

NEBRASKA VOLLEYBALL

5 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS | 35 CONFERENCE TITLES | 17 FINAL FOUR APPEARANCES | 103 ALL-AMERICANS

2024 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

AUGUST

	TV	TIME (CT)
27 vs. Kentucky ^	ESPN2	6 p.m.
30 A&M-Corpus Christi \$		7 p.m.
31 TCU \$		7:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

	TV	TIME (CT)
3 at SMU		7 p.m.
5 The Citadel !		6 p.m.
7 Montana State !		2 p.m.
10 Creighton	BTN	7 p.m.
13 Arizona State %	BTN	7 p.m.
14 Wichita State %		2 p.m.
18 Stanford	BTN	7 p.m.
22 at Louisville		11:30 a.m.
27 UCLA *	BTN	7 p.m.
29 USC *	BTN	6:30 p.m.

OCTOBER

	TV	TIME (CT)
3 at Illinois *	FS1	6 p.m.
6 Iowa *		TBD
11 Purdue *	BTN	7:30 p.m.
12 Rutgers *		TBD
18 at Michigan State *	BTN	5 p.m.
19 at Ohio State *	NBC	2:30 p.m.
25 Illinois *		TBD
26 Michigan *		TBD

NOVEMBER

	TV	TIME (CT)
1 at Wisconsin *	BTN	8 p.m.
3 at Northwestern *		Noon
7 at Oregon *	BTN	9 p.m.
9 at Washington *	BTN	TBD
14 Minnesota *	BTN	7:30 or 8 p.m.
16 Indiana *	BTN	7:30 p.m.
20 at Iowa *		6 p.m.
23 Wisconsin *	BTN	8 p.m.
29 at Penn State *	BTN	4 p.m.
30 at Maryland *	BTN	6 p.m.

DECEMBER

5-7	NCAA First & Second Rounds (Host Sites)
12	NCAA Regional Semifinals (Host Sites)
14	NCAA Regional Finals (Host Sites)
19	NCAA Semifinals (KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, Ky.)
22	NCAA Final (KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, Ky.)

All times listed are Central

Home matches in **bold**

^ AVCA First Serve Showcase

\$ Ameritas Players Challenge

! Husker Invitational

% Nebraska Classic

* Big Ten Conference match

2024 BIG TEN MEDIA DAYS NOTES

HUSKERS SET FOR BIG TEN MEDIA DAYS IN CHICAGO

- Nebraska volleyball head coach John Cook and seniors Lindsay Krause and Kennedy Orr will participate in the third annual Big Ten Volleyball Media Days on Tuesday, Aug. 6 at the Big Ten Network Headquarters in Chicago.
- The Huskers will be live in studio on Big Ten Network with Rick Pizzo, Holly McPeak and Elena Shklyar from 11:05-11:25 a.m. (CT). Immediately after, Nebraska will hold its official press conference from 11:30-11:50 a.m. on B1G+.
- Krause, a senior outside hitter from Papillion, Neb., was averaging 2.50 kills per set on .285 hitting in her junior season before it was cut short by an injury in mid-October. She also missed three matches in September after being injured in a hit-and-run car crash. In six Big Ten matches, Krause was averaging 2.82 kills per set on .366 hitting, which was the top hitting percentage by a Big Ten outside hitter in conference play at the time of her injury. She was the Big Ten Player of the Week on Oct. 9 after posting a season-high 15 kills on .519 hitting at Michigan and nine kills on .381 hitting at Michigan State. Off the court, Krause has earned Academic All-District, Big Ten Distinguished Scholar and Academic All-Big Ten honors. She graduated in May in just 36 months with a degree in English.
- Orr, a senior setter from Eagan, Minn., played a pivotal role as a serving sub for the Huskers last season. She served an ace in seven different matches and provided 39 digs for the Big Red. Entering her fourth season at Nebraska, Orr has 325 career set assists, 12 service aces and 164 digs. Orr also earned her bachelor's degree in communication studies in 36 months in May. She is a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar, Academic All-Big Ten and Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar Award honoree.

ABOUT THE HUSKERS

- Nebraska finished last season at 33-2 (19-1 Big Ten) and reached the NCAA Championship match, falling 3-0 to Texas in Tampa, Fla. The Huskers won the Big Ten Championship for the first time since 2017, and head coach John Cook was named AVCA National Coach of the Year and Big Ten Coach of the Year.
- With four freshmen in the lineup, the Huskers won their first 27 matches of the season and held the No. 1 ranking from Oct. 23 through the end of the regular season. The Huskers, who had no seniors on their roster in 2023, return 10 letterwinners including every starter.
- Opposite hitter Merritt Beason (first team), libero Lexi Rodriguez (first team), setter Bergen Reilly (second team) and outside hitter Harper Murray (third team) were AVCA All-America selections in 2023.
- Beason was the AVCA North Region Player of the Year, and Murray was both the AVCA North Region and Big Ten Freshman of the Year. Reilly was the Big Ten Setter of the Year, and Rodriguez was the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year for the second time.
- The Huskers bring back 86.5 percent of their kills from 2023, 99.7 percent of their assists, 100 percent of their service aces, 96.2 percent of their digs and 79.4 percent of their blocks.

