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HIGHEST DIVISION I WINNING PERCENTAGE IN THE LAST FIVE SEASONS (148-18, .892) | THIRD-MOST WINS IN NCAA HISTORY (1,292)

# 2019 SCHEDULE

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	107		
AUGI			
30	Boise State *	W	3-0
30	Utah Valley *	W	3-0
31	#16 Marquette *	L	1-3
SEPT	EMBER		
5	LIU **	W	3-0
6	Sam Houston State *	** W	3-1
7	Weber State **	W	3-0
12	at Wichita State ^	W	3-1
13	vs #3 Texas ^	L	1-3
14	vs VCU ^	W	3-1
19	at #18 Utah	W	3-1
21	at #2 Stanford	W	3-1
26	at Gonzaga	w	3-0
28	at Portland	w	3-0
осто	IBER		
1	lmu	WCC Network	7 p.m.
3	at Pacific	WCC Network	7 p.m.
5	at Saint Mary's	WCC Network	1 p.m.
10	San Francisco	BYUtv Digital	7 p.m.
12	Santa Clara	WCC Network	1 p.m.
18	San Diego	BYUtv	7 p.m.
24	at LMU	WCC Network	7 p.m.
26	at Pepperdine	WCC Network	12 p.m.
31	Saint Mary's	BYUtv Digital	7 p.m.
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2	Pacific	WCC Network	1 p.m.
7	at Santa Clara	WCC Network	7 p.m.
9	at San Francisco	WCC Network	12 p.m.
15	at San Diego	WCC Network	7 p.m.
21	Portland	WCC Network	7 p.m.
23	Gonzaga	WCC Network	1 p.m.
26	Pepperdine	ESPNU	8 p.m.
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6-7 NCAA First & Second Rounds

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13-14 NCAA Regional

19-21 NCAA Semifinals & Final

\*BYU Nike Invitational \*\*BYU Doterra Classic ^Shocker Volleyball Classic All times local to site **WCC games in bold** 



# QUICK HITS

- No. 9 BYU hosts its first home conference match of the year on Tuesday against LMU. The Cougars are 16-2 all-time against LMU, including 9-0 at home. The Lions are the only WCC team to beat BYU in the Cougars' last 27 conference matches dating back to November 2017. LMU knocked off then-No. 1 BYU last year in Los Angeles in the last regular season match of the season.
- Last week, the Cougars beat Gonzaga and Portland in a pair of road matches to kick off WCC play, sweeping both opponents. LMU defeated Santa Clara and San Francisco last week, with BYU and LMU joining Pepperdine as the WCC's early undefeated teams.
- BYU hit .343 as a team last week while allowing just a .112 hitting percentage. Sophomore Madelyn Robinson (17/1/31, .516), junior Kennedy Eschenberg (11/0/22, .500) and freshman Kate Grimmer (17/5/29, .414) all hit above .400 while senior McKenna Miller led all players with 22 kills last week.
- The Cougars are currently averaging 1.76 aces per set and 6.23 per match. The 1.76 mark is the highest since 2003; before that it's the highest since 1990. Freshman Whitney Bower has 27 aces this year, almost halfway to BYU's rally era record of 56. Miller has had back-to-back matches with three aces and now is second on the team with 18 on the season.
- BYU has won its last 14 home conference matches, having not lost since October 27, 2017, and has won 62 of 63 conference home matches dating back to November 2011.
- BYU has been picked to finish first in the WCC by the conference's head coaches; the Cougars have won the last five WCC titles. Eschenberg, Gneiting, Lake and Miller were all named preseason All-WCC.
- The Cougars return four All-Americans from last season: senior libero Mary Lake, senior
  outside hitter McKenna Miller, junior middle blocker Kennedy Eschenberg and sophomore
  middle blocker Heather Gneiting. It's the highest number of All-Americans returning in
  program history.
- BYU has eight newcomers this season, including seven freshmen. It's the highest number of newcomers since eight joined the program before the 2008 season. Six freshman have already seen playing time so far this year.
- The Cougars are looking for their sixth-straight WCC title and seventh in the last eight years. BYU has finished the last two seasons with a 17-1 conference record after three-consecutive 16-2 seasons.

STAT COMPARISON			
	LMU		
11-2	W/L	8-6	
46	SETS	52	
635	К	702	
236	E	277	
1556	TA	1824	
.256	HIT%	.233	
.180	OPP%	.233	
13.8	K/S	13.5	
580	ASTS	657	
12.6	ASTS/S	12.6	
81	SA	87	
99	SE	128	
1.8	SA/S	1.7	
593	DIGS	732	
12.9	DIGS/S	14.1	
11	BS	20	
190	BA	126	
106	TBLK	83	
2.3	BLK/S	1.6	

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### WINNING WAYS

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# **2019 QUICK FACTS**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

School:	Brigham Young University
Location:	Provo, Utah
Founded:	
Enrollment:	
Nickname:	Cougars
Colors:	Navy Blue and White
Conference:	West Coast Conference
President:	Kevin J Worthen
Athletics Director:	Tom Holmoe

#### **ARENA INFORMATION**

Home Court:	Smith Fieldhouse
Capacity:	5,000
Surface:	Taraflex

#### ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

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#### **TEAM INFORMATION**

2018 Record	
2018 Final Ranking	4th
2018 Postseason Finish	4-1, NCAA Final Four
2018 WCC Record	
All-Americans Returning/Lost	4/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	
Starters Returning/Lost	
Newcomers/True Freshmen	1/7

## **ALL-TIME GREAT COACHES**

Three BYU coaches are found among the winningest in the history of NCAA women's volleyball. BYU is the only program with three coaches with an .800 or higher career winning percentage:

**Elaine Michaelis (886-219-5, .800)** is ninth in NCAA history in career win percentage and 10th in career victories after coaching from 1969-01. When she retired, Michaelis was second on the career victories list and first among any woman in collegiate volleyball. She is an AVCA Founders Award and USA Volleyball All-Time Great Coach honoree. The Cougars' home court is also named after her.

Shawn Olmstead (103-25, .805) is 17th in NCAA history in career win percentage among coaches with four or more seasons. The 2014 AVCA National Coach of the Year, Olmstead led BYU to its first national title game that same season. He now coaches the BYU men's volleyball team.

**Heather Olmstead (129-15, .896)** is the third-fastest Division I women's volleyball coach in history to reach 100 wins, doing so in just 111 matches. The 2018 AVCA National Coach of the Year, Olmstead currently holds the highest winning percentage of any women's volleyball coach in NCAA Division I history (min. one season) and in any division (min. three seasons).

# **BYU FAMILIES**

Playing sports at BYU has increasingly become a family affair. Nine players have close family members who also competed or are competing as Cougars.

