University, Southeast Missouri State University, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Tennessee State University, Tennessee Technological University and the University of Tennessee at Martin. In addition Columbus State University serves as an affiliate member for the sport of rifle.

A LOOK AT THE OVC



OVC HONORS AND AWARDS

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The development of the OVC sportsmanship statement began in June 1993 at the direction of the league's presidents. A committee made up of athletics directors and faculty representatives drafted the initial statement, and all coaches and other administrators had the opportunity for input. The statement sets forth expectations for spirit groups, officials and fans, as well as the student-athletes and coaches. Here is a brief synopsis of each group's expectations within the sportsmanship statement.

Administrators: Institutional administrators will create an environment of hospitality for visiting teams, particularly for those individuals at Conference institutions. Administrators will treat the visiting teams and its fans in the same manner that they would want their teams to be treated.

Coaches: Coaches have the greatest amount of influence over whether young people in their programs are taught and follow the high principles of sportsmanship. The OVC has been benefited by coaches who have risked losing a contest by removing student-athletes who have demonstrated disrespect for their opponents. This discipline measure educates that individual about the importance of sportsmanship over participation and winning, and helps counteract the constant messages received from many professional athletes who demonstrate a lack of respect for opponents.

Student-Athletes: Student-athletes at OVC institutions will be expected to treat opponents with sportsmanship, and there will be no tolerance for taunting and baiting of opponents. OVC student-athletes must understand that they are perhaps the most visible representatives of their institutions and their behavior is observed and emulated by many who are younger. OVC student-athletes must honor the responsibilities that accompany the privilege of representing our schools by behaving with dignity and class on and off the field.

Spirit Groups: Like our student-athletes, spirit groups are visible representatives of our universities, and they are expected to show decent behavior. Cheerleaders, bands and other spirit groups are admitted to contests to support their teams and assist in creating a fun atmosphere, but they will not be allowed to disrupt or confront opposing teams.

Officials: Officials will enforce the rules regarding sportsmanship without tolerance for abuse. Players and coaches will receive their only warning prior to the contest, and once the contest begins, penalties will be assessed for violations of unsportsmanlike conduct.

Fans: We know all fans are embarrassed by the inappropriate behavior of a few who may engage in confrontational and threatening actions towards officials, visiting fans, players or coaches. Those individuals may be dismissed to provide a better environment for others.

The Conference believes that the effort to meet the expectations outlined in the sportsmanship statement will increase the attractiveness at our athletics events by creating a healthy environment for competition. A complete copy of the sportsmanship statement can be obtained by calling the OVC office at (615) 371-1698.

The OVC has a variety of awards to recognize sportsmanship by its student-athletes, coaches, administrators and teams. In 1998, the OVC

established the Steve Hamilton Sportsmanship Award, presented annually to a male or female junior or senior student-athlete who best exemplifies the characteristics of the former Morehead State student-athlete, coach and administrator. Hamilton is the only individual to have ever played in a NCAA Basketball Championship, a Major League Baseball World Series (New York Yankees) and a National Basketball Association Championship Series (Minnesota Lakers).

In 2003-04 the League began awarding the Institutional Sportsmanship Award, given to the OVC member institution selected by its peers to have best exhibited the standards of sportsmanship and ethical conduct as outlined by the OVC and NCAA. In 2005-06 the League expanded the sportsmanship award program by adding the Team Sportsmanship Award. An award is given to each sport sponsored by the OVC and is voted on by the student-athletes and coaches of the respective sports.

OVC SPORTSMANSHIP HONOREES

Steve Hamilton Sportsmanship Award Winners

1998-99	Julie Virta (women's basketball), Austin Peay
1999-00	Michael Turner (men's basketball), Murray State
2000-01	Kelly Pendleton (women's basketball), UT Martin
2001-02	Grant Swallows (football), Tennessee Tech
2002-03	Brooke Armistead (women's basketball), Austin Peay
2003-04	Kandi Brown (women's basketball), Morehead State
2004-05	Cassandra Peek (women's basketball), Austin Peay
2005-06	Zac Schlader (men's basketball), Austin Peay
2006-07	Adonia Bivins (women's soccer), Austin Peay
2007-08	Beth Boden (softball), Tennessee Tech
2008-09	Carrie Burggraf (track & field), Austin Peay
2009-10	Carrie Burggraf (track & field), Austin Peay
2010-11	Abby O'Connor (volleyball), Eastern Kentucky
2011-12	Jon Clinard (baseball), Austin Peay
2012-13	Sean Bailey (tennis), Austin Peay
2013-14	J.J. Mann (basketball), Belmont

Institutional Sportsmanship Award Winners

2003-04	Southeast Missouri State University
2004-05	Samford University
2005-06	Samford University
2006-07	Morehead State University
2007-08	Austin Peay State University
2008-09	Eastern Kentucky University
2009-10	Eastern Kentucky University
2010-11	Southeast Missouri State University
2011-12	Tennessee Tech University
2012-13	Eastern Kentucky University
2013-14	Belmont University

Football Team Sportsmanship Award Winners

2005-06	Samford University
2006-07	Eastern Illinois University
2007-08	Austin Peay State University
2008-09	Austin Peay State University
2009-10	Eastern Illinois University
2010-11	Southeast Missouri State University
2011-12	Austin Peay State University
2012-13	Southeast Missouri State University
2013-14	Eastern Kentucky University

OVC HALL OF FAME

The Ohio Valley Conference organized a Hall of Fame in 1977. Membership is limited to coaches, administrators, faculty and staff members who have been associated with the OVC for at least five (5) years and have had extensive outstanding service to the Conference. Unless a tie in the selection procedure occurs, there shall be no more than three (3) inductees annually. Voting for the award is done in the spring and the induction takes place at the OVC Honors Luncheon, which is held annually at the end of May. Following the 2014 ceremony, the Hall of Fame now has 73 members.