HUSKERS TO PLAY KENTUCKY IN AVCA FIRST SERVE SHOWCASE

- Nebraska will take part in a primetime season-opening event, the AVCA First Serve Showcase, on Tuesday, Aug. 27 at the KFC Yum! Center in Louisville, Ky.
- Nebraska will play the first match of the Division I season, taking on Kentucky at 6 p.m. (CT). Wisconsin will face Louisville in the second match of the doubleheader. All four teams participating in the AVCA First Serve Showcase were ranked in the top 10 in the final 2023 AVCA Coaches Poll.

FIVE HUSKERS NAMED PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN

- Five student-athletes from the Nebraska volleyball team were named to the Preseason All-Big Ten Team.
- Merritt Beason and Lexi Rodriguez were unanimous selections to the 18-player Preseason All-Big Ten Team. They were joined by fellow Huskers Taylor Landfair, Harper Murray and Bergen Reilly on the team. All five players were All-Big Ten selections in 2023. Seventeen of the 18 players on the team were either All-Big Ten or All-Pac 12 First Team selections last season. NU's five selections were the most for any team in the conference; no one else had more than three.
- The coaches picked Nebraska as the top team in the preseason poll. The Huskers won their fourth Big Ten title in 2023 with a 19-1 conference record. Nebraska finished the season at 33-2 and reached the NCAA Championship match, falling 3-0 to Texas in Tampa, Fla. Wisconsin, Penn State, Purdue and Minnesota rounded out the top five, followed by three of the conference's newcomers in Oregon, USC and UCLA.

REILLY, JACKSON LEAD U.S. U21 TEAM TO GOLD MEDAL

- Nebraska sophomores Bergen Reilly and Andi Jackson led the U.S. U21 National Team to the gold medal at the NORCECA U21 Continental Championship in Toronto, Canada in June. Nebraska assistant coach Jaylen Reyes served as an assistant coach for the U21 National Team.
- The U.S. swept Puerto Rico 25-12, 25-16, 25-16 in the final to finish the tournament without dropping a set in five matches. Jackson finished with nine kills, three blocks and one ace, while Reilly set the U.S. to a .464 hitting percentage.
- In other international competition, Nebraska seniors Merritt Beason, Taylor Landfair and Lexi Rodriguez took the silver medal at the NORCECA Final Six as the U.S. National Team fell to Dominican Republic in five sets. The U.S. National Team - comprising only college players for this tournament - went toe to toe with the senior national team of the Dominican Republic. Beason had a team-high 14 kills in the final, while Rodriguez had 10 digs.



KENNEDI ORR

#9

SENIOR • SETTER • 6-0 • EAGAN, MINN. (EAGAN)

HONORS & AWARDS

- Big Ten Distinguished Scholar (2022, 2023; Beach-2024)
- Academic All-Big Ten (2022, 2023; Beach-2022, 2024)
- Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar Award (2022)
- Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (Fall 2021, 2022, 2023; Spring 2021, 2022, 2024)
- Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2022, 2023, 2024)



2023 (JUNIOR)

- Played in 29 matches as a serving sub for the Huskers and tallied 39 digs, seven aces and three assists
- Had a season-high five digs in her season debut against Long Beach State on Sept. 9
- Posted three digs each in wins at Minnesota and against LIU
- Served an ace in seven different matches

2022 (SOPHOMORE)

- In her second season with the Huskers, played in 18 matches and recorded 5.02 assists per set and 1.94 digs per set
- Put up a season-high 27 assists, six digs and five blocks in a sweep of Pepperdine on Aug. 27
- Had 26 assists and seven digs in a sweep of Texas A&M-Corpus Christi on Aug. 26
- Also put up 26 assists with six digs in a sweep at Michigan on Oct. 8

2021 (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in two matches to open the season at the Husker Invitational
- Averaged 7.29 assists, 2.86 digs and 0.43 blocks per set for the season
- Made her career debut at setter with 17 assists, 10 digs and two blocks vs. Colgate on Aug. 27
- Posted a career-high 34 assists, 10 digs and a block vs. Kansas State on Aug. 28

HIGH SCHOOL/CLUB

- Was a member of the 2019 U.S. U18 National Team that won the FIVB Volleyball Girls' U18 World Championship in Egypt
- Was a member of the 2018 U.S. U18 National Team that won the gold medal at NORCