



# BYU COUGAR VOLLEYBALL

## BYU vs. Cal Baptist - Jan. 6 and 7

3 National Titles • 4 NCAA Final Four Appearances • 1 National Player of the Year • 3 MPSF Championships • 35 AVCA All-America Citations  
51 All-MPSF Citations • Five-consecutive 20-win seasons • 202-54 (.789) since 1997, best in the NCAA

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### 2006 BYU SCHEDULE

all times local to site

#### JANUARY

6 - Fri.	Cal Baptist	7 p.m.
7 - Sat.	Cal Baptist	7 p.m.
13 - Fri.	*CS Northridge	7 p.m.
14 - Sat.	*CS Northridge	7 p.m.
20 - Fri.	*UC Santa Barbara	7 p.m.
21 - Sat.	*UC Santa Barbara	7 p.m.
26 - Thu.	*at UCLA	7 p.m.
28 - Sat.	*at UCLA	7 p.m.

#### FEBRUARY

3 - Fri.	*Pepperdine	7 p.m.
4 - Sat.	*Pepperdine	7 p.m.
10 - Fri.	*USC	7 p.m.
11 - Sat.	*USC	7 p.m.
16 - Thu.	*at UC San Diego	7 p.m.
18 - Sat.	*at UC San Diego	7 p.m.

#### MARCH

3 - Fri.	*Stanford	2 p.m.
4 - Sat.	*Stanford	7 p.m.
10 - Fri.	*at UC Irvine	7 p.m.
11 - Sat.	*at UC Irvine	7 p.m.
17 - Fri.	at Long Beach Tournament (Ohio State)	5:30 p.m.
18 - Sat.	at Long Beach Tournament (Rugers-Newark)	5:30 p.m.
31 - Fri.	*Pacific	7 p.m.

#### APRIL

1 - Sat.	*Pacific	8 p.m.
6 - Thu.	*at Long Beach State	7:30 p.m.
7 - Fri.	*at Long Beach State	7:30 p.m.
14 - Fri.	*at Hawai'i	7 p.m.
15 - Sat.	*at Hawai'i	7 p.m.
22 - Sat.	MPSF Tournament - First Round	TBA
27 - Thu.	MPSF Tournament - Semifinals	TBA
29 - Sat.	MPSF Tournament - Finals	TBA

The television and radio schedule is yet to be determined

\* Denotes Mountain Pacific Sports Federation match

### MATCH NOTES

#### BYU COUGARS (0-0, 0-0 MPSF) vs. CAL BAPTIST LANCERS (0-0)

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6 and 7, 2006 • 7 p.m. MST  
Smith Fieldhouse (5,000) • Provo, Utah

Coaches: BYU, Tom Peterson (72-21 in fourth year, 324-151 overall)  
Cal Baptist, Ryan McGuyre (72-16 in fourth year, 227-105 overall)  
Series: BYU leads, 2-1, including last season's split in Provo  
TV: CougarTV - Visit [www.byucougars.com](http://www.byucougars.com) for information  
Radio: None  
Web: Live stats broadcast is available at [www.byucougars.com/volleyball\\_m/](http://www.byucougars.com/volleyball_m/)

#### COUGARS OPEN WITH CAL BAPTIST

PROVO, Utah (Jan. 3, 2006) – The BYU men's volleyball team will start the 2006 season with two matches against NAIA powerhouse Cal Baptist Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6 and 7 in the Smith Fieldhouse at 7 p.m.

With five starters back from a team that finished third in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation in 2005, the Cougars have been picked to finish first in the league in 2006. An experienced Cal Baptist squad will be a test for BYU to start the season.

"It's a very good opportunity to play a very good team," BYU coach Tom Peterson said. "They have some very experienced players so it will be a very good test for us and help us get ready for league play."

Peterson is entering his fourth season with BYU. In three years, his record is 72-21, including 20-10 in 2005. In his first season, Peterson took the Cougars to the national championship match where BYU lost to Lewis. The next year, he led the Cougars to a 29-4 record and a national championship win over Long Beach State.

Of the five returning starters, three earned All-MPSF honors, two of whom were All-Americans. Sophomore outside hitter Ivan Perez was named second-team All-MPSF and was a second team All-American while leading the Cougars in kills per game at 3.78 and hitting .331. Senior middle blocker Victor Batista was also a second-team All-MPSF honoree and a second-team All-American. He was second on the team in kills at 3.53 per game. Senior setter Rob Neilson was the third All-MPSF performer, earning honorable mention status. He was third in the nation in assists per game at 13.22.

Other returning starters include senior libero Brian Rowley and senior outside hitter Taylor Evans. Rowley led BYU in digs by tallying 1.89 per game while Evans registered 2.31 kills per game.

"We should be a little more comfortable this year with guys having more experience," Peterson said.

Two other players who will likely start include sophomore middle blocker Russell Holmes and junior opposite hitter Jonathan Charette. Holmes started 13 matches in 2005 and Charette transferred to BYU from Long Beach City College.

The Lancers are coached by Ryan McGuyre, who is entering his fourth season and has compiled a record of 72-16. He has led Cal Baptist to NAIA titles in 2004 and 2005.

BYU and Cal Baptist played twice in Provo in 2005. The Lancers won the first match 3-2 while the Cougars won the second in a sweep. BYU leads the overall series 2-1. Every match has been played in Provo. The Cougars will enter MWC play next weekend with two matches against Cal State Northridge.

### PROBABLE STARTERS - BYU (stats are from 2005 season)

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Prev. School	K/G	Blk/G	Dig/G	Note
OH	8	Ivan Perez	6-4	210	So.	Mayaguez, Puerto Rico / Colegio San Benito	3.78	0.74	1.49	2005 second-team All-American (AVCA and Asics/Volleyball Magazine)
OH	17	Taylor Evans	6-2	175	Sr.	Alamo, Calif. / Monte Vista HS	2.31	0.34	0.87	Played in 30 matches and 104 games in 2005
OPP	3	Jonathan Charette	6-2	185	Jr.	Fullerton, Calif. / Long Beach City College	-	-	-	Conference MVP as a sophomore at Long Beach City
S	14	Rob Neilson	6-3	180	Sr.	Pacific Palisades, Calif. / Pacific Palisades	0.77	0.88	13.22 (ast)	All-MPSF Honorable Mention in 2005
MB	15	Victor Batista	6-6	170	Sr.	Tamayo Dom. Rep. / Maria Antonio Gomez	3.53	0.88	0.98	2005 second-team All-American (Asics/Volleyball Magazine)
MB	11	Russell Holmes	6-8	185	So.	Fountain Valley, Calif. / Fountain Valley HS	1.09	0.68	0.17	Started 13 matches in 2005
LIB	7	Brian Rowley	6-0	175	Sr.	San Diego Calif. / Mt. Carmel HS	0.02	0.00	1.89	CoSIDA Academic All-District in 2005

### BENCH PLAYERS - BYU (stats are from 2005 season)

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Prev. School	K/G	Blk/G	Dig/G	Note
OPP	2	Bryan Stewart	6-5	190	Jr.	Sandy, Utah / Alta HS	0.28	0.13	0.08	Had six kills against UC Santa Barbara in the MPSF Tournament
S	5	Brian Congelliere	6-2	190	So.	Newbury Park, Calif. / St. Louis School	0.00	0.40 (ast)	0.20	Played in five games in 2005
OH	18	Rodrigo Gomes	6-2	200	Fr.	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil / Impacto	-	-	-	Led high school to Rio de Janeiro championship
MB	19	Trent Sorensen	6-7	225	So.	Palmdale, Calif. / Highland HS	-	-	-	Played in one game in 2005



2006 BYU QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY INFO:

Location: Provo, Utah 84602
Elevation: 4,553
Enrollment: 32,122 (Daytime)
Founded: Oct. 15, 1875
Owner: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Colors: Blue and White
Nickname: Cougars
Masocot: Cosmo (the Cougar)
Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: Mountain Pacific Sports Federation
Arena: Smith Fieldhouse (5,000)
President: Cecil O. Samuelson (Utah, 1966)
Athletic Director: Tom Holmoe (BYU, 1983)
Tickets: 801-422-BYU1 or 1-800-322-BYU1

VOLLEYBALL STAFF:

Head Coach: Tom Peterson (BYU, 1978)
BYU Record/Years: 72-21/4th season
Office Phone: (801) 422-8291
Career Record/Years: 324-151/14
Assistant Coaches: Grayson DuBose (BYU, 1993)
Shawn Patchell (BYU, 1993)
Volunteer Coach: Chris Gorny (BYU, 2005)
Trainer: Blain Empey

VOLLEYBALL FACTS:

2005 Overall Record: 20-10
Conference Record/Finish: 15-7 / 3rd in MPSF
Final National Ranking: 8th
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/2
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 8/4
Newcomers: 10

BYU HISTORY:

First Year of NCAA Volleyball: 1990
Overall all-time record: 277-152
Winning Seasons: 12
MPSF Championships: 3
NCAA Tournament Appearances: 4 (7-1)
Last NCAA Appearance: 2004
Result: Defeated Long Beach, 3-2, in title match

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LAST MATCH - BYU vs. UC SANTA BARBARA

BYU concluded the 2005 season with a loss to UC Santa Barbara in Provo in the quarterfinals of MPSF tournament. The Cougars fell behind two games to none and trailed throughout the third only to fight back and win 31-29. BYU trailed again in the fourth at 22-20 but went on a 10-1 run to win and force game five. The Cougars found themselves in the whole once again, this times at 13-11, but fought back to tie the score at 13. The Gauchos took the next two points, however, and won the match. Ivan Perez led the team with 24 kills.