Dr. Joe Morgan, APSU (1977)
Mr. Charles Hughes, ECU (1977)
Dr. Robert Martin, ECU (1977)
Dr. Adron Doran, MOR (1977)
Mr. Roy Stewart, MUR (1977)
Dr. W.E. Derryberry, TTU (1977)
Mr. Hooper Eblen, TTU (1997)
Dr. Kelly Thompson, WKU (1977)
Mr. Ed Diddle, Sr., WKU (1977)
Mr. L.T. Smith, WKU (1977)
Dr. Dave Aaron, APSU (1978)
Mr. Bob Laughlin, MOR (1978)
Mr. Ted Hornback, WKU (1978)
Dr. Quill E. Cope, MTSU (1978)
Mr. J.D. Rayburn, MUR (1979)
Mr. Nick Denes, WKU (1979)
Mr. Raymond H. Brown, TTU (1980)
Dr. Dero G. Downing, WKU (1980)
Mr. P.V. Overall, TTU (1981)

Mr. Arthur L. Guepe, OVC (1982)
Mr. Charles M. Murphy, MTSU (1982)
Mr. Malcolm P. Quillen, TTU (1984)
Mr. Ellis T. Johnson, MOR (1985)
Mr. John "Sonny" Allen, MOR (1987)
Mr. Wilburn Tucker, TTU (1987)
Mr. Johnny Reagan, MUR (1988)
Dr. George Fisher, APSU (1988)
Mr. John Oldham, WKU / TTU (1989)
Mr. Jimmy Earle, MTSU (1989)
Dr. Sam Ingram, MTSU (1990)
Mr. Bennie Purcell, MUR (1990)
Mr. Donald G. Combs, ECU (1991)
Mr. Steve Hamilton, MOR (1991)
Mr. James E. Delany, OVC (1992)
Mr. E.K. Patty, MTSU (1993)
Ms. Marynell Meadors, TTU (1993)
Mr. Edward S. Temple, TSU (1995)
Mr. John Ogles, APSU (1996)

Dr. Guy Penny, MOR (1996)
Dr. Arliss Roaden, TTU (1996)
Mr. John Stanford, MTSU (1997)
Dr. Kala Stroup, MUR / SEMO (1997)
Dr. Margaret N. Perry, UTM (1998)
Dr. Leon Bibb, APSU (1999)
Mr. Cal Luther, MUR / UTM (2000)
Mr. R.L. "Buddy" Patey, OVC (2000)
Dr. Nolan Fowler, MOR / TTU (2001)
Dr. Angelo Volpe, TTU (2001)
Mr. Jim Ward, ECU (2002)
Mr. Roy Kidd, ECU (2003)
Dr. Bobby Barton, ECU (2004)
Mr. Wayne Martin, MOR (2004)
Mr. Bill Cornell, MUR (2005)
Dr. David Larimore, TTU (2005)
Mr. Karl Park, ECU (2005)
Dr. Geri Polvino, ECU (2005)
Mr. Dan Beebe, OVC (2006)

Mr. Paul McBrayer, ECU (2006)
Mr. Don Wade, TTU (2006)
Dr. Thurston Banks, TTU (2007)
Mr. Steve Newton, MUR (2007)
Mr. Bill Worrell, TTU (2007)
Mr. Elvis Green, MUR (2008)
Mr. Joey Haines, SEMO/AP (2009)
Mr. Larry Inman, ECU/MTSU (2009)
Mr. Chuck Kimmel, APSU (2010)
Mr. David Mays, TTU (2010)
Mr. Ron English, OVC (2011)
Mr. Bobby Nichols, TTU (2011)
Mr. Bob Spoo, EIU (2012)
Dr. Martha Mullins, ECU (2013)
Dr. Robert "Bob" Bell, TTU (2014)
Margaret Simmons, MUR (2014)

Beth DeBauche - Commissioner



Elizabeth (Beth) DeBauche was named Commissioner of the Ohio Valley Conference on July 29, 2009 and began her duties with the league in September 2009.

DeBauche (pronounced De-BUSH) is the seventh full-time Commissioner in the 66-plus year history of the OVC. She follows Art Guepe (1963-75), Paul Dietzel (1975-76), Bob Vanatta (1976-79), Jim Delany (1979-89), Dan Beebe (1989-2003) and Dr. Jon A. Steinbrecher (2003-09).

DeBauche is one of just nine females to be the head of a Division I Conference in 2014-15.

In May 2011 the league announced the addition of Belmont University to the OVC beginning in 2012-13. The addition of Belmont brought the OVC to 12 teams, the largest membership total in league history.

DeBauche served as the Chair of the Nashville Local Organizing Committee (NLOC) for the 2014 NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Final Four; the OVC served as the host institution of the event held at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville. It was termed one of the most successful Women's Final Four's ever by the NCAA staff, bringing more than 30,000 people to the city and resulting in an estimated economic impact of more than 20 million dollars. It also left a long-term mark on the city and middle Tennessee through a variety of legacy programs.

Under DeBauche the league started an extensive strategic planning and branding initiative which led to the development of the league's first tagline of "Inspiring Excellence Since 1948." The project also produced the league's first 30-second PSA commercial in over a decade as well as a longer feature video highlighting the Conference. In October 2013 the League launched OVCEXtra.com, a fan-focused blog which features compelling, offbeat, and social media-sourced content from around the league. For 2014-15 the branding will branch out to include a diversity campaign.

During the 2012-13 school DeBauche oversaw the switch of the league's web streaming efforts to a free access model which was rebranded the OVC Digital Network (OVCDN). The new OVCDN included HD video for the first time and was made available on any platform/device. The Digital Network focuses on both athletic competition as well as telling the story of OVC and its member institutions. After seeing extreme growth in viewership in its first year as a free service, the OVCDN continued to grow with a 40 percent increase in overall viewership during year two (2013-14).

In October 2013 the league signed a new five-year agreement with ESPN that runs through the completion of the 2017-18 season and includes a seven-game men's basketball package as well as an eight-game ESPN3 Game of the Week football package which is done through a partnership with WebStream Sports. DeBauche also secured a deal with the CBS Sports Network to produce a four-game men's basketball package for the first time in 2013-14.

In her five years with the league the OVC has seen postseason success in men's basketball as Murray State topped Vanderbilt in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in 2010, Morehead State beat Louisville in the second round in 2011 and Murray State bested Colorado State in the second round in 2012. Overall the league has won NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament games in four of the past six years, including four-straight years (2009-12) for the first-time in league history. In 2013 the OVC qualified three teams for the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) Playoffs for the first time in league history, with each of those teams winning at least one game. Overall the OVC recorded a league-record four wins in the postseason and advanced two teams to the quarterfinals in the same season for just the second time in league history.

OVC student-athletes have continued to achieve high levels of success not only on the field but also in the classroom. The league has consistently seen record number of honorees on the OVC Medal of Honor and OVC Commissioner's Honor Roll lists during her tenure. During the past five years 52 OVC student-athletes have been named CoSIDA Academic All-Americans.

DeBauche has also sponsored leadership programming for OVC student-athletes and coaches through comprehensive on-campus summits.

In 2012-13 DeBauche helped spearhead a year-long celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Title IX. As part of the celebration each of the OVC's 12-member institutions identified a pioneer in women's athletics and gender equality from their school to be honored during the year and celebrated at a home athletic event on their campus. The celebration was capped in May when those honorees were recognized at a special luncheon as part of the OVC Spring Meetings.

DeBauche currently serves on the NCAA Committee on Institutional Performance and the NCAA Division I Leadership Council.

From August 2002 through August 2009 DeBauche, along with the vice-president of Division I, was responsible for coordinating Division I initiatives through the NCAA governance structure, as well as helping to manage the Division I agenda. Her duties included developing agendas and providing leadership for the Division I Board of Directors, Presidential Advisory Group and the Leadership Council. DeBauche has overseen the entire Division I governance structure and worked directly with the Legislative Council, the six cabinets and the supporting communications and coordination committee.

