



NEBRASKA VOLLEYBALL

NCAA CHAMPIONS • 1995 • 2000 • 2006 • 2015 • 2017

2023 SCHEDULE (0-0, 0-0 BIG TEN)

Aug. 25	Utah State	NPM	6 p.m.
Aug. 26	Lipscomb		5 p.m.
Aug. 27	SMU		2 p.m.
Aug. 30	Omaha	BTN	7 p.m.
Sept. 3	at Kansas State		4 p.m.
Sept. 6	Creighton	BTN	7 p.m.
Sept. 9	Long Beach St.	NPM	7 p.m.
Sept. 12	at Stanford	ESPN	8 p.m.
Sept. 17	Kentucky	BTN	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 22	Ohio State*	BTN	8 p.m.
Sept. 24	Minnesota*	BTN	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	at Purdue*	BTN	6 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Indiana*	BTN	6 p.m.
Oct. 6	at Michigan State*		6 p.m.
Oct. 7	at Michigan*	BTN	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 13	Michigan State*	NPM	6 p.m.
Oct. 14	Penn State*	BTN	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	at Northwestern*		7 p.m.
Oct. 21	Wisconsin*	BTN	7 p.m.
Oct. 27	Maryland*		7 p.m.
Oct. 28	Rutgers*		7 p.m.
Nov. 3	at Penn State*	BTN	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 5	at Rutgers*		Noon
Nov. 8	Northwestern*	NPM	7 p.m.
Nov. 12	Illinois*	NPM	2 p.m.
Nov. 17	Michigan*	BTN	8 p.m.
Nov. 19	at Iowa*		2 p.m.
Nov. 24	at Wisconsin*	BTN	3 p.m.
Nov. 25	at Minnesota*	BTN	8 p.m.

* = Big Ten Conference match

-All matches televised on BTN are streamed on FoxSports.com

-All matches televised on Nebraska Public Media are streamed on

B1G+ (BigTenPlus.com, subscription required)

-All non-TV matches are streamed on B1G+

(BigTenPlus.com, subscription required)

RED-WHITE SCRIMMAGE

Date: Saturday, Aug. 19 • **Time:** 6 p.m.

Location: Lincoln, Neb. • **Arena:** Bob Devaney Sports Center (8,309)

TV: None • **Watch Online:** B1G+

Radio: Huskers Radio Network • **Listen Online:** Huskers.com, Huskers App

MATCH PREVIEW

- The Nebraska volleyball team begins its 2023 campaign with the annual Red-White Scrimmage on Saturday, Aug. 19 at 6 p.m. at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.
- The match will be streamed online at B1G+ (BigTenPlus.com, subscription required). The Huskers Radio Network will broadcast all the action on their radio affiliates, including 107.3 FM in Lincoln and AM 590 in Omaha. A live audio stream will be provided at Huskers.com and on the Huskers app. John Baylor is in his 30th season doing play-by-play for the Husker volleyball program. Lauren (Cook) West, a former All-America setter for the Huskers, will provide color commentary.
- Prior to the match, the Huskers will have a Volleyball Fan Day on Saturday from 10 a.m. until Noon on the Devaney Center concourse. The Husker players and coaches will sign autographs for two hours before turning their attention to preparing for the scrimmage.
- For Fan Day, one item per person may be signed. Posters for the 2023 season will be available at the autograph tables. In an effort to get all fans through the line, no pictures will be permitted with the coaches and players. Fans will use only the North doors to enter the building. The North doors will open right at 10 a.m. Parking will be available in Lots 58 and 60. Concessions will be open for fans to purchase drinks or candy, and the Huskers Store on the concourse will be open for fans to shop.

PARKING AND TRAFFIC INFORMATION FOR RED-WHITE

- Please plan to arrive early with road construction at the intersection of Antelope Valley Parkway and Salt Creek Roadway. A left turn lane, a right turn lane, and one through lane in each direction will be open for vehicle traffic at the intersection of Antelope Valley Parkway and Salt Creek Roadway. Please review the City of Lincoln's Street Closure Map to plan your path to the Devaney Center.
- For the Red-White Scrimmage only, all lots are first-come, first-served public parking for \$8. Fans can purchase parking passes in advance through UNL Parking & Transit Services.

MOBILE TICKETING

- Mobile tickets can be accessed via a Huskers ticket account on a web browser or through the Nebraska Huskers mobile app. To save time at the venue, fans are encouraged to save tickets and parking to their Apple Wallet or Google Pay apps prior to arrival on game day.

HUSKERS RANKED NO. 5 IN AVCA PRESEASON POLL

- Nebraska is ranked in a tie for fifth in the preseason AVCA Coaches Poll.
- The Huskers have been ranked in the top 10 a total of 543 times, which is also the most in NCAA history.
- Nebraska has appeared in all 604 AVCA Coaches Polls it has been eligible for since it was established in 1982. Nebraska is the only program to be ranked in every eligible poll all-time.
- Nebraska's 604 consecutive weeks of being ranked is the longest active streak in Division I for any sport, leading Connecticut women's basketball and North Carolina women's soccer.
- Nebraska has been ranked No. 1 in 102 all-time polls, the most in NCAA history.

AVCA HALL OF FAMER JOHN COOK IN 24TH SEASON AT NEBRASKA

- Nebraska head coach John Cook is in his 24th season as the Nebraska volleyball head coach in 2023. He has led the Huskers to four national championships, 10 final fours, 12 conference championships and 21 top-10 final rankings since 2000.
- Cook has 817 career wins and is one of the all-time winningest coaches in NCAA history. Since taking over the program in 2000, Cook has led the Huskers to a nation-leading .870 win percentage (656-98).
- Under Cook, the Huskers have achieved 64 AVCA All-Americans and 20 CoSIDA Academic All-Americans, both among the best in the nation. He is a two-time AVCA National Coach of the Year, earning the prestigious honor in 2000 and 2005, and a seven-time conference coach of the year, including Big Ten Coach of the Year in 2016 and 2017, his first and second Big Ten honors with the Huskers in their Big Ten era (2011-present).
- Cook is one of only two active coaches - and one of six all-time - to be a two-time AVCA National Coach of the Year and was honored in 2008 by USA Volleyball, receiving its All-Time Great Coach Award.
- Cook was inducted into the AVCA Hall of Fame in 2017, joining former Husker volleyball coach Terry Pettit in the hall.

2023 NEBRASKA VOLLEYBALL

ROSTER

2023 NEBRASKA VOLLEYBALL NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
2	Bergen Reilly	S	6-1	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D. / O'Gorman
5	Bekka Allick	MB	6-4	So.	Lincoln, Neb. / Waverly
6	Laney Choboy	DS/L	5-3	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C. / Leesville Road
7	Maisie Boesiger	DS/L	5-6	So.	Firth, Neb. / Norris
8	Lexi Rodriguez	DS/L	5-5	Jr.	Sterling, Ill / Sterling
9	Kennedi Orr	S	6-0	Jr.	Eagan, Minn. / Eagan
10	Caroline Jurevicius	OH	6-2	Fr.	Chardon, Ohio / Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin
11	Hayden Kubik	OH	6-2	So.	West Des Moines, Iowa / Valley
13	Merritt Beason	OH	6-4	Jr.	Gardendale, Ala. / Gardendale/Florida
14	Ally Batenhorst	OH	6-5	Jr.	Houston, Texas / Seven Lakes
15	Andi Jackson	MB	6-3	Fr.	Brighton, Colo. / Brighton
22	Lindsay Krause	OH	6-4	Jr.	Papillion, Neb. / Skutt Catholic
27	Harper Murray	OH	6-2	Fr.	Ann Arbor, Mich. / Skyline
44	Maggie Mendelson	MB	6-5	So.	Ogden, Utah / Fremont

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: John Cook (24th year; San Diego, 1979)
 Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator: Jaylen Reyes (6th year; BYU, 2015)
 Assistant Coach: Kelly Hunter (2nd year; Nebraska, 2017)
 Assistant Coach: Jordan Larson (1st year; Nebraska, 2008)
 Director of Operations: Lindsay Peterson (18th year; Nebraska, 2003)
 Video & Administrative Coordinator: Brian Magbitang (4th year; Wichita State, 2016)

2023 NEBRASKA VOLLEYBALL ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
5	Bekka Allick	MB	6-4	So.	Lincoln, Neb. / Waverly
14	Ally Batenhorst	OH	6-5	Jr.	Houston, Texas / Seven Lakes
13	Merritt Beason	OH	6-4	Jr.	Gardendale, Ala. / Gardendale/Florida
7	Maisie Boesiger	DS/L	5-6	So.	Firth, Neb. / Norris
6	Laney Choboy	DS/L	5-3	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C. / Leesville Road
15	Andi Jackson	MB	6-3	Fr.	Brighton, Colo. / Brighton
10	Caroline Jurevicius	OH	6-2	Fr.	Chardon, Ohio / Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin
22	Lindsay Krause	OH	6-4	Jr.	Papillion, Neb. / Skutt Catholic
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44	Maggie Mendelson	MB	6-5	So.	Ogden, Utah / Fremont
27	Harper Murray	OH	6-2	Fr.	Ann Arbor, Mich. / Skyline
9	Kennedi Orr	S	6-0	Jr.	Eagan, Minn. / Eagan
2	Bergen Reilly	S	6-1	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D. / O'Gorman
8	Lexi Rodriguez	DS/L	5-5	Jr.	Sterling, Ill / Sterling

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Pronunciation Guide

Ally Batenhorst BAY-ten-horst
 Maisie Boesiger MAY-see BO-sig-er
 Laney Choboy CHO-boy
 Caroline Jurevicius CARE-oh-line jur-uh-VISH-us
 Lindsay Krause KROW-zee
 Hayden Kubik CUE-bik

UNIVERSITY QUICK FACTS

Location Lincoln, Neb.
 Population 292,657
 Founded 1869
 Enrollment 25,390
 Nickname Cornhuskers, Huskers
 Colors Scarlet & Cream
 Conference Big Ten
 Facility (cap.) Bob Devaney Sports Center (8,309)
 Vice Chancellor, Director of Athletics Trev Alberts
 Executive Associate AD - SWA Marquita Armstead

Program History

First Year of Volleyball 1975
 Overall All-Time Record 1,433-267-12 (.841)
 Conference All-Time Record 655-70 (.903)
 NCAA Tournament Record 125-36 (.776)
 NCAA Semifinal Appearances 16 (Last, 2021)
 NCAA Final Appearances 10 (Last, 2021)
 National Championships... 5 (1995, 2000, 2006, 2015, 2017)
 Conference Titles 34 (Last, 2017)

Team Information

2022 Overall Record 26-6
 2022 Big Ten Record, Finish 16-4, 2nd
 2022 NCAA Tournament NCAA Regional Semifinals
 2022 Final AVCA Ranking 9
 2022 AVCA All-Americans Returning/Lost 1/0
 2022 Starters Returning/Lost 2 + Libero/4
 2022 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 8/6
 Newcomers 6

HUSKERS RADIO NETWORK

John Baylor is in his 30th season as the play-by-play voice of Nebraska volleyball. Lauren (Cook) West, a former All-America setter for the Huskers, has been the color commentator for the Huskers since 2017. Nebraska volleyball matches do not always air on the below affiliate stations. However, all matches can be streamed for free online at Huskers.com or on the official Huskers app.

Playfly Huskers Radio Network Volleyball Affiliates

City	Affiliate	Station
Ainsworth	KBRB-AM*	1400 AM
Ainsworth	KBRB-FM*	92.7 FM
Alliance	KCOW*	1400 AM
Beatrice	KWBE*	1450 AM
Broken Bow	KBBN*	95.3 FM
Columbus	KLIR*	101.1 FM
Fairbury	KUTT*	99.5 FM
Fairbury	KGMT*	1310 AM
Falls City	KTNC*	1230 AM
Fremont	KHUB*	1340 AM
Grand Island	KRGI*	1430 AM
Hastings	KHAS*	1230 AM
Hastings	KLIQ*	94.5 FM
Kearney	KGFV*	1340 AM
Lexington	KRVN*	880 AM
Lincoln	KBBK	107.3 FM
McCook	KSWN	93.9 FM
Nebraska City	KNCY*	1600 AM
North Platte	KHAQ	98.5 FM
Omaha	KXSP*	590 AM
Omaha	KKCD	105.9 FM
Scottsbluff	KNEB*	960 AM
Sidney	KSID-AM*	1340 AM
Sidney	KSID-FM*	98.7 FM
Superior	KRFS	1600 AM
Valentine	KVSH*	940 AM
West Point	KTIC*	840 AM

**Affiliates that only carry selected broadcasts*

At Nebraska

- Head Coach (2000-present)
- Associate Head Coach (1999)
- Assistant Coach (1988-91)

Other Coaching Experience

- Head Coach, Wisconsin (1992-98)
- Assistant Coach, U.S. Men's National Team (1992)
- San Diego VB Club (1986-88)
- UC-San Diego (1983-84)
- Francis Parker High School (1981-88)

Education

- University of San Diego (1979)
Bachelor's Degree, History
- San Diego State University (1991)
Master's Degree, Teaching and Coaching Effectiveness

**Career Achievements**

- 4 National Championships (2000, 2006, 2015, 2017)
- 7 NCAA Finals appearances
- 10 NCAA Semifinals appearances
- 21 NCAA Regional Final (19 at NU) appearances
- 25 NCAA Regional (22 at NU) appearances
- 13 Conference Championships (12 at NU)

Coaching Honors

- AVCA Hall of Fame Inductee (2017)
- USA Volleyball All-Time Great Coach Award (2008)
- AVCA Division I National Coach of the Year (2000, 2005)
- Volleyball Magazine National Coach of the Year (2008, 2018)
- AVCA Division I Region Coach of the Year (2000, 2005, 2008, 2016)
- Big Ten Coach of the Year (1997, 2016, 2017)
- Big 12 Coach of the Year (2001, 2005, 2008, 2010)
- NACDA/USOC Collegiate Coaches Award (1997)

Collegiate Record

- Overall: 817-171 (.827)
- At Nebraska: 656-98 (.870)
- Big Ten Overall: 282-93 (.752)
- Big Ten at Nebraska: 193-42 (.821)
- NCAA Overall: 92-24 (.793)
- NCAA at Nebraska: 84-19 (.816)

NCAA Winningest Programs Since 2000

No.	Team	Record	Pct.
1.	Nebraska	656-98	.870
2.	Florida	641-101	.864
3.	Hawaii	600-103	.853
4.	Penn State	665-116	.851
5.	Stanford	612-128	.827

NCAA Winningest Active Coaches

No.	Team	Record	Pct.
1.	Heather Olmstead, BYU	214-29	.881
2.	Mary Wise, Florida	1,026-195	.840
3.	Dan Fisher, Pittsburgh	333-64	.839
4.	Jerritt Elliott, Texas	611-122	.834
5.	John Cook, Nebraska	817-171	.827

(record at four-year colleges only; minimum five years)

NCAA All-Time Winningest Coaches

No.	Team	Record	Pct.
1.	Don Shaw, Stanford	440-70	.863
2.	Dave Shoji, Hawaii	1,202-204-1	.855
3.	Russ Rose, Penn State	1,330-229	.853
4.	*Mary Wise, Florida	1,026-195	.840
5.	*Jerritt Elliott, Texas	611-122	.834
6.	John Dunning, Pacific/Stanford	888-185	.828
7.	*John Cook, Nebraska	817-171	.827
8.	Terry Pettit, Nebraska	694-148-12	.820
9.	Elaine Michaelis, BYU	886-219-5	.800
10.	Brian Gimmillaro, Long Beach St.	835-221	.791

*-active

(record at four-year colleges only; minimum 10 years)

Year-by-Year Record

Year	Overall	Pct.	Conf. Record	Pct.	Conf. Place	Postseason Finish	AVCA Rk.
1992 (UW)	14-17	.452	9-11	.450	7th	--	NR
1993 (UW)	19-13	.593	11-9	.550	5th	NCAA Second Round	NR
1994 (UW)	21-12	.636	11-9	.550	5th	NCAA First Round	NR
1995 (UW)	22-15	.595	9-11	.450	7th	NIVC Champion	NR
1996 (UW)	25-8	.758	13-7	.650	5th	NCAA Regional Semifinals	15th
1997 (UW)	30-3	.909	19-1	.950	t1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
1998 (UW)	30-5	.857	17-3	.850	2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	7th
2000 (NU)	34-0	1.000	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Champion	1st
2001 (NU)	31-2	.940	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Semifinals	3rd
2002 (NU)	31-2	.940	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2003 (NU)	28-5	.850	17-3	.850	2nd	NCAA Regional Semifinals	13th
2004 (NU)	30-2	.938	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2005 (NU)	33-2	.943	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
2006 (NU)	33-1	.971	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Champion	1st
2007 (NU)	30-2	.938	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2008 (NU)	31-3	.912	18-2	.900	1st	NCAA Semifinals	3rd
2009 (NU)	26-7	.788	16-4	.800	3rd	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2010 (NU)	29-3	.906	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Regional Semifinals	7th
2011 (NU)	25-5	.833	17-3	.850	1st	NCAA Second Round	12th
2012 (NU)	26-7	.788	15-5	.750	t2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	7th
2013 (NU)	26-7	.788	16-4	.800	2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	7th
2014 (NU)	23-10	.697	14-6	.700	4th	NCAA Regional Finals	8th
2015 (NU)	32-4	.889	17-3	.850	2nd	NCAA Champion	1st
2016 (NU)	31-3	.939	18-2	.900	1st	NCAA Semifinals	4th
2017 (NU)	32-4	.889	19-1	.950	t1st	NCAA Champion	1st
2018 (NU)	29-7	.806	15-5	.750	t3rd	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
2019 (NU)	28-5	.848	17-3	.850	t2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2020 (NU)	16-3	.842	14-2	.875	3rd	NCAA Regional Finals	6th
2021 (NU)	26-8	.765	15-4	.789	2nd	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
2022 (NU)	26-6	.827	16-4	.800	2nd	NCAA Regional Semifinals	9th
Totals	817-171	.827	489-106	.822			

