

NCAA Division II Preview

ATLANTIC REGION

Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)

California (Pa.) (40-2, 12-0 PSAC West)

2008 Final National Ranking: 12th

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: PSAC West Regular Season and PSAC Tournament Champions

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 5/6

Top Returners: Ludmila Amaral (Sr., Middle Hitter, 6-1, 2008 AVCA Second-Team All-American, 2008 Daktronics Third-Team All-American, 2008 PSAC West Athlete of the Year, 2008 All-PSAC West First Team), Renata Silva (Sr., Setter, 5-8, 2007 and 2008 AVCA Third-Team All-American, 2008 Daktronics Honorable Mention All-American, 2007 and 2008 All-PSAC West First Team), Joanna Nist (Sr., Outside Hitter, 5-10, 2008 Daktronics Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 AVCA All-Region, 2007 and 2008 Daktronics Regional Player of the Year, 2007 and 2008 All-PSAC West First Team)

Top Newcomers: Ana Luisa Aguilar Almeida (Fr., Outside Hitter, 6-0), Meghan Franz (Fr., Outside Hitter, 5-11), Basia Kossecka (Fr., Right-Side Hitter, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Marta Hodge (Sr., Libero, 5-4)

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Slippery Rock University (26-12, 5-7 PSAC West)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: Atlantic Region Semifinals

2008 Conference Finish: PSAC Semifinals

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/16

Top Returners: Kaylee Smith (So., OH, 5-8), Kim Wilson (Jr., Setter, 5-9), Marissa Balmert (Jr., MB, 5-11), Keira Peoples (Sr., MB, 5-11), Anna Bixler (Jr., Setter/DS, 5-7)

Top Newcomers: Hannah McShea (Fr., OH, 5-8), Kalli Wakefield (Fr., Setter, 5-9)

Top Players Lost: Jen Blasko (OH, 5-5) Three time All-PSAC and two time All-Atlantic Region selection.

Anastasia Urbanik (Opp., 5-9) First team All-PSAC and All-Atlantic Region selection for three consecutive years.

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Clarion University

2008 Final National Ranking: None

2008 Postseason Finish: None

2008 Conference Finish: Fifth in PSAC-West

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4+Libero/14

Top Returners: Rhianon Brady (So., LB, 5-6, 2nd team Daktronics Atlantic All-Region), Nicole Andrusz (Jr., MH, 6-2, Honorable Mention AVCA Atlantic All-Region; 2nd team PSAC-West), Amanda Gough (So., Setter, 5-9), Danielle Brunot (So., MH/RS, 6-1), Kellie Bartman (So., OH, 6-1)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht): N/A

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors): None

East Stroudsburg University (15-20, 5-10, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: PSAC Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd in PSAC East

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5+Libero

Top Returners: Alyson Stark (Jr., OH, 6'0", All-PSAC 2nd team), Brianne Bachman (Jr., MB, 5'10"), Emily Detter (Jr., OH, 5'11"), Lindsey Lullo (Jr., L, 5'7")

Top Newcomers: Kaitlin Behrens (Fr., OH, 6'0")

Top Players Lost: Caitlin Kuhn (MB, All-PSAC 1st team), Kim Dormer (L), Amilee Schillinger (S)

Gannon University (13-14 overall record, 3-9 PSAC Western Division record, PSAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 6th in PSAC Western Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero / 11

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors): Kara Cullen (So., MB, 6-0, 27 MP, 25 MS, 180 kills, 1.86 kills per game, .290 hitting percentage, 112 blocks, 1.15 blocks per game); Lindsey Deitman (So., MB/OH, 5-8, 27 MP, 21 MS, 152 kills, 1.77 kills per game, 21 aces, 0.24 aces per game, 140 digs, 1.63 digs per game, 45 blocks, 0.52 blocks per game); Maire Prybyl (Sr., S, 5-10, 25 MP, 23 MS, 627 assists, 7.84 assists per game, 51 aces, 0.64 aces per game, 144 digs, 1.80 digs per game, 36 blocks, 0.45 blocks per game); Jess Saunders (Jr., DS, 5-9, 180 digs, 3.60 digs per game); Kadie Zimmerman (Sr., DS, 5-9, 146 digs, 2.03 digs per game).

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht): Sarah Glancy (Fr., MH, 6-2), Jenni Jones (Fr., S/DS, 5-8), Christine Peffer (Fr., OH, 5-9), Morgan Reineke (Fr., OH/RS), Lauren Sazama (Fr., OH).

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors): Ashley Tubbs (Sr., OH, 5-11, 26 MP, 26 MS, 296 kills, 3.12 kills per game, 34 aces, 0.36 aces per game, 198 digs, 2.08 digs per game, 45 blocks, 0.47 blocks per game); Julianne Moots (Sr., MB, 6-0, 26 MP, 24 MS, 152 kills, 1.71 kills per game, 59 blocks, 0.66 blocks per game).

Fairmont State University Conference Record): 13-22 (6-9 WVIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking:

2008 Postseason Finish:

2008 Conference Finish: 11th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners

Top Returners: Micah Bell (Sr., MH, 5-9, All-WVIAC 2nd Team) Morgan Walls (So., Libero, 5-4)

Top Newcomers: Haley Lippert (Fr., OH, 5-10, Liberty Twp., Ohio)

Lizzy Flynn (Fr., Setter, 5-7, Cincinnati, Ohio)

Top Players Lost: Alisha Starcher (MH)

Indiana University of Pennsylvania (15-21, 1-11, PSAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: NR

2008 Postseason Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 7

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 + Libero / 7

Top Returners: Chelsey Kreinbrook (Jr., Setter, 5-9), Emily Pany (Jr., Libero, 5-4), Danielle Ostendorf (So., MB, 6-1), Alyssa Prince (So., OH, 5-8)

Top Newcomers: Jessica Bodkin (Jr., OH, 6-2), Laura McFadden (Fr., OH, 5-8), Morgan Cerveny (Fr., MB, 5-11), Kelsey Rodgers (Fr. Setter, 5-9), Sara Leighty (Fr., RH, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Tessa Siewert (MB, 2nd team all-conference) Madeline Schulte (OH), Racquel Cabrera (MB)

Seton Hill (14-13, 10-5, WVIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 5th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/10

Top Returners: Megan Kehlert (JR, OH, 5-8, ALL WVIAC Honorable Mention), Rebecca Robinson (SO, OH, 6-0, All WVIAC Freshman Team), Anna Knestaut (JR, DS, 5-8), Michelle Ferrari (SO, OH, 5-11)

Top Newcomers: Christina Donahoe (FR, OH, 5-9), Ashley Steinbach (FR, OH, 6-0), Lindsey Pavlikowski (FR, MH, 5-11), McKenzie Blake (FR, S, 5-10)
Top Players Lost: Reigh Steban (OH, All AVCA All Region Team, Daktronics All Region Team, WVIAC All Tournament Team, First Team All WVIAC)

West Chester University (24-10, 9-3, PSAC)

2008 Final National Ranking:

2008 Postseason Finish: 2nd

2008 Conference Finish: Lost in quarterfinals

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/5

Top Returners: Michelle Powers (Jr., MH, 5-10, 2007 PSAC East Rookie of the Year, 2007 PSAC East Second Team Selection, 2008 PSAC First Team Selection), Lisa Campbell (So., L, 5-7), Alyssa Brown (So., MH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Alexis Kegerise (Fr., OH, 5-10), Brooke Foskey (Fr., OH, 5-10), Kelly Martin (Fr., MH, 6-0), Helen Fitzpatrick (So., S, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Lisa Yeasted (Sr., S, 5-8, 2007 PSAC East Second Team Selection, 2008 PSAC First Team Selection)

CENTRAL REGION

Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)

Concordia-St. Paul (37-1, 20-0 NSIC)

2008 Final AVCA Ranking: 1st

2008 NCAA Postseason Finish: NCAA National Champions

2008 Conference Finish: 1st

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4+libero/9

Top Returners: Maggie McNamara (S, 5-9, Sr., AVCA National Player of the Year, three-time AVCA All-America); Emily Palkert (MB, 5-11, Jr., AVCA First-Team All-America, 2007 AVCA National Freshman of the Year); Mary Slinger (DS/L, 5-8, Sr., AVCA Second-Team All-America); Sadie Kessler (RS/Opp., 5-9, Sr., AVCA Honorable Mention All-America); Ellie Duffy (OH, 5-7, So., NCAA All-Tournament Team, Central Region All-Tournament Team)

Top Newcomers: Megan Carlson (OH, 5-9, So.), Cassie Haag (MB, 5-11, Fr.), Michelle Graham (S/OH, 5-11, Fr.), Kara Pioske (OH, 5-9, Fr.)

Top Players Lost: Maria Steinhagen (MB, 5-10, AVCA Second-Team All-America, ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America First-Team), Whitney Meierotto (OH, 5-8, AVCA Second-Team All-America)

Nebraska-Kearney (32-4, 18-1 RMAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 6th

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA 2nd Round

2008 Conference Finish: RMAC regular season champs

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 6 + libero

Top Returners: Jeri Walkowiak (Jr., MH, 5-11, 2008 AVCA First-Team All-American, 2008 RMAC Player of the Year), Nikki Scott (Sr., MH, 6-2, 2008 H.M. AVCA All-American, 2008 RMAC Academic Player of the Year), Cola Svec (Jr., S, 5-8, 2008 H.M. AVCA All-American, 2008 RMAC Setter of the Year), Chelsie Carson (Jr., OH, 6-1), Erica Burson (Sr., OH, 5-10), Shannon Clausen (Sr., RS, 5-11), Kelli Wemhoff (Sr., L, 5-6, 2008 RMAC Third-Team), Shelby Workman (So., OH, 5-10), Katlyn Heiserman (Jr., DS, 5-5)

Top Newcomers: Jena Isascson (Fr-R, MH/OH, 6-0), Alex Miller (So., DS, 5-9), Kaleigh Anderson (Fr., DS, 5-7)

Top Players Lost: Michaela Kneip (Jr., DS), Jordan Squiers (Fr-R, S)

Southwest Minnesota State University (28-6, 16-4 NSIC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 8th

2008 Postseason Finish: Central Region Semifinals

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/8

Top Returners: Sara Graf (Sr., S, 5-10, 2008 All-NSIC), Devin Diedrich (MB, 6-0, 2008 All-NSIC honorable selection, 2008 NSIC Newcomer of the Year, 2008 AVCA All-Central Region, 2008 AVCA Central Region Freshman of the Year, 2008 AVCA All-America honorable mention), Brittany Wenzel (So., DS/L, 5-7), Tory Brouwer (Sr., RS, 5-10).

Top Newcomers: Mary Groth, (Fr., MB, 6-1), Kenzie Niesche (Fr., DS, 5-8).

Top Players Lost: Kasey Loeslie (MB, 6-1, 2008 All-NSIC, 2008 AVCA All-Central Region, 2008 AVCA All-America third team), Sarah Quiram, (DS, 5-10, 2008 All-NSIC, 2008 Central Region All-Tournament Team, 2008 AVCA All-Central Region honorable mention).

University of Minnesota Duluth (26-9 overall; 15-5 NSIC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 9th

2008 Postseason Finish: North Central Regional Finalist

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd-Tie

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/12

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors) April Hansen (So., MB, 6-1, 2008 AVCA All-American Honorable Mention, 2008 All-NSIC Honorable Mention), Hannah Johnson (So., OH, 6-1), Jamie Lakatos (Jr, OH, 5-8), Rachel Jacobson (Sr, DS, 5-6).

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht) Anna Zyvoloski (Fr., OH, 5-11), Kalli Lochner (Fr., MB, 6-1), Jamie Rust (Fr., MB, 6-1)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors) Katie Gangelhoff (S, 2008 AVCA All-American First Team, 2007 All-American Second Team); Sarah Wyfells (MB, 2008 AVCA All-American Second Team, 2007 All-American Honorable Mention), Lindsey Clairmont (MB, 2008 All-NSIC Honorable Mention)

Augustana (S.D.) (23-11, 15-5 NSIC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 23rd

2008 Postseason Finish: Regional Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: Tie 3rd

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 / 8

Top Returners: Ellen Andrews (Sr., RS, 6-1, 2008 All-NSIC Honorable Mention, 2008 Daktronics All-Region Second Team), Blythe Johnson (Sr., MB, 6-1), Beth Talcott (Jr., OH, 5-11, 2008 All-NSIC Honorable Mention), Brianna Erickson (Jr., MB/OH, 5-11), Jenna Hultgren (Sr., OH, 5-10), Alex Burke (So., MB, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Megan Bezdicek (R-Fr., OH, 5-10), Danielle Haley (R-Fr., S, 5-7), Breanna Brandt (Fr., S/RS, 6-0), Jordan Spatenka (Fr., OH/RS, 6-2)

Top Players Lost: Lisa Hoegh (Sr., S, 5-7, 2008 All-NSIC), Kati Newgard (Sr., MB/OH, 5-10, 2008 All-NSIC Honorable Mention), Cayla Schroeder (Sr., OH, 5-8, 2008 All-NSIC, 2008 Daktronics All-Region Second Team),

Wayne State College (NE) (23-10)

2008 Final National Ranking: 25th

2008 Postseason Finish: North Central Region Qualifier

Returning Starters/ letter winners: 4/9

Top returners- Jennifer Hefner- Daktronics first team all-region and first team all-conference- Tali Fredrickson- 5'9 OH-----Diedra Artz 5'9 setter

Top Newcomers- Madison Pernicek-6'0 Outside hitter--- Alex Armes 5'11 Middle Hitter **Top Players Lost-** Brittany Van Beek---5'11 OH

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Metro State College of Denver (18-10, 16-3 RMAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA First Round

2008 Conference Finish: Second in Regular Season

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 6 + Libero/11

Top Returners: Bri Morley (So., OH, 5-9, First-Team All-RMAC, Honorable Mention AVCA All-Central Region), Amanda Cook (Sr., OH, 5-9, Third-Team All-RMAC), Anna Mapes (RS Jr., MB, 5-10), Lisa Jones (Jr., MB/RS, 6-0), Julie Causseaux (So., MB, 5-11), Darcy Schwartzman (So., S, 5-8), Amy Watanabe (Sr., L, 5-3).

Top Newcomers: Gabe Curtis (Sr., S, 5-8, Transfer from Cal State Bakersfield), Kimee Clark (Jr., S, 5-10, Transfer from Arizona Western College).

Top Players Lost: N/A

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Adams State (15-13, 11-8 Rocky Mountain Athletic)

2008 Final National Ranking: None

2008 Postseason Finish: Lost in RMAC Semifinals

2008 Conference Finish: 4th (West Division)

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3.5/9

Top Returners: Darcy Jennings (Sr., MH, 6-1, 2x Second Team All-RMAC ('07 & '08); First Team All-Southwest Region ('07); Honorable Mention All-RMAC ('06) Kimberly Ingram (Jr., OH, 5-10); Mary McNeil (Jr., S, 5-9)

Top Newcomers: Hannah Adams (Fr., OH, 5-10); Dominique Davis (Fr., OH, 5-11); Valerie Garcia (Fr., DS, 5-3); Deprece Washington (Fr., MH/RSH, 5-11); Callyn Weyenberg (Fr., MH/OH, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors)

Andrea Tuck (OH, 3rd Team AVCA All-American, Second Team Daktronics All-American, 2x AVCA All-Region, 2x First Team All-RMAC)

Colorado School of Mines (19-13, 12-7 RMAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Post Season Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: Tied for 3rd in RMAC East Division

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero/8

Top Returners: Kirstie Bunting (Jr., Defensive Specialist/Libero, 5-8), Emily Collett (Jr., Setter, 5-9), Katy Edmiston (Sr., Middle Blocker, 6-1, 2008 Second Team All-RMAC), Tara Schwein (Sr., Opposite/Middle Blocker, 6-1), Elizabeth Serra-Hsu (Jr., Outside Hitter/Opposite, 5-11, 2008 First Team All-RMAC, 2008 All-RMAC Tournament, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-Central Region).

Top Newcomers: Megan Otting (Fr., OH, 6'0"), Holly Hutchison (Fr., MB, 5'11") Jackie Stabell (Fr., OH, 6'0") Anna Padgett-Shields (Fr., OH/DS, 5'10")

Top Players Lost: Annie Auxier (Jr., OH, 5-10), Amanda Paradisa (Fr., OH, 5-9)

Colorado-Colorado Springs (13-15, 8-10 RMAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: Fifth, East Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4+libero / 9

Top Returners: Molly Crockett (So., OH, 5-9), Lauren Orth (Jr., OH, 6-1), Kim Boogaard (Sr., MB, 6-0), Andrea Brodie (Jr., OH, 6-0), Kelsey Pobar (So., L, 5-6)

Top Newcomers: Cindy Bathelt (So., S, 5-10), Kendall Utz (Jr., DS, 5-7), Nicole Pederson (So., MB, 6-1), Lindsey Stich (Fr., S, 6-0), Laura Brodie (Fr., MB, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Jessica Stewart (S, 5-6)

Fort Lewis College (18-10, 13-6 RMAC)**2008 Final National Ranking:** None**2008 Post Season Finish:** None**2008 Conference Finish:** 4th Overall

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero/4

Top Returners: Chelsea Flaming (Jr., OH, 6-0, 2nd Team All-RMAC) Melissa Childs (Sr., S, 5-9)

Jessica Wilson (So., OH, 6-0) Iris Frye (So., L, 5-4) Taylor Hilberry (Jr., M, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Cali Lemay (Fr., OH, 5-10) Natalie Reed (Fr., MH/OH, 6-0) Jordan Squiers (So., 5-10)**Top Players Lost:** Jessica Bailey (Sr., OH, 5-10, 1st Team All-RMAC) Cora Vorwald (Sr., M, 6-1)**Mesa State (2008 Overall Record 16-13, 2008 RMAC Conference Record 12-7, Conference Name - rMAC)****2008 Final National Ranking:** NA**2008 Postseason Finish:** Finals of RMAC Tournament**2008 Conference Finish:** 2nd**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** Alisan Tompkins (Sr. OH 5-10, 2nd team All RMAC), Tara King (Jr. Setter, 5-10, 1st Team All RMAC), Meagan Bosch (Jr. RS, 6-0), Lindsey Jefferson (Jr. MH, 6-2)**Top Returners:** Alisan Tompkins (Sr. OH 5-10, 2nd team All RMAC), Tara King (Jr. Setter, 5-10, 1st Team All RMAC)**Top Newcomers:** Name TBD**Top Players Lost:** Jessica Bird, 6-0 MB - Ashley Loftsgard, 5-6 Libero**Minnesota State University, Mankato (20-11, 15-5 NSIC)****2008 Final National Ranking:** N/A**2008 Post Season Finish:** N/A**2008 Conference Finish:** 3rd tied

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Brittany Stamer (So, S, 5-7), Amanda Thompson (Jr., MB, 5-10), Kelly Sandstrom (Sr.,

DS, 5-6), Amanda Beekman (Jr., OH, 6-0, Honorable Selection All-NSIC), Ally Kwikkel (Sr., RS, 6-0) Kimber Kuhl (Jr., 5-11 MH, Honorable Selection All-NSIC), Allie Rice (So., 5-8, L).

Top Newcomers: Chelsea Fogarty (Fr., OH, 5-10), Megan Ysker (Fr., S/RS, 6-0), Samantha Dale (Fr., 5-8, L.), Courteney Steinhauser (Fr., MH, 6-1), Jill Storlie (Fr. MH, 6-2)**Top Players Lost:** Ashley Nachreiner (Sr., OH, 5-11)**Northern State University (15-15 overall, 6-14 Northern Sun Conference)****2008 Final National Ranking:** N/A**2008 Post Season Finish:** N/A**2008 Conference Finish:** T-9**Returning Starter/Letter Winners:** 4/6**Top Returners:** Kelsey Aden (Sr., OH, 5-11), Megan Gilbraith (Jr., S, 5-8), Kayla Ysteboe (Jr., OH, 5-10)**Top Newcomers:** Stephanie Drake (Fr., L, 5-5)**Top Players Lost:** Stephanie Nygaard (Sr., L, 5-5), Jill Rasmussen (Jr., MB, 5-9), Melanie Perez (Sr., OH, 5-8)**St. Cloud State University (7-21, 5-15 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference)****2008 Final National Ranking:** None**2008 Postseason Finish:** None**2008 Conference Finish:** 11th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 6/10

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors)

Ashley Shields (Jr., OH, 6-0) / Kayla Tschida (Jr., MH, 5-11) / Jennifer Waterman (Jr., S, 5-11) / Erica Beacom (So., RS/MH, 6-0) / Kristen Stott (Sr., OH, 5-9).

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht)

Lauren Cipperly (Fr., OH, 5-10) / Brittany Novak (Fr., OH, 5-10) / Justine Buskirk (Fr., MH, 6-2) / Taylor Beebe (Fr., MH, 6-1) / Sarah Madden (Fr., Libero, 5-8) / Ellie Dietzen (Fr., MH, 6-2)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors)

Andreana Pieper (Libero, *All-NSIC HM, Daktronics, Inc. All-American HM*)

Winona State University (12-17, 10-10 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 8th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/N/A

Top Returners: Carmen Stankowski, Sr, OH, 5-8

Kerry Daly, Sr, MH, 6-2

Top Newcomers: Katelyn Horihan, Fr, MB, 5-11

Victoria Weatherly, Fr, OH, 5-11

Top Players Lost: Rudi Balich, DS

EAST REGION

Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)

University of New Haven (31-4, 14-0 NE-10)

2008 Final National Ranking: NR (Receiving votes)

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA Division II Elite Eight

2008 Conference Finish: Overall Conference Champions

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 3/3

Top Returners: Elizabeth Akinbiyi (So., MH, 5-10, 2008 NE-10 All-Rookie Team), Sara Malmlov (Jr., OH/Opp., 5-11), Heather Ladao (So., DS/L, 5-5).

Top Newcomers: Keidy Candelaria, (Fr., OH, 5-11), Chelsey Alpough (Fr., S, 5-10), Tymika Duncan (Fr., MH, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Rhe-Ann Niles (Gr., MH, 5-11), Yael Rosner (Sr., S, 5-9), Charisse Cotton (Sr., OH, 6-0).