She was also a liaison to governance representatives, external constituent groups and NCAA staff regarding legislative and governance activities. That role required DeBauche to have regular interaction with the Collegiate Commissioner's Association (CCA), the CCA Compliance Coordinators, the Division I-A Athletics Directors Association, the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators (NACWAA) and the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA). DeBauche also served as a liaison to the Women's Basketball Issues Committee, the Presidential Oversight and Monitoring Group, the Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group, the Presidential Task Force on Commercial Activity in Intercollegiate Athletics and the Two-Year College Relations Panel.

In 2008, DeBauche was named the NACWAA Conference/Organization Administrator of the Year.

Prior to her work at the NCAA, DeBauche worked at the Southeastern Conference (SEC) from November 1996 through August 2002. As an assistant and later associate commissioner, she managed all aspects of the SEC's rules compliance program. DeBauche provided NCAA and SEC rules interpretations, developing rules education materials and programming, conducting compliance reviews and assisting member institutions with the NCAA certification program. At times during her tenure, she also served as the league's liaison to the faculty athletics representatives, the compliance coordinators, directors of academic support and Student-Athletes Advisory Committee (SAAC) as well as the sports liaison to the leagues women's golf, women's tennis and women's volleyball coaches.

From 1996 to 1998 DeBauche was the Director of the National Letter of Intent (NLI) Program for the Collegiate Commissioners Association (CCA). In that role she was the administrator in charge of issuing all NLI rules interpretations, creating rules education materials and providing NLI rules education presentations as well as being the primary information resource for parents, student-athletes and the media.

DeBauche got her start in collegiate athletics at Vanderbilt University where she was the Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance from August 1994 to November 1996.

DeBauche received her Bachelor of Arts degree in history and government from Saint Mary's College (Ind.) and earned her Master's Degree in communications from Notre Dame. After completing the Con-cannon Program of International Law in London, England, DeBauche received her Juris Doctorate from the Notre Dame School of Law.

A member of the Illinois, Wisconsin and Georgia Bar, following law school graduation DeBauche worked as an attorney in each Green Bay, Atlanta and Marietta, as well as serving as a Judicial Clerk to P. Harris Hines, who is currently serving on the Georgia Superior Court.

DeBauche has been a member of the Notre Dame Club of Indianapolis Board of Directors, as well as a graduate of the Sports Management Institute and a participant in the Division I-A Athletic Directors Institute. She is a board member with the Nashville Sports Council and the Nashville YWCA, a member of the Nashville Catholic Business Women's League, the women's networking group CABLE, the Nashville Rotary and the International Women's Forum of Tennessee.



Brad Walker - Associate Commissioner/Operations



Brad Walker was named Associate Commissioner for Operations/Chief Operating Officer at the Ohio Valley Conference on Oct. 19, 2007 and began his duties at the OVC in Nov. 2007.

Entering his eighth year at the OVC in 2014-15, Walker served as the League's Interim Commissioner from May until mid-September 2009. He was also a member of the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet from 2009-11.

In September 2012 Walker began a five-year term on the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee, where he helps

administer the women's basketball championship.

Walker's responsibilities at the OVC include the day-to-day operations of the Conference office, including financial operations, as well as developing schedules and providing oversight for football and men's basketball, scheduling and oversee baseball, serving as a liaison with officiating coordinators and coaching groups, overseeing bidding for and directing of NCAA championship events (including the 2012 NCAA Men's Basketball Championship 2nd/3rd Rounds which the OVC hosted in Nashville), coordination of the Conference television properties and serving as the director of the men's and women's basketball tournament among other things.

Walker joined the OVC after seven-plus years at the West Coast Conference (WCC), which is headquartered just south of San Francisco. He joined the WCC in Oct. 2001 as Director of Communications and was later promoted to Assistant Commissioner and Associate Commissioner. He was responsible for coordinating the marketing efforts for the WCC's 13 sports, as well as handling all aspects of television, including contract negotiations. That included taking the lead role in negotiating the WCC's largest television contract in league history, a five-year agreement with ESPN. He also worked closely with the league's corporate partner program, producing conference schedules for the six round-robin sports, including basketball, as well as handling championship management duties.

Walker previous worked at the Mid-Continent Conference as Assistant Director of Media Relations and at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass. He completed his degree in marketing at Bentley College (Waltham, Mass.) in May 1996. He was an all-conference basketball player at Bentley, serving as team captain his senior season.

The Milwaukee, Wisconsin native is a 2004 graduate of the NCAA Leadership Institute for Ethnic Minority Males. Walker and his wife Sonya were married in December 2010.

Jennifer Gibbs - Asst. Commissioner/Championships



Jennifer Gibbs joined the Ohio Valley Conference staff in October 2006 as assistant commissioner for championships. In addition to overseeing the administration of the OVC's 18 championship sports, Gibbs also serves as the Conference Senior Woman Administrator, as well as the staff liaison to select coaching groups and officiating coordinators. She also coordinates the league's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and the OVC's merchandise, awards and internship programs.

Gibbs served as the Tournament Directors for the Division I NCAA Women's Final

Four which was held at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville. She was also a staff member on Nashville's Bid Committee that successfully landed that event.

She has also served as a timeout coordinator for the Men's and Women's Division I NCAA Basketball Tournament. In 2012 she served as the assistant tournament manager for the Division I Men's Basketball Championship 2nd/3rd Rounds held in Nashville.

Gibbs joined the OVC after serving as sales coordinator for the Nashville Predators of the National Hockey League (NHL). In that role, she was charged with preparing corporate sponsorship proposals, tracking weekly sales activity and identifying new business prospects.

Prior to joining the Predators, Gibbs was a championships assistant with the Sun Belt Conference, where she was involved in all facets of coordinating the league's championship events.

A native of Port Edwards, Wisconsin, Gibbs received her post-secondary and graduate education at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where she was awarded an undergraduate degree in sport management and a master's degree in sport administration. While attending the master's program at Wisconsin-La Crosse, Gibbs served as a graduate assistant in the athletics department, assisting with event management. She also spent seven years as the aquatics coordinator for the city of La Crosse, managing the day-to-day operations for five aquatic facilities.

Jennifer and her husband Matt were married in August 2008. They are expecting their first child in July.

Kyle Schwartz - Asst. Commissioner/Media Relations



Kyle Schwartz joined the Ohio Valley Conference as Assistant Commissioner for Media Relations in November 2006. He is in charge of publicity efforts for the Conference and is the primary contact for football, men's basketball, baseball, men's and women's cross country and men's and women's golf among other duties. He also serves as the media coordinator for the OVC's annual basketball and baseball tournaments and is also in charge of coordinating special events for the Conference, including the Honors Brunch and Hall of Fame.