*Nebraska's first year in the Big Ten

Major Player Honors Under CookHonda-Broderick Cup Winner

- Sarah Pavan (2006)

Olympians

- Justine Wong-Orantes (2020)
- Kayla Banwarth (2016)
- Kelsey Robinson (2016, 2020)
- Sarah Pavan (2016 Beach, 2020 Beach)
- Jordan Larson (2012, 2016, 2020)
- Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) (2004)

U.S. National Team

- Greichaly Cepero (2002-03)
- Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) (2002-13)
- Tracy Stalls (2007-11)
- Jordan Larson (2009-present)
- Kayla Banwarth (2011-16)
- Kelsey Robinson (2014-present)
- Amber Rolfzen (2017-2020)
- Justine Wong-Orantes (2017-present)
- Kadie Rolfzen (2018-2020)
- Mikaela Foecke (2019-2020)

Canadian National Team

- Sarah Pavan (2010-13)
- Sarah Pavan (Beach, 2013-pres.)

AVCA National Player of the Year

- Greichaly Cepero (2000)
- Christina Houghtelling (2005)
- Sarah Pavan (2006)

Honda Sport Award Winners

- Greichaly Cepero (2000)
- Sarah Pavan (2006)

AVCA COACHES POLL (PRESEASON)

Rk	Team	Points	Record	Last
1	Texas (44)	1564	0-0	NR
2	Wisconsin (7)	1489	0-0	NR
3	Stanford (13)	1449	0-0	NR
4	Louisville	1388	0-0	NR
t5	Nebraska	1294	0-0	NR
t5	Pittsburgh	1294	0-0	NR
7	Minnesota	1105	0-0	NR
8	Penn State	1091	0-0	NR
9	Oregon	1067	0-0	NR
10	Kentucky	899	0-0	NR
11	Florida	841	0-0	NR
12	Marquette	768	0-0	NR
13	San Diego	760	0-0	NR
14	Ohio State	745	0-0	NR
15	Baylor	694	0-0	NR
16	Purdue	644	0-0	NR
17	BYU	617	0-0	NR
18	Creighton	546	0-0	NR
19	Houston	421	0-0	NR
20	Georgia Tech	394	0-0	NR
21	Washington State	359	0-0	NR
22	Southern California	204	0-0	NR
23	Rice	192	0-0	NR
24	Western Kentucky	181	0-0	NR
25	Arkansas	122	0-0	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Kansas 99; Tennessee 84; Washington 63; Auburn 62; UCF 53; Hawai'i 49; Miami (FL) 45; Georgia 35; LSU 28; TCU 20; Illinois 18; Utah 18; Iowa State 14; Loyola Marymount 14; Pepperdine 14; Florida State 12; James Madison 5

NEBRASKA'S WEEKLY RANKING

Aug. 15 (Preseason)	t5
Aug. 28	
Sept. 4	
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Nov. 27	