#### Taylen Ballard-Nixon

Husband, Dalton (Basketball; 2015, 2018-present)

#### Morgan & Whitney Bower

Father, Danny (Basketball; 1998-99) Mother, Caroline (Volleyball; 1996-99)

#### Kennedy Eschenberg

Husband, Zach (Volleyball; 2017-present)

#### Heather Gneiting

Father, Tom (Basketball; 1984-87)

#### Morgan Johnson

Father, James (Football; 1992-96) Mother, Gale (Volleyball; 1993-96)

#### Mary Lake

Sister, Melissa (Volleyball; 2008-09)

#### McKenna Miller

Husband, Alex (Volleyball; 2018-present)

#### Callie Whitney

Brother, Brock (Baseball; 2009, 12-14) Brother, Derrick (Baseball; 2015)

## **COACHING FAMILY TREE**

Head coach Heather Olmstead comes from a family of volleyball coaches. Her father, Rick, is a well-known high school and club coach in California who coached U.S. star and current National Team head coach Karch Kiraly at Santa Barbara High.

Heather's sister, Laci, played setter for the Cougars from 1994-95.

Heather's brother, Shawn, has been the BYU men's volleyball coach the last four seasons, winning three MPSF titles. Previously, Shawn and Heather worked together on the women's team for four seasons with Shawn as head coach, helping BYU to two conference titles and three trips to the NCAA Tournament, including a 2014 national runner-up finish.

### **OFF-THE-FIELD TEAMMATE**

This year there are five Cougars who are married.

Player	Spouse	Year Married
Taylen Ballard-Nixon	Dalton	2019
Kennedy Eschenberg	Zach	2018
Whitney Llarenas	Mitch	2019
McKenna Miller	Alex	2019
Kiani Moea'i	Saitui	2018

### WINNING STATISTICS

BYU has a number of different active winning streaks, including when the Cougars:

Stat	Wins	Last Loss
Record a higher hit %	105	LMU, 9/29/15
Record more kills	70	at Portland, 10/13/16
Record more digs	62	Utah, 9/15/16
Hit .300 or higher	42	at San Diego, 9/30/16
Win the second set	49	at San Diego, 9/30/16
Win the third set	38	at Kentucky, 12/8/17

# BYU'S RECORD IN 2019 WHEN...

Overall         .11-2           Conference.         .2-0           Nonconference         .9-2
Home
Day
Playing ranked opponents
In three sets
Winning the first set         .8-2           Winning the second set         .10-0           Winning the third set         .10-0           Winning the fourth set         .5-0
Losing the first set       .3-0         Losing the second set       .1-2         Losing the third set       .1-2         Losing the fourth set       .0-2
Hitting .250 or better.       .5-0         Hitting .249 or worse.       .6-2         Opponent hitting .250 or better.       .0-2         Opponent hitting .249 or worse.       .11-0
Outblocking opponent       .6-0         Getting outblocked       .4-1         Blocks tied       .1-1
Monday       .0-0         Tuesday       .0-0         Wednesday       .0-0         Thursday.       .4-0         Friday       .3-1         Saturday.       .4-1

# **IN THE 2019 STATISTICAL RANKS**

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VALUE	WCC	NCAA
.846	1	22
1.76	3	24
13.80	2	28
.256	3	35
12.61	2	40
81	7	74
2.30	2	79
.180	1	80
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#### INDIVIDUAL

NAME	CATEGORY	VALUE	WCC	NCAA
W. Bower	Aces/Set	.59	1	11
W. Bower	Aces	27	1	19
Miller	Points/Set	4.59	1	47
W. Bower	Assts/Set	10.33	2	48
Gneiting	Blocks/Set	1.24	3	49
Miller	Kills/Set	3.96	1	54
Eschenberg	Hitting %	.370	3	60
Gneiting	Blocks	57	2	80
W. Bower	Assists	475	2	87

### **BOWER POWER**

- Freshman Whitney Bower is 17 years old and the third-youngest starting setter in Division I after reclassifying and skipping her senior year of high school
- Bower is 11th in the nation averaging .59 aces per set • and 48th in the country at 10.33 assists per set
- Among freshmen, Bower is third nationally in aces • per set and seventh in assists per set
- Bower has had five aces in two different matches . this season (Boise State, VCU). She's had five matches with three aces or more
- She's the fastest player in BYU rally scoring era history to reach 20 career aces (9 matches)
- She became the first player in BYU rally scoring era • history to record at least four kills, three aces, 10 assists and 10 digs in a single match after totaling four kills, fives aces, 42 assists and 15 digs in the win against VCU
- Bower is now sixth in Cougar freshman history in • assists and seventh in aces. She's also ninth in BYU rally era history in career assists

### BYU CAREER RECORDS RALLY ERA (2001-PRES.)

#### SETS PLAYED

19.	McKenna Miller	350	2016-pres.
14.	Mary Lake	388	2016-pres.
	Lauren Richards Evans	393	2001-05
10.	Amy Boswell	393	2013-16
9.	Rachel Dyer	410	2005-08
	Lindsy Hartsock	416	2003-06
7.	Erica Lott	416	2004-07
6.	Jennifer Hamson	429	2010-12, 14
5.	Whitney Young Howard	436	2013-16
4.	Nicole Warner	452	2009-12
3.	Tia Withers Welling	453	2011-14
2.	Alexa Gray	459	2012-15
1.	Ciara Parker	461	2012-15

KIL	LS		
1.	Alexa Gray	1,848	2012-15
2.	Jennifer Hamson	1,590	2010-14
3.	Erica Lott	1,513	2004-07
4.	Chelsea Goodman	1,493	2004-07
5.	Roni Jones-Perry	1,473	2015-18
6.	McKenna Miller	1,227	2016-pres.
7.	Kim Wilson Sorenson	1,186	2002-06
8.	Rachel Dyer	1,140	2005-08
9.	Lindsy Hartsock	955	2003-06
10.	Amy Boswell	900	2013-16

#### ATTEMPTS

1.	Alexa Gray	4,473	2012-15
2.	Jennifer Hamson	3,716	2010-14
3.	Erica Lott	3,694	2004-07
4.	Chelsea Goodman	3,601	2004-07
5.	Roni Jones-Perry	3,535	2015-18
6.	Kim Wilson Sorenson	3,118	2002-06
7.	McKenna Miller	3,006	2016-pres.
8.	Christie Carpenter	2,683	2007-11
9.	Rachel Dyer	2,248	2005-08
10.	Bryn Porter	2,108	2005-08

#### ASSISTS

W22	1313		
1.	Lauren Richards Evans	4,056	2001-05
7.	Amy Schlauder	2,282	2005-07
8.	Alohi Robins-Hardy	992	2014-17
9.	Whitney Bower	475	2019-pres.
10.	Ciara Parker	435	2012-15
11.	Jenna Judkins	428	2004-07
12.	Mary Lake	414	2016-pres.