In 2014 Schwartz served as the Local Media Coordinator for the 2014 Women's Basketball Final Four which was held at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville. The year prior he had served on the Media Coordination Committee for the Women's Basketball Final Four in New Orleans. In 2012 he served as the Media Coordinator for the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship Second/Third Rounds that the OVC hosted in Nashville.

Schwartz served as a timeout coordinator for the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournaments and worked with the ConSIDA group at the Final Fours in Detroit, Indianapolis, Houston and New Orleans.

Schwartz is active with the promotion of the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) and serves as a voter in the Sports Network FCS Top 25 poll in addition to also being a pollster in the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) Top 30 poll.

Schwartz came to the OVC after spending four and a half years at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colo. There he served as the Assistant Director of Media Relations for two years, was promoted to Media Relations Coordinator in July 2004 and served as Director of Media Relations in his final year.

At Northern Colorado, Schwartz helped coordinate the media efforts of two NCAA, two conference and six independent championships, including four during the 2005-06 school year. Schwartz was honored by Collegiate Volleyball Update (CVU.com) with the first annual RESPECTing Volleyball (Recognition for Excellence in Supporting and Promoting Volleyball) Award in 2005 and was ranked the No. 3 soccer SID in the country by *Soccer Buzz* magazine in 2004. The 2003 Northern Colorado volleyball guide he wrote, designed and edited won third place honors nationally in the CoSIDA publications contest.

Schwartz also spent two years as a graduate assistant in the Southeast Missouri State sports information department (2000-02). It was at SEMO that Schwartz received his master's degree in athletic administration, graduating with honors. Schwartz received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Kentucky in May 2000, graduating cum laude. As an undergraduate, he interned with the Host Communications publishing group and also worked with the Kentucky Thoroughblades minor league hockey team.

Schwartz, a native of Flemingsburg, Kentucky, is a member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and has served on CoSIDA's Academic All-American committee as a district coordinator since June 2003. He also serves on the NCAA Statistics and Records Advisory Board and the NCAA Media Coordination Advisory Group.

Schwartz and his wife, Angella, were married in June 2004; they are expecting their first child in August.

Brian Pulley - Asst. Commissioner/External Affairs



Brian Pulley was named Assistant Commissioner for External Affairs on August 7, 2007.

Pulley's duties include overseeing the league's web streaming efforts, which included an overhaul and rebranding into the OVC Digital Network in 2012-13. The web streaming changed to a free model with HD-quality and availability across all platforms which dramatically increased viewership and streamed a record number of events to a record viewership in 2013-14. Pulley is

the liaison to the OVC Digital Network Assessment and Accountability Group.

He is also the liaison for the Conference's multimedia rights holder, IMG College, as well as the OVC Alumni Directors.

Pulley helped develop and executive a comprehensive marketing plan for the OVC Basketball Championship as the event expanded and moved to Municipal Auditorium in Nashville prior to the 2010-11 season. The 2012 OVC Basketball Tournament saw the second-highest attendance at a neutral site in the event's history.

Pulley served as the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) and Youth Clinics liaison for the 2014 NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Final Four in Nashville.

Pulley brought over five years of sales experience to his current position, including completing an internship with the Conference in 2005-06. He has cultivated relationships for an array of business types and brings a comprehensive knowledge of game day operations as it applies to corporate activation.

Pulley came to the OVC after being an account executive with ISP Sports in Atlanta, Georgia, where he was responsible for soliciting and cultivating corporate partners for Georgia Tech Athletics. He also helped develop and implement promotions for Georgia Tech football, baseball and men's basketball as well as being responsible for managing advertising inventory for Georgia Tech.

Pulley, a native of Springfield, Tennessee, received his bachelor's degree in public relations from Middle Tennessee State University in December 1998. He completed his master's of science degree in sports administration from Belmont University in May 2006.

It was during graduate school that he served as an intern with the Ohio Valley Conference, helping establish a group sales base, formulating a marketing plan and assisting with the OVC Basketball Championship among other duties.

Pulley is active with the Big Brother Big Sisters of Middle Tennessee.

He and his wife Ashley were married in April 2011 and became proud parents to Ava Mae in July 2013.

Stephanie Castera - Asst. Commissioner/Institutional Services



Castera was named Assistant Commissioner for Institutional Services on November 22, 2013 and began her duties with the OVC in January 2014.

Castera joins the OVC staff after spending the past six-plus years working at the NCAA in several different roles. She started as an intern in the NCAA Eligibility Center in June 2007 and was in that role for a year before being hired as a coordinator in Academic and Membership Affairs. After nine months in the role as coordinator, Castera was promoted to assistant director, a position

she has held since March 2009.

In her role at the NCAA she was a member of the Division I legislation team where she drafted proposals, editorial revisions and question and answer

documents and assisted in NCAA Manual production. Castera is also a liaison to the NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet, the Amateurism Fact-Finding Committee and the Division I National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), as she provided legislative, interpretive and membership expertise to each group.

She was also an internal liaison to the NCAA Eligibility Center's Amateurism Certification Team, a member of the Interpretation Leadership Development Team, a Rules Working Group member and the primary liaison to the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA). Castera also helped evaluate Division I APR Improvement Plans as well as analyzing and processing Division I penalty waivers. Castera has extensive experience in academic issues, including initial-eligibility issues, and is a regular presenter at NCAA regional rules seminars.

Castera received her undergraduate degree in sport administration from Ball State University in June 2006. At Ball State she was a student-athlete on the volleyball team. Following graduation she served a summer internship with the AVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tour.

Castera received her Master's degree in sports administration higher education from Ball State in December 2007. During that time she served as a graduate assistant, teaching physical education/wellness classes in the Ball State Physical Education, Sport and Exercise Science Department.

A native of Remsen, Iowa, the former Stephanie Bacan and her husband Luis Castera were married in March 2010.

Heather Brown - Director of Media Relations



Heather Brown is in her 11th year with the Ohio Valley Conference in 2014-15. After the completion of a 10-month internship with the OVC, she served in the position of Assistant Director for Media Relations until her promotion of Director of Media Relations in December 2006.

Brown, the longest tenured member of the OVC staff, is the primary contact for soccer, volleyball, women's basketball, softball, men's and women's track and field, men's and women's rifle and men's and women's tennis.

In 2014 she served as the Local Media Coordinator for the 2014 Division I NCAA Women's Final Four which was held at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville. Along with that role she has served on the Legacy Committee for the event including working with Junior Journalism and Women's Portrayal in the Media.

Brown has done extensive work with NCAA Championships, first serving as the assistant media relations coordinator for the first and second rounds of the 2005 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship and the second and third Rounds of the 2012 Championship in Nashville. She has also worked the first and second round of the NCAA Women's Tournament in each 2004, 2006 and 2007 and the Men's Basketball Tournament in 2008 and 2011. In 2012 she worked the Women's Final Four in New Orleans.