2 Bergen Reilly	S	6-1	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D. (O'Gorman)
Won gold with the U.S. Girls U19 Team at the 2022 Pan American Cup and was named MVP and "Best Setter" of the tournament... was a three-time South Dakota Gatorade Player of the Year after leading O'Gorman to back-to-back Class AA state championships in 2020 and 2021... ranked No. 4 overall and the No. 1 setter recruit.				
5 Bekka Allick	MB	6-4	So.	Lincoln, Neb. (Waverly)
Named to the AVCA All-Region Team after finishing her first season as a Husker with 1.89 kills per set, 1.01 blocks per set and a team-high .326 hitting percentage...was an All-Big Ten Second Team and a unanimous All-Big Ten Freshman Team member...named Big Ten Freshman of the Week twice.				
6 Laney Choboy	DS/L	5-3	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C. (Leesville Road)
Won gold with the U.S. Girls U19 Team at the 2022 Pan American Cup and was named the "Best Receiver" at the tournament...named a MaxPreps High School First-Team All-American at Leesville Road...ranked No. 8 overall and the No. 1 libero recruit.				
7 Maisie Boesiger	DS/L	5-6	So.	Firth, Neb. (Norris)
Played in 23 matches as a serving sub for the Huskers in 2022 and recorded three aces, six set assists and 12 digs.				
8 Lexi Rodriguez	DS/L	5-5	Jr.	Sterling, Ill (Sterling)
Two-time AVCA All-American and All-Big Ten libero...second-team AVCA All-American and third-team Academic All-American in 2022...chosen as one of two team captains for the 2023 season...led the Huskers to a nation-leading .128 opponent hitting percentage with 4.26 digs per set in 2022.				
9 Kennedi Orr	S	6-0	Jr.	Eagan, Minn. (Eagan)
In her second season with the Huskers in 2022, played in 17 matches and recorded 5.02 assists per set and 1.94 digs per set in 54 sets played.				
10 Caroline Jurevicius	OH	6-2	Fr.	Chardon, Ohio (Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin)
Named the Ohio Division II Player of the Year by Cleveland.com...was a MaxPreps High School First-Team All-American at NDCL and was ranked No. 17 overall and the No. 3 opposite hitter recruit.				
11 Hayden Kubik	OH	6-2	So.	West Des Moines, Iowa (Valley)
Played in four matches in her first season as a Husker in 2022 and recorded seven kills and seven digs in eight sets played.				
13 Merritt Beason	OH	6-4	Jr.	Gardendale, Ala. (Gardendale/Florida)
Was an All-SEC and AVCA All-Region selection as a sophomore at Florida in 2022 before transferring to Nebraska and being named a team captain for the 2023 season...in her sophomore season at Florida in 2022, helped the Gators win a share of the SEC Championship by averaging 3.35 kills per set with a .261 hitting percentage.				
14 Ally Batenhorst	OH	6-5	Jr.	Houston, Texas (Seven Lakes)
Posted 2.33 kills per set to go with 1.06 digs per set in 2022...was named to the Louisville Regional All-Tournament Team after 15 kills and 12 digs against No. 9 Oregon in the NCAA regional semifinal.				
15 Andi Jackson	MB	6-3	Fr.	Brighton, Colo. (Brighton)
Won gold with the U.S. Girls U19 Team at the 2022 Pan American Cup...selected to play in the 2022 Under Armour All-America Game...ranked No. 6 overall and the No. 1 middle blocker recruit.				
22 Lindsay Krause	OH	6-4	Jr.	Papillion, Neb. (Skutt Catholic)
Averaged 2.25 kills per set with a .269 hitting percentage and totaled 44 blocks and 45 digs...over the final 12 matches of the season, averaged 2.72 kills per set with a .359 hitting percentage.				
27 Harper Murray	OH	6-2	Fr.	Ann Arbor, Mich. (Skyline)
Named the Gatorade National Player of the Year and Michigan Volleyball Player of the Year for 2022...won gold with the U.S. Girls U19 Team at the 2022 Pan American Cup and received the "Best Spiker" award at the tournament...ranked the No. 1 overall recruit.				
44 Maggie Mendelson	MB	6-5	So.	Ogden, Utah (Fremont)
Played in 14 matches in her first season as a Husker and logged 1.12 kills per set and 0.79 blocks per set in 42 sets played...also played on the Nebraska women's basketball team and averaged 2.0 points and 2.2 rebounds in 22 games played.				

Huskers Add Transfer Merritt Beason

The Nebraska volleyball program announced the addition of Florida transfer Merritt Beason on Dec. 23. Beason, a 6-3 opposite hitter, joined the Huskers in January after playing the last two seasons at Florida, where she was an All-SEC and AVCA All-Southeast Region honoree in 2022, as well as an All-SEC Freshman Team selection in 2021.