#### ACES

10.	Mary Lake	79	2016-pres.
9.	Tia Withers Welling	82	2011-14
8.	Ciara Parker	85	2012-15
7.	Kiana Rogers	91	2007-10
	Lindsy Hartsock	98	2003-06
	Erica Lott	98	2004-07
4.	Chelsea Goodman	98	2004-07
3.	Roni Jones-Perry	108	2015-18
2.	Jennifer Hamson	129	2010-14
1.	Lauren Richards Evans	137	2001-05

#### DIGS

1.	Ciara Parker*	1,793	2012-15
2.	Mary Lake	1,659	2016-pres.
3.	Tia Withers Welling	1,122	2011-14

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#### DIGS PER SET

1.	Mary Lake	4.28	2016-18	
2.	Kendalyn Hartsock	3.92	2010-11	
3.	Ciara Parker	3.89	2012-15	

#### BIOCKS

1.	Nicole Warner	660	2009-12
2.	Whitney Young Howard	629	2013-16
3.	Lindsy Hartsock	595	2003-06
4.	Amy Boswell	555	2013-16
5.	Rachel Dyer	498	2005-08
6.	Jennifer Hamson	494	2010-12, 14
7.	Kathryn LeCheminant	409	2010-13
8.	Kennedy Eschenberg	336	2017-pres.
9.	Karina Puikkonen	329	2000-02

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DLC	JCK JOLOJ		
1.	Amy Boswell	50	2013-16
2.	Whitney Young Howard	40	2013-16
	Lindsy Hartsock	40	2003-06
4.	Kathryn LeCheminant	37	2010-13
	Lindsey Steele Metcalf	37	2001-04
6.	Lauren Richards Evans	36	2001-05
7.	Alexa Gray	35	2012-15
8.	Karina Puikkonen	32	2000-02
9.	Nicole Warner	31	2009-12
10.	Kennedy Eschenberg	29	2017-pres.

#### BLOCK ASSISTS

8.	Kennedy Eschenberg	307	2017-pres.
7.	Kathryn LeCheminant	372	2010-13
6.	Rachel Dyer	469	2005-08
1.	Nicole Warner	629	2009-12

#### POINTS

1.	Alexa Gray	2,052	2012-15
2.	Jennifer Hamson	1,978	2010-12, 14
3.	Erica Lott	1,787	2004-07
4.	Roni Jones-Perry	1,712.5	2015-18
5.	Chelsea Goodman	1,706.5	2004-07
6.	Rachel Dyer	1,464.5	2005-08
7.	Lindsy Hartsock	1,370.5	2003-06
8.	McKenna Miller	1,365.5	2016-pres.
9.	Kim Wilson Sorenson	1,337	2002-06
10.	Amy Boswell	1,280.5	2013-16

### BYU SEASON RECORDS RALLY ERA (2001-PRES.)

1.	Whitney Bower	.59	2019	
2.	Lauren Richards Evans	.50	2004	
3.	Lauren Richards Evans	.42	2003	
4.	Roni Jones-Perry	.40	2018	
5.	Lindsy Hartsock	.37	2003	
11.	McKenna Miller	.32	2019	

ACES					
Lauren Richards Evans	56	2004			
Lauren Richards Evans	50	2003			
Roni Jones-Perry	42	2018			
Jennifer Hamson	33	2012			
Kiana Rogers	32	2010			
Whitney Bower	27	2019			
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## **BYU FRESHMAN RECORDS** ALL-TIME

#### ASSISTS

	51515					
1.	Anna-Lena Smith	1,470	1996			
4.	Kiana Rogers	595	2007			
5.	Daphne Gee	547	1988			
6.	Whitney Bower	475	2019			
7.	Andrea Petrilli	365	1995			

#### ASSISTS PER SET (MIN. 50 ASTS)

1.	Karina Puikkonen	12.68	2000	
5.	Amy Schlauder	10.86	2005	
6.	Whitney Bower	10.33	2019	
7.	Daphne Gee	9.27	1988	

#### ACES

1.	Tea Nieminen	44	1988	
2.	Tumua Matu'u	39	1990	
3.	Corinne Russell	36	1984	
4.	Lindsy Hartsock	34	2003	
5.	Mary Lake	29	2016	
	Jennifer Hamson	29	2010	
7.	Whitney Bower	27	2019	
	Ciara Parker	27	2012	
	Karina Puikkonen	27	2000	

#### ACES PER SET (MIN. 25 ACES) 1. Whitney Bower 0.59 2019 Lindsy Hartsock 0.37 2003 Tea Nieminen 0.34 1988 3.



# AVCA COACHES POLL (Sept. 30)

Rank	Team	Record	Previous Rank
1.	Baylor	11-0	2
2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. <b>9.</b>	Nebraska	10-1	3
З.	Stanford	7-3	1
4.	Pittsburgh	13-1	4
5.	Penn State	9-2	5
6.	Texas	8-2	6
7.	Minnesota	8-2	7
8.	Washington	10-2	8
9.	BYU	11-2	9
10.	Marquette	13-2	10
11.	Hawaii	12-1	11
12.	Florida	11-2	12
13.	Wisconsin	6-4	13
14.	Creighton	9-3	14
15.	Kentucky	9-4	16
16.	Colorado State	12-1	17
17.	Purdue	8-3	15
18.	Illinois	6-5	20
19.	California	11-1	21
20.	Utah	9-4	18
21.	Rice	13-1	22
22.	Missouri	8-3	19
23.	Florida State	8-3	23
24.	Washington State	12-2	-
25.	Oregon	5-6	24

### **BYU VS. RANKED OPPONENTS**

BYU has a strong history against ranked opponents, defeating No. 2 Stanford and No. 18 Utah while the Cougars' only two losses are against No. 3 Texas and No. 16 (now No. 10) Marquette.

Last season the Cougars defeated No. 1 Stanford, No. 5 Texas, No. 10 USC, No. 16 Florida, No. 24 Utah and No. 25 Marquette.

Overall Record: 149-162 (.479)
Home Record: 79-47 (.627)
Last Home Win: No. 5 Texas, 3-0 (12/8/18)
Last Home Loss: No. 16 Marquette, 2-1 (8/31/19)
Away Record: 31-77 (.287)
Last Away Win: at No. 2 Stanford, 3-1 (9/21/19)
Last Away Loss: at No. 6 Kentucky, 3-2 (12/8/17)
Neutral Record: 39-38 (.506)
Last Netural Win: vs. No. 10 USC, 3-0 (9/7/18)
Last Neutral Loss: vs. No. 3 Texas, 3-1 (9/13/19)
In the NCAA Tournament: 26-28 (.481)
In the Regular Season: 123-134 (.479)
Under Heather Olmstead: 18-9 (.667)
Longest BYU Win Streak: 10, 9/18/92 - 12/11/92
Longest Opponent Win Streak: 12, 10/6/01 - 8/30/03
Most Games in a Season: 16 in 1984
Most Wins in a Season: 12 in 1986
Most Games in a Season in the Rally Era: 8 in 2002 & 2007
Most Wins in a Season in the Rally Era: 6 in 2018

# **BYU IN THE NATIONAL POLL**

The Cougars have been ranked in the AVCA Top 25 for 96-consecutive weeks dating back to Oct. 7, 2013. Under head coach Heather Olmstead, BYU has never been ranked lower than No. 16 nationally.

WEEK	AVCA COACHES	RPI
Preseason	9	-
Week 1	13	-
Week 2	13	-
Week 3	12	-
Week 4	9	-
Week 5	9	-

### **BYU RANKING NOTES**

- BYU is 59-12 all-time when ranked ninth in the nation, including 4-1 this season
- Under Heather Olmstead, BYU is 14-5 in the regular season against ranked teams and 18-9 overall.