MPSF PRESEASON COACHES' POLL

BYU was picked to finish first in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation for the 2006 season in the first-ever MPSF Preseason Men's Volleyball Coaches' Poll. The Cougars finished third in the MPSF at 15-7 last season and was 20-10 overall and ranked No. 8 in the final USA Today/CSTV Coaches' poll.

"It's a great honor to think other coaches think so highly of our program," BYU coach Tom Peterson said. "Obviously it's a good challenge for us to live up to those expectations. Of course the idea is to be in that same spot at the end of the season."

Table with 5 columns: Rank, Team, Points (First-place votes), 2005 team record, 2005 MPSF finish. Lists teams from No. 1 Brigham Young to No. 12 UC San Diego.

SEASON OPENERS

BYU has started 12 of its 16 seasons since joining the NCAA with a win, good for a .750 percentage in season openers. The Cougars have opened at home five times and are 4-1 in those games. All five games came from 1998-2002 and the only loss was in 2002 against Stanford. BYU won eight-consecutive season openers from 1994-2001.

ALL-AMERICANS

Since 1993, BYU has had at least one player named an All-American. In all, 20 different players have earned 35 citations, 13 of which are first-team and 11 of which are second-team honors. In 2005, two Cougars earned AVCA All-America honors as both Mike Burke and Ivan Perez were named to the second team. Asics/Volleyball Magazine named three players All-Americans as Burke was a first-team honoree and Perez and Victor Batista were second-team performers.

20 WINS

After finishing the 2005 season at 20-10, the Cougars claimed their eighth 20-win season in their 16-year history. It was also BYU's fifth consecutive 20-win season, dating back to the 2001 season. The first 20-win season was in 1994 when the Cougars finished with a 21-6 record and advanced to the final of the MPSF Tournament, losing to Stanford in four games.

THE LAST SEVEN YEARS

Since 1997, the Cougars are the top team in the nation with a record of 202-54 (.789), better than other powerhouses including UCLA, Pepperdine, Hawai'i and Long Beach State. BYU has won three national titles (1999, 2001 and 2004) during that stretch and also advanced to the title game in 2003. Part of BYU's success is its dominance at the Smith Fieldhouse. Since 1997, the Cougars are 120-17 (.876), including an undefeated home record in 1998 (11-0) and one-loss home seasons in 1999 and 2004 (15-1 and 16-1). Since 1997, the Cougars have finished first in the MPSF three times, second once, third four times and fourth once. BYU's lowest final national ranking since 1997 is eighth (2005), while the Cougars have finished in the top-three five times, including three first-place finishes.

BYU'S 2005 RECORD WHEN...

Table with 2 columns: Record/Percentage and BYU's attack pct. is over/under. Lists records for Overall, MPSF, At home, On the road, At a neutral site, Match wins, and Days of the week.



LAST YEAR'S BOXES VS. CAL BAPTIST

1st Match

Site: Provo UT 84602 (SMITH FIELDHOUSE)
Date: Jan 14, 2005 Attend: 4038 Time: 2H 30M
Referees: TOM GIVEN, MAILEE JEWKES

Table with columns: #, Cal Baptist, GP, K, E, TA, PCT, A, SA, SE, RE, DIG, BS, BA, BE, BHE, PTS. Lists player stats for the first match.

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 10.0

GAME SCORES table with columns: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, TEAM RECORDS. Shows scores for Cal Baptist and Brigham Young Univ.

Table with columns: #, BYU, GP, K, E, TA, PCT, A, SA, SE, RE, DIG, BS, BA, BE, BHE, PTS. Lists player stats for the first match.

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 11.0

2nd Match

Site: PROVO, UT 84602 (SMITH FIELDHOUSE)
Date: Jan 15, 2005 Attend: 3322 Time: 1H 30 M
Referees: LES CALLES, TOM GIVEN, KRISTEN MAETANI

Table with columns: #, Cal Baptist, GP, K, E, TA, PCT, A, SA, SE, RE, DIG, BS, BA, BE, BHE, PTS. Lists player stats for the second match.

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0

GAME SCORES table with columns: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, TEAM RECORDS. Shows scores for Cal Baptist and Brigham Young Univ.

Table with columns: #, BYU, GP, K, E, TA, PCT, A, SA, SE, RE, DIG, BS, BA, BE, BHE, PTS. Lists player stats for the second match.

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 10.5

BYU SERIES RECORDS VS. UPCOMING OPPONENTS

Cal Baptist: BYU leads: 2-1, Last season: L: 2-3 (25-30, 30-23, 29-31, 30-22, 11-15), W: 3-0 (30-22, 30-21, 30-27)
CS Northridge: BYU leads: 18-14, Last season: W: 3-1 (30-21, 25-30, 30-20, 30-28), L: 0-3 (19-30, 16-30, 28-30)
UC Santa Barbara: BYU leads: 18-15, Last season: L: 1-3 (26-30, 27-30, 32-30, 29-31), W: 3-0 (30-18, 32-30, 30-26), L: 2-3 (25-30, 21-30, 31-29, 30-23, 13-15)

A LOOK AT CAL BAPTIST

Cal Baptist finished the 2005 season at 26-7 and won the NAIA National Championship. It was the Lancers' second-consecutive title and fourth overall, having won in 1999 and 2001 as well. Cal Baptist returns two starters and its libero. Outside hitters Siedu Ajanako and Shamsu Awudu are back after finishing tied for second on the team in kills per game at 3.73. Awudu hit .378 on the season and Ajanako hit .307. Ajanako led the team in aces with 52 and was second in digs per game at 1.58. When Cal Baptist came to Provo last year, Ajanako had 23 kills in the first match and 19 in the second. Also returning is the team's libero, Tyler Hagstrom. In 2005, he led the Lancers in digs with 206 and 1.86 per game. He played in 111 of 118 games during the season. Hagstrom had 10 digs in the second match against BYU in 2005.

The Lancers are coached by Ryan McGuyre, who is entering his fourth year coaching the men. He has compiled a 72-16 record and won two national titles. McGuyre has coached the women's team for six years and is 227-105 overall and has led the Lancers to the NAIA title in 2004 and 2005.

LAST YEAR VS. CAL BAPTIST

BYU and Cal Baptist played two matches in the Smith Fieldhouse in 2005. In the first match, the Lancers won the first game 30-25 while the Cougars took the second, 30-23. Cal Baptist went up 2-1 by winning the third game but BYU forced a fifth game by taking the fourth, 30-22. The Lancers took the fifth, 15-11, to claim the match. Victor Batista led the Cougars with 17 kills while Ivan Perez added 15. Brian Rowley led the squad with 12 digs. BYU came back the next night and swept the Lancers, 30-22, 30-21, 30-27. Perez had 12 kills on the night while Batista added 11. Cal Baptist went on to win the NAIA National Championship in 2005.

CAL BAPTIST'S TOP PLAYERS (2005 Stats)

Table with columns: Pos., No., Name, Ht., Wt., Yr., Hometown / Prev. School, K/G, Blk/G, Dig/G. Lists top players for Cal Baptist in 2005.

SERIES NOTES

The Cougars and Lancers first played in 2001 and BYU won 3-0. Not only did the Cougars gain a victory, they also found a player. Rafael Paal, who played for BYU from 2003-04, played for the Lancers in 2001 and led them to the NAIA National Championship and was named the MVP of the tournament. He then transferred to BYU and earned All-MPSF honors and was named to the All-Tournament team of the NCAA Final Four in 2003. BYU and Cal Baptist played twice in 2005 and split the matches.

Overall Series Record:

BYU Record in Provo: 2-1
BYU Record in Riverside, Calif.: 0-0
BYU Record at Neurtral Sites: 0-0
BYU Record under Tom Peterson: 1-1
Longest BYU win streak: 1
Longest Cal Baptist win streak: 1

Match-by-Match Results:

Table with columns: Date, Location, W, L, 3 Games, 4 Games, 5 Games. Shows match results between BYU and Cal Baptist.

CAL BAPTIST ROSTER

Table with columns: No., Name, Ht., Wt., Pos., Cl., Hometown (Previous School). Lists the roster for Cal Baptist.

Head Coach: Ryan McGuyre
Assistant Coaches: Kristofer Dorn, Jason Miller



**ROSTER BREAKDOWN**

**RETURNING STARTERS (6):**

Victor Batista	MB/OH	Sr.	3.53 kpg, 38 aces, 108 digs, 97 blks
Taylor Evans	OH/OPP	Sr.	2.31 kpg, 33 aces, 92 digs
Russell Holmes	MB	So.	1.09 kpg, .368 pct, 67 blk
Rob Neilson	S	Sr.	2,670 ast, .340 pct, 137 digs, 98 blks
Ivan Perez	OH	So.	3.78 kpg, .331 pct, 150 digs, 75 blks
Brian Rowley	LIB	Sr.	206 digs, 25 ast

**STARTERS LOST (2):**

Michael Burke	MB	6-8	2.52 kpg, .460 pct, 144 blk
Casey Patterson	OPP	6-6	2.45 kpg, 35 aces, 127 digs

**LETTERWINNERS RETURNING (9):**

Victor Batista	MB/OH	Sr.	3.53 kpg, 38 aces, 108 digs, 97 blks
Brian Congelliere	S	So.	5 gp, 4 ast
Taylor Evans	OH/OPP	Sr.	2.31 kpg, 33 aces, 92 digs
Russell Holmes	MB	So.	1.09 kpg, .368 pct, 67 blk
Rob Neilson	S	Sr.	2,670 ast, .340 pct, 137 digs, 98 blks
Ivan Perez	OH	So.	3.78 kpg, .331 pct, 150 digs, 75 blks
Brian Rowley	LIB	Sr.	206 digs, 25 ast
Bryan Stewart	OPP/MB	Jr.	39 gp, 11 kills, 1 aces

**LETTERWINNERS LOST (3):**

Rob Congelliere	OH	6-4	14 gp, 5 kills, 6 digs
Michael Burke	MB	6-8	2.52 kpg, .460 pct, 144 blk
Casey Patterson	OPP	6-6	2.45 kpg, 35 aces, 127 digs

**OTHER RETURNING PLAYERS (2):**

Scott Cox	OPP	6-3	Jr.
Trent Sorensen	MB	6-7	So.

**RETURNING FROM LDS MISSIONS (2):**

Shaun Mauina	OH	6-1	Fr. (Redshirt in 2003)
Chip Neff	S	6-4	Fr. (Redshirt in 2003)

**NEWCOMERS (10):**

Joshua Allen	OH	6-4	Jr. <i>Signed out of Golden West College (Hacienda Heights, Calif.)</i>
Josh Brecheisen	OPP	6-4	Jr. <i>Walkon</i>
Jonathan Charette	OPP	6-2	Jr. <i>Signed out of Long Beach City (Fullerton, Calif.)</i>
Curtis Cohun	OH	6-5	Fr. <i>Signed out of Agoura HS (Calabasas Hills, Calif.)</i>
Rodrigo Gomes	OH	6-2	Fr. <i>Signed out of Impacto (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)</i>
Ryan Oates	MB	6-6	Fr. <i>Signed out of Wheaton HS (Wheaton, Ill.)</i>
Yamil Perez	S	6-1	Fr. <i>Signed out of Colegio Marista (Guaynabo, Puerto Rico)</i>
Andy Pompei	LIB	5-10	Fr. <i>Signed out of Fairview Park HS (Fairview, Ohio)</i>
Quentin Smith	OPP	6-6	Fr. <i>Signed out of Skyline HS (Sandy, Utah)</i>
Va'a Futi Tavana	OH	6-8	Fr. <i>Signed out of Kauai HS (Kalaheo, Hawai'i)</i>

Tom Peterson, coach of two NCAA national championship teams, BYU alum and 1994 NCAA Coach of the Year, enters his fourth year as the head coach of the Cougar men's volleyball program. In 2005, he led BYU to a 20-10 overall record and a third-place finish in the MPSF at 15-7 despite returning just two starters from the 2004 National Championship team. It was the Cougar's fourth-consecutive 20-win season and third in three years under Peterson. He coached four All-MPSF performers and three All-Americans in 2005.



Peterson guided the Cougars to one of their most successful seasons in 2004, leading BYU to a 29-4 record and a first-place finish at the NCAA Tournament while coaching four All-Americans and the school's first AVCA National Player of the Year. He also guided the Cougars to regular-season and MPSF-tournament championships. By defeating UC Irvine in the first round of the MPSF Tournament, Peterson earned the 300th win of his collegiate coaching career. His record currently stands at 200-72 coaching NCAA men's volleyball (BYU and Penn State) and 324-151 overall.

With a victory over Lewis in the NCAA Semifinals, Peterson led BYU to its fourth National Championship match in six years. After splitting the first four games with Long Beach State, the Cougars came back from a 10-6 deficit and saved two 49er match points to win the decisive fifth game, 19-17. A native of Orem, Utah, Peterson came to BYU in 2002 with over 20 years of volleyball coaching experience, including 17 years as a collegiate head coach. In 1983, he was an assistant to women's coach Elaine Michaelis. In 1984, Peterson assumed the head-coaching duties of the BYU men's volleyball club team, guiding the Cougars to three consecutive National Collegiate Club Championships from 1986-88.

After five seasons at BYU as coach of the club team, Peterson was hired as the head coach of the Penn State NCAA men's volleyball team (1989-94). He guided Penn State to five NCAA Final Four appearances in six years, including a National Championship in 1994. That National Championship victory was one of Peterson's most memorable coaching experiences, as it was "a thrill to be the first non-California team to win." The Nittany Lions earned a 25-3 (.893) record in 1994 and Peterson was named the NCAA Men's Volleyball Coach of the Year. During his six years at Penn State, Peterson guided the Nittany Lions to a 128-50 (.719) overall record.

His next coaching stop was a three-season stint as the head women's coach at Salt Lake Community College, where he posted an 83-38 (.686) record from 1996-98. He had been working full-time as a physical education teacher at SLCC when he was asked to start a women's volleyball team. The team was ranked No. 7 in its first year.

After SLCC he coached the Utah State women's team for two seasons, leading the team to a 22-10 record in 2000, only his second year with the program. That season, the Aggies earned an NCAA Tournament berth for the first time in program history, advancing to the second round. Peterson guided Utah State to as high as No. 17 in the national polls and finished ranked No. 22, marking the program's first top-25 ranking. The University of New Mexico then hired Peterson as the head coach of its women's team. He coached the Lobos for one season before returning to BYU in 2002.

Education has always been important to Peterson, who holds a doctoral degree in physical education administration, curriculum and instruction from BYU with a minor in educational psychology (1992). He earned his bachelor's degree in physical education and his secondary teaching certificate from BYU in 1978. In 1982 Peterson earned a master's degree in professional leadership from BYU. He currently teaches sports psychology at BYU. Peterson is married to the former Sheryl Rice of Bakersfield, Calif. Sheryl is also active in the volleyball circle, having served as the director of the Lobo Volleyball League in Albuquerque, one of the largest recreational volleyball programs in the country. Outside of volleyball, the Petersons enjoy traveling, yard sales and gardening.