Brown was instrumental in getting the OVC started in the social network/new media phenomenon, starting both Facebook and Twitter accounts for the league.

In 2013 helped plan the OVC's Title IX Celebration Luncheon, an event that capped off a year-long celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Title IX. Each of the OVC's 12-member institutions identified a pioneer in women's athletics from their school to be honored during the year and celebrated at a home athletic event on their campus as well as the luncheon.

Prior to working with the Conference, the West Liberty, Ohio, native served a three-month internship in the sports information office at The Ohio State University after a one-year stint as a student assistant in the Bowling Green State University sports information office.

A 2003 graduate of BGSU, Brown earned a bachelor's degree in sports management with an emphasis in sports information. She is a member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Bryce Robinson - Director of Compliance and Digital Media



Bryce Robinson joined the OVC staff full-time in June 2014 as the Director of Compliance and Digital Media after serving as an intern for the 2013-14 school year.

In his new role he serves as the primary contact for the National Letter of Intent Program and for OVC financial aid agreement and compliance forms while also serving as a secondary liaison to compliance administrators, faculty athletic representatives and directors of academic services. Robinson will also serve as a secondary liaison for OVC member institutions for matters pertaining to the OVC Digital Network as well

as the OVCDN Assessment and Accountability Group. He will also produce video content from OVC Championships in addition to producing ancillary content and video spots for the Conference.

In 2013-14 Robinson served as the league's broadcasting and multimedia production intern. In that role he had oversight in producing, directing and filming six OVC Championships during the year, including baseball, men's and women's basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball. Each of those championships were broadcast on the OVC Digital Network while the volleyball and women's basketball championships were also streamed on ESPN3. In addition Robinson assisted in editing and developing multiple video series for OVC platforms including "OVC Road Trip" and "What Inspires You" in addition to producing highlights of championship events.

Robinson, a native of Berea, Kentucky, obtained his bachelor's degree in telecommunications from the University of Kentucky in 2010. He completed his master's degree in sport administration from Belmont in May 2014.

At Belmont Robinson served as a graduate assistant where he worked directly with Belmont's Director of Broadcasting and Media Relations as the Video Services Director, producing and directing OVC Digital Network broadcasts for home sporting events as well as other ancillary content and video spots.

Jon Kuka - General Manager, OVC IMG Sports Marketing



Jon Kuka joined the Ohio Valley Conference staff in April 2010 as the General Manager for OVC IMG Sports Marketing. Kuka brought over 10 years in sales and sports marketing experience to the position.

He joined the Conference staff as part of the OVC's agreement with IMG College which was signed in February 2008. With the deal, IMG represents the OVC through category exclusive corporate partnership sales, as well as multimedia rights for the men's basketball championship and other championship events.

In 2011 and 2012 Kuka was the recipient of the prestigious IMG Chairman's Cup Award.

Prior to joining the OVC Kuka was the Director of Sales for Nelligan Sports Marketing at Middle Tennessee State University for two years. In that position he managed corporate sponsorships and initiated multimedia marketing rights for the Blue Raiders athletic department.

From 2001-07 Kuka worked in Knoxville with the Tennessee Smokies baseball club, the AA affiliate of the Chicago Cubs. He began as a group sales representative and was promoted to Director of Group Sales and eventually Director of Sales. As the Director of Sales, Kuka oversaw ticket sales and corporate sponsorships sales.

Kuka received his bachelor's degree in sports administration from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in 2000. While in school Kuka interned with the Chattanooga Sports & Events Committee that assisted in marketing the city for attracting events such as the NCAA Division I Football National Championship. He was also a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, the university cycling club and a participant in the 1999 Collegiate Mountain Bike National Championships.

Kuka completed his MBA from Ohio Valley Conference member Tennessee Tech University in 2009.

A native of Chattanooga, Kuka resides with his wife, Alicia, daughter, Leah, and son, Andrew, in the Greater Nashville area.

Jim Jackson - Coordinator of Football Officiating



Jim Jackson is in his eighth year as Coordinator of Football Officiating for the Ohio Valley Conference in 2014. Jackson is in charge of recruiting, training and developing the officials, as well the game selection, assignment and evaluation of those officials.

During his tenure as Coordinator, he has represented the OVC at all functions of the CFO Division I Coordinators. Jackson has attended the NCAA Football Rules Committee meeting, spoken at clinics in Baton Rouge, Houston, Reno, Oxford, Knoxville, Miami, Charleston, WV and Roanoke. He was the clinician at the annual convention of the British American Football Referees

Association in Coventry, England. He developed the OVC Football Officials Website, which has become a model that has been duplicated by several conferences. Jackson serves as Chair of the Technology Committee charged with producing a platform to distribute training videos on a national level through a Website authorized by the Board of Managers of College Football Officiating, LLC. He is on the review panel charged with viewing video of targeting hits and recommending action to the respective conference; the purpose of this review panel is to insure consistency in administering this rule nationwide. Jackson also served on the Editorial Sub-Committee to advise the NCAA Football Rules Committee from 2010 through 2012.

In 2009 an OVC crew officiated the Division I National Championship Game in Chattanooga that saw Villanova defeat Montana 23-21 in a game televised nationally on ESPN. In 2010 an OVC crew officiated the Division I National Semifinal game in Cheyney, Wash., that saw eventual national champion Eastern Washington defeat Villanova in a game televised nationally on ESPN.

Jackson came to the OVC after spending six years as a referee with the Sun Belt Conference. At the Sun Belt he was also the President of the SBC Football Officials Association (2001-03), Position Chief (2001-02) and winner of the Silver Whistle Award for being the league's highest rated official (2002). He also worked a pair of bowl games, the Silicon Valley Bowl and the Alamo Bowl, during his tenure with the conference. From 1992 through 2000, Jackson was a referee in the Southern Conference, working a pair of playoff games, including the national semi-final game in 1999. Jackson has also served as a head linesman in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (1986-89) and worked in the Southeast Tennessee Football Officials Association (SETFOA) for 18 years (1975-92).

Jackson received his Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of Tennessee in 1972. He retired after a 30-year career with Columbus McKinnon Corporation, Amherst, NY. During his career, he was an industrial engineer, plant manager and business analyst. Jackson lives in Chattanooga with his wife, Charlene; has two grown sons, Russ and Matt, and a grandson, Cooper.

Jenny Kulchar - Administrative Assistant



Jenny Kulchar, who joined the Conference in February 2010, serves as the Administrative Assistant to the Commissioner and OVC staff.

Prior to joining the OVC, Kulchar spent a year and a half with Dye, Van Mol & Lawrence, a public relations firm in downtown Nashville, as a receptionist where she performed administrative duties for the accounting department and worked on various client accounts including Bridgestone and Jack Daniels.

Kulchar moved to Nashville in January 2007 to complete her degree with an internship in the publicity department at Provident Label Group. After graduating she gained temporary employment at L.A.B. Media as the PR Coordinator.