Date	Opponent	Rank	Score	Result
8/29/15	vs. North Carolina	7	3-1	W
8/29/15	at USC	22	0-3	L
9/5/15	vs. Purdue	24	3-0	W
10/30/15	San Diego	24	3-0	W
12/5/15	Western Kentucky	20	3-0	W
12/11/15	vs. Nebraska	5	0-3	L
9/3/16	at Ohio State	11	3-2	W
9/30/16	at San Diego	6	0-3	L
10/28/16	San Diego	5	3-0	W
12/9/16	at Texas	5	2-3	L
8/26/17	Ohio State	21	3-1	W
9/14/17	at Utah	16	3-2	W
9/30/17	at San Diego	17	3-1	W
10/27/17	San Diego	18	1-3	L
12/2/17	Oregon	24	3-0	W
12/8/17	at Kentucky	6	2-3	L
8/31/18	Stanford	1	3-2	W
9/7/18	vs. USC	10	3-0	W
9/8/18	at Marquette	25	3-1	W
9/13/18	Utah	24	3-0	W
12/7/18	Florida	16	3-1	W
12/8/18	Texas	5	3-0	W
12/13/18	vs. Stanford	1	0-3	L
8/31/19	Marquette	16	1-3	L
9/13/19	vs. Texas	3	1-3	L
9/19/19	at Utah	18	3-1	W
9/21/19	at Stanford	2	3-1	W

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#### ALL-TIME BY WINS

1.	Nebraska	1,337
2.	UCLA	1,304
3.	BYU	1,281
4.	Penn State	1,272
5.	Missouri State	1,267

#### ALL-TIME BY WIN PERCENTAGE

1.	Penn State	.861	1,272-206-0
2.	Hawaii	.848	1,240-221-1
3.	Nebraska	.843	1,337-245-12
4.	Florida	.832	1,006-203-0
5.	Stanford	.817	1,151-256-4
6.	BYU	.782	1,281-356-5
<b>6.</b> 7.	<b>BYU</b> Northern Iowa	<b>.782</b> .771	<b>1,281-356-5</b> 988-293-0
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7.	Northern Iowa	.771	988-293-0
7. 8.	Northern Iowa UCLA	.771 .769	988-293-0 1,304-391-0



### **ALPHABETICAL ROSTER**

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#	NAME	HT	POS	CLASS
10	ANDERSON, Erin	6-0	OH	Fr.
1	BALLARD-NIXON, Taylen	6-3	OH	Jr.
3	BOWER, Morgan	5-7	L	Fr.
7	BOWER, Whitney	5-9	S	Fr.
11	DAYTON, Abbey	6-1	OH	Fr.
24	ESCHENBERG, Kennedy	6-5	MB	Jr.
2	GNEITING, Heather	6-4	MB	So.
12	GRIMMER, Kate	6-0	OH	Fr.
13	JOHNSON, Morgan	5-11	OH	Fr.
18	LAKE, Mary	5-7	L	Sr.
21	LLARENAS, Whitney	6-3	MB	Fr.
20	LYMAN, Riley	6-0	OH	Sr.
14	MILLER, McKenna	6-1	OH	Sr.
15	MOEA'I, Kiani	5-10	S	Sr.
9	ROBINSON, Madelyn	5-10	OH	So.
8	TAUSINGA, Tayler	5-8	S	So.
17	WEE, Grace	5-5	L	Fr.
6	WHITNEY, Callie	5-8	L	Jr.

# **COACHING STAFF**

Head Coach:	Heather Olmstead (Utah State '01)
	5th season, 118-13 record
Associate Head Coach:	David Hyte (BYU 'O4)
Assistant Coach:	Jonny Neeley (BYU, '11)
Volunteer Coach:	Gil Fellingham (Occidental, '71)

Kinslie TeKolste

Dan Graham

Turreal Moore

Nancy Jensen Jordan Christiansen

Jordan Blad

Terrie Nitta

Lauren Thomas

Sandy Thomas

## **SUPPORT STAFF**

Director of Operations:
Athletic Trainer:
Strength & Conditioning:
Equipment:
Communications:
Marketing:
Social Media:
Office Manager:
Academic Counselor:

# **PRONUNCIATIONS**

Bower	Bau-er
Eschenberg	Esh-en-burg
Gneiting	Night-ing
Llarenas	Lair-en-ess
Kiani Moea'i	Key-ah-nee Mo-aye-ah-ee

# **2019 BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY NUMERICAL ROSTER**

#	NAME	POSITION	CLASS	HEIGHT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
1	Taylen Ballard-Nixon	OH	Jr.	6-3	Clovis, Calif. (Clovis HS)
2	Heather Gneiting	MB	So.	6-4	Pleasant Grove, Utah (Pleasant Grove HS)
3	Morgan Bower	L	Fr.	5-7	Nampa, Idaho (Skyview HS)
6	Callie Whitney	L	Jr.	5-8	South Jordan, Utah (Salt Lake CC)
7	Whitney Bower	S	Fr.	5-9	Nampa, Idaho (Skyview HS)
8	Tayler Tausinga	S	So.	5-8	American Fork, Utah (American Fork HS)
9	Madelyn Robinson	OH	So.	5-10	Highland, Utah (Lone Peak HS)
10	Erin Anderson	OH	Fr.	6-0	Corona, Calif. (Santiago HS)
11	Abbey Dayton	OH	Fr.	6-1	Ladera Ranch, Calif. (San Juan Hills HS)
12	Kate Grimmer	OPP	Fr.	6-0	Queen Creek, Ariz. (Queen Creek HS)
13	Morgan Johnson	OH	Fr.	5-11	Temecula, Calif. (Chaparral HS)
14	McKenna Miller	OH	Sr.	6-1	Murrieta, Calif. (Murrieta Valley HS)
15	Kiani Moea'i	S	Sr.	5-10	Honolulu, Hawaii (Punahou HS)
17	Grace Wee	L	Fr.	5-5	Kaneohe, Hawaii ('Iolani HS)
18	Mary Lake	L	Sr.	5-7	Palm Springs, Calif. (Palm Springs HS)
20	Riley Lyman	OH	Sr.	6-0	Central, Utah (Snow College)
21	Whitney Llarenas	MB	Fr.	6-3	Bountiful, Utah (Woods Cross HS)
24	Kennedy Eschenberg	MB	Jr.	6-5	Bountiful, Utah (Bountiful HS)