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Adelphi University (27-11, 11-5 ECC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: First Round NCAA Northeast Region

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd place

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3+ Libero/10

Top Returners: Heather Mau (Jr., S/DS, 5-6, Second Team All-Conference), Amy Williams (Sr., Libero, 5-4, AVCA DII All-Region, Third Team All-Conference), Hilary Pavels (Jr., OH, 5-10, ECC Player of the Week 10/13)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht) Bree Popham (Fr., Libero, 5-6), Samantha Rico (Fr., MB/RS, 6-0) Chelsea Overholt (Fr., OH, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Kathleen Carney (RS., AVCA DII All-Region Honorable Mention, First Team All-Conference), Samantha Johnston (Opp.)

Bentley University (21-12, 12-2 Northeast-10)

2008 Final National Ranking: None

2008 Postseason Finish: Lost in first round of NCAA Div. II East Regional

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd place regular season, lost in NE-10 playoff semifinals

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5+Libero/11

Top Returners: Alex Kearney (Sr, OH, 5-10, 3-time 1st-team All-Northeast-10, 2-time 1st-team AVCA All-Region); Cassie Kraft (Sr, L, 5-6, Northeast-10 Libero of the Year, 1st-team Daktronics

All-Region, honorable mention AVCA All-Region, 2nd-time All-Northeast-10); Kristine Mickelson (Sr, MB, 6-1, 3rd-team All-Northeast-10, honorable mention AVCA All-Region); Virginia Wong (So, OH, 5-10, Northeast-10 All-Rookie Team); Alaura Berry (Jr, MB, 6-0); Kelly Mee (Jr, S, 5-11); Andrea Farah (Jr, MB, 5-11).

Top Newcomers: Grace Conner (Fr, MH, 6-1); Candace Howell (Fr, DS, 5-7); Morgan Knees (Fr, MH, 6-0); Bridget Lawson (Fr, MH, 6-2); Amy Waitkus (Fr, OH, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Tori Piskulick (S, Bentley's all-time leader in assists, 3-time AVCA All-Region, 2-time All-Northeast-10)

Dowling College Golden Lions

2008 Final National Ranking: N/R

2008 Post Season Finish: East Regional Finalists

2008 Conference Finish: Overall Conference Champions

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 5/7

Top Returners: Patrycja Klekotka (Sr., OH, 2008 AVCA East Region Team, 2008 Daktronics All-East First Team, 2008 ECC First Team), Maja Potpara (So., Setter/OH, 2008 AVCA National Freshman of the Year, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 AVCA East Region Team, 2008 Daktronics All-East Region 2nd team, ECC Player and Rookie of the Year), Monika Kasperek (Jr., MB, 2008 AVCA East Region Team, 2008 Daktronics All-East Region 2nd Team, ECC All-Conference 2nd team), Erin Przybylowicz (Jr. Setter, 2008 AVCA East Region Honorable Mention, ECC All-Conference 3rd Team)

Top Newcomers: Janae Giles (Fr., OH, 6-0), Bethany Shepard (Fr., OH, 5-9)

Top Players Lost: Jessica Gall (Sr., Libero, 5-10) Kali Kuhl (Sr., OH, 6-2)

Merrimack College (20-10, 13-1 NE-10)

2008 Final National Ranking: n/a

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA Regional Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 3 + Libero/5 Top Returners: Molly Cindric (Jr., OH, 5-11, 2008 AVCA All-American Honorable Mention, 2008 Daktronics All-Region, 2008 First Team All-NE-10), Elyse Lorenz (Jr., S, 5-6, 2008 Second-Team All-NE-10), Alyssa Pickert (Jr., Libero, 5-8, 2008 Third Team All-NE-10).

Top Newcomers: Jenna Reilly (Fr., MB, 6-1), Natalie Yeazle (Fr., OH, 5-9), Nicole Duarte (So., MB, 5-11) Top Players Lost: Ale Kuncaitis (Sr., OH, 5-9), Lisa Barr (Jr., OH, 5-9)

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Caldwell College (18-11, 13-4, CACC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 1st North Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/12

Top Returners: Amber Mosher (So., RS, 5-9, 1st Team All-CACC), Lauren Roth (So., S, 5-8, 2nd Team All-CACC), Titilola Alao (So., MB, 5-11, Honorable Mention All-CACC), Kathleen Estes (Jr., L, 5-5), Keesha Francois (Jr., MB, 5-10)

Top Newcomers: Maddy Amon (Fr., L, 5-7), Susan McDonough (Fr., OH, 5-8)

Top Players Lost: Laura Ciesla (Sr., OH, 5-7)

Concordia College (NY) (2-25, 0-16 East Coast Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: N/A

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4 + Libero/5

Top Returners: Amanda Margedant (So, OH, 5-7), Alicia Oberle (So, MB, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Chelsea Zurcher (Fr., OH, 6-1), Olivia Thompson (Fr, MB, 6-2), Courtney Hanson (Fr, OH/MB, 6-1)

Top Players Lost: Juliann Gillespie (OH), Jaymee Wise (Setter)

C.W. Post (14-14, 9-7, East Coast Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 5th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/6

Lauren Brown (Jr., OH, 5-10), Sammy Figliolia (Sr., OH, 5-8), Amanda Ostapow (Jr., S, 5-9), Kerri Heitner (Sr., M, 6-0)

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors) Sammy Figliolia (Sr., OH, 5-8)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht) Marilena Guadagnini (Jr., OH, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors) Luscia Krskova (S, RS, ECC Second Team)

Franklin Pierce (17-18, 8-6 Northeast-10)

2008 Final National Ranking: --

2008 Post Season Finish: Northeast-10 Conference Quarterfinal

2008 Conference Finish: Sixth place

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 3 + Libero/7

Top Returners: Chelsie Kohout (Jr., L, 5-4), Caitlynn Parnell (Sr., OH, 5-11), Katie Ristow (Sr., OH, 5-10), Megan Feldmeth (Sr., MH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Kylie Clemmons (Fr., S, 5-8), Pamela Walker (Jr., S, 5-2)

Top Players Lost: Nicole Buchholz (Sr., MH, 6-1, 2008 All-NE-10 Second Team, 2008 NE-10 All-Academic Team), Karissa Hookstadt (Sr., S, 5-6, 2008 All-NE-10 Third Team), Emily Schultz (Sr., OPP, 5-7, 2008 All-NE-10 Second Team)

Goldey-Beacom College, 9-19, 4-15, Central Atlantic Collegiate College

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Ranking: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 6th in Southern Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4 + Libero

Top Returners: Amanda Mills (So, OH, 5-7), Roni Shaner (So, OH, 5-7) Kellyn Nolan (Gr, MH, 5-9) Chalea Johnson (Sr, MH, 5-8) Christine Hudock (Gr, Libero, 5-5) AJ Hicks (Jr, 5-5, DS)

Top Newcomers: Monica Dempsey (Fr, Setter, 5-8)

Top Players Lost: Chantal Pierre (Sr, MH, 5-9)

LeMoyne College (14-13 overall; 7-7 Northeast 10 Conference)

8th Place NE-10 Conference finish

Top Returners: Lizzie Cheek (Sr. 5'8 OH 3 time All NE-10 selection) Kaylin Brainerd (SR. 5'9 Setter 3 year starter)

Top Newcomers: Morgan McDermott 6' MH Katie Plukas 5'9 S Danielle Fetsch 5'9 RS Bethany Fabian 5'9 OH Allison Hebel 5'10 OH Jules Shelton 5'7 S/L Kelsey Polanski 5'7 OH/RS/DS Lexy Pickett 6' MH

Top Players Lost: Jodi Smith OH LeMoyne #6 in career kills; #7 in digs; #2 in matches played Caitlin Richardson MH LeMoyne #6 in career hitting pct. Kristin Cobb OH/MH/L

Mercy College (7-23, 2-14 ECC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Post Season Finish: Lost ECC Tournament Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: 8th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 6 + Libero/8

Top Returners: Shedeiky Hamilton (Jr., MH, 5-11), Diana Bruzzone (Sr., OH, 5-6), Mirlusca Montes (Jr., L/MH, 5-9)

Top Newcomers: Kassandra Phillips (Fr., RS/MB, 5-10), Rebecca Lynch (Fr., S, 5-5), Courtney Judkins (Fr., OH, 5-7)

Top Players Lost: Trevene Smith (Sr., S, 5-6)

Molloy College (9-21 Overall, 4-12 ECC)**2008 Final National Ranking:** N/A**2008 Postseason Finish:** ECC Tournament Quarterfinals**2008 Conference Finish:** 7th**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 7**Top Returners:** Angelica Nicalek (So., OH/MH, 5-10), Catherine Russini (So., MH, 5-10), Arielle Wichard (Jr., OH, 5-11), Meaghan Meyer (Jr., OH, 5-9), Kristen Sklarsky (Sr., S, 5-6), Monika Rodziewicz (Sr., L, 5-5), Catherine Chave (Sr., RS, 6-0).**Top Newcomers:** Jennifer Koelbel (Fr., S), Stephani Koelbel (So., MH), Liz Moulder (Fr., MH), Jenna Faggione (Fr., OH), Liz Nugent (So., OH)**Top Players Lost:** Danielle Sekesan (L/S)**Southern Connecticut State University (24-15, 7-7 Northeast-10)****2008 Final National Ranking:** N/A**2008 Post Season Finish:** N/A**2008 Conference Finish:** T-8th**Returning Starter/Letter Winners:** 6 + Libero/12**Top Returners:** Jenna Tammel (Sr., OH/RS, 5-11, 2008 All-Northeast-10 Conference Third-Team), Nekane Mendizabal (RS Sr., MB, 6-0, 2006 All-Northeast-10 Conference Third-Team), Leah Filonuk (So., OH/RS, 5-11, 2008 Northeast-10 All-Rookie Team), Marcia Hollingsworth (Sr., MB, 5-10), Manjit Chase (Sr., S, 5-8), Broghan Miller (Jr., OH/RS, 5-9), Sarah Houseknecht (Sr., MB, 6-2)**Top Newcomers:** Kimberly Lachowicz, S; Vanessa Sullivan, L/DS; Katherine Wilson, MB/RS; Syriah Celestine, MB**Top Players Lost:** Maria Arenas (Sr., L/DS), Alliana Lannigan (Sr., MB)**The College of Saint Rose (13-12; 6-8 Northeast-10 Conference)****2008 Final National Ranking:** NR**2008 Postseason Finish:** N/A**2008 Conference Finish:** 6-8, 10th of 15 Teams**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 4 + Libero/9**Top Returners:** Mary German (SR, L, 5-4, 2007 Northeast-10 All-Conference Third Team, 2007 Northeast-10 Conference All-Tournament Team); Jaclyn Griffin (SR, MH/RS, 6-4, 1.90 Kills/Game, 0.60 Blocks/Game); Marilyn Glamack (SO, OH, 5-8, 2.52 Kills/Game, 2.68 Digs/Game), Theresa Staulo (SO, S, 6-1, 8.02 Assists/Game, 0.62 Blocks/Game).**Top Newcomers:** Kayleigh Quinn (FR, OH, 5-11), Sarah Kahrs (SO, OH, 5-9), Laura Falkowitz (FR, L/S, 5-5), Nicole Robitaille (FR, DS, 5-4)**Top Player Lost:** Danielle Gaudio (DS, 0.32 SA/Game, 1.53 Digs/Game).**MIDWEST REGION****Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)****Grand Valley State (33-4, 15-1 GLIAC)****2008 Final National Ranking:** 3rd**2008 NCAA Postseason Finish:** NCAA National Semifinals**2008 Conference Finish:** 1st**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 3+libero/11**Top Returners:** Rebeccah Rapin (MB, 6-1, Jr., Daktronics All-Midwest Region Second-Team, All-GLIAC First-Team); Whitney Tremain (OH, 5-11, Sr., Midwest Regional Tournament Most Valuable Player, GLIAC All-Tournament Team); Katey Crichton (OH, 5-11, Sr., All-GLIAC Honorable Mention)

Top Newcomers: Olivia Kohler (S, 5-4, Fr.), Abigail Ebels (MB, 6-1, Fr.), Ashley Blaszcak (OH, 6-2, Fr.)

Top Player Lost: Danielle Alexander (MB, 5-11, AVCA First-Team All-America, Midwest Region Player of the Year, GLIAC Player of the Year, AVCA All-Midwest Region, First-Team All-GLIAC)

Saginaw Valley State University (2008 Overall Record 25 - 8, 2008 Conference Record 11-5, GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 24th

2008 Postseason Finish: Regional Final

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd overall

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4 / 9

Top Returners: Kait Harris (Sr, Setter, 5'7", All-Conference, GLIAC All-Tournament Team, Regional Tournament All-Tournament Team) Jaclyn Carnago (Sr, MH, 6'1") Allison Schlinkert (Sr OH, 6') Annie Buxton (So, OH, 6'2") Jessica Treiber (Jr, Opp, 6'2")

Top Newcomers: Sarah Robb (Fr., OH, 5'11") Sam Breault (Fr, Setter, 5'11")

Top Players Lost: Sarah Redoute (OH, ALI-Amreican HM, 1st Team All-GLIAC, GLIAC and Regional All-Tournament Team)

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Lewis University (31-8, 16-2, GLVC)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Postseason Finish: Lost first round of NCAA Tournament

2008 Conference Finish: GLVC Champions

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/13

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors)

Stephanie Sagat (Sr., OH, 5-9, 2008 Daktronics, Inc. All-Midwest Region Volleyball Second Team, All-GLVC Second Team); Sara deBuhr (Sr., MH, 6-1, 2008 AVCA All-Midwest Region); Kim Richards (Sr., MH, 5-11, 2007 All-GLVC Second Team); Rachel Ruedi (Jr., S, 5-11, 2008 All-GLVC Second Team)

Top Newcomers: Nikki Maes (Fr., L/OH, 5-7); Jillian Carlberg (Fr., MH, 5-11); Adria Phillips (GS, OH, 5-9), Mary Carroll (Fr., RS/OH, 6-2)

Top Players Lost: Lauren Hatter (Sr., L, 5-8)

Northern Kentucky (28-8 overall, 16-2 Great Lakes Valley Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Postseason Finish: Advanced to NCAA Division II Midwest Region semifinals.

2008 Conference Finish: Tied for first place in GLVC East Division.

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/5

Top Returners: Kim Nemcek (junior, middle hitter, 5-11, All-GLVC first team); Noelle Peterson (sophomore, outside hitter, 5-8); Chelsea Clark (junior, libero, 5-9).

Top Newcomers: Kelly Morrissey (freshman, setter, 5-10); Jenna Schreiber, (freshman, setter, 5-9); Alexa Ansell (freshman, right-side hitter, 5-10); Shelby Buschur (freshman, outside/middle hitter, 6-0); Gennie Galfano (freshman, outside hitter, 5-11); Kerbi Elwood (freshman, outside hitter, 5-11).

Top Players Lost: Natalie Forbes (setter, AVCA All-America second team, All-GLVC); Kelsey Wesaw (right-side hitter, AVCA honorable mention All-American); Kristina Eisenmenger (outside hitter, All-GLVC).

Northern Michigan University (20-12, 11-5 GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: Not Ranked

2008 Postseason Finish: First Round NCAA Division II Regional

2008 Conference Finish: 4th GLIAC North/Semifinals GLIAC Tournament

Returning Starters/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Rachel Green (Sr., Setter, 5-7), Katt Garvick (Sr., OH,

6-0), Mandie Meyer (Sr., OH, 5-10, 2008 2nd Team All-GLIAC), Madeline Ogden (So., Setter, 6-2), Cassie Osiecki (Sr., Libero, 5-7) and Emma Wolfe (So., MH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Daniela Branco (Fr., RS, 5-11), Abby Lovell (Fr., Setter, 5-10) and Sami Vierk (Fr., MH, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Caryn VanBeckum (Sr., MH, 6-1), Daniela Bezerra (Jr., OH, 5-10) and Breanne Zaremba (Sr., RH/OH, 5-10)

Northwood (16-14, 10-6 GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: NCAA Opening Round – Lost To Grand Valley State

2008 Conference Finish: 5th overall - 1st South Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 8/4

Top Returners: Ashley Carr (Sr., MB, 5-10, Second Team All-GLIAC), Lauren Chapman (Jr., S, 5-9, Honorable Mention All-GLIAC)

Top Newcomers: Rachel Hamblin (FR, S, 5-10), Ashley Thibodeau (FR, L, 5-3), Samantha Hausmann (JR, OH, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Gordana Barac (OH, First Team All-GLIAC), Sarah Pollard (L, 2006 Honorable Mention All-GLIAC)

University of Indianapolis (29-10, 14-4 GLVC)

2008 Final National Ranking: RV

2008 Postseason Finish: 1-1, lost in regional semis

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd in East Division, advanced to conference tournament semis

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 + libero/7

Top Returners: Kyleigh Turner (Sr., Libero, 5-5, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 Daktronics & AVCA First Team All-Region, 2008 First Team All-GLVC), Lyndsay Callahan (Jr., OH, 5-9, 2008 Daktronics & AVCA First Team All-Region, 2008 First Team All-GLVC), Cheneta Morrison (Jr., S/OH, 5-8, Second Team All-GLVC)

Top Newcomers: Kourtney Crawford (Fr., OPP, 5-9), Kristina Kerrigan (Fr., MH, 5-11), Lindsay Marks (Fr., S, 5-9), Amy Oldenburg (Fr., Libero, 5-5) Katy Watson (Fr., MH, 6-1)

Top Players Lost: Beth Robbins (Setter, 2008 Daktronics Third Team All-American, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 Daktronics & AVCA First Team All-Region, 2008 GLVC Player of the Year)

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Drury (12-18, 8-9, Great Lakes Valley Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 7th

Returning Starters/Letter Winners: 4+Libero/11

Top Returners: Rachel Warrington (Sr. Libero, 2008 GLVC 2nd team)

Top Newcomers: Ali Rook (OH, RS Soph, Western Carolina), Callie Carroll (OH, Fr.), Kaitlin Goetz (S, Fr.)

Ferris State (16-13, 8-8 GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: Not Ranked

2008 Postseason Finish: GLIAC Tournament Quarterfinal Round

2008 Conference Finish: 5th Place - GLIAC North Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/12

Top Returners: Kristy Gilchrist (Sr., Middle Hitter, 6-0, 2008 Honorable mention All-GLIAC, 2007 Second-Team All-GLIAC); Arielle Goodson, Jr., middle Hitter, 6-2, 2008 Second-Team All-GLIAC)

Top Newcomers: Lindsey Miller (Fr., MH, 6-2)

Top Players Lost: Andrea Rich (Sr., S-OH, 5-10, 2008 AVCA Honorable

Mention All-Region, 2008 First-Team All-GLIAC, 2007 Honorable Mention All-GLIAC); Candice Marut (Sr., S-OH, 2008 team MVP)

The University of Findlay (12-22, 2-14 GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: Tie 5th GLIAC South

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 6+Libero/13

Top Returners: Courtney Niemeyer (Jr., MB, 6-1, 2nd Team All-GLIAC),

Jessica VonIns (So. Setter 5-11, Honorable Mention All-GLIAC)

Top Newcomers: Andrea Holthaus, (Fr. MB 6-1), Maggie Naayers (Fr. RS, 6-0) Katie Madewell (Fr. OH 6-0) Bethany Hoelscher, (OH 6-0)

Top Players Lost: None

Hillsdale College (19-11, 8-8 GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: Lost to Wayne State in first round of GLIAC Tournament

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd place GLIAC South Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/11

Top Returners: Sydney Dow (Jr., L/DS, 5-6, Second-Team All-GLIAC); Ashlee Crowder (Soph., OH, 6-0, Second-Team All-GLIAC and GLIAC Freshman of the Year); Emily Bennett, Sr., MH, 6-2, Honorable Mention All-GLIAC; Clara Leutheuser, Soph., 6-1, MH; Apryl Schmucker, Soph., 6-0, S.

Top Newcomers: Kaleigh Shuster (Fr., 5-11, OH); Lauren Grover (Fr., 6-2, MH)

Top Players Lost: Stephanie Booms, S, First-Team All-GLIAC and First-Team All-Region; Kittrick Smith, OH.

Lake Superior State (6-18, 2-14 GLIAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Post Season Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 6th, North Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Sara Hess (Sr., OH, 6-0); Brittany Newberry (So., L, 5-6)

Top Newcomers: Nikki Stratelak (Fr., OH, 6-0); Brandiss Ward (So., S, 5-8)

Top Players Lost: Ali Jones (OH, All-GLIAC Honorable Mention)

Maryville University

2008 Final National Ranking: n/a

2008 Postseason Finish: 0-1 (lost in the first round of the conference tournament)

2008 Conference Finish: 11-5

Returning Starters/Letterwinners:

Top Returners: Kelsey Bock (Jr, OH, Honorable Mention All-Conference), Jordan Dietl (So, OH), Samantha Bock (Jr, S)

Top Newcomers: *We are reclassifying to DII, so everyone is pretty much a top newcomer. ☺

Top Players Lost: Maggie Hoette (MB, First-team All-Conference, career leader in service aces)

Missouri S&T (6-27, 3-14 GLVC)

2008 Final National Ranking: n/a

2008 Postseason Finish: n/a

2008 Conference Finish: 6th West

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 6 + Libero / 14

Top Returners: Julie Meyer (So., OH, 5-10); Bridget Williams (Jr., DS-L, 5-4); Erin Bekebrede (So., OH, 6-0); Samantha Klump (Jr., MH, 6-1); Danielle Kracl (So., S, 5-6); Lynsey Jorgenson (Sr., MH, 6-0); Katie Herington (Jr., MH-OH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Bethany Bray (Jr., OH-RS-DS, 5-9); Jennifer Costello (Fr., S, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Leandra Pelae (OH), Lauren Summerville (RS), Maddie Owak (RS)

Rockhurst University (22-11, 12-5 Great Lakes Valley Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: GLVC Tournament Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: Second, GLVC West

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4+Libero/9

Top Returners: Katy Hernandez (Sr., OH, 5-10, Second-Team All-GLVC), Maggie McGovern (So., 6-3, OH/RS, Third-Team All-GLVC), Boomie Williams (So., Setter, 6-0, Third-Team All-GLVC), Andrea Schroeder (Jr., DS/Libero, 5-5), Emily Levy (Jr., MH, 5-11)

Top Newcomers: Milica Balandzic (Jr., OH, 5-10), Iva Bobkova (Jr., OH/RS, 5-10), Alyssa Emerson (Jr., Setter, 5-10), Nicollette Hartley (Jr., MH, 6-0), Mary Walczuk (Jr., OH/RS, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Audrey Boese (Sr., OH, 5-10, Third-Team All-GLVC), Savannah Leeper (Sr., MH, 5-9, Second-Team All-GLVC)

Southern Indiana (18-15, 9-8 GLVC)

2008 Final National Ranking: n/a

2008 Postseason Finish: n/a

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd GLVC Tournament; 3rd GLVC West Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5+libero/9

Top Returners: Brittani Oliver (Jr., OH, 5-9, 2008 Third-Team All-GLVC); Melanie Pund (Sr., S, 5-10); Ashley Henricks (Sr., MB, 6-1); Janae Curnutt (Jr., L, 5-9); Courtney Bealor (Sr., OH, 5-10)

Top Newcomers: Danielle LaGrange (So., MB, 6-0); Ashley King (Fr., S, 5-8); Abbi Williams (Fr., DS, 5-7); Emily Meyer (Fr., RS, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Margaret Buschman (MB, 2nd-Team All-GLVC)

Tiffin University, 14-19, 2-14, GLIAC

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 11th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Brittany Teaford (Jr., MB, 6-1, 2008 Honorable Mention All-GLIAC), Jessica Adams (Jr, S, 5-9), Brooke Bernabei (Jr, OH, 5-9), Lindsay Heller (So., L, 5-8)

Top Newcomers: Jessica Koelewijn (Jr., MB 6-0), Ashley Begeman (Fr, S, 5-8), Maggie Betz (Fr, 6-0, MB)

Top Players Lost: Beth Willenbrink (RS), Dana Peterson (S), Katie Luker (MB)

Wayne State University (17-12, 9-7, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd South Division/Semi-Finals of GLIAC Tournament

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5/9

Top Returners: Sarha Gosselin (SR, OH, 6'1", 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 AVCA First Team All-Midwest Region Team, 2008 Daktronics First Team All-Midwest Region Team, 2008 GLIAC First Team All-Conference, 2008 GLIAC All-Tournament Team), Lauren Mallast (SR, MB, 6'2", 2008 NCAA Leader in Blocks/Game, 2008 AVCA All-Midwest Region Team, 2008 Daktronics 2nd Team All-Midwest Region Team, 2008 GLIAC 2nd Team All-Conference Team)

Top Newcomers: Karlene Foisy (FR, MB, 6'1"), Cydney Biessel (FR, S, 5'9"), Kate Sak (FR, MB, 6'0"), Madie Kent (FR, OH, 6'0"), Lindsey Graciak (FR, L/DS, 5'5")

Top Players Lost: Mayssa Bazzi (L, 2008 AVCA All-Midwest Region Team, 2008 Daktronics 2nd Team All-Midwest Region Team, 2008 GLIAC Libero of the Year, 2008 GLIAC 2nd Team All-Conference), Kim Gear (MB, 2008 GLIAC Honorable Mention All-Conference)

SOUTH REGION

Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)

University of Tampa (27-5, 13-3, Sunshine State)

2008 Final National Ranking: 10th

2008 Postseason Finish: NCAA South Regional Semifinals

2008 Conference Finish: First

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/3

Top Returners: Name: Camille Hanks, MH, 5-11, Jr., Sam Macks, MH, 6-0, Jr., HM all-SSC, South Regional All-Tournament team
Melissa Vanderhall, OH, 5-9, Jr., 1st team all-SSC, SSC POY, AVCA 1st team All-South Region, AVCA 1st team All-American, SR All-Tournament team

Top Newcomers: Name: Molly Krull, S, 5-10, Fr., Raleigh, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons HS

Danielle Selkridge, MH, 6-1, RS/Fr., Tortola, Virgin Islands/Antilles HS

Jessica Yingling, OH, 5-10, Fr., Orlando, Fla./Timber Creek HS

Top Players Lost: Danielle MacDonald, RS, 2nd team All-SSC, AVCA 2nd team All-South Region, AVCA HM All-American, Gabriela Saade, S, Annalea Warren, OH

University of West Florida (31-8, 12-0, Gulf South Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: 15th

2008 Postseason Finish: South Region Finalist

2008 Conference Finish: Overall Conference Champion

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/7

Top Returners: Patricia Gandolfo (Sr., MB, 6-3, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-Region, 2008 Daktronics First Team All-Region, First Team All-GSC), Chelsea Wilhoite (Jr., OH, 5-8, Second Team All-GSC)

Top Newcomers: Caitlin Schaffstall (Jr., S, 5-9), KaLee Duggan (So., S, 5-8)

Top Players Lost: Luciana Rapach (S, 2008 AVCA Second Team All-American, 2008 AVCA First Team All-Region, 2008 Daktronics Second Team All-Region, First Team All-GSC), Madeline Gonzalez (S, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 AVCA First Team All-Region, First Team All-GSC)

Florida Southern (25-9, 12-4 Sunshine State Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: 19th

2008 Postseason Finish: NCAA South Regional – lost in 1st round

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 + libero/9

Top Returners: Elise Burke (Jr., Setter, 5-7), Julia Borecka (Sr., OH, 5-10, 2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-South Region), Anna Greenwood (Sr., OH, 5-9), Courtney Johnson (Sr., Libero, 5-3).

Top Newcomers: Erin Callahan (Jr., MH, 5-11), Anne Pietkiewicz (Fr., OH, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Danielle Higginbotham (Sr., MH, 6-1, 2008 AVCA Third-Team All-American), Danielle Durham (Sr., OH, 5-10, 2008 AVCA All-South Region), Maggie Drumm (Sr., RS, 5-10)

Nova Southeastern (24-12, 9-7 SSC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 20th

2009 Post Season Finish: Elite Eight

2008 Conference Finish: t-3rd

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 3 + Libero/7

Top Returners:

Valia Petrova (Grad Sr., Setter, 5-10, 2008 AVCA 2nd-Team All-American, 2008 AVCA All-South Region First Team, 2008 NCAA Division II South Regional All-Tournament Team, 2008 First Team All-SSC),

Molly Sigerich (So., MB, 6-1, 2008 All-SSC Freshman Team)

Kathleen Yony (Jr., L, 5-5, 2008 NCAA Division II South Regional All-Tournament Team, SSC Defensive Player Of The Week 9/15/08)

Alison Kalish (Sr., DS, 5-7, SSC Defensive Player Of The Week 11/3/08)

Top Newcomers:

Taylor Pohlman (Jr., OH, 5-10)

Rachel Woodson (Fr., RS/MB, 6-2)

Lucia Cizmarova (Jr., OH, 6-4)

Top Players Lost:

Emily Carle (2008 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, NCAA Division II South Regional All-Tournament Team)

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Lynn (24-14, 9-7 Sunshine State Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: NCAA South Region Quarterfinals

2008 Conference Finish: T-3rd

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/6

Top Returners: Lacy Redwine (Jr., Libero, 5-10, 2007 SSC All-Freshman Team, 2007 NCAA South Region All-Tournament Team), Jessica Shirey (So., MB, 6-0, 2008 SSC All-Freshman Team), Devon Woolard (Jr., Setter, 5-8, 2007 SSC All-Freshman Team, 2007 NCAA South Region All-Tournament Team)

Top Newcomers: Kala Abdell (Jr., OH, 6-1) Katie Bradley (Jr., OH, 5-11) Mallory Deneen (Jr., OH, 5-9),

Top Players Lost: Camila Lins (Sr., OH, 6-2), Daris Rodriguez (Sr., MB, 6-0), Christie Schade (Sr., L, 5-5)

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Harding University (24-9, 10-2, Gulf South Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: Not National Ranked

2008 Postseason Finish: Semi-finals of GSC Tournament

2008 Conference Finish: 10-2

Returning Starters/Letterwinners:3/3 + libero

Top Returners: **Manuela Nesheva** (Sr., Outside Hitter, 5-7, 2008 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District, 2008 GSC West Division Player of the Year, 2008 First-Team All-GSC, 2008 Daktronics Second-Team All-Region, 2008 Academic All-GSC, 2008 Player of the week two times) **Emily Tate** (Jr. Defensive Specialist, 5-8, 2008 All-GSC 2nd Team)

Top Newcomers: **Reagan Smith** (Fr., Middle Blocker, 6-0), **Amber Schinzing** (Fr., Setter, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: **Leah Tepe** (Setter, 2008 1st Team All-GSC, 2008 Academic All-GSC, 2008 Player of the week two times), **Shellie Rummer** (Middle Blocker, 2008 First Team All-GSC)

Henderson State (6-23, 3-9 in Gulf South Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 5th in the GSC West

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 1/3

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors)

Bethany Wright, Sr., Libero, Three time 1st team All-GSC selection, Daktronics All-American, 2009 GSC Commissioner's Cup Award winner. Wright, a 2008 Daktronics All-American selection, totaled 615 digs last season leaving her just 64 digs shy of Melissa Trotter's HSU career record of 2252 set from 1994-97. Wright had three of the five highest dig totals in a single game in the GSC last year and ranked fourth overall in the nation averaging 5.82 digs per set.

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht)
OH Tatiana Kuhn, 6-1, Sr., Tyler JC/Esteio, Brazil
OH Robin Law, 5-11, Jr., Phoenix College/Phoenix, Ariz.

University of Montevallo (21-18, 6-6, Gulf South Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: Second Round of GSC Tournament

2008 Conference Finish: 4th in East Division

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/8

Top Returners: Katy Handrick (Sr., OH, 5-11, N/A), Katie Johnson (Sr., RS, 5-9, N/A)

Top Newcomers: Betsy Stevenson (Fr., S/RS, 5-8), Virginia Clay (Fr., MH, 6-3)

Top Players Lost: Monika Tortorici (MH, Second Team All-GSC East), Lauren Tortorici (OH, N/A)

North Alabama (24-11, 10-2 GSC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd GSC East/Tournament Runner-up

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 3/7

Top Returners: Alison Jacobs (Sr., Setter, 5-9, 2008 Second Team All-Gulf South Conference)
Sarah Roberts (Jr., Middle, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Cara Gregg (Fr., OH, 5-10); Karlee Cunningham (Fr., OH, 5-10); Emily Callaway (Jr., MB, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Whitney Sanders (Sr., MB, 6-1, First Team All-GSC, GSC All-Tournament, Five-Time GSC East Division Player of the Week, GSC East Division Player of the Year, Academic All-GSC, AVCA First Team All-South Region, Second Team AVCA All-America); Jessica Hansen (Sr., LIB, 5-5, First Team All-GSC, GSC All-Tournament, Three-Time GSC East Division Player of the Week, AVCA First Team All-South Region, AVCA All-American Honorable Mention.

Southern Arkansas University (11-18, 3-9 West Division, Gulf South Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Post-Season Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: Tied for fifth in West Division

Returning Starters/Lettermen: 3/4

Top Returnees: Maggie (Ross) Glover (JR, MB, 5-9, 2008 Second Team All-GSC); Danielle Sneed (SR, OH/DS, 5-6); Michaela Scroggins (JR, S, 5-7).