**THE PETERSON FILE**

- Coach of the 2004 (BYU) and 1994 (Penn State) NCAA National Champions
- First coach in NCAA history to win a National Championship at two different schools
- 1994 NCAA Coach of the Year and 2003 MPSF Co-Coach of the Year
- Seven Final Four appearances as a head coach
- Led BYU to both MPSF regular-season and post-season tournament championships
- Coached the first non-California team to win the NCAA National Championship in 1994 (Penn State)
- Spent five years as the head coach of the BYU men's club volleyball team from 1984-1988, winning three-consecutive National Collegiate Club Championships

**CAREER RECORD**

Year	School	Record
2005	BYU	20-10
2004	BYU	29-4
2003	BYU	23-7
2001	New Mexico (Women's)	5-20
2000	Utah State (Women's)	22-10
1999	Utah State	14-12
1998	Salt Lake Community (Women's)	33-14
1997	Salt Lake Community	25-11
1996	Salt Lake Community	25-13
1994	Penn State	25-3
1993	Penn State	21-5
1992	Penn State	17-13
1991	Penn State	28-6
1990	Penn State	20-12
1989	Penn State	17-11
Totals		(Overall) 324-151 (NCAA Men's) 200-71



## 2006 BYU NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT.	WT.	POS.	YR.	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
2	Bryan Stewart	6-5	190	OPP/MB	Jr.	Sandy, Utah / Alta HS
3	Jonathan Charette	6-2	185	OPP	Jr.	Fullerton, Calif. / Long Beach City
5	Brian Congelli	6-2	190	S	So.	Newbury Park, Calif. / St. Louis School
7	Brian Rowley	6-0	175	LIB	Sr.	San Diego, Calif. / Mt. Carmel HS
8	Ivan Perez	6-4	210	OH	So.	Mayaguez, Puerto Rico / Colegio San Benito
11	Russell Holmes	6-8	185	MB	So.	Fountain Valley, Calif. / Fountain Valley HS
14	Rob Neilson	6-3	180	S	Sr.	Pacific Palisades, Calif. / Pacific Palisades
15	Victor Batista	6-6	170	OH/MB	Sr.	Tamayo, Dominican Republic / Maria Antonio Gomez HS
17	Taylor Evans	6-2	175	OH/OPP	Sr.	Alamo, Calif. / Monte Vista HS
18	Rodrigo Gomes	6-2	200	OH	Fr.	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil / Impacto
19	Trent Sorensen	6-7	225	MB	So.	Palmdale, Calif. / Highland HS
	Joshua Allen	6-4	180	OH	Jr.	Hacienda Heights, Calif. / Golden West Col.
	Josh Brecheisen	6-2	195	OPP	Sr.	Livermore, Calif. / Granada HS
	Curtis Cohun	6-5	195	OH	Fr.	Calabasas Hills, Calif. / Agoura HS
	Scott Cox	6-3	195	OPP	Jr.	Blackfoot, Idaho / Snake River HS
	Shaun Muaina	6-1	195	OH	Fr.	Henderson, Nev. / Basic High School
	Chip Neff	6-4	165	S	Fr.	Thousand Oaks, Calif. / Thousand Oaks HS
	Ryan Oates	6-6	195	MB	Fr.	Winfield, Ill. / Wheaton North HS
	Yamil Perez	6-1	175	S	Fr.	Guaynabo, Puerto Rico / Colegio Marista
	Andy Pompei	5-10	140	LIB	Fr.	Fairview Park, Ohio / St. Edward HS
	Quentin Smith	6-6	200	OPP	Fr.	Sandy, Utah / Skyline, HS
	Futi Tavana	6-8	250	OH	Fr.	Kalaheo, Hawai'i / Kauai HS

Head Coach: Tom Peterson, 4th year (BYU, 1978)

Assistant Coaches: Grayson DuBose (BYU, 1995), Shawn Patchell (BYU, 1995)

Volunteer Assistant: Chris Gorny (BYU, 2005)

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

<b>Victor Batista</b>
Ba-TEE-sta
<b>Josh Brecheisen</b>
BREEK-sen
<b>Jonathan Charette</b>
Shar-ET
<b>Curtis Cohun</b>
Coh-HOON
<b>Brian Congelli</b>
Con-ja-LEER
<b>Rodrigo Gomes</b>
Rod-REE-go GO-mes
<b>Shaun Muaina</b>
Mo-l-na
<b>Ivan Perez</b>
E-von PEH-rez
<b>Yamil Perez</b>
Yah-MEEL PEH-rez
<b>Andy Pompei</b>
Pom-PAY
<b>Futi Tavana</b>
FOO-tee Tah-VAH-nah

**Grayson DuBose**

Doo-BOES

**Shawn Patchell**

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## BREAKDOWN BY CLASS

## FRESHMAN

Curtis Cohun	6-5	OH
Rodrigo Gomes	6-2	OH
Shaun Muaina	6-1	OH
Chip Neff	6-4	S
Ryan Oates	6-6	MB
Yamil Perez	6-1	S
Andy Pompei	5-10	LIB
Quentin Smith	6-6	OPP
Futi Tavana	6-8	OH

## SOPHOMORE

Brian Congelli	6-2	S
Russell Holmes	6-8	MB
Ivan Perez	6-4	OH
Trent Sorensen	6-7	MB

## JUNIOR

Joshua Allen	6-4	OH
Jonathan Charette	6-2	OPP
Scott Cox	6-3	OPP
Bryan Stewart	6-5	OPP / MB

## SENIOR

Victor Batista	6-6	OH / MB
Josh Brecheisen	6-2	OP
Taylor Evans	6-2	OH
Rob Neilson	6-3	S
Brian Rowley	6-0	LIB

## BREAKDOWN BY POSITION

## OUTSIDE HITTER

Joshua Allen	6-4	OH
Curtis Cohun	6-5	OH
Taylor Evans	6-2	OH
Rodrigo Gomes	6-2	OH
Shaun Muaina	6-1	OH
Ivan Perez	6-4	OH
Futi Tavana	6-8	OH

## OPPOSITE HITTER

Josh Brecheisen	6-2	OPP
Jonathan Charette	6-2	OPP
Scott Cox	6-3	OPP
Quentin Smith	6-6	OPP
Bryan Stewart	6-5	OPP / MB

## MIDDLE BLOCKER

Victor Batista	6-6	MB / OH
Russell Holmes	6-8	MB
Ryan Oates	6-6	MB
Trent Sorensen	6-7	MB

## SETTER

Brian Congelli	6-2	S
Chip Neff	6-4	S
Rob Neilson	6-3	S
Yamil Perez	6-1	S

## LIBERO

Andy Pompei	5-10	LIB
Brian Rowley	6-0	LIB



## 2006 SEASON OUTLOOK

Expectations are high going into the 2006 BYU men's volleyball season as six starters are back from a team that finished third in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation at 15-7 and 20-10 overall. Going into the 2005 campaign, the Cougars had several talented players, but little experience. With a year of seasoning and a crop of talented newcomers added to the mix, BYU will be looking to return to the top of the MPSF.

"We'll be a competitive team," BYU coach Tom Peterson said. "We may not be the biggest team, but if we keep working hard we should contend for the conference title."

Returning starters include All-Americans Ivan Perez and Victor Batista. Perez was named a second-team All-American by the American Volleyball Coaches Association while Asics/Volleyball Magazine named him and Batista to its second team. Rob Neilson joined Perez and Batista as All-MPSF performers. Batista was an AVCA second-team All-American in 2004 as well. Brian Rowley and Taylor Evans are also returning starters, along with Russell Holmes who started a handful of matches last season. Following is a position-by-position look at the Cougars:

### OUTSIDE HITTER

Ivan Perez, a 6-4 sophomore, returns to man a position on the outside and is one of BYU's most talented and exciting players. After earning a starting spot early in the 2005 season, Perez came on strong in the second half to finish as the team leader in kills per game at 3.78 while hitting .331, the best percentage by a freshman outside hitter in school history. Along with his hitting, Perez was a threat with the serve, recording 29 aces in 2005. He demonstrated his vast potential during five-match stretch in March when he averaged 5.04 kills, 1.46 digs, 0.71 blocks and 0.32 aces per game while hitting a blistering .416 (141-40-243). Perez was named player of the week for his play against Hawai'i (March 18, 19) when he had 32 kills and hit .418 (32-9-55) while helping the Cougars register back-to-back sweeps against the Warriors. He had perhaps the best match of his career in a five-game win over Long Beach State when he recorded a career-high 25 kills, hit .526 (25-5-38) and had three aces, five digs and two blocks.



BYU outside hitter Ivan Perez, a 2005 second-team All-American, will be one of the Cougars' main weapons in 2006.

Senior Taylor Evans, who has one of the best vertical leaps in the country, is a likely candidate to fill the other spot on the outside after starting most of the season there in 2005. He played several matches at opposite early in the season, but became the regular starter on the outside when senior Victor Batista switched from the outside to the middle. He finished the season averaging 2.31 kills per game and was third on the team with 33 aces. Batista started the first month-and-a-half on the outside and had several solid matches, including a win over UC Santa Barbara when he had a career-high 23 kills and hit .656 (23-2-32). He also had 21 kills against Hawai'i and 20 versus Penn State. On Feb. 25 against UC Irvine he moved to the middle, his position in 2004, where he played the rest of the season with a few exceptions. Rodrigo Gomes, a freshman from Brazil, has the potential to be a major contributor for the Cougars. He has an excellent jumping ability and a powerful swing. The key for Gomes and Evans will be their consistency. It is likely that both will be given a chance to prove themselves early in the season. Others who could potentially play on the outside include Josh Allen and Shaun Mauina.