BY POSITION		BY CLASS		BY STATE	
Libero (4)		Senior (4)		Arizona (1)	
Morgan Bower	Fr.	Mary Lake	L	Kate Grimmer	Queen Creek
Mary Lake	Sr.	Riley Lyman	OH		
Grace Wee	Fr.	McKenna Miller	OH	California (6)	
Callie Whitney	Jr.	Kiani Moea'i	S	Erin Anderson	Corona
				Taylen Ballard-Nixon	Clovis
Middle Blocker (3)		Junior (3)		Abbey Dayton	Ladera Ranch
Kennedy Eschenberg	Jr.	Taylen Ballard-Nixon	OH	Morgan Johnson	Temecula
Heather Gneiting	So.	Kennedy Eschenberg	MB	Mary Lake	Palm Springs
Whitney Llarenas	Fr.	Callie Whitney	DS	McKenna Miller	Murrieta
Opposite Hitter (1)		Sophomore (3)		Hawaii (2)	
Kate Grimmer	Fr.	Heather Gneiting	MB	Kiani Moea'i	Honolulu
		Madelyn Robinson	OH	Grace Wee	Kaneohe
Outside Hitter (7)		Tayler Tausinga	S		
Erin Anderson	Fr.			Idaho (2)	
Taylen Ballard-Nixon	Jr.	Freshman (8)		Morgan Bower	Nampa
Abbey Dayton	Fr.	Erin Anderson	OH	Whitney Bower	Nampa
Morgan Johnson	Fr.	Morgan Bower	L		
Riley Lyman	Sr.	Whitney Bower	S	Utah (7)	
McKenna Miller	Sr.	Abbey Dayton	OH	Kennedy Eschenberg	Bountiful
Madelyn Robinson	So.	Kate Grimmer	OPP	Heather Gneiting	Pleasant Grove
		Morgan Johnson	OH	Riley Lyman	Central
Setter (3)		Whitney Llarenas	MB	Whitney Llarenas	Bountiful
Whitney Bower	Fr.	Grace Wee	L	Madelyn Robinson	Highland
Kiani Moea'i	Sr.			Tayler Tausinga	American Fork
Tayler Tausinga	So.			Callie Whitney	South Jordan



# **HEATHER OLMSTEAD**

#### **HEAD COACH**

### **COACHING HISTORY**

2015-present	Head Coach, BYU
2011-14	Assistant Coach, BYU
2006-10	Assistant Coach, Utah
2003-05	Assistant Coach, Utah State

## PLAYING EXPERIENCE

2002-03	United States Professional Volleyball Team
1998-01	Utah State

## **YEAR-BY-YEAR**

YEAR	RECORD	PCT.	WCC	PCT.	PLACE	NCAA
2015	28-4	.875	16-2	.889	1st	2-1
2016	29-4	.879	16-2	.889	1st	2-1
2017	30-3	.909	17-1	.944	1st	2-1
2018	31-2	.939	17-1	.944	1st	4-1
2019	11-2	.846	2-0	-	-	-
TOTALS	129-15	.896	68-6	.919	4 titles	10-4

## OLMSTEAD CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

#### AS BYU HEAD COACH

- Record in four seasons of 118-13 (.901) overall and 66-6 (.917) in the WCC
- Holds the highest winning percentage of any women's volleyball coach in NCAA Division I history (min. one season) and in any division (min. three seasons)
- Third-fastest coach all-time to reach 100 Division I wins (111 games)
- AVCA National Coach of the Year (2018)
- AVCA Pacific South Region Coach of the Year (2018) .
- West Coast Conference Coach of the Year (2018)
- 1 NCAA Final Four finish (2018) •
- 3 NCAA Sweet 16 finishes (2015, 16, 17) • •
- 4 West Coast Conference championships (2015, 16, 17, 18)
- Top 25 ranking every week as head coach, including ranking No. 1 for 11-straight weeks in 2018 and no rank lower than No. 16
- 18 wins over Top 25 opponents, including 14-5 regular . season record and 18-9 overall
- 12-1 record against in-state opponents
- Undefeated against five of nine WCC programs •
- 1 AVCA National Freshman of the Year (Heather Gneiting) •
- 1 AVCA National Player of the Year Finalist (Roni Jones-Perry) .
- 14 All-America citations

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- 1 Region Player of the Year
- 2 Region Freshmen of the Year .
- 15 All-Region citations
- 19 All-West Coast Conference citations .
- 2 WCC Players of the Year . .
- 3 WCC Freshmen of the Year
- 3 WCC Defensive Players of the Year •
- 1 Academic All-American
- 5 Academic All-District citations . 12 Academic All-WCC citations
- . Top four cumulative home attendance seasons in program history and eight of the top 10 home attendance matches
- in program history Head coach of the 2019 U.S. Collegiate National Team - Japan •
- Assistant coach of the gold medal-winning U.S. team at the 2015 Pan American Games

#### AS BYU ASSISTANT COACH

- Helped Cougars advanced to the National Championship game in 2014 and two other Sweet 16 appearances in 2012 and 2013
- Helped BYU win two WCC titles (2012, 2014)

#### **BEFORE BYU**

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- Utah State women's volleyball assistant coach (2003-05), helping the Aggies to an NCAA Tournament appearance in 2005
- Utah women's volleyball assistant coach (2006-10)
- Helped Utah to an MWC title and two NCAA Tournament • appearances, including a Sweet 16 in 2008
- . Coached the Intermountain Volleyball Association High Performance team at the Global Challenge in Maribor, Slovenia (2006)
- Served as head coach of the IVA HP Select Team in Florida (2010)

#### PLAYING CAREER

- Started four seasons as a libero at Utah State (1998-01)
- . Ranks No. 9 at USU in career digs
- Set the USU single season digs record .
- Advanced to two NCAA Tournaments with a pair of Top 25 • rankings
- Played for the United States Professional Volleyball Team (2002-03) and in the European Professional Volleyball League (2003)

# **OLMSTEAD VS. ALL OPPONENTS**

OPPONENT	W-L	н	A	N
merican	1-0	1-0	-	-
rkansas-Pine Bluff	1-0	-	-	1-0
aylor	0-1	-	-	0-1
oise State	3-0	1-0	1-0	1-0
al Poly	1-0	1-0	-	-
hicago State	1-0	-	-	1-0
SUN	1-0	1-0	-	-
uke	2-0	-	2-0	-
orida	1-0	1-0	-	-
onzaga	9-0	4-0	5-0	-
awaii	1-0	1-0	-	-
laho State	2-0	1-0	1-0	-
entucky	0-1	-	0-1	-
IU	2-0	1-0	-	1-0
MU	6-2	4-0	2-2	-
larquette	1-1	0-1	1-0	-
issouri	2-0	-	-	2-0
ebraska	0-1	-	-	0-1
evada	1-0	-	-	1-0
orth Carolina	1-0	-	-	1-0
hio	1-0	1-0	-	-
hio State	2-0	1-0	1-0	-
regon	1-0	1-0	-	-
regon State	2-0	2-0	-	-
acific	8-0	4-0	4-0	-
epperdine	8-0	4-0	4-0	-
ortland	8-1	4-0	4-1	-
inceton	1-0	1-0	-	-
urdue	1-0	-	-	1-0
ice	1-0	- 1-0		1-0
	1-0	1-0	-	- 1-0
acramento State		- 1-0	1-0	
aint Louis	2-0		-	-
aint Mary's	8-0	4-0	4-0	-
m Houston State	1-0	1-0	-	-
an Diego	6-2	3-1	3-1	-
an Francisco	8-0	4-0	4-0	-
anta Clara	7-1	4-0	3-1	-
tanford	2-1	1-0	1-0	0-1
ony Brook	1-0	1-0	-	-
yracuse	1-0	-	-	1-0
exas	1-1	1-0	0-1	0-1
NLV	2-0	2-0	-	-
SC	1-1	-	0-1	1-0
tah	5-1	2-1	3-0	-
tah Valley	4-0	2-0	2-0	-
TRGV	1-0	1-0	-	-
CU	-	-	-	1-0
/eber State	3-0	2-0	1-0	-
/est Virginia	1-0	1-0	-	-
/estern Kentucky	1-0	1-0	-	-
/ichita State	2-0	1-0	1-0	-
/yoming	1-0	-	-	1-0
				14-4