Top Newcomers: Courtney Smith (RsFR, RS, 5-10); Kristen Maureau (JR, MB/RS, 5-9)

Top Players Lost: Mallory McKee (L, Second Team All-GSC); Sarah Bell (OH); Veronica Ogbeide (MB/RS)

University of West Georgia

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 5th East Gulf South

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors) Sr. OH, 5'9" 1st team all conference

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht) Jr. L, 5'6" Kayla Potter, Fr. MB, 5'11" Mary K Krueger

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors)

SOUTH CENTRAL

Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)

Truman State University (33-8, 16-4 MIAA)**2008 Final National Ranking:** 4th**2008 Postseason Finish:** National Semifinalist**2008 Conference Finish:** 2nd**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 2/6**Top Returners:** Ashley Petak (Jr., S, 5-7, 2008 all-MIAA), Lauren Graybeal (Sr., RS, 6-0), Jenna Novelli (Sr., OH, 5-11), Allison Barker (Jr., OH, 5-10)**Top Newcomers:** Cami Martin (Fr., MB/RS, 6-0), Megan Sharpe (Fr., MB, 5-11), Lauren Radix (Fr., OH, 5-10), Heather Hargadine (Fr., OH, 5-9)**Top Players Lost:** Allie Cherven (MB; 3x AVCA All-American), Melissa Keck (RS, 2x AVCA all-American), Eli Medina (OH, 2008 AVCA all-American), Whitney Boehler (DS/L, 2x all-MIAA), Dana Hanselmann (MB/OH, 2008 all-MIAA), Lisa Weber (MB)**Emporia State (35-5, 18-2 MIAA)****2008 Final National Ranking:** 5th**2008 Postseason Finish:** South Central Region Runners-up**2008 Conference Finish:** MIAA Champions**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 4 + libero/9**Top Returners:** Ting Liu (Jr., Setter, 6-1, 2008 AVCA First Team All-American, 2008 Daktronics Second Team All-American, 2008 MIAA Player of the Year, 2008 Unanimous First Team All-MIAA; 2007 MIAA Freshman of the Year) , Arica Shepard (Sr. OH, 5-9, 2008 AVCA Third Team All-American, 2008 Unanimous First Team All-MIAA, 2007 AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, 2007 First Team All-MIAA, 2006 MIAA Freshman of the Year) , Brittney Miller (Jr., RS, 5-10, 2008 Third Team All-MIAA) , Amy Byfield (Sr., Libero, 5-4, 2008 honorable mention All-MIAA, 2007 honorable mention All-MIAA), Brienne Boner (Jr., MH, 6-0, 2007 honorable mention All-MIAA)**Top Newcomers:** Katelyn Schmidtberger Fr., S/OH, 5-10 Salina, Kan./Sacred Heart HS , Meg Schwartz Fr., DS/L 5-7 Salina, Kan./Central HS**Top Players Lost:** Megan Koster (OH, 5-10, 2008 Second Team All-MIAA) ,Hannah Carter (MH, 6-0, 2008)**West Texas A&M University (34-5, 13-0 LSC)****2008 Final National Ranking:** 7th**2008 Postseason Finish:** 3rd NCAA South Central Regional**2008 Conference Finish:** 1st**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 5/8**Top Returners:** Laura Prinsen (Sr., Rightside Hitter, 5-9, 2008 AVCA First Team All-American, 2008 Daktronics First Team All-American, AVCA All-Region First Team, Daktronics South Central Region First Team, LSC Offensive Player of the Year, AVCA National Player of the Week - Sept 23, 2008); Katie Rickwartz (Sr., Setter, 5-9, AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, AVCA All-Region First Team, LSC All-Conference First Team, LSC Setter of the Year); Melissa Harper (Sr., Middle Blocker, 6-0, AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, AVCA All-Region First Team, Daktronics South Central Region Second Team, LSC All-Conference First Team); Natalie Johnson (Sr., Outside Hitter, 6-0, LSC All-Conference honorable mention)**Top Newcomers:** Lauren Beville (Fr., Libero, 5-5); Erin Dougherty (Fr., Middle Blocker, 6-0)**Top Players Lost:** Sara Contreras (Libero, Daktronics All-American Third Team, AVCA All-Region Third Team, LSC All-Conference First Team, LSC Libero of the Year)**University of Central Missouri (29-10, 15-5 MIAA, 3rd)****2008 Final National Ranking:** 11th**2008 Postseason Finish:** lost in NCAA regional semifinal to Truman State**2008 Conference Finish:** 3rd**Returning Starters/Letterwinners:** 4 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors): Allie Huffman, So., OH, 5-11, H.M. All-American; Caitlin Pankratz, Sr., S, 5-7, H.M. All-Region; Paula Harris, So., MH, 6-1, H.M. All-Region; Rachel Fister, Jr., L, 5-9, H.M. All-Region.

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht): Abby Gruenbacher, Jr., MB, 6-2; Jennifer Williams, Jr. OH, 5-10; Julia Bates, Fr. S, 6-0; Two redshirts also return.

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors): Jacquelyn Williams, MB, H.M. All-MIAA; Carrie Peterson, OH, none.

Washburn University (30-6, 15-5, MIAA)

Final National Ranking: 13th

Postseason Finish: 1st Round NCAA Regionals

Conference Finish: 3rd

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4+Libero/12

Top Returners: Kate Hampson (Sr., Setter, 5-7, 2008 All-MIAA 3rd Team) Ashley Shepard (Jr., OH, 5'9, 2008 All-MIAA 3rd Team, AVCA All-Region Hon. Mention 2008) Mollie Lacy (So., MH, 5-11 2008 All-MIAA 3rd Team)

Top Newcomers: Tessa Brophy (Fr., Libero, 5-6) Jessica Kopp (Fr. OH, 5'11) Jessica Fey (Fr. Opp., 6-0) Hillary Hughes (Fr. OH, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Monica Miesner (Sr. OH, 5-11, AVCA 1st Team All-American 2008)

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Dallas Baptist University (24-18, 9-5 Heartland)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: 2nd

2008 Conference Finish: 4th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5+ Libero/ 8

Top Returners: Kaylyn Frink (SO, Outside Hitter, 6-0) Amanda Emmert (Sr. 5-9 Libero, one time Libero of the week) Kristin Secord (SO, Middle Blocker 6-0)

Top Newcomers: May Allen (Fr. Setter, 5-8) Christina Steinkruger (Fr. Hitter/Setter, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Lauren Secord (Sr. Middle Blocker, 6-2)

East Central University (12-22, 4-9, Lone Star Conference)

2008 Final National Rank: NA

2008 Post Season Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: T11th

Returning Starter/Letterwinners: 5+libero/8

Top Returners: Holly Hicks (Sr., Setter, 5'10", 2008 1st team All-LSC, LSC newcomer of the year), Emily Holombek (Sr., MB, 6'), Jacqueline Sparks (Sr., OH, 5'10"), Megan Kimak (Soph, L, 5'6"), Katie Fields (Soph, OH, 5'10")

Top Newcomers: Megan Waiki (Fr, MB, 6')

Players Lost: Mallorie Bolton (Sr., MB, 5'10")

Eastern New Mexico University (Overall: 6-28, Conference Record: 0-13, Lone Star Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 13th

Returning Starters/Letter winners: 4 + Libero/17

Top Returners: Caitlin Murphy (Sr., Libero, 5'7, 2008 2nd Team All-LSC); Sarah Koch (So., OH, 5'11); Veronica Valdez-Kent (Jr., S/OH, 5'8); Jessica King (So., MB, 6'0)

Top Newcomers: Madison Rhoades (Fr., OH, 5'9), Jennifer Schaap (Fr., MB, 6'2), Megan Kabrick (Jr. MB/OH, 5'11), Megan Longoria (Fr., MB, 6'0), Rocio Ovalle (Fr., OH, 6'1), Megan Carpenter (Fr., OH, 6'3)

Top Players Lost: Vanessa Wilcox (Sr., OH/MB, 5'10), Megan Weitz (Sr., MB, 6'0), Nicole Vanderploeg (Sr., OH/Lib., 5'9)

Incarnate Word (19-16; 12-4; Heartland Conference)

2008 National Ranking—None

2008 Post-Season—None

2008 Conference Finish—T2nd regular season; tournament runnerup

Returning Starters—4+Libero/7 others (do not award letters)

Top Returnees--Edie Weise, SR, MB, 6-0, So. Cent. All-Region 2nd ; Sarah Nordman, JR, S,, 5-10, All-Heartland 2nd; ; Emily Kopecki, SR, OH, 5-10; Chelsea Grayson, SO, OH/RS, 5-10; Spencer Ladd, JR, L, 5-5

Top Newcomers—Stephanie Bonura, FR, 5-10, MB/RS

Top Players Lost—Kim Kvapil, OH, AVCA All-America (HM), Daktronics All-America (2nd)

Missouri Southern State University (2008 Overall Record (10-22), 2008 Conference Record (5-15), Conference Name (MIAA)

2008 Final National Ranking:NA

2008 Postseason Finish:NA

2008 Conference Finish: 9th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 7/9

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors) - Ashlee Russell (Jr., OH, 5-8, HM All-MIAA), Kari Hammerbacher (Sr., Lib, 5-2, HM All-MIAA), Stefanie Williams (Sr., OH, 5-10), Elin Skei (So., S., 5-9), Brittany Vavao-Huggins (Jr., MB, 5-11), Jeanna Feldman (Jr., OP, 5-11), Amelia Judge (Jr., MB, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht) - Daphne Merrick (Fr., S., 5-10), Ali Boehler (Fr., OH, 5-10), Brittany Crockett (Jr., MH, 5-10), Renee Rheinecker (Fr., OH, 6-1)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors): Sarah Joles (Setter), Ashley Hill (OH)

Missouri Western State University (4-32, 1-19 MIAA)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Postseason Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 11th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 9/7

Top Returners:Madison Benton S 5-7 Sr. Kansas, City, Mo. (Park Hill South HS)Kelli Sicner OH 5-10 Jr. Omaha, Neb. (Millard North HS) - Honorable Mention All-MIAA

Top Newcomers: Name Brittany Cline MB 6-0 Fr. Kansas City, Mo. (Oak Park)

Top Players Lost: None

Northwest Missouri State University (10-23, 7-13 MIAA)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 7th place

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4 + Libero/6

Top Returners: Paige Spangenberg (Jr., Libero, 5-8, 2008 MIAA Honorable Mention), Amber Ryan (Jr., MB, 6-0, 2008 MIAA Honorable Mention), Sara Falcone (Jr., MB, 6-0, 2008 MIAA Honorable Mention), Alex Hanna (So., OH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Laira Akin (Fr., Setter, 6-0), Ashley Mitchell (So., RS, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: N/A

St. Edward's University (16-13, 11-3 Heartland)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Post Season Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 3rd

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4/2 + Libero

Top Returners: Ashley VanderHey (So., OH, 5-9, 2008 Daktronics South Central Women's Volleyball All-Region Second-Team, All-Heartland Conference First Team, Heartland Conference Freshman of the Year), Chelsea Barsamian (Jr., Setter, 5-10, All-Heartland Conference Second Team)

Top Newcomers: Stacie Robertson (Jr., DS, 5-8), Courtney Trevino (So., OH, 6-0), Ale'Tra Ware (Fr., MB, 5-8), Michelle Hundt (Fr., Libero, 5-9)

Top Players Lost: Lindsey Douglas (Sr., OH, 5-11), Kelsey Teal (Sr., Libero, 5-8)

Tarleton State University (22-10, 10-3 LSC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Post Season Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: Lone Star Conference Runner-up

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 3 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Shay Gracy (Sr., MB, 6-0, 2008 First-Team All-LSC), Shea McBrearty (Jr., Libero, 5-8, 2008 Honorable Mention All-LSC), Jessie Hartman (Soph., Setter, 5-10, 2008 Honorable Mention All-LSC).