She continued her administrative and public relations career as the Office Manager for New Business Development in addition to being the Business and PR Liaison for Make It Beautiful, a nonprofit organization.

Kulchar, a 2007 graduate of Central Michigan University, earned her bachelors in Integrative Public Relations minoring in Interpersonal and Public Communication with a concentration in the area of event planning.

FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION (FCS) CONFERENCE ALIGNMENT

BIG SKY (13)

Cal Poly
Eastern Washington
Idaho State
Montana
Montana State
North Dakota
Northern Arizona
Northern Colorado
Portland State
Sacramento State
Southern Utah
UC Davis
Weber State

BIG SOUTH (6)

Charleston Southern
Coastal Carolina
Gardner-Webb
Liberty
Monmouth
Presbyterian College

CAA FOOTBALL (12)

Albany
Delaware
Elon
James Madison
Maine
New Hampshire
Rhode Island
Richmond
Stony Brook
Towson
Villanova
William & Mary

IVY (8)

Brown
Columbia
Cornell
Dartmouth
Harvard
Pennsylvania
Princeton
Yale

MID-EASTERN (11)

Bethune-Cookman
Delaware State
Florida A&M
Hampton
Howard
Morgan State
Norfolk State
North Carolina A&T
North Carolina Central
Savannah State
South Carolina State

MISSOURI VALLEY FOOTBALL (10)

Illinois State
Indiana State
Missouri State
North Dakota State
UNI
South Dakota
South Dakota State
Southern Illinois
Western Illinois
Youngstown State

NORTHEAST (7)

Bryant
Central Connecticut State
Duquesne
Robert Morris
Sacred Heart
St. Francis (Pa.)
Wagner

OHIO VALLEY (9)

Austin Peay
Eastern Illinois
Eastern Kentucky
Jacksonville State
Murray State
Southeast Missouri
Tennessee State
Tennessee Tech
UT Martin

PATRIOT (7)

Bucknell
Colgate
Fordham
Georgetown
Holy Cross
Lafayette
Leigh

PIONEER (11)

Butler
Campbell
Davidson
Dayton
Drake
Jacksonville
Marist
Morehead State
San Diego
Stetson
Valparaiso

SOUTHERN (8)

Chattanooga
Citadel
Furman
Mercer
Samford
VMI
Western Carolina
Wofford

SOUTHLAND (11)

Abilene Christian* (eligible in 2017)
Central Arkansas
Houston Baptist
Incarnate Word* (eligible in 2017)
Lamar
McNeese State
Nicholls
Northwestern State
Sam Houston State
Southeastern Louisiana
Stephen F. Austin

SOUTHWESTERN (10)

East

Alabama A&M
Alabama State
Alcorn State
Jackson State
Mississippi Valley State

West

Arkansas-Pine Bluff
Grambling State
Prairie View A&M
Southern
Texas Southern

INDEPENDENTS (1)

Charlotte* (moving to FBS in 2015)

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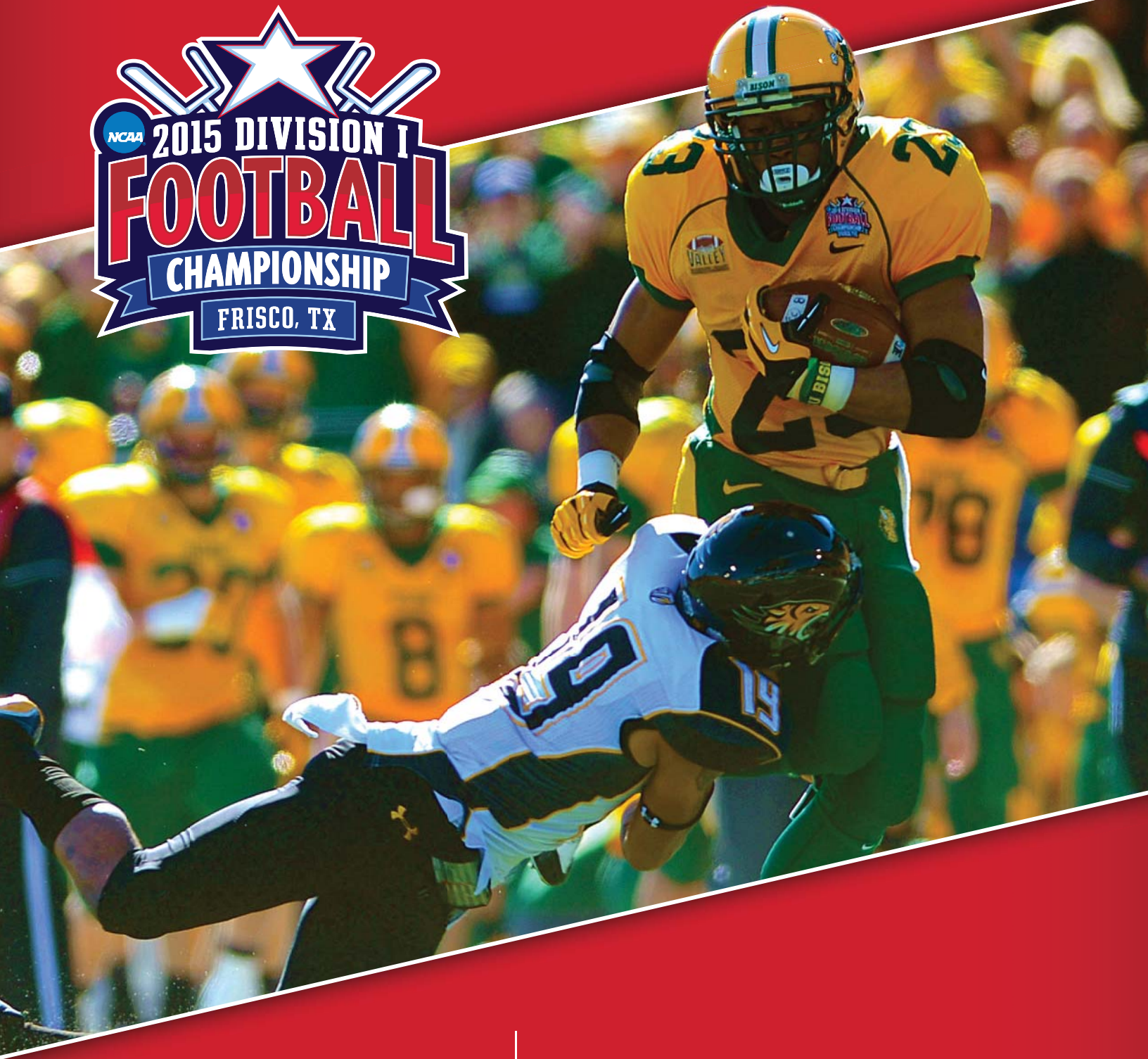
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champion has only gone on to win the OVC Championship 14 times (40%). Only twice in the past 10 years as the preseason favorite gone on to win the OVC Championship; that was in 2011 (when three teams claimed the regular season title including preseason favorite Jacksonville State) and last season when Eastern Illinois won the crown.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Predicted Champion</u>	<u>Actual Champion</u>
2003	Southeast Missouri	Jacksonville State
2004	Eastern Kentucky	Jacksonville State
2005	Jacksonville State	Eastern Illinois
2006	Eastern Kentucky	Eastern Illinois/UT Martin
2007	Eastern Illinois	Eastern Kentucky
2008	Jacksonville State	Eastern Kentucky
2009	Eastern Kentucky	Eastern Illinois
2010	Jacksonville State	Southeast Missouri
2011	Jacksonville State	Eastern Kentucky/Jax State/Tennessee Tech
2012	Eastern Kentucky	Eastern Illinois
2013	Eastern Illinois	Eastern Illinois
2014	Jacksonville State	?