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# **MATCH-BY-MATCH STARTING LINEUPS**

DATE	OPPONENT	SETTER	LIBERO	OUTSIDE HITTER	OUTSIDE HITTER	MIDDLE BLOCKER	MIDDLE BLOCKER	VARIED
8/30	Boise State	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Grimmer	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
8/30	Utah Valley	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Ballard-Nixon	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Dayton
8/31	Marquette	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Ballard-Nixon	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/5	LIU	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Ballard-Nixon	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/6	Sam Houston St	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Ballard-Nixon	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/7	Weber St	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Ballard-Nixon	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/12	Wichita St	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Ballard-Nixon	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/13	Texas	W. Bower	Lake	Lyman	Dayton	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/14	VCU	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Grimmer	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
<u>9/19</u>	Utah	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Grimmer	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/21	Stanford	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Grimmer	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/26	Gonzaga	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Grimmer	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson
9/28	Portland	W. Bower	Lake	Miller	Grimmer	Eschenberg	Gneiting	Robinson

# MATCH-BY-MATCH TEAM STATISTICAL LEADERS

DATE	OPPONENT	KILLS	ATTEMPTS	HIT% (MIN. 10 ATT)	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BLOCKS	POINTS
8/30	Boise State	Miller, 13	Miller, 33	Eschenberg, 9/2/17, .412	W. Bower, 31	W. Bower, 5	Lake, 18	Grimmer, 6	Eschenberg, 11
8/30	Utah Valley	2 players, 12	Miller, 31	Eschenberg, 11/3/18, .444	W. Bower, 35	W. Bower, 2	Lake, 10	Gneiting, 3	Ballard-Nixon, 13
8/31	Marquette	Robinson, 18	Robinson, 44	2 players, .333	W. Bower, 26	2 players, 1	Lake, 10	Gneiting, 7	Robinson, 18.5
9/5	LIU	2 players, 10	Miller, 22	Gneiting, 7/1/12, .500	W. Bower, 29	2 players, 3	2 players, 5	Gneiting, 4	Robinson, 13.5
9/6	Sam Houston St	Robinson, 16	2 players, 34	Eschenberg, 10/1/19, .474	W. Bower, 43	2 players, 3	Lake, 18	Eschenberg, 6	Miller, 17.5
9/7	Weber St	Miller, 11	Miller, 25	Gneiting, 8/2/17, .353	W. Bower, 30	2 players, 2	Lake, 13	3 players, 3	Miller, 12
9/12	Wichita St	Miller, 17	2 players, 38	Eschenberg, 13/3/21, .476	W. Bower, 51	Miller, 3	W. Bower, 16	Gneiting, 7	Miller, 22
9/13	Texas	Miller, 15	Miller, 48	Robinson, 13/4/31, .290	W. Bower, 43	5 players, 1	Lake, 18	Eschenberg, 4	Miller, 17.5
9/14	VCU	Miller, 13	Miller, 36	Grimmer, 11/0/18, .611	W. Bower, 42	W. Bower, 5	W. Bower, 15	Eschenberg, 4	Miller, 15.5
9/19	Utah	Miller, 22	Miller, 46	Eschenberg, 7/0/16, .438	W. Bower, 37	3 players, 1	Lake, 17	Eschenberg, 5	Miller, 22.5
9/21	Stanford	Miller, 18	Miller, 45	Ballard-Nixon, 7/0/14, .500	W. Bower, 48	Miller, 2	W. Bower, 18	Gneiting, 6	Miller, 20.5
9/26	Gonzaga	Miller, 13	Miller, 30	Robinson, 9/0/13, .692	W. Bower, 32	Miller, 3	W. Bower, 11	Gneiting, 7	Miller, 17
9/28	Portland	Miller, 9	Miller, 34	Grimmer, 7/2/12, .417	W. Bower, 28	2 players, 3	Lake, 8	Gneiting, 8	Miller, 13





# **#1 TAYLEN BALLARD-NIXON**

6-3 JUNIOR OUTSIDE HITTER CLOVIS, CALIFORNIA CLOVIS HS

#### **BALLARD-NIXON NOTABLES**

- Came off the bench midway through the match at #2 Stanford to hit 7/0/14 with three blocks in the Cougar victory
- Had a career high 12 kills earlier this year against UVU
- Saw limited action in 2017 and 2018 due to a knee injury

#### SEASON HIGHS

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: 12 vs, UVU, 8/30/19 Attempts: 26 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Aces: 1, three times Assists: 1, two times Digs: 6 vs. Weber State, 9/7/19 Block assists: 4 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Block solos: 1 vs. VCU, 9/14/19 Total blocks: 4 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Points: 13 vs. UVU, 8/30/19 Kills: 12 vs, UVU, 8/30/19 Attempts: 26 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Aces: 1, three times Assists: 1, two times Digs: 6 vs. Weber State, 9/7/19 Block assists: 4, four times Block solos: 1, two times Total blocks: 4, four times Points: 13 vs. UVU, 8/30/19



# **#2 HEATHER GNEITING**

6-4 Sophomore Middle Blocker Pleasant grove, utah Pleasant grove HS

#### **GNEITING NOTABLES**

- Hit .556 at #2 Stanford (10/4/18) with six blocks in the win
- 2019 Preseason All-WCC
- 2019 U.S. Junior National Team & Collegiate Team member
- 2018 AVCA National, AVCA Region & WCC Freshman of the Year
- 2018 AVCA All-America Third Team, AVCA All-Region and All-WCC First Team
- Ranked No. 10 in the nation in blocks per set (1.50), No. 18 in total blocks (159) and No. 23 in hitting percentage (.380)
- Led all freshmen nationally in blocks per set and hitting percentage in 2018

#### **SEASON HIGHS**

Kills: 11 at Wichita State, 9/12/19 Attempts: 22 vs. Texas, 9/13/19 Aces: 3 vs. LIU, 9/5/19 Assists: 3 at Utah, 9/19/19 Digs: 7 vs. Texas, 9/13/19 Block assists: 8 at Portland, 9/28/19 Block solos: 1, five times Total blocks: 8 at Portland, 9/28/19 Points: 15 at Wichita State, 9/12/19

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: 13 at Portland, 10/25/18 Attempts: 24 vs. Stanford, 8/31/18 Aces: 3, two times Assists: 3 at Utah, 9/19/19 Digs: 7 vs. Texas, 9/13/19 Block assists: 12 vs. San Diego, 11/2/18 Block solos: 1, 12 times Total blocks: 12 vs. San Diego, 11/2/18 Points: 18 at Portland, 10/25/18



# **#3 MORGAN BOWER**

5-7 FRESHMAN LIBERO NAMPA, IDAHO SKYVIEW HS

#### **BOWER NOTABLES**

- Played in four matches this season, totaling one assist and seven digs
- Two-time high school All-American
- Sister, Whitney, is also currently a member of the team
- Mother, Caroline, was an outside hitter at BYU (1996-99); father, Danny, was a shooting guard for the Cougars (1998-99); and grandfather, Wayne, played fullback at BYU (1970-73)