As a sophomore at Florida in 2022, Beason helped the Gators win a share of the SEC Championship by averaging 3.35 kills per set with a .261 hitting percentage. She had double-digit kills in 21 of 28 matches played and had a career-best 21 kills with eight digs, three aces and a pair of blocks in a five-set win at Wisconsin in September. Beason also led the Gators with 38 service aces on the season – ranking third in the SEC – and contributed 1.92 digs per set and 0.88 blocks per set. She led the Gators in kills and aces per set and was second in digs and third in blocks. Beason received All-America honorable mention by VolleyballMag.com following the season after captaining the Gators to an NCAA regional semifinal appearance.

Beason was named the MVP of the 2022 Pan American Cup as the U.S. Women's U21 National Team won gold last June in La Paz, Mexico. Beason played alongside current Huskers Lexi Rodriguez and Bekka Allick on the team. In the 3-1 championship win over Argentina, Beason had a team-high 14 kills and three blocks, while Allick had 12 kills and two blocks and Rodriguez had 24 digs.

Volleyball Day in Nebraska Coming Aug. 30

The Nebraska volleyball program will look to shatter the NCAA volleyball attendance record on Wednesday, Aug. 30 when it hosts the University of Nebraska Omaha in Memorial Stadium on "Volleyball Day in Nebraska". The final capacity for the event is expected to be approximately 91,000, not including credentialed media and staff. Only a few hundred standing-room only tickets remain.

The record crowd for any NCAA volleyball match is 18,755 when Nebraska played Wisconsin on Dec. 18, 2021, in the NCAA Championship at Nationwide Arena in Columbus, Ohio. The largest NCAA volleyball regular-season crowd is 16,833 when Wisconsin hosted Florida at the Kohl Center in Madison, Wis., on Sept. 16, 2022.

The largest crowd to attend a women's sporting event in the USA was 90,185 for the 1999 Women's World Cup Final between USA and China at Rose Bowl Stadium. That remained as a world record until 91,553 surpassed it when Barcelona played Real Madrid in Spain in a UEFA Women's Champions League match on March 30, 2022. Barcelona broke their own record a month later on April 22 as 91,648 gathered for a match in Camp Nou against Wolfsburg in a Women's Champions League semifinal.

Nebraska volleyball fans have continued to set the bar for attendance throughout the years:

- Eight of the top nine crowds in NCAA volleyball history are matches that have involved the Huskers.
- Of the 14 largest NCAA volleyball regular-season crowds, 13 have been Nebraska matches.
- The Husker volleyball program has sold out 303 consecutive regular-season matches dating back to 2001. The streak is an NCAA women's record.

Jordan Larson Named Assistant Coach

Nebraska volleyball and U.S. Women's National Team legend Jordan Larson has been named a full-time assistant coach for the Nebraska volleyball program, head coach John Cook announced June 13. Larson will join Cook and assistant coaches Jaylen Reyes and Kelly Hunter on the Husker staff once her summer playing schedule wraps up in September. The NCAA Division I Council adopted a proposal in January that, among other changes, allows teams that utilize a volunteer coach to add a full-time coach position beginning this season.

"One of the greatest honors of being the Nebraska volleyball coach is when I have the opportunity to coach with a former player," Cook said. "Jordan and I have talked for years about coaching at Nebraska. She will bring a wealth of experience that she can share with our players. There is no place like Nebraska!"

One of the greatest American volleyball players in history, Larson was the team captain, Best Outside Hitter and Most Valuable Player when the U.S. won its first Olympic women's volleyball gold medal in Tokyo in 2021. After the Olympics, she continued to play club volleyball in China and Italy but planned to retire from international competition. However, in May she announced her return to the national team.

A native of Hooper, Neb., Larson was a standout on some of the greatest teams in program history from 2005 to 2008 and was inducted into the Nebraska Athletic Hall of Fame in 2020. She helped Nebraska to a top-five NCAA Tournament finish in each of her four seasons. The Huskers went 127-8 during her career with four Big 12 Conference titles and three trips to the NCAA semifinals, including the 2006 national title and a runner-up finish in 2005.

Individually, Larson was an All-American on the court and in the classroom. She was a three-time All-American and a two-time first-team All-American. At the conference level, Larson was a two-time Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year and the 2008 Big 12 Player of the Year. She was also an Academic All-American as a senior. Larson finished her Husker career with 1,600 kills, 1,410 digs and a school-record 186 aces.