A Look at the Coaches: Six of the nine OVC coaches from last season returned to their respective teams in 2014. The three new coaches to the league are at Eastern Illinois (Kim Dameron), Jacksonville State (John Grass) and Southeast Missouri (Tom Matukewicz). Dameron comes to Charleston after most recently serving as the defensive coordinator at Louisiana Tech. Grass was elevated from Offensive Coordinator to head coach after helping JSU to the FCS Quarterfinals a season ago. Matukewicz is at Southeast Missouri after a stint at Toledo. Grass and Tennessee State's Rod Reed are the only two OVC coaches who are currently coaching at their alma mater. The longest tenured coach in the league is UT Martin's Jason Simpson who enters his ninth season with the Skyhawks in 2014.

OVC Digital Network: The OVC launched the OVC Digital Network (OVCDN) in August 2012. The OVCDN is the exclusive home for live web streamed athletic contests involving OVC schools. Overall 2014-15 marks the ninth year the OVC has streamed live events. Starting with the re-branding of the streaming in 2012-13, events were offered free of charge and in an HD format and featured improved quality thanks to an investment in new equipment conference-wide. Fans also find it easier to log onto OVCDigitalNetwork.com and access the streams and can do so without any registration. The events are available on any computer, tablet or smart phone without needing any special downloads or apps thanks new streaming technology. Approximately 41 OVC football games will be available on the OVCDN this season.



Jacksonville State senior running back DaMarcus James was named the OVC Preseason Offensive Player of the Year after earning All-American honors in 2013. During his junior season he rushed for a school record 1,477 yards and an OVC record 29 touchdowns in leading his team to the FCS Quarterfinals. James is one of 20 players on the Preseason Walter Payton Award Watch List.

RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS

Following are a look at the top statistical returners this season based on their production during the 2013 season (current year of eligibility indicated in parenthesis).

<u>Passing</u>	<u>Att.-Comp.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD/Int.</u>
Jared McClain, EKU (Sr.)	128-228	1,535	13/8
Jarod Neal, UTM (Jr.)	128-223	1,529	9/7
Ronald Butler, TSU (So.)	135-230	1,405	13/4
Dylan Favre, UTM (Sr.)	101-142	1,081	9/5
Scott Lathrop, SEMO (Jr.)	99-175	1,049	11/8

<u>Rushing</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD's</u>
Shepard Little, EIU (Jr.)	216	1,548	15
DaMarcus James, JSU (Sr.)	292	1,477	29
Taylor Duncan, EIU (Sr.)	217	988	10
DeMichael Jackson, SEMO (Jr.)	170	977	4
Eli Jenkins, JSU (So.)	137	953	8

<u>Receiving</u>	<u>Rec.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD's</u>
Adam Drake, EIU (Sr.)	85	1,305	13
Keiondre Gober, EIU (Jr.)	48	894	9
Josh Barge, JSU (So.)	58	885	2
Paul McRoberts, SEMO (Jr.)	44	646	9
Jeff LePak, EIU (Sr.)	51	723	8

<u>Tackles</u>	<u>UT</u>	<u>AT</u>	<u>Total</u>
Nick Thrasher, TSU (Sr.)	69	41	110
Brandon Bender, JSU (Jr.)	68	33	101
Tra'Darius Goff, TTU (Sr.)	36	65	101
Marty Jones, TTU (Sr.)	47	51	98
Jourdan Wickliffe, EIU (Sr.)	50	41	91

<u>Sacks</u>	<u>Sacks</u>	<u>Yds.</u>
Tony Bell, UTM (Sr.)	10.5	56
Anthony Bass, TSU (Sr.)	10.0	57
Dustin Gayton, JSU (Sr.)	7.0	37
Caleb Lawrence, JSU (Sr.)	5.5	31
Dino Fanti, EIU (Jr.)	5.0	28

<u>Interceptions</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD's</u>
Daniel Fitzpatrick, TSU (Sr.)	8	140	3
De'Ante Saunders, TSU (Sr.)	4	118	0
Jourdan Wickliffe, EIU (Sr.)	3	4	0

ALL-TIME COACHING VICTORIES

Following the 2011 season Eastern Illinois head coach Bob Spoo retired after compiling 92 wins while EIU was a member of the OVC, the fifth-most in Conference history. In total 85 coaches have led programs while a member of the OVC from 1948 to the present.

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Record</u>
1. Roy Kidd (EKU)	1964-02	315-123-8 (.715)
2. Boots Donnelly (AP/MT)	1977-78, 79-98	154-94-1 (.620)
3. Charles Murphy (MTSU)	1952-68	117-53-5 (.683)
4. Jimmy Feix (WKU)	1968-81	99-43-5 (.690)
5. Bob Spoo (EIU)	1996-11	92-82 (.529)
6. Don Wade (TTU)	1968-82	81-78-3 (.509)
7. Jack Crowe (JSU)	2003-12	73-39 (.652)
8. Wilburn Tucker (TTU)	1954-67	70-66-5 (.514)
9. Bill Furgerson (MUR)	1967-77	60-49-4 (.549)
10. Nick Denes (WKU)	1957-67	57-39-7 (.587)
11. Jason Simpson (UTM)	2006-present	52-39 (.571)
15. Watson Brown (AP/TTU)	1979-80, 07-pres.	47-54 (.465)
20. Dean Hood (EKU)	2008-present	40-29 (.580)
35. Rod Reed (TSU)	2010-present	26-21 (.553)
38. Chris Hatcher (MUR)	2010-present	24-21 (.533)
85. Kirby Cannon (APSU)	2013-present	0-12 (.000)
- Kim Dameron (EIU)	2014-present	0-0 (.000)
- John Grass (JSU)	2014-present	0-0 (.000)
- Tom Matukewicz (SEMO)	2014-present	0-0 (.000)

Note: Wins are in all games while team has been a member of the Ohio Valley Conference.