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: 1 at Gonzaga, 9/26/19 Aces: Assists: 1 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Digs: 5 vs. LIU, 9/5/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

#### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: 1 at Gonzaga, 9/26/19 Aces: Assists: 1 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Digs: 5 vs. LIU, 9/5/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:



# **#6 CALLIE WHITNEY**

#### 5-8 JUNIOR DEFENSIVE SPECIALIST SOUTH JORDAN, UTAH SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

#### WHITNEY NOTABLES

- Two-time All-Region 18 with SLCC
- Two-time NJCAA All-Academic
- 2017 SWAC Champions
- Played at Bingham High School

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

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# **#7 WHITNEY BOWER**

5-9 FRESHMAN SETTER NAMPA, IDAHO SKYVIEW HS

#### **BOWER NOTABLES**

- Reclassified after her junior year, skipping her senior season
- Prepvolleyball.com Top 50 Junior Recruit
- Two-time Prepvolleyball.com All-American
- Sister, Morgan, is also currently a member of the team
- Mother, Caroline, was an outside hitter at BYU (1996-99); father, Danny, was a shooting guard for the Cougars (1998-99); and grandfather, Wayne, played fullback at BYU (1970-73)

#### **SEASON HIGHS**

Kills: 4 vs. VCU, 9/14/19 Attempts: 8, two times Aces: 5, two times Assists: 51 at Wichita State, 9/12/19 Digs: 18 at Stanford, 9/21/19 Block assists: 7 at Portland, 9/28/19 Block solos: Total blocks: 7 at Portland, 9/28/19 Points: 7.5 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19



#### Block solos: Total blocks: 7 at Portland, 9/28/19 Points: 7.5 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19

**CAREER HIGHS** 

Kills: 4 vs. VCU. 9/14/19

Attempts: 8. two times

Assists: 51 at Wichita State, 9/12/19

Block assists: 7 at Portland, 9/28/19

Digs: 18 at Stanford, 9/21/19

Aces: 5, two times

**#9 MADELYN ROBINSON** 5-10 SOPHOMORE OUTSIDE HITTER

**HIGHLAND, UTAH** 

LONE PEAK HS

#### **ROBINSON NOTABLES**

- Had a career high 18 kills vs. Marquette and has six double-digit kill matches this year
- Leads the team in receptions, including 56 with just one error in the win at #2 Stanford
- Played 32 of 33 matches in 2018, starting eight, totaling 150 kills, 42 blocks and 30 digs
- AVCA Under Armour & Prepvolleyball.com High School All-American

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: 18 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Attempts: 44, two times Aces: 2 vs. LIU, 9/5/19 Assists: 2 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Digs: 11 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Block assists: 4 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Block solos: 1 vs. Texas, 9/13/19 Total blocks: 4 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Points: 18.5 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: 18 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Attempts:44, two times Aces: 2 vs. LIU, 9/5/19 Assists: 2, two times Digs: 11 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Block assists: 4, two times Block solos: 1, two times Total blocks: 4, two times Points: 18.5 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19



# **#8 TAYLER TAUSINGA**

5-8 SOPHOMORE SETTER AMERICAN FORK, UTAH AMERICAN FORK HS

#### TAUSINGA NOTABLES

- Has played in 34 sets this year as a serving specialist, totaling nine aces, including three in a win vs. Sam Houston St.
- Played in eight sets in 2018, garnering eight assists and a dig
- Sister played volleyball and father played football at Utah

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: 3 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Assists: Digs: 2, two times Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: 3 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Assists: 3 vs. West Virginia, 8/30/18 Digs: 2, two times Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:



# **#10 ERIN ANDERSON**

### 6-0 FRESHMAN OUTSIDE HITTER CORONA, CALIFORNIA SANTIAGO HS

#### **ANDERSON NOTABLES**

- Prepvolleyball.com No. 89 Senior Aces
- USA Volleyball Junior National Championships All-Tournament Team
- Three-time All-League
- Two-time All-CIF Southern Section

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: **CAREER HIGHS** 

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:



# **#11 ABBEY DAYTON**

6-1 FRESHMAN OUTSIDE HITTER LADERA RANCH, CALIFORNIA SAN JUAN HILLS HS

#### **DAYTON NOTABLES**

- Played in 26 sets and 10 matches including a career high 10 digs vs. Boise State
- Two-time All-League First Team
- South Coast League MVP
- All-CIF Southern Section First Team

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: 1, two times Aces: 1, two times Assists: 1, three times Digs: 10 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 1, two times

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: Attempts: 1 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Aces: 1, two times Assists: 1, three times Digs: 10 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 1, two times

# **#12 KATE GRIMMER**

6-0 FRESHMAN OPPOSITE HITTER QUEEN CREEK, ARIZONA QUEEN CREEK HS

#### **GRIMMER NOTABLES**

- Tied a career high with 11 kills on .423 hitting at #2 Stanford with four blocks
- Hit .611 (11/0/18) with three digs vs. VCU
- 2019 VolleyballMag.com Fab 50
- 2018 Under Armour All-America Second Team
- Prepvolleyball.com No. 22 Senior Ace

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: 11, two times Attempts: 26 at Stanford, 9/21/19 Aces: Assists: 1, two times Digs: 5, three times Block assists: 6 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Block solos: Total blocks: 6 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Points: 13 at Stanford, 9/21/19 CAREER HIGHS

Kills: 11, two times Attempts: 26 at Stanford, 9/21/19 Aces: Assists: 1, two times Digs: 5, three times Block assists: 6 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Block solos: Total blocks: 6 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Points: 13 at Stanford, 9/21/19



# **#13 MORGAN JOHNSON**

5-11 FRESHMAN OUTSIDE HITTER TEMECULA, CALIFORNIA CHAPARRAL HS

#### **JOHNSON NOTABLES**

- 2019 USA Volleyball Girls 18s Junior National Championships All-Tournament Team
- All-Southwestern League First Team
- Mother, Gale, was an All-American volleyball player at BYU (1993-96) and father, James, was an All-WAC offensive lineman for the Cougars (1992-96)

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

#### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:



# **#14 MCKENNA MILLER**

### 6-1 SENIOR OUTSIDE HITTER MURRIETA, CALIFORNIA MURRIETA VALLEY HS

#### MILLER NOTABLES

- Had 22 kills in a win at #18 Utah, then had 18 kills in a win at #2 Stanford two days later
- Has double-digit kills in every match but one this season
- Two-time WCC Player of the Week this year
- 2016 AVCA All-America Third Team, 2018, 2017 AVCA All-America honorable mention
- 2018, 2016 AVCA All-Region First Team
- 2018, 2016 All-WCC First Team
- 2016 AVCA Region and WCC Freshman of the Year
- Currently 6th in kills and 8th in points in the BYU rally era career record book
- Coming off a season-ending ACL tear vs. Santa Clara on Nov. 8, 2018

