

TCU Head Coach Jill Kramer

Opening statement...

"Thank you to the University of Nebraska for hosting such a really great tournament, everyone has been really hospitable, you guys do it the right way here for sure. What a great match from Wichita State. That's a really good team who has a tough system to defend. They played great defense against us and I know Chris [Lamb] is going to come back with a really great team next year, he always does. Hats off to them for playing such a great match. I think my team showed some resiliency tonight. Wichita State just kept coming back and coming back, they made some adjustments in the third set to stop us and to keep us from doing what we wanted to do, and we had to change what we were doing and they didn't make it easy on us. I am proud of our girls for problem solving and sticking together and finding a way to get it done, and not getting too ahead of themselves, they did a good job of playing point-for-point, not getting too up and down and they got it done so I'm proud of them."

On playing at Devaney...

"When I was with UVA, we came out here and played at the Coliseum and that held 4,000 people, or something like that, and the fans are right on top of you and they are really loud. What a great place to play, unless you're the other team with a bunch of freshman who look like deer in the headlights. We actually thought 'Gosh this is twice as big,' and I hadn't been to Devaney yet. So we have a consultant that works with us and I worked with him and said 'hey let's have a plan if this is an overpowering type of environment,' and we came up with a plan and we go with that plan and that works with us. "

On playing Nebraska...

"I know they are a great team, I haven't taken much of a look at them at all except for following them throughout the year or so. I haven't put near as much attention to it as I have for Wichita State, the rest of my staff has. I have seen a lot of these girls play volleyball for a long time through USA programs and just watching them play collegiately in general, just like every other team. We are going to watch their tendencies a little bit more closely, as a staff pretty much all night long, and then we are going to do what we do and see where it takes us."

Natalie Gower, Senior MB

"We definitely gained confidence [in recent matches], we won three in a row like you said, that builds our confidence, but it also teaches us how to battle, which every single game in this tournament will be. We knew Wichita State was going to be a huge battle, which it was, and so I think winning those tight sets prepared us for the battles that we are going to face in this tournament."

Ashley Smith , Senior OH

"I think the last three games we played were really tough and Wichita State played really well. Every time you go to five it's a tough match, this one didn't go to five but it felt just as difficult out there.

"My setters put me in really good positions every time. They gave me both angles and they played really good defense but they just consistently gave me so many good balls because we were digging some really good balls."