2014 COMPOSITE OVC SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 28

Eastern Kentucky at Robert Morris, 6:00 p.m.
 Missouri Baptist at Southeast Missouri, 6:00 p.m.
 Eastern Illinois at Minnesota, 6:00 p.m. (BTN)
 Union at Murray State, 7:00 p.m.
 Kentucky Christian at Tennessee Tech, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, August 29

Jacksonville State at Michigan State, 6:30 pm (BTN)

Saturday, August 30

UT Martin at Kentucky, 11:00 a.m. (SEC Network)
 Edward Waters at Tennessee State, 6:00 p.m.
 Austin Peay at Memphis, 6:00 p.m. (ESPN3)

Saturday, September 6

Tennessee Tech at Indiana State, 2:00 p.m.
 Eastern Kentucky at Miami (Ohio), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN3)
 Tennessee State at Alabama State, 5:00 p.m.
 Southern Illinois at Eastern Illinois, 6:00 p.m.
 Murray State at Louisville, 6:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
 Jacksonville State at Chattanooga, 6:00 p.m.
 Southeast Missouri at Kansas, 6:00 p.m.
 UT Martin at Central Arkansas, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 11

Cumberland (Tenn.) at UT Martin, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 13

Eastern Illinois at Illinois State, 12:00 p.m.
 Chattanooga at Austin Peay, 4:00 p.m.
 Morehead State at Eastern Kentucky, 5:00 p.m.
 Tennessee St. vs. Jackson St., 6:00 p.m. (Memphis, Tenn.)
 Southeast Missouri at Southern Illinois, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 20

*Eastern Kentucky at UT Martin, 12:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
 *Austin Peay at Eastern Illinois, 1:30 p.m.
 *Tennessee Tech at Tennessee State, 2:00 p.m.
 West Alabama at Jacksonville State, 3:00 p.m.
 Southeastern Louisiana at Southeast Missouri, 6:00 p.m.
 Murray State at Western Michigan, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 27

Tennessee Tech at Northern Iowa, 4:00 p.m.
 * Jacksonville State at Murray State, 6:00 p.m.
 Florida A&M at Tennessee State, 6:00 p.m.
 *Southeast Missouri at UT Martin, 6:00 p.m.
 Austin Peay at Illinois State, 6:30 p.m.
 Eastern Illinois at Ohio, TBA

Saturday, October 4

*Tennessee State at Southeast Missouri, 1:00 p.m.
 *UT Martin at Jacksonville State, 3:00 p.m.
 *Eastern Kentucky at Austin Peay, 6:00 p.m.
 *Murray State at Tennessee Tech, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 9

*Tennessee Tech at UT Martin, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 11

* Jacksonville St. at Tennessee St., 2:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
 *Southeast Missouri at Murray State, 3:00 p.m.
 Austin Peay at Mercer, 3:00 p.m.
 *Eastern Illinois at Eastern Kentucky, 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 18

*Eastern Illinois at Southeast Missouri, 1:00 p.m.
 *UT Martin at Tennessee State, 2:00 p.m.
 *Murray State at Austin Peay, 6:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
 *Eastern Kentucky at Tennessee Tech, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 25

*Tennessee State at Eastern Illinois, 1:30 p.m. (ESPN3)
 *Southeast Missouri at Eastern Kentucky, 2:00 p.m.
 *Austin Peay at UT Martin, 2:00 p.m.
 *Tennessee Tech at Jacksonville State, 3:00 p.m.
 Kentucky Wesleyan at Murray State, 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 1

*UT Martin at Murray State, 1:00 p.m.
 *Eastern Illinois at Tennessee Tech, 1:30 p.m.
 *Eastern Kentucky at Tennessee State, 2:00 p.m.
 *Austin Peay at Jacksonville State, 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 8

*Murray State at Eastern Illinois, 12:00 p.m.
 *Jacksonville State at Eastern Kentucky, 12:00 p.m.
 *Southeast Missouri at Tennessee Tech, 1:30 p.m. (ESPN3)
 *Tennessee State at Austin Peay, 4:00 p.m.
 UT Martin at Mississippi State, TBA

Saturday, November 15

*Murray State at Eastern Kentucky, 12:00 p.m.
 *Austin Peay at Southeast Missouri, 1:00 p.m.
 Chattanooga at Tennessee Tech, 1:30 p.m.
 *Eastern Illinois at Jacksonville St., 3:00 p.m. (ESPN3)

Saturday, November 22

*UT Martin at Eastern Illinois, 12:00 p.m.
 *Jacksonville St. at Southeast Missouri, 1:00 p.m.
 * Tennessee State at Murray State, 1:00 p.m.
 *Tennessee Tech at Austin Peay, 4:00 p.m.
 Eastern Kentucky at Florida, TBA

Saturday, November 29

FCS Playoffs First Round (campus sites)

Saturday, December 6

FCS Playoffs Second Round (campus sites)

Friday, December 12/Saturday, December 13

FCS Playoffs Quarterfinals (campus sites)

Friday, December 19/Saturday, December 20

FCS Playoffs Semifinals (campus sites)

Saturday, January 10

FCS National Championship, TBA (Frisco, Texas)

* - Denotes OVC contest

All Times CENTRAL; dates & times subject to change

All Conference games and home non-conference games featuring OVC schools will be available live on the OVC Digital Network at OVCDigitalNetwork.com.

2015 OVC SCHEDULE

September 26

Austin Peay at Eastern Kentucky
 Jacksonville State at UT Martin
 Tennessee Tech at Murray State

October 3

Eastern Illinois at Austin Peay
 Tennessee State at Jacksonville State
 Murray State at Southeast Missouri
 UT Martin at Tennessee Tech

October 10

Austin Peay at Murray State
 Southeast Missouri at Eastern Illinois
 Tennessee Tech at Eastern Kentucky
 Tennessee State at UT Martin

October 17

UT Martin at Austin Peay
 Eastern Illinois at Tennessee State
 Eastern Kentucky at Southeast Missouri
 Jacksonville State at Tennessee Tech

October 24

Jacksonville State at Austin Peay
 Tennessee Tech at Eastern Illinois
 Tennessee State at Eastern Kentucky
 Murray State at UT Martin

October 31

Austin Peay at Tennessee State
 Eastern Illinois at Murray State
 Eastern Kentucky at Jacksonville State
 Tennessee Tech at Southeast Missouri

November 7

Southeast Missouri at Austin Peay
 Jacksonville State at Eastern Illinois
 UT Martin at Eastern Kentucky
 Murray State at Tennessee State

November 14

Austin Peay at Tennessee Tech
 Eastern Illinois at UT Martin
 Eastern Kentucky at Murray State
 Southeast Missouri at Jacksonville State

November 21

Eastern Kentucky at Eastern Illinois
 Murray State at Jacksonville State
 UT Martin at Southeast Missouri
 Tennessee State at Tennessee Tech

All Future Schedules Are Subject to Change