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: 22 at Utah, 9/19/19 Attempts: 48 vs. Texas, 9/13/19 Aces: 3, four times Assists: 2 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Digs: 9 vs. Weber State, 9/7/19 Block assists: 4 at Wichita State, 9/12/19 Block solos: Total blocks: 4 at Wichita State, 9/12/19 Points: 22 at Wichita State, 9/12/19

#### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: 31 at Ohio State, 9/3/16 Attempts: 76 at Ohio State, 9/3/16 Aces: 5 vs. USC, 9/7/18 Assists: 2 vs. Cal Poly, 8/27/16 Digs: 9 vs. Weber State, 9/7/19 Block assists: 5, two times Block solos: 1, eight times Total blocks: 5, two times Points: 33.0 at Ohio State, 9/3/16



tah, then had 18 kills in a



# **#15 KIANI MOEA'I**

5-10 SENIOR SETTER HONOLULU, HAWAII PUNAHOU HS

#### **MOEA'I NOTABLES**

- Played in seven matches this year as backup setter and serving specialist
- Played in 63 sets in 2018, totaling nine assists, 11 aces and 25 digs
- Played sparingly in 2017 and 2016 after redshirting in 2015

#### SEASON HIGHS

#### Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: 6 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Digs: 1 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Block assists: 1 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: 1 at Duke, 8/25/18 Aces: 3 vs. USC, 9/7/18 Assists: 6, two times Digs: 4, two times Block assists: 1 vs. Marquette, 8/31/19 Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 3 vs. USC, 9/7/18



# **#17 GRACE WEE**

5-5 FRESHMAN LIBERO KANEOHE, HAWAII 'IOLANI HS

#### **WEE NOTABLES**

- Entered the rotation reguarly in mid-September
- 2016 & 2018 State Champion
- All-Hawaii Division I Second Team
- Binge watched the Harry Potter series in one day
- Ate her first salad at age 17

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: 1 at Utah, 9/19/19 Assists: 1 vs. VCU, 9/14/19 Digs: 6 vs. VCU, 9/14/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: Attempts: Aces: 1 at Utah, 9/19/19 Assists: 1 vs. VCU, 9/14/19 Digs: 6 vs. VCU, 9/14/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:



# **#18 MARY LAKE**

5-7 SENIOR LIBERO PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA PALM SPRINGS HS

#### LAKE NOTABLES

- Had her second career double-double, posting 15 digs and 10 assists at #2 Stanford
- Played in the 2019 Volleyball Nations League and Olympic Qualifer events as a member of the U.S. National Team
- 2018 AVCA All-America Second Team, 2017 AVCA All-America honorable mention
- 2018 & 2017 AVCA All-Pacific South Region and All-WCC First Team
- 2018 & 2017 WCC Defender of the Year
- 2018 CoSIDA Academic All-District Second Team
- Ranked first in career digs per set and second in career digs at BYU

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: 1 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Attempts: Aces: 2, two times Assists: 10 at Stanford, 9/21/19 Digs: 18, three times Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 2 at Wichita State, 9/12/19

#### **CAREER HIGHS**

Kills: 2 at Marquette, 9/8/18 Attempts: 3 at Saint Mary's, 10/5/17 Aces: 3, two times Assists: 10, two times Digs: 38 at Ohio State, 9/3/16 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 3, four times



# **#20 RILEY LYMAN**

6-0 SENIOR OUTSIDE HITTER CENTRAL, UTAH SNOW COLLEGE

#### LYMAN NOTABLES

- Played in every match this year; had a career high seven digs at #2 Stanford
- Played in 24 sets with 13 digs and four assists in 2018
- Played for Snow College in Ephraim, Utah, in 2016 and 2017
- 2017 NJCAA All-America First Team
- 2015 Utah State of Sport High School Female Athlete of the Year at Enterprise HS
- Utah high school record holder for blocks in a career and in a season, third in digs in a career, and third in kills in a career

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: 1, three times Attempts: 5 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Aces: Assists: 1, three times Digs: 7 at Stanford, 9/21/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 1, two times

#### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: 1, three times Attempts: 5 vs. Boise State, 8/30/19 Aces: Assists: 2 vs. Santa Clara, 11/8/18 Digs: 7 at Stanford, 9/21/19 Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points: 1, two times



# **#21 WHITNEY LLARENAS**

6-3 FRESHMAN MIDDLE BLOCKER BOUNTIFUL, UTAH WOODS CROSS HS

#### **MCEWAN NOTABLES**

- Saw her first career action against Sam Houston State
- Redshirted in 2018
- 2017 AVCA Under Armour All-American
- Two-time All-State selection

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:

# CAREER HIGHS

Kills: Attempts: Aces: Assists: Digs: Block assists: Block solos: Total blocks: Points:



# **#24 KENNEDY ESCHENBERG**

6-5 JUNIOR MIDDLE BLOCKER BOUNTIFUL, UTAH BOUNTIFUL HS

#### **ESCHENBERG NOTABLES**

- Leads the team with a .370 hitting percentage, including hitting .400 or better in seven matches this year
- Played in the 2019 World University Games as a member of the U.S. Collegiate National Team
- 2018 AVCA All-America honorable mention
- 2018 Pacific South All-Region honorable mention
- 2018 WCC All-Academic Team
- 2017 WCC Freshman of the Year
- Ranked 31st in the nation with 1.31 blocks per set in 2018
- Redshirted in 2016

#### SEASON HIGHS

Kills: 13 at Wichita State, 9/12/19 Attempts: 22 vs. Texas, 9/13/19 Aces: Assists: 1, four times Digs: 1, four times Block assists: 5, three times Block solos: 1, four times Total blocks: 6 vs. Sam Houston State, 9/6/19 Points: 15.5 at Wichita State, 9/12/19

#### CAREER HIGHS

Kills: 13, two times Attempts: 24 vs. Saint Mary's, 11/4/17 Aces: Assists: 1, 15 times Digs: 3 vs. American, 12/1/17 Block assists: 10 vs. Saint Mary's, 9/22/18 Block solos: 3 at Marquette, 9/8/18 Total blocks: 11 vs. Saint Mary's, 9/22/18 Points: 15.5, two times



#1 Taylen Ballard-Nixon



#2 Heather Gneiting



#3 Morgan Bower



#6 Callie Whitney



**#7 Whitney Bower** 



#8 Tayler Tausinga



#9 Madelyn Robinson



**#10 Erin Anderson** 



#11 Abbey Dayton



#12 Kate Grimmer



#13 Morgan Johnson



#14 McKenna Miller



#15 Kiani Moea'i



#17 Grace Wee



#18 Mary Lake



#20 Riley Lyman



#21 Whitney Llarenas

BYU COUGARS

**David Hyte** 



**#24 Kennedy Eschenberg** 



**Jonny Neeley** 



**Heather Olmstead** 



### 2019 BYU Women's Volleyball BYU Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 29, 2019) All matches

#### Overall record: 11-2 Conf: 2-0 Home: 5-1 Away: 5-0 Neutral: 1-1

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Block Solo	11		14																
Block Assist	190		188																
Total Blocks	106.0		0.80																
Blocks/Set	2.3		2.3																
Block Errors	22		24																
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Home win streak	3		-																