### OPPOSITE

The opposite hitter position is an area of uncertainty for Peterson and the Cougars. Casey Patterson, who played the majority of the games at that position, completed his eligibility. Patterson's successor will likely be junior Bryan Stewart or junior Jonathan Charette. Stewart saw time off the bench as a middle in 2004 and played three games in BYU's final match of the season as an opposite, recording a career-high six kills and one dig. He is a solid leaper and has a good swing, but needs to improve his consistency. A native of Pearl City, Hawai'i, Charette played two years at Long Beach City College and earned first-team all-state honors as a freshman and was named the conference MVP as a sophomore when he led his team to the title of the Citi California Community Colleges Commission on Athletics Men's Volleyball Championships. Charette has great physical talents and his potential depends on his ability to make the transition from the junior college ranks to NCAA Division I, which includes becoming a consistent blocker.

Another solid option is Evans, who played several games as an opposite in 2005. Evans played opposite early in the season before playing exclusively as an outside starting in February. Others who could contribute on the opposite side include junior Scott Cox and junior Josh Brecheisen.

### MIDDLE BLOCKER

The middle blocker position is thin in numbers, but there are two experienced players returning in 6-foot-6 Batista and Russell Holmes, a 6-foot-8 sophomore. In his first season with BYU in 2004, Batista was a second-team All-American and a key contributor on the national championship team. In 2005, he started the season as an outside hitter but switched back to the middle a month into the season. He finished the season second on the team with a 3.53 kills-per-game average and hit .316. He was also first on the team with 38 aces, fifth best in a single season at BYU, and was third on the squad with 97 blocks. Batista also gained valuable experience playing in the USA Open this past summer, where he was named the tournament MVP while leading his team to the title, and at the NORCECA Continental Championship in September with the Dominican Republic National Team.

Holmes returns after gaining valuable playing time as a freshman. He was a regular starter until Batista switched back to the middle, forcing him to come off the bench. Despite losing time on the court, he still managed to make significant contributions. Against Long Beach State, he had five kills, three digs and four blocks and played a big role in the fifth game that led to a 15-10 win to clinch the match. His improvement and physical stature could make him a dominating presence for the Cougars.

Other potential contributors on the roster include sophomore Trent Sorensen and Stewart. The 6-7 Sorensen saw action in one game last year and has shown great strides in practice since the beginning of last season. Stewart subbed in as a blocking specialist in 2005.

### SETTER

Despite entering last season with little setting experience at the NCAA level, Neilson established himself as one of the Cougars' leaders, quarterbacking the young offense while adding a solid defensive presence. Neilson averaged 13.22 assists and was second on the team in blocks with 98 while adding 137 digs, third best on the team. When BYU earned back-to-back sweeps over Hawai'i, he was named the AVCA National Player of the Week after registering a career-high in blocks the first night with seven, and then topping that the next night with nine. While 2004 was a learning process for Neilson, he now has the experience, talent and athletic ability to be one of the top setters in the MPSF.

Joining Neilson will be sophomore Brian Congelli and freshman Chip Neff. Congelli backed up Neilson last season and made great strides during the offseason. Neff is fresh off serving a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Chile.

### LIBERO

Brian Rowley returns for his senior season after starting every match during the 2005 season. Andy Pompei joins the Cougars out of St. Edward High School in Fairview Park, Ohio, and was one of the top prep liberos in the nation. He was an All-American and played on the junior national team. Rowley started every match in 2005 for BYU and played in 109 of 111 games while leading the team in digs per game at 1.89 and total digs with 206. He was also second in the MPSF with the least return errors per game and had double-digit digs seven times. He set his career high of 14 kills on two occasions, at USC and against Stanford.

**FINAL NATIONAL RANKINGS**

The Cougars finished the 2005 season with a top-10 national ranking for the ninth consecutive season, dating back to 1997 when BYU finished fourth. The Cougars have finished in the top-10 in 12 of their 16 seasons since joining the NCAA.

**USA Today/CSTV Top 15 Division I-II Coaches Poll**

Rank	School	Total Pts.	Rec.	Prev.
1	Pepperdine (16)	240	25-2	1
2	UCLA	219	26-6	4
3	Long Beach State	206	22-10	3
4	Penn State	190	30-4	2
5	UC Santa Barbara	174	16-14	5
6	Cal State Northridge	155	19-14	6
7	Hawai'i	147	19-9	7
8	<b>BYU</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>20-10</b>	<b>8</b>
9	Ohio State	119	24-8	9
10	Loyola-Chicago	91	26-3	10
11	Stanford	81	11-15	11
12	UC Irvine	64	9-20	12
13	Pacific	48	12-18	13
14	George Mason	34	19-10	14
15	Ball State	20	17-15	15

**VOLLEYBALL FACTS:**

2005 Overall Record: 20-10  
 Conference Record/Finish: 15-7 / 3rd in MPSF  
 Final National Ranking: 8th  
 Record vs Top-10 teams: 10-8  
 All-Time Record in NCAA Tournament Play: 7-1  
 All-Time Record in MPSF Tournament Play: 15-9

**2005 ALL-MPSF PERFORMERS:**

Michael Burke (Second Team)  
 Victor Batista (Second Team)  
 Ivan Perez (Second Team)  
 Rob Neilson (Honorable Mention)

**2005 AVCA ALL-AMERICA PERFORMERS:**

Michael Burke (Second Team)  
 Ivan Perez (Second Team)

**2005 ASICS ALL-AMERICA PERFORMERS:**

Michael Burke (First Team)  
 Victor Batista (Second Team)  
 Ivan Perez (Second Team)

**2005 MPSF FINAL REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS**

TEAM	MPSF		OVERALL			
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Pepperdine	20	2	.909	23	2	.920
UCLA	18	4	.818	25	5	.833
BYU	15	7	.682	20	10	.667
Hawai'i	15	7	.682	19	9	.679
Long Beach State	14	8	.636	22	10	.688
UC Santa Barbara	13	9	.591	16	14	.533
CS Northridge	10	12	.455	19	14	.576
Stanford	10	12	.455	11	15	.423
UC Irvine	7	15	.318	9	20	.310
Pacific	6	16	.273	12	18	.400
USC	3	19	.136	6	23	.207
UC San Diego	1	21	.045	2	24	.077

**A LOOK BACK AT 2005**

The BYU men's volleyball team finished the 2005 season with records of 20-10 overall and 15-7 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, while returning just two starters from the 2004 National Championship team. The 2005 season marked the fifth-consecutive 20-win season and the 12th-straight top-five regular season finish in the MPSF.

With hopes of repeating as MPSF and NCAA Tournament champions, the Cougars lost to UC Santa Barbara in the quarterfinals of the MPSF tournament. BYU lost the first two games and faced elimination in the third, trailing 29-27, but scored the last four points to win and force a fourth. The Cougars found themselves behind once again at 22-20, but Victor Batista registered a kill and then served the next six points to put BYU ahead 27-22. The Cougars would win 30-23 and had the momentum going into the fifth, only to fall behind 13-11. BYU managed to tie the score at 13 but yielded two after a UCSB timeout, losing the game, 15-13, and the match, 3-2.

Despite missing out on the chance to defend their 2004 National Title, Coach Tom Peterson and the Cougars continued to prove that BYU has one of the top men's volleyball programs in the NCAA. Since taking over the program in 2003, Peterson has compiled an overall record of 72-21 (.774) and a 52-14 (.788) mark in the MPSF, which is recognized as the toughest league in the nation for men's volleyball. In his three seasons, the Cougars have averaged a second-place finish in the MPSF regular season.

The 2005 season was BYU's 16th since attaining NCAA status in 1990. Eight of those 16 seasons have ended with the Cougars winning 20 or more, including 2005. BYU has now compiled 277 wins in the storied history of the program.

The Cougars managed a very successful season despite the loss of three All-Americans and five starters. Senior middle blocker and All-MPSF performer Michael Burke and 2004 second-team All-American junior outside hitter/middle blocker Victor Batista stepped up and provided leadership for the young squad that at times started two freshman along with three juniors and one senior who had limited experience coming into the season.

Burke was solid all year, finishing the 2005 campaign with the highest hitting percentage (.460) and blocking average (1.35) on the team. His abilities and overall athletic ability were recognized by Asics/Volleyball Magazine, which named him a first-team All-American and by the AVCA, which named him a second-team All-American. The MPSF also named him to its second team, his fourth league honor. In 2003 he was an honorable mention performer while also being named Academic All-MPSF. In 2004 he was third-team All-MPSF. The National Strength and Conditioning Association recognized his accomplishments as well, naming Burke an All-American.