Huskers Welcome Five Talented Freshmen

The 2023 Nebraska volleyball signing class was ranked the No. 1 class by PrepVolleyball.com, the second time in three years the Huskers were awarded the top spot. The Huskers' five freshmen, who all enrolled in January, are:

- Laney Choboy, 5-3, DS/L, Raleigh, N.C.
- Andi Jackson, 6-3, MB, Brighton, Colo.
- Caroline Jurevicius, 6-2, OH, Chardon, Ohio
- Harper Murray, 6-2, OH, Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Bergen Reilly, 6-1, S, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Huskers Complete 17-Day Brazil Trip

The Nebraska volleyball team took a foreign team trip to Brazil in June 2023. The Huskers spent 17 days traveling in Belo Horizonte, Rio de Janeiro, Saquarema and Búzios. Nebraska went 5-0 on the trip and was crowned tournament champions. The highlights included a 4-1 win against the Brazil U21 National Team and a 3-2 win over the Brazil Military Selection Team after the Huskers trailed 2-1. The Huskers visited Sugarloaf Mountain and the Christ the Redeemer statue and also spent time at outreach events with local youth.

"It was perfect for us," Cook said. "The great thing was that we could play two teams because we took 14 players. Sometimes you don't get to take everybody so it was great. We had one team one night and then we switch setters and play another team. We mix them up, and so it was very productive in that way. We won a lot of close games. I think we only lost one close, deuce game. So we won all the other ones. I saw them step up. We were down, I think, 24-21 in a game and we made three unreal plays to tie it up and then win it. They were big-time plays. So it's good to see your team step up on the road like that and be able to win those."

Beason, Rodriguez Named Team Captains

Junior opposite hitter Merritt Beason and two-time All-American libero Lexi Rodriguez will serve as the Huskers' team captains for the 2023 season. Rodriguez was one of three team captains as a sophomore last year, while Beason is in her first year in the program after transferring from Florida, where she was a captain in 2022. The Huskers have no seniors on their roster. Rodriguez and Beason were notified of their captaincy by the captain of the flight home from Brazil.

Rodriguez is a two-time AVCA All-American and All-Big Ten libero. She was also a third-team Academic All-American in 2022 majoring in advertising and public relations. Rodriguez led the Huskers to a nation-leading .128 opponent hitting percentage with 4.26 digs per set in 2022. Beason was an All-SEC and AVCA All-Region selection as a sophomore at Florida in 2022. As a sophomore she helped the Gators win a share of the SEC Championship by averaging 3.35 kills per set with a .261 hitting percentage.

Huskers on TV 20 Times in 2023

- The Nebraska volleyball team will have 20 of its 29 regular-season matches set for TV broadcasts this season.
- The Huskers will play on Big Ten Network 14 times, on Nebraska Public Media five times and on ESPN once. All matches televised on Big Ten Network can be streamed on FoxSports.com. The five matches televised on Nebraska Public Media can be streamed on B1G+ with a subscription.
- The four non-televised home matches will be streamed on B1G+ with a subscription. Those matches include: Lipscomb (Aug. 26), SMU (Aug. 27), Maryland (Oct. 27) and Rutgers (Oct. 28).

Rodriguez Named to Preseason All-Big Ten Team

- Nebraska junior libero Lexi Rodriguez was a unanimous selection to the Preseason All-Big Ten Team. Rodriguez was one of just three players who was unanimously selected by the league's 14 head coaches.
- Rodriguez is a two-time AVCA All-American and All-Big Ten selection. The Sterling, Ill., native was a unanimous All-Big Ten pick last year after leading the Huskers to a nation-leading .128 opponent hitting percentage with 4.26 digs per set. Rodriguez earned AVCA second-team All-America accolades in 2022, and she was a first-team All-American and the AVCA National Freshman of the Year in 2021, as well as the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year.
- The Huskers were picked second in the preseason poll behind Wisconsin. Minnesota was third, followed by Penn State and Purdue.

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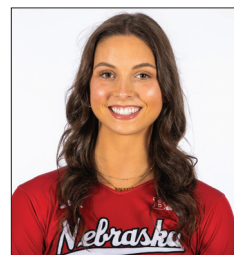
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Jr. • OH • Houston, Texas



#15 ANDI JACKSON
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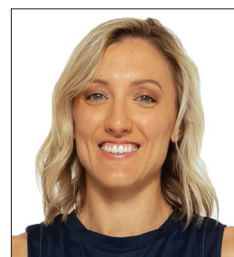
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