Top Newcomers: Kelsie McLaren (Fr., MB, 5-11), Morgan Wallace (Fr., OH, 5-10).

Top Players Lost: Missy Castro (Sr., OH, First-Team All-LSC), Allison Hill (Sr. OH, Second-Team All-LSC), Emily Richardson (Sr. MB, Second-Team All-LSC).

Texas A&M-International (7-22, 4-10, Heartland Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 6th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4

Top Returners: Alexandria Montemayor (Jr., Outside, 5-8), Isela Flores (So, Outside, 5-9)

Top Newcomers: Liza Acosta (Jr, Middle, 5-11), Brittany Rendon (Jr, Middle, 6-0), Nancy Rodriguez (Jr, Setter, 5-4), Jacquelyn Matula (Fr, Outside/Middle, 5-11), Jennifer Vega (So, Libero, 4-11)

Top Players Lost: Nicole Gipson (Sr, Middle, 6-2, All-Heartland Conference), Brittany Smith (Sr, Middle, 6-0), Madison Mojica (Sr, Libero, 5-1, All-Heartland Conference)

Texas A&M-Kingsville (11-17, 4-9, Lone Star Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Postseason Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 11th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/9

Top Returners: Kristen Chancellor (Sr., MB, 5-10, Academic All-Conference), Sha Tramble (Jr., OH, 5-8, 2nd Team LSC), Virginia Hernandez (Jr., L, 5-6, Hon. Mention LSC)

Top Newcomers: Breane Matula (Fr., MB, 6-1), Cristina Romo (Fr., OH, 5-10)

Top Players Lost: Shaday Smith (OH, 5-10)

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (23-14, 11-3, Heartland Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: None

2008 Postseason Finish: None

2008 Conference Finish: 1st (tie)

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/8

Top Returners: Molly Atnip, Senior, OH, 5'11; Breanna Ausdenmoore, Senior, S, 5'6; Alex Genung, Sophomore, OH, 5'8.

Top Newcomers: Danae Eckart, Freshman, Libero, 5'9; Jamie Rodell, Freshman, MH 5'10; Brittany Ammons, Freshman OPP, 5'9

Top Players Lost: Amithy Henry, OH, 1st Team All Conference; Ashley Alba, Libero, 1st Team All Conference; Krystal Polk, MH, MVP Conference Tournament

SOUTHEAST REGION

Top 25 (And Receiving Votes)

Armstrong Atlantic State (28-7, 8-2 PBC)

2008 Final National Ranking: Receiving votes

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA DII Elite Eight / Southeast Region Champions

2008 Conference Finish: PBC Regular Season + Tournament Champions

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero/10

Top Returners: Torrie Bevolo (Soph., OH, 5-8, 2008 AVCA All-Southeast Region, Daktronics All-Southeast Region First Team, 2008 PBC Tournament MVP), Michele Remlinger (Sr., MH, 6-0), Casey Howett (Soph., Lib, 5-7, 2008 AVCA All-Southeast Region), Gwen Clarke (Sr., RS, 5-11, 2008 All-PBC Tournament Team), Casie Richards (Soph., MH, 6-0).

Top Newcomers: Leia Pittman (Soph., MH, 6-0), Kristin Standhardinger (Fr., S, 5-10), Kathrin Standhardinger (Fr., MH, 5-10), Amanda Jones (Fr., MH, 6-0), Brittany Wolf (Fr., 6-0, OH/MH).

Top Players Lost: Rindy Vidovich (Sr., OH/MH, 6-0, 2008 PBC Player of the Year, Daktronics All-Southeast Region Second Team), Hannah Segebart (Soph., S, 5-7, AVCA DII Honorable Mention All-American, 2008 All-PBC, AVCA DII National Player of the Week (Nov. 25)).

Wingate (31-2, 16-0 South Atlantic Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: Receiving votes, NCAA Division II top 25 poll

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA Division II Southeast Region semi-finals

2008 Conference Finish: Conference regular season and tournament champions

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 5 + Libero/11

Top Returners: Stormi Gale (Jr., MB, 6-0, 2008 AVCA honorable mention All-American, 2008 All-Southeast Region, 2008 All-SAC, 2008 SAC tournament MVP, ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District III first team), Liz Willis (Soph., Setter, 5-10, 2008 AVCA Southeast Region Freshman of the Year, 2008 All-Southeast Region, 2008 All-SAC, 2008 SAC Freshman of the Year), Maggie Malone (Soph., Libero, 5-8, 2008 All-Southeast Region, 2008 All-SAC), Lauren Billo (Jr., OH, 5-11, 2008 All-SAC), Chelsea Cancelliere (Sr., DS, 5-10, ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District III first team), Rebecca Bloemer (Jr., MB, 5-10, ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District III first team)

Top Newcomers: Jenny O'Brien (Soph., OH, 6-0), Grace Krauser (Fr., MB, 5-10), Katie Handy (Fr., OH, 5-10).

Top Players Lost: Kathryn Reddick (Sr., OH, 6-0), Ashley Craven (Sr., MB, 5-10)

Other Teams That Made the NCAA Tournament

Lincoln Memorial University (22-14, 7-9, South Atlantic)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: NCAA Tournament Southeast Region Semifinals

2008 Conference Finish: 6th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5/8

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors) Amanda Horenkamp (Sr., Outside Hitter, 5'8, 2008 AVCA First Team All-Region, 2008 Daktronics 2nd Team All Region, First Team South Atlantic Conference), Alicia MacIntyre (Sr., Libero, 5'5, 2008 2nd Team South Atlantic Conference), Alison Hess (Sr., Middle Hitter, 5'11), Kodi Cartwright (Jr., Middle Blocker, 5'11), Lauren Kiwacka (Jr., Setter, 6'0), Ashley Knight (Jr., Outside Hitter, 5'11)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht) Megan Bell (Fr., Middle Blocker/Outside Hitter, 5'10), Kristen Cantrell (Fr., Libero, 5'5), Brittany Pugh (Fr., Setter, 5'7), Jenice Wilson (Jr., Middle Blocker, 5'11)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors) Krysten Adsuarra (S/DS, 5'7), Jaclyn Dvorscak (DS/OH, 5'9), Caitlin Hankins (MB, 5'11), Cami Lefeld (RS, 5'11)

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Barton College

Overall: 9-23 Conference: 7-13 Conference Carolinas
2008 Conference Tournament: eliminated first round to Queens
Returning Starters/Letterwinners: Stacy Way, Meagan Parrott, Mel Ritter, Macon Harmon, Cassie Blackmon, Kristen Peschock Cami Fledderman Top Returners: Mel Ritter, Outside Hitter, 5-7, Conference Carolinas Honorable Mention
Top Newcomers: Chancey Sebranek, Middle Hitter, 5-10, Meredith Watkins, Outside/Middle Hitter, 5-10
Top Player Lost: Liz Strange, Senior, Team Captain, Team Coaches Award, Team MVP Award

Catawba College

2008: no national ranking
2008: Southeast Regional finalist
2008: Conference finish - South Atlantic Conference - 3rd
Returning Starters/ Letterwinners - 4 + libero/5
Top Returners: Mai Zoua Lo - libero- SR.; Megan Courson - setter- soph.; Marsha Meeks - OH - soph
Top Newcomers: Alli Parrish - RS; Melanie Slack - OH; Kaitlyn Whitmer - OH; Jenny Young - DS; Jordan Raye - setter
Top Players Lost: Melissa Powers - MB - 3rd team AVCA All American and Melissa Griffith - OH - Southeast All Region

Lenoir-Rhyne

2008 Overall Record: 15-19
2008 Conference Record: 6-10 (South Atlantic)
2008 Final National Ranking: n/a
2008 Postseason Finish: n/a
2008 Conference Finish: 7th
Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 11/5
Top Returners: Kassi Henry (Senior, OH/RS, 5-11), Jordan Ledford (Senior, OH, 5-9), Lindsey Cantu (Sophomore, OH, 5-11) Top Newcomers: Meredith Lutz (Freshman, S, 5-9) Top Players Lost: Katie Novacek, Abby Smith

Limestone College (19-13, 15-5 Conference Carolinas)

2008 Final National Ranking: none
2008 Post Season Finish: conference semi-finals
2008 Conference Finish: 3rd regular season & tournament
Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero / 8
Top Returners: Melissa Thomas (Sr., OH, 6-3, 2008 AVCA & Daktronics All-Region, 2008 Conference Carolinas Player of Year, 2008 All-Conference Carolinas), Chelsea Anthony (Sr., DS/Libero, 5-8), Brooke England (Sr., DS/Libero, 5-7), Jen O'Keeffe (Jr., MH/OH, 6-0), Holli Dawson (So., OH/S, 5-8), Danielle Seibert (So., 5-9, S/OH)
Top Newcomers: Tierney Burdett (Sr., 5-11, OH/MH), Courtney Taotoai (Jr., DS, 5-7), Sam Johnson (Jr., MH, 6-0), Laura Kerrison (So., S/OH, 5-8), Kassi Boedeker (So., OH, 5-11)
Top Players Lost: Lynn Milam (Sr., RS, 6-1), Sam Flannery (Sr., MH, 6-2, 2008 All-Conference Carolinas), Nina Milovanovic (So., OH, 6-0, 2009 Conference Carolinas All-Tournament)

Mount Olive (19-17, 13-7 Conference Carolinas)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA
2008 Postseason Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 5th (regular season)/2nd (tournament)

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4/8

Top Returners: Racey Bartley (Sr., MH, 6-0, 2008 AVCA All-Southeast Region first team, 2008 All-Conference Carolinas first team, 2008 Conference Carolinas All-Tournament Team, 2007 All-Conference Carolinas second team); Alicia Mote (Sr., OH, 5-9, 2008 AVCA All-Southeast Region second team, 2008 All-Conference Carolinas second team); Joanie Werling (Sr., Setter, 5-11, 2008 AVCA All-Southeast Region second team, 2008 All-Conference Carolinas honorable mention); Kailey Preece (Jr. MB, 6-0).

Top Players Lost: Mallory Peavler (Sr. Libero, 5-4); Corie Skislak (Sr., MB, 5-11); Kari Ham (Sr. OH, 5-9), Charmaine Harris (Sr. OH, 5-9).