Along with Burke, Perez was named a second-team performer by the AVCA, Asics/Volleyball Magazine and the MPSF. He proved to be a record setting freshman for the Cougars, finishing the season with 382 kills, the most by a BYU rookie. His second-team selections were the highest league and national honors in school history for a freshman. He also averaged a team-best 3.78 kills per game while hitting .331 and averaging 1.49 digs per game. He was also named player of the week for his stellar performances against the University of Hawai'i, March 18 and 19, when he registered 32 kills and hit .455.

Batista also earned All-MPSF and Asics/Volleyball Magazine Second Team status. Batista, who was named All-MPSF Honorable Mention and a second-team All-American in 2004 as a middle blocker, was named to the team as an outside hitter in 2005. He averaged 3.53 kills per game while hitting .316 and averaging 0.88 blocks and 0.98 digs per game.

Rob Neilson, the junior setter who replaced Carlos Moreno, the 2004 AVCA National Player of the Year, was named to the All-MPSF Honorable Mention team. Not only did he distribute the ball well, averaging 13.22 assists per game, but he also brought strong leadership and an all-around game to the floor. On the season, he averaged 0.77 kills, 1.23 digs and 0.88 blocks per game while hitting .340. He was named the AVCA National Player of the Week for his performance against the University of Hawai'i, March 18 and 19, when he recorded 82 assists, 16 blocks, 13 digs and five kills to lead the Cougars to back-to-back sweeps over the Warriors.

**ACE KINGS**

BYU set a school record with 174 service aces in 2005, surpassing the 2003 team's record of 152 by 22. Perez, Batista, Taylor Evans and Casey Patterson were the main catalysts in the service attack. Batista led the way with 38 and a 0.35-per-game average while Patterson was second with 35, Evans third at 33 and Perez fourth with 29. Batista's 38 were fifth all-time at BYU for a single season while Patterson's 35 ranked him sixth overall. Evans set the BYU rally scoring record for aces in a match with seven against USC on March 4, 2005.

**BEST FANS IN THE NATION**

BYU fans proved they give the Cougars possibly the best home court advantage in the nation as an average of 3,251 attended home matches, second only to Hawai'i. The average is the second highest in school history and the best in a season in which BYU did not play a match in the Marriott Center. BYU also attracted large crowds on the road, outdrawing the opponent's average attendance in 12 of 13 road matches.

**RECORD SETTING MIDDLE BLOCKER**

Michael Burke set several records with his blocking prowess. His 20 block solos tied Jesse Gant and Scott Bunker for the second-most in a single season at BYU. He finished his career with 42 block solos, ranking him third all-time at BYU. He ranks fifth in block assists with 346 and total blocks at 388. Along with all of the blocking records he set, Burke finished his three-year BYU career with the highest career hitting percentage at .470, replacing Ethan Watts, who hit .463.



**Bryan Stewart • 6-5 • OPP / MB • Junior • Sandy, Utah / Alta HS**

**STEWART IN 2005:** Played in 39 games and 22 matches ... recorded 11 kills, five blocks, three digs and one service ace ... in BYU's MPSF Tournament quarterfinal match he had six kills and two blocks ... hit .280 for the season.

**PERSONAL:** Born February 1982 in Salt Lake City, Utah ... parents are Lee and Susan Stewart ... served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Ibgan, Philippines ... enjoys rock climbing, playing ping pong, and doing math homework.

**2005 Match-by-Match Statistics**

Date	Opponent	GP	ATTACK				SET A	SERVE			PASS RE	DIG	BLOCK			Total	GEN Points
			K	E	TA	PCT		SA	SE	BS			BA	BE			
Jan 5, 2005	@ Outrigger Tourn (Lewis)	1	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
Jan 6, 2005	@ Outrigger Tourn (Penn St.)	DNP															
Jan 7, 2005	@ Outrigger Tourn (Hawai'i)	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 14, 2005	California Baptist	2	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 15, 2005	California Baptist	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 21, 2005	@ UC Santa Barbara	DNP															
Jan 22, 2005	@ UC Santa Barbara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 28, 2005	UCLA	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 29, 2005	UCLA	2	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
Feb 4, 2005	@ Hall of Fame Tourn (Ball St.)	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	3	2.5	
Feb 5, 2005	@ Hall of Fame Tourn (Penn St.)	4	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Feb 11, 2005	@ Pepperdine	2	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
Feb 12, 2005	@ Pepperdine	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Feb 25, 2005	UC Irvine	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Feb 26, 2005	UC Irvine	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Mar 4, 2005	@ USC	3	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Mar 5, 2005	@ USC	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.5	
Mar 11, 2005	@ Pacific	DNP															
Mar 12, 2005	@ Pacific	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.5	
Mar 18, 2005	Hawai'i	DNP															
Mar 19, 2005	Hawai'i	DNP															
Mar 25, 2005	Long Beach State	DNP															
Mar 26, 2005	Long Beach State	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Apr 1, 2005	@ CS Northridge	DNP															
Apr 2, 2005	@ CS Northridge	DNP															
Apr 8, 2005	UC San Diego	1	1	1	3	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Apr 9, 2005	UC San Diego	2	1	1	2	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	
APR 15, 2005	STANFORD	1	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
APR 16, 2005	STANFORD	1	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0	
APR 23, 2005	MPSF FIRST ROUND	3	6	2	9	.444	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6.0	
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>38</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>.280</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14.5</b>	

**2005 Season and Career Highs**

**Kills**  
Season: 1 (four times)  
Career: 1 (four times)

**Attempts**  
Season: 3 vs. UCSD, 4/8/05  
Career: 3 vs. UCSD, 4/8/05

**Hitting Percentage**  
Season: 1.000 (twice)  
Career: 1.000 (twice)

**Digs**  
Season: (twice)  
Career: (twice)

**Block Solos**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

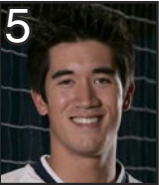
**Block Assists**  
Season: 3 vs. Ball State, 2/4/05  
Career: 3 vs. Ball State, 2/4/05

**Total Blocks**  
Season: 3 vs. Ball State, 2/4/05  
Career: 3 vs. Ball State, 2/4/05

**Aces**  
Season: 1 vs. UCLA, 1/29/05  
Career: 1 vs. UCLA, 1/29/05

**Bryan Stewart Year-by-Year Stats**

Year	MP	GP	KILLS	K/PG-AVG.	E	TA	PCT.	ASST.	ACE	SE	RE	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	B/PG-AVG.	BE	BHE
2005	22	39	11	0.28	4	25	0.280	0	1	3	0	3	0	5	5	0.13	1	0



**Brian Congelliore • 6-2 • S • Sophomore • Newbury Park, Calif. / St. Louis School**

**CONGELLIRORE IN 2005:** Played in five games ... recorded two assists against UC Santa Barbara (Jan. 22) ... registered four assists on the season.

**PERSONAL:** Born November 1982 ... parents are Joel Congelliore and Charla Fowler ... served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Vera Cruz, Mexico ... brother Rob played for BYU ... enjoys playing the guitar and reading.

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Jan 7, 2005	@ Outrigger Tourn (Hawai'i)	DNP															
Jan 14, 2005	California Baptist	DNP															
Jan 15, 2005	California Baptist	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 21, 2005	@ UC Santa Barbara	DNP															
Jan 22, 2005	@ UC Santa Barbara	1	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Jan 28, 2005	UCLA	DNP															
Jan 29, 2005	UCLA	DNP															
Feb 4, 2005	@ Hall of Fame Tourn (Ball St.)	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Feb 5, 2005	@ Hall of Fame Tourn (Penn St.)	DNP															
Feb 11, 2005	@ Pepperdine	DNP															
Feb 12, 2005	@ Pepperdine	DNP															
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Apr 8, 2005	UC San Diego	1	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Apr 9, 2005	UC San Diego	1	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Apr 15, 2005	Stanford	DNP															
Apr 16, 2005	Stanford	DNP															
Apr 23, 2005	MPSF First Round	DNP															

**2005 Season and Career Highs**

**Kills**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

**Hitting Percentage**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

**Assists**  
Season: 2 at UCSB, 1/22/05  
Career: 2 at UCSB, 1/22/05

**Digs**  
Season: 1 at UCSB, 1/22/05  
Career: 1 at UCSB, 1/22/05

**Block Solos**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

**Block Assists**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

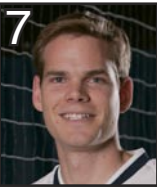
**Total Blocks**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

