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2014 MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FEDERATION ALL-MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL SELECTIONS

2014 MPSF Player of the Year
TAYLOR SANDER • #15 • SENIOR • OUTSIDE HITTER • BYU



BYU senior outside hitter and three-time AVCA All-American Taylor Sander (Huntington Beach, CA/Norco HS) averaged 4.60 kills per set while hitting .330 in the MPSF, in addition to a conference-high 5.46 points per set, leading the Cougars in becoming the quickest team ever to clinch the conference tournament's No. 1 seed this past March 29. He posted double-figure kills in 25 of the 26 overall BYU matches in the regular season, and recorded three double-doubles. On March 22, Sander became BYU's rally scoring career kill leader with 1,563 (1,672 through the regular season). Already BYU's all-time service ace leader coming into his senior year, Sander's career total entering the postseason is 171, ranking ninth in MPSF history. On January 18, he served nine aces, a feat achieved by only four other players in the 22-year history of the conference. He is a five-time MPSF Player of the Week, including twice this year. Sander is the first to earn back-to-back MPSF Player of the Year honors since Pepperdine's George Roumain (1998-99), while joining

Hawaii's Costas Theocharidis (2001 & '03), and UCLA's Jeff Nygaard (1994-95) to earn the award more than once. Sander is also the first-ever to be a three-time MPSF major award winner (2011 freshman of the year, 2013-14 player of the year) and just the second MPSF Volleyball Player of all-time to earn four straight first-team all-conference honors (Carson Clark, UCI; '09-12).

2014 MPSF Freshman of the Year
LUCAS YODER • #25 • FRESHMAN • OUTSIDE HITTER • USC



USC freshman outside hitter Lucas Yoder (San Clemente, CA/San Clemente HS) wasted no time in making an impact in the Trojan program. In his first collegiate match on January 4, Yoder went for a .609 hitting clip (16-2-23) at current top-ranked Loyola-Chicago, and was named MPSF Player of the Week. Entering the postseason, that match still stands as the only loss of the year for the Ramblers. Yoder averaged 4.04 kills per set over the 24 conference matches this year, ranking fourth in the MPSF, as well as a seventh-best 4.36 points per set (fifth in all matches). He is the only freshman to be ranked in the top-30 nationally in kill average, sitting in seventh through the regular season. Yoder has tallied double-digit kills in 23 matches, including a career-high 23 kills against regular season conference champion BYU on February 1. Fifteen of his 23 double-digit kill efforts have gone for 15-plus, while breaking out for 20-plus five times. Yoder, a second-team all-conference selection and the lone unanimous member of the

2014 Off The Block Freshman All-American team, is the third MPSF Freshman of the Year from USC (Micah Christenson, 2012; Brook Billings, 1999).

ALL-MPSF FIRST-TEAM

Student-Athlete	No.	Year	Position	School	Hometown/Last School
Taylor Sander	15	Senior	Outside Hitter	BYU	Huntington Beach, CA/Norco HS
Taylor Crabb	4	Senior	Outside Hitter	Long Beach State	Honolulu, HI/Punahou HS
Gonzalo Quiroga	23	Senior	Outside Hitter	UCLA	San Juan, Argentina/Medalla Milagrosa
Brian Cook	5	Senior	Opposite	Stanford	Santa Cruz, CA/Soquel HS
Micah Christenson	5	Junior	Setter	USC	Honolulu, HI/Kamehameha-Kapalama HS
Josh Taylor	14	Junior	Outside Hitter	Pepperdine	Honolulu, HI/Punahou HS
Taylor Averill	13	Junior	Middle Blocker	Hawaii	San Jose, CA/UC Irvine
James Shaw	3	Sophomore	Setter	Stanford	Woodside, CA/St. Francis HS
Matt West	2	Junior	Setter	Pepperdine	Seattle, WA/Shorewood HS
Steven Irvin	12	Senior	Outside Hitter	Stanford	Pacific Palisades, CA/Loyola HS
Jonah Seif	22	Sophomore	Setter	UC Santa Barbara	Thousand Oaks, CA/Thousand Oaks HS
Scott Kevorken	11	Senior	Middle Blocker	UC Irvine	Westlake Village, CA/Westlake HS

ALL-MPSF SECOND-TEAM

25	Freshman	Outside Hitter	USC	San Clemente, CA/San Clemente HS
11	Junior	Opposite	Hawaii	Grand Prairie, Alberta/Grand Prairie Comp.
8	Junior	Libero	UC Irvine	Huntington Beach, CA/Edison HS
19	Senior	Middle Blocker	BYU	McMurray, PA/Peters Township HS
15	Senior	Outside Hitter	UCLA	Rochester, NY/Victor HS
17	Senior	Opposite	UCLA	Trabuco Canyon, CA/Mission Viejo HS
13	R-Junior	Opposite	Pepperdine	Coto de Caza, CA/Tesoro HS
6	Senior	Libero	USC	Honolulu, HI/Punahou HS
5	R-Sophomore	Middle Blocker	Pepperdine	Van Nuys, CA/Alemany HS
4	Sophomore	Middle Blocker	Stanford	New Berlin WI/Marquette University HS
13	Senior	Opposite	Stanford	Manhattan Beach, CA/Mira Costa HS
24	Senior	Opposite	UC Santa Barbara	Manhattan Beach, CA/Mira Costa HS
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ALL-MPSF HONORABLE MENTION

Connor Olbright	21	Senior	Setter	Long Beach State	Orange, CA/El Modena HS
Greg Faulkner	17	Junior	Middle Blocker	CS Northridge	Los Angeles, CA/Westchester HS
Jeremy Dejno	14	Senior	Outside Hitter	UC Irvine	New Berlin, WI/New Berlin HS
Michael Hatch	23	Sophomore	Middle Blocker	BYU	Agoura Hills, CA/Agoura HS
Andy Benesh	24	Freshman	Middle Blocker	USC	Rancho Palos Verdes, CA/Palos Verdes
Matt Hanley	4	Senior	Outside Hitter	UC Santa Barbara	Malibu, CA/UCLA
Andrew Sato	27	Sophomore	Libero	Long Beach State	Calabasas, CA/Agoura HS
Chad Kingi	10	Senior	Libero	UC Santa Barbara	Thousand Oaks, CA/Thousand Oaks HS
Sam Holt	11	Sophomore	Outside Hitter	CS Northridge	Cincinnati, OH/Purcell Marion HS
Tommy Carmody	10	Junior	Middle Blocker	Pacific	Orland Park, IL/Carl Sandburg HS
Grant Delgado	6	R-Junior	Libero	Stanford	Rolling Hills Estates, CA/Palos Verdes HS
Jake Staahl	12	Junior	Middle Blocker	UC Santa Barbara	Studio City, CA/Harvard-Westlake HS
Dalton Ammerman	10	Senior	Outside Hitter	Long Beach State	Parker, CO/Chaparral HS
Jeff Ornee	2	Senior	Middle Blocker	Long Beach State	Cypress, CA/Valley Christian HS
Thomas Hodges	20	Freshman	Opposite	Pacific	Melbourne, Australia/Heathdale Christian

ALL-MPSF FRESHMAN TEAM

Lucas Yoder	25	Freshman	Outside Hitter	USC	San Clemente, CA/San Clemente HS
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Andy Benesh	23	Freshman	Middle Blocker	USC	Rancho Palos Verdes, CA/Palos Verdes HS
Thomas Hodges	20	Freshman	Opposite	Pacific	Melbourne, Australia/Heathdale Christian
Mitch Stahl	7	Freshman	Middle Blocker	UCLA	Chambersburg, PA/Chambersburg HS
Bradley Sakaida	3	Freshman	Libero/OH	CS Northridge	Oak Park, CA/Oak Park HS
Tim Dobbert	16	Freshman	Opposite	BYU	Aichelberg, Germany/Claude Dornier Schule
Jackson Bantle	1	Freshman	Libero	UCI A	Palisades, CA/I ovola HS