Newberry College (18-13, 8-8 SAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Post Season Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 5th

Returning Starters/Letter Winners: 5 + Libero / 10

Top Returners: Lorena Maia (Sr., OH, 5-7, 2008 All-SAC Second Team), Nadia Andrade (Jr., Libero, 5-5), Brianna Blakely (Jr., Setter, 5-3), Kara Harris (Jr., OH, 5-8), Niki Hroblak (Sr., MH, 6-0), Kember Lichtie (Sr., OH, 5-8)

Top Newcomers: Katie Davenport (Fr., OH, 5-9), Blair Browning (Fr., Setter, 5-6), Leah Nye, (Jr., MB, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Priscila Sales (OH, All-SAC First Team)

Queens University of Charlotte, NC 8-23, 7-13 Conference Carolinas

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Postseason Finish: 2nd round

2008 Conference Finish: T-7th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners:

Top Returners: Brittany Harvey, Soph, MD, 6-2; Tanisha Lea, MB, 6-0

Top Newcomers: Erica Mazur, OH, 5-8, Keri Kemp, OH, 6-0, Erinn Moore, S, 5-6, Ali Williams, 6-0, MB, Sarah Malpass, L, 5-4

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors) Keatin McKenzie, OH, Tammy Pierce, L

Tusculum College (22-11, 9-7 in South Atlantic Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 4th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3/5

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors): Carly Swisher (So., RS, 6-2, 2008 SAC All-Freshman Team); Peyton Colclough (So., S, 5-10, 2008 SAC All-Freshman Team, 2009 Preseason All-SAC Second Team); Gina Coffaro (Sr., RS, 5-11)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht): Allyson Ray (Sr., MB, 6-0), Alyssa Raterman (Fr., MB, 6-0), Bailee Price (Fr., OH, 5-9), Melanie Gibson (L/DS, Fr., 5-3), Taylor Wood (RS, Fr., 5-9)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors) Katie Luebke (OH, 2008 All-SAC First Team)

WEST REGION

Top 25 (and Receiving Votes)

Cal State San Bernardino (30-4, 17-3 CCAA)

2008 Final AVCA Ranking: 2nd

2008 NCAA Postseason Finish: NCAA National Final

2008 Conference Finish: 1st

Returning starters/letter winners: 4/9

Top Returners: Sara Hoffman (S, 5-6, Sr., AVCA First-Team America; AVCA All-West Region; First-Team All-CCAA); Ashtin Hall (OH, 5-11, Sr., Second-Team All-CCAA); Jane Chafeh (OH, 5-10, Jr., NCAA championship all-tournament team)

Top Newcomers: Rachel Taylor (OH, 5-10, Fr.), Erica Walters (MB, 5-11, Fr.), Camille Smith (S/L, 5-9, R-Fr).

Top Player Lost: Jessica Granados (RS/Opp., 6-1, AVCA First-Team All-America; AVCA All-West Region, CCAA MVP, CCAA Female Athlete of Year)

UC San Diego (21-7, 15-5 CCAA)

2008 Final National Ranking: 17th

2008 Post Season Finish: NCAA West Regional First Round

2008 Conference Finish: T2nd

Returning Starter/Letter Winners: 4 + Libero/12

Top Returners: Sylvia Schmidt (Sr., MB/OH, 5-11, 2008 First-Team All-CCAA; 2008 AVCA All-West Region), Elaine Chen (Sr., Setter, 5-7, 2008 Second-Team All-CCAA); Hillary Williamson (So., OH, 5-10) 2008 All-CCAA, 2008 CCAA Freshman of the Year).

Top Newcomers: Audrey Green (Jr., MB, 6-4); Alyssa Melford (Fr. OPP, 6-0); Karly Deer (Fr., S, 5-9)

Top Players Lost: Rebecca Bailey (Sr., OH, 5-9)

Western Oregon University (22-3, 15-1 GNAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 23rd

2008 Post Season Finish: Lost opening round of NCAA West Regional (Cal Poly Pomona)

2008 Conference Finish: First, GNAC Champions (15-1)

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4+Libero/8

Top Returners: Martini (Sr., MB, 5-11, 2008 GNAC honorable mention), Amy Herron (Sr., Setter, 5-5, , 2008 GNAC honorable mention), Laura Sakala (Sr., MB, 5-10, 2008 GNAC honorable mention)

Top Newcomers: Sarah Bain (Fr., Setter, 5-6), Krissi Kemper (Fr., OH, 5-11), Cally Young (Jr., Setter, 5-6), Samantha Ward (Fr., MB, 6-2)

Top Players Lost: Stacey Bennet (OH, AVCA honorable mention All-American, Daktronics West Region All-Star, First team All-GNAC), Kayla Mainer (OH, Second team All-GNAC)

Western Washington University (21-3, 13-3, Great Northwest Athletic Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: No.21

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: 2nd place

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 +Libero/7

Top Returners: Allison Gotz (Jr., Libero, 5-3, 2008 h.m. AVCA All-American, 6.10 dpg, ranked No.2 nationally), Megan Amundson (Jr., Outside Hitter, 5-11, 2008 1st-team all-GNAC), Kari Rice (Sr., Setter, 5-11, h.m. all-GNAC, 11.62 apg, ranked No.8 nationally)

Top Newcomers: Emily Boerger (Fr., MB, 6-2), Kinsey Davis (Fr., OH, 5-9), Marlayna Geary (Fr., OH, 5-10), Bailey Jones (Fr., MB, 6-0)

Top Players Lost: Angie Alvord (MB, 1st-team AVCA All-American, GNAC Player of the Year), Tiana Roma (MB, 2nd-team all-GNAC)

Other Teams that made the NCAA Tournament

Other Teams in the Region – Alphabetized

Alaska Anchorage (15-14, 7-9 GNAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: none

2008 Postseason Finish: none

2008 Conference Finish: 6th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 + libero/5

Top Returners: Calli Scott (Sr., S, 5-9, GNAC Newcomer of Year, 2nd Tm All-GNAC); Cortney Lundberg (Jr., MB, 6-1, HM All-GNAC); Ashley Bates (Sr., MB, 6-0); Stacie Meisner (Sr., L, 5-8)

Top Newcomers: Jackie Matthisen (So., OH/MB, 5-11); Jamie Russell (Fr., MB, 6-0); Marie Borowikow (Fr., OH/MB, 6-1)

Top Players Lost: Rhea Cardwell (OH, AVCA 2nd Tm All-American); Rachel Kidwell (OH); Joanna Johnson (OH)

Academy of Art University (17-12, Pacific West Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A

2008 Postseason Finish: N/A

2008 Conference Finish: N/A

Returning Starters/Letter winners: 5/6

Top Returners: Dan Yang (Jr., OH, 6-2), KaUwila Lavea (Jr. OH, 6-0), Jelena Jakovljevic (Jr. RS, 6-2), Angela Heath (So. MB, 5-10), Nicolette Hagan (So. RS, 5-11), Heather Allen (Sr., DS, 5-8)

Top Newcomers: Amy Bush (So., MB, 6-3), Melissa Cheng (Fr., Setter, 5-10), Jill Singletary (Fr., MB, 6-0), Camille Board (So., OH, 5-11), Evin Cotton (Fr., Libero, 5-8)

Top Players Lost: Ali Taufouu (Libero), Levalasi Key (MB)

Cal State Stanislaus (6-24, 3-17 CCAA)

2008 Final National Ranking: NA

2008 Postseason Finish: NA

2008 Conference Finish: 10th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 4 + Libero/7

Top Returners: Lianne Vicchio (So., OH, 5-11), Nicki Brown (Jr., Setter, 5-10), Colleen Sullivan (Jr., Setter, 5-8), Amanda Pielstick (Grad., DS, 5-8), Megan Britton (Jr., DS/L, 5-7)

Top Newcomers: Janay Bankston (Fr., OH, 6-0), Jessica Lehner (Fr., Setter, 5-11), Jennifer Marsh (Fr., Opp, 6-1)

Top Players Lost: Megan Loghry (Sr., MH, 6-2)

Central Washington University (16-12, 8-8 Great Northwest Athletic Conference)

2008 Final National Ranking: Not Ranked

2008 Postseason Finish: Did Not Qualify

2008 Conference Finish: Fifth

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 2 + libero/7

Top Returners: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht, Post-Season Honors)

Brandie Vea (Jr., L, 5-3, HM All-American, 1st Team all-West Region, 1st Team all-GNAC), Erin Norris (Sr., RS, 5-10, Honorable Mention All-GNAC), Kady Try (Jr., OH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Name (Yr., Pos, Ht)

Kristel Baeckel (Jr., MB, 5-9), Marcy Hjellum (Fr., OH, 5-11)

Top Players Lost: Name (Pos., Honors)

Rachael Schurman (MB, 1st Team all-GNAC), Morgan Zamora (MB), Kayla Roof (OH)

Chaminade University of Honolulu (Pacific West Conference)

2008 Overall Record 10-15 / Pacific West Conference Record 4-10

2008 Final National Ranking: N/A / 2008 Postseason Finish: N/A / 2008 Conference Finish: 6th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 3 Starters return + Starting Libero / 7 returnees

Top Returners: Tanya Alvino, Jr., Setter, 5'8" / Chauntelle Maduli, Sr., Libero, 5'6" / Courtney Lorusso, Sr., Outside, 6'0" / Pisila Tukia, Jr., Middle, 5'10" / Malilimago Toailoa, Fr., Opposite, 5'10"

Top Newcomers: Alzie Auelua, Jr., Middle/Outside, 5'10" / Kylee Pedro, Fr., Middle/Outside, 5'10" / Whitney Viveiros, Fr., Outside, 5'10"

Top Players Lost:

Trina Kauliakamoa, Outside, 5'10", 3 times All Pac West / Chelsey Powell, DS

Seattle Pacific University (8-18, 5-11 GNAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: (N/A)

2008 Postseason Finish: (N/A)

2008 Conference Finish: 7th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners:

Top Returners: Anna Herold (So., Libero, 5-8, GNAC Freshman of the Year, Honorable Mention All-GNAC), Robin De Jong (Sr., MB, 5-10, Honorable Mention All-GNAC), Joelle Perez (Jr., Setter, 5-9, Honorable Mention All-GNAC), Cortney Weedman (Sr., Setter, 5-4), Jessica Bettencourt (Sr., MB, 5-11), Kylie Johnson (Jr., MB, 6-1), Sarah Risser (Jr., OH, 5-9), Lindsey Wodrich (So., OH, 5-9), Paige Hoffman (So., OH, 6-2), Priscilla Collings (So., OH, 6-0)

Top Newcomers: Angie Pricco (RS Fr., MB, 6-1), Amber Johnson (Tr. So., MB, 6-1), Shelby Swanson (Fr., Setter, 5-8), Hannah Bell (Fr., OH, 5-8), Christina Brashear (Fr., Libero, 5-4)

Top Players Lost: Nikki Finley (Sr., OH, 5-9, 2nd Team All-GNAC) Torii Mount (Sr., Libero, 5-2)

University of Alaska Fairbanks (15-10, 9-7 GNAC)

2008 Final National Ranking: 87th

2008 Postseason Finish: ---

2008 Conference Finish: 4th

Returning Starters/Letterwinners: 5 + Libero/10

Top Returners: Alexa Sherman (Sr., Setter, 5-9, 2008 GNAC All-Conference Honorable Mention), Megan Thigpen (Sr., OH, 5-10, GNAC All-Conference Honorable Mention), Jessica Hill (Sr., RS, 6-1)

Top Newcomers: Mandy Grierson (Fr., Setter, 6-0), Sydney Van Munster (Fr., MB, 6-1), Allison Oddy (Fr., Libero, 5-6)

Top Players Lost: Korlyn Bolster (MB, GNAC All-Conference First Team)