

2024

AVCA Thirty Under 30 Beach



Tierney Flaherty
Eastern Kentucky University
NCAA Division I
Assistant Coach

Career Accomplishments to Date:

EKU:

- Most Wins in Program History two years in a row
- Improved the program from 5 wins to 15 wins in first year
- Sarah Mitchell - Winningest player in program history
- Paityn Walker & Sarah Mitchell - Most Wins in 1's Pair in Program History and ranked as high as 13th in the NCAA
- Gabby Armitage - Winningest freshmen in program history
- Riley Cutler - ASUN All-Freshmen Team
- Hannah Keating - ASUN All-Academic Team
- USMC/AVCA Team Academic Award (2023, 2024) - 2023 being the first time in program history

Coaching Roles:

- Appalachian State University, Student Assistant Coach, 2017
- Wofford College, Assistant Coach, 2018
- Tennessee Tech, Assistant Coach, 2019-2022
- Texas A&M - Corpus Christi, Assistant Coach, 2022
- Eastern Kentucky, Assistant Coach, 2023-Current

What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball?

I struggled a lot as a player through my college volleyball career. I wanted the opportunity to be a support system to my girls and make sure that none of them experienced what I had gone through as a player and give them the best college experience possible.

What are your career goals in the sport?

My career goal in volleyball is to just continue supporting my girls and giving them the best experience possible.



Which coaches have influenced you the most?

- Stephanie Marsh (Cantway)
- Zach Weinberg
- Gayle Stammer
- Jeff Patton
- Matt Ginipro
- Chad Willis
- Terri Purichia

What do you enjoy most about your coaching job?

The thing I enjoy most about coaching is being around the team and building lifelong relationships with them. The girls are the best part of my day and I truly love being able to create memories with them.