**Aces**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

**Brian Congelliore Year-by-Year Stats**

Year	MP	GP	KILLS	K/PG-AVG.	E	TA	PCT.	ASST.	ACE	SE	RE	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	B/PG-AVG.	BE	BHE
2005	5	5	0	0	0	0	.000	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1





**Brian Rowley • 6-0 • LIB • Senior • San Diego, Calif. / Mt. Carmel HS**

**ROWLEY IN 2005:** Played in all 30 matches and 109 of 111 games ... led the team in digs with 206 and a 1.89 average ... is second at BYU for most digs in a rally-scoring season ... had 10-or-more digs seven times ... recorded a career-high 14 at USC, March 4, and at Stanford, April 15 ... registered 12 digs in BYU's MPSF Tournament quarterfinal match against UC Santa Barbara, April 23 ... added two kills and 25 assists ... had just 26 return errors, less than one per match and third best in the MPSF.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Provo, Utah on April 16, 1981 ... parents are Thomas and JoLynn Rowley ... married to the former DeLana Earl ... they have a daughter, Madelyn ... served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to Salta, Argentina ... graduated in civil engineering ... started playing volleyball in middle school with mother and friends ... enjoys beach volleyball, surfing and computer programming ... recipient of the Edwin S. Hinckley Scholarship at BYU.

**2005 Match-by-Match Statistics**

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, GP, ATTACK (K, E, TA, PCT), SET (A), SERVE (SA, SE), PASS (RE), DIG, BLOCK (BS, BA, BE), Total, GEN Points. Rows include matches from Jan 5 to Apr 23, 2005, and a Totals row.

**2005 Season Averages**

Games played: 109  
Kills per game: 0.02  
Assists per game: 0.23  
Digs per game: 1.89  
Blocks per game: 0.00

**2005 Season and Career Highs**

**Kills**  
Season: 1 (twice)  
Career: 1 (twice)  
**Attempts**  
Season: 1 (twice)  
Career: 1 (twice)  
**Hitting Percentage**  
Season: 1.000 (twice)  
Career: 1.000 (twice)  
**Digs**  
Season: 14 (twice)  
Career: 14 (twice)  
**Block Solos**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A  
**Block Assists**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A  
**Total Blocks**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A  
**Aces**  
Season: N/A  
Career: N/A

**Brian Rowley Year-by-Year Stats**

Table with columns: Year, MP, GP, KILLS, K/PG-AVG., E, TA, PCT., ASST., ACE, SE, RE, DIGS, BS, BA, TB, B/PG-AVG., BE, BHE. Rows for 2004, 2005, and Total.



**Ivan Perez • 6-4 • OH • Sophomore • Mayaguez, Puerto Rico / Colegio San Benito**

**PEREZ IN 2005:** Named a second-team All-American by the AVCA and Asics, the highest national honor for a BYU freshman ... earned All-MPSF Second Team honors, the highest league honor for a BYU freshman ... set the BYU record for most kills by a freshman with 382 ... finished first on the team averaging 3.78 kills per game ... hit .331 on the season, a BYU record for freshman outside hitters ... was named MPSF Player of the Week for his efforts against Hawai'i, March 18 and 19 when he recorded 32 kills in back-to-back sweeps of the Warriors ... registered a career-high 25 kills while hitting .526 in a win over Long Beach State, March 26 ... had 24 kills against Pacific, March 12, tied for third most in a four-game BYU rally-scoring match ... hit a career-high .588 and recorded nine digs against Pacific, March 12 ... recorded a career-high 13 digs to go along with 17 kills at UC Santa Barbara, Jan. 21.

**PERSONAL:** Born February 1985 in Mayaguez, Puer... dancing and listening to Puerto Rican music.

**2005 Match-by-Match Statistics**

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, GP, ATTACK (K, E, TA, PCT), SET (A), SERVE (SA, SE), PASS (RE), DIG, BLOCK (BS, BA, BE), Total, GEN Points. Rows include matches from Jan 5 to Apr 23, 2005, and a Totals row.

**2005 Season Averages**

Games played: 101  
Kills per game: 3.78  
Aces per game: 0.29  
Digs per game: 1.49  
Blocks per game: 0.74

**2005 Season and Career Highs**

**Kills**  
Season: 25 vs. Long Beach, 3/26/05  
Career: 25 vs. Long Beach, 3/26/05  
**Attempts**  
Season: 41 vs. Long Beach, 3/25/05  
Career: 41 vs. Long Beach, 3/25/05  
**Hitting Percentage**  
Season: .588 at Pacific, 3/12/05  
Career: .588 at Pacific, 3/12/05  
**Digs**  
Season: 13 at UCSB, 1/21/05  
Career: 13 at UCSB, 1/21/05  
**Block Solos**  
Season: 1 (five times)  
Career: 1 (five times)  
**Block Assists**  
Season: 4 (three times)  
Career: 4 (three times)  
**Total Blocks**  
Season: 5 vs. Long Beach, 3/25/05  
Career: 5 vs. Long Beach, 3/25/05  
**Aces**  
Season: 3 vs. Long Beach, 3/26/05  
Career: 3 vs. Long Beach, 3/26/05

**Ivan Perez Year-by-Year Stats**

Table with columns: Year, MP, GP, KILLS, K/PG-AVG., E, TA, PCT., ASST., ACE, SE, RE, DIGS, BS, BA, TB, B/PG-AVG., BE, BHE. Rows for 2005.



Russell Holmes • 6-8 • MB • Sophomore • Fountain Valley, Calif. / Fountain Valley HS

HOLMES IN 2005: Played in 30 matches and appeared in 98 games ... started 13 matches ... recorded 107 kills while hitting .368 ... totaled 67 blocks ... had a career-high 14 kills against Penn State, Jan. 6 ... provided a big lift off the bench in a win over Long Beach State, March 26, tallying four kills, three digs and four blocks ... had a career-best five blocks on five different occasions.

PERSONAL: Born July 1982 in Anaheim, Calif. ... parents are Mark and Tami Holmes ... married to Julie Holmes May 14, 2005 ... served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to London, England ... started playing volleyball as a junior in high school with friends ... enjoys beach volleyball, surfing and snowboarding ... an Eagle Scout.

2005 Match-by-Match Statistics

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, GP, ATTACK (K, E, TA, PCT), SET (A, SA, SE), SERVE (SA, SE, RE), PASS (DIG), BLOCK (BS, BA, BE), GEN (Total, Points). Rows include matches from Jan 5, 2005 to Apr 23, 2005, and a Totals row.

2005 Season Averages

Games played: 98
Kills per game: 1.09
Aces per game: 0.04
Digs per game: 0.17
Blocks per game: 0.68

2005 Season and Career Highs

Kills: Season: 14 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05; Career: 14 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05
Attempts: Season: 30 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05; Career: 30 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05
Hitting Percentage: Season: .818 at UCSB, 1/21/05; Career: .818 at UCSB, 1/21/05
Digs: Season: 2 (twice); Career: 2 vs. (twice)
Block Solos: Season: 3 at UCSB, 1/22/05; Career: 3 at UCSB, 1/22/05
Block Assists: Season: 5 (three times); Career: 5 (three times)
Total Blocks: Season: 5 (five times); Career: 5 (five times)
Aces: Season: 2 vs. Penn State, 2/5/05; Career: 2 vs. Penn State, 2/5/05

Russell Holmes Year-by-Year Stats

Table with columns: Year, MP, GP, KILLS, K/PG-AVG., E, TA, PCT., ASST., ACE, SE, RE, DIGS, BS, BA, TB, B/PG-AVG., BE, BHE. Rows for 2005 and Totals.



Rob Neilson • 6-4 • S • Senior • Pacific Palisades, Calif. / Pacific Palisades Charter

NEILSON IN 2005: Earned All-MPSF Second Team honors as an outside hitter ... recorded 10-or-more kills in 22 matches ... had 20-or-more kills in four matches ... was first on the team in total kills with 388 and second in kills per game at 3.53 ... led the team with 38 service aces while averaging 0.35 per game ... his 0.39 aces per game in league play were eighth in the MPSF ... ranks fifth all-time for aces in a season at BYU, third since rally scoring was started in 2001 ... recorded a season-high eight blocks against Hawai'i, March 19, and Long Beach State, March 26 ... posted a career-high and BYU rally-scoring record for kills in a three-game match with 23 against UC Santa Barbara, Jan. 22 ... hit .656 (23-2-32) in that match ... set a career-high in digs with nine versus Cal Baptist, Jan. 14 ... hit .316, added 108 digs, 97 total blocks and 27 assists while playing in 110 games and 30 matches.

PERSONAL: Born in Tamayo, Dominican Republic ... son of Ramona Lemos ... majoring in computer science ... started playing volleyball in his hometown ... enjoys listening to the radio and dancing.

2005 Match-by-Match Statistics

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, GP, ATTACK (K, E, TA, PCT), SET (A, SA, SE), SERVE (SA, SE, RE), PASS (DIG), BLOCK (BS, BA, BE), GEN (Total, Points). Rows include matches from Jan 5, 2005 to Apr 23, 2005, and a Totals row.

2005 Season Averages

Games played: 111
Kills per game: 0.77
Assists per game: 13.22
Digs per game: 1.23
Blocks per game: 0.88

2005 Season and Career Highs

Kills: Season: 7 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05; Career: 7 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05
Hitting Percentage: Season: .625 at USC, 3/4/05; Career: .625 at USC, 3/4/05
Assists: Season: 68 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05; Career: 68 vs. Penn State, 1/6/05
Digs: Season: 9 (three times); Career: 9 (three times)
Block Solos: Season: 2 (four times); Career: 2 (four times)
Block Assists: Season: 8 vs. Hawai'i, 3/19/05; Career: 8 vs. Hawai'i, 3/19/05
Total Blocks: Season: 9 vs. Hawai'i, 3/19/05; Career: 9 vs. Hawai'i, 3/19/05
Aces: Season: 3 at UCSB, 1/21/05; Career: 3 at UCSB, 1/21/05

Rob Neilson Year-by-Year Stats

Table with columns: Year, MP, GP, KILLS, K/PG-AVG., E, TA, PCT., ASST., ACE, SE, RE, DIGS, BS, BA, TB, B/PG-AVG., BE, BHE. Rows for 2003, 2004, 2005, and Total.



Victor Batista • 6-6 • MB • Senior • Tamayo, Dominican Rep. / Maria Antonio Gomez HS

BATISTA IN 2005: Earned All-MPSF Second Team honors as an outside hitter ... recorded 10-or-more kills in 22 matches ... had 20-or-more kills in four matches ... was first on the team in total kills with 388 and second in kills per game at 3.53 ... led the team with 38 service aces while averaging 0.35 per game ... his 0.39 aces per game in league play were eighth in the MPSF ... ranks fifth all-time for aces in a season at BYU, third since rally scoring was started in 2001 ... recorded a season-high eight blocks against Hawai'i, March 19, and Long Beach State, March 26 ... posted a career-high and BYU rally-scoring record for kills in a three-game match with 23 against UC Santa Barbara, Jan. 22 ... hit .656 (23-2-32) in that match ... set a career-high in digs with nine versus Cal Baptist, Jan. 14 ... hit .316, added 108 digs, 97 total blocks and 27 assists while playing in 110 games and 30 matches.

PERSONAL: Born in Tamayo, Dominican Republic ... son of Ramona Lemos ... married to Nikki ... majoring in computer science ... started playing volleyball in his hometown ... enjoys listening to the radio and dancing.

2005 Match-by-Match Statistics

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, GP, ATTACK (K, E, TA, PCT), SET (A), SERVE (SA, SE), PASS (RE), DIG, BLOCK (BS, BA, BE), Total, GEN (Points). Rows include matches from Jan 5, 2005 to Apr 23, 2005, and a Totals row.

2005 Season Averages

Games played: 110
Kills per game: 3.53
Aces per game: 0.35
Digs per game: 0.98
Blocks per game: 0.88

2005 Season and Career Highs

Kills: Season: 23 at UCSB, 1/22/05; Career: 23 at UCSB, 1/22/05
Attempts: Season: 45 at UCSB, 1/21/05; Career: 45 at UCSB, 1/21/05
Hitting Percentage: Season: .680 at CS Northridge, 4/1/05; Career: .857 vs. CS Northridge, 1/17/04
Digs: Season: 9 vs. Cal Baptist, 1/14/05; Career: 9 vs. Cal Baptist, 1/14/05
Block Solos: Season: 2 at Pepperdine, 2/11/05; Career: 2 (five times)
Block Assists: Season: 8 (twice); Career: 8 (four times)
Total Blocks: Season: 8 (twice); Career: 9 (twice)
Aces: Season: 3 (three times); Career: 3 (four times)

Victor Batista Year-by-Year Stats

Table with columns: Year, MP, GP, KILLS, K/PG-AVG., E, TA, PCT., ASST., ACE, SE, RE, DIGS, BS, BA, TB, B/PG-AVG., BE, BHE. Rows for 2004, 2005, and Total.



Taylor Evans • 6-2 • OH • Senior • Alamo, Calif. / Monte Vista HS

EVANS IN 2005: Had 10-or-more kills in 11 matches ... set the BYU rally-scoring record with seven aces against USC, March 4 ... set career-highs with 17 kills and six digs in a win over UCLA, Jan. 28 ... recorded a career-high five block assists against Hawai'i, March 19 ... finished the season with 245 kills for an average of 2.31 per game ... recorded 92 digs and 36 blocks ... finished third on the team with 33 aces.

PERSONAL: Born June 11, 1981 in Salem, Oregon ... parents are Brian and Sharlene Evans of Orem, Utah ... married to Lauren Evans on the women's volleyball ... served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to Vina del Mar, Chile ... married to Lauren Richards, a member of the BYU women's volleyball team ... started playing volleyball with his dad when he was eight years old ... economics and history major ... plans to study law or public policy after graduating.

2005 Match-by-Match Statistics

Table with columns: Date, Opponent, GP, ATTACK (K, E, TA, PCT), SET (A), SERVE (SA, SE), PASS (RE), DIG, BLOCK (BS, BA, BE), Total, GEN (Points). Rows include matches from Jan 5, 2005 to Apr 23, 2005, and a Totals row.

2005 Season Averages

Games played: 106
Kills per game: 2.31
Aces per game: 0.31
Digs per game: 0.87
Blocks per game: 0.34

2005 Season and Career Highs

Kills: Season: 17 vs. UCLA, 1/28/05; Career: 17 vs. UCLA, 1/28/05
Attempts: Season: 39 vs. UCLA, 1/28/05; Career: 39 vs. UCLA, 1/28/05
Hitting Percentage: Season: .588 vs. Penn State, 2/5/05; Career: .588 vs. Penn State, 2/5/05
Digs: Season: 6 (twice); Career: 6 (twice)
Block Solos: Season: 1 (four times); Career: 1 (five times)
Block Assists: Season: 5 vs. Hawai'i, 3/21/05; Career: 5 vs. Hawai'i, 3/21/05
Total Blocks: Season: 5 (twice); Career: 5 (twice)
Aces: Season: 7 at USC, 3/4/05; Career: 7 at USC, 3/4/05

Taylor Evans Year-by-Year Stats

Table with columns: Year, MP, GP, KILLS, K/PG-AVG., E, TA, PCT., ASST., ACE, SE, RE, DIGS, BS, BA, TB, B/PG-AVG., BE, BHE. Rows for 2004, 2005, and Total.

**Jonathan Charette • 6-2 • OPP • Junior • Fullerton, Calif. / Long Beach City College**

**BEFORE BYU:** Played two years at Long Beach City College ... coached by Randy Totorpe ... named state MVP as a freshman ... named conference MVP as a sophomore ... played at Pearl City High School ... coached by Reid Shigimasa ... named first-team all-league and first-team all-state ... played for the Hawai'i All Stars under Rick Tune one year.

**PERSONAL:** Born October 1984 in Fullerton, Calif. ... mother is Donna.

**Trent Sorensen • 6-7 • MB • Sophomore • Palmdale, Calif. / Highland HS**

**SORENSEN IN 2005:** Practiced with the first team in 2004 ... has shown great strides in practice ... could compete for playing time at in the middle.

**PERSONAL:** Born November 1983 in Fontana, Calif. ... parents are Que and Darleen Sorensen ... served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to Mexico City ... enjoys hiking, swimming, and camping.

**Rodrigo Gomes • 6-2 • OH • Freshman • Rio de Janeiro, Brazil / Impacto HS**

**BEFORE BYU:** Played at Impacto HS ... led team to Rio de Janeiro championship ... helped team finish second twice and first once in national tournament ... played two years for Tisuca Tennis Club, Fluminense for Gilberto Girino.

**PERSONAL:** Born in Rio de Janeiro ... parents are Francisco Carlos da Silva Gomes and Luzia de Souza Gomes ... started playing volleyball with his father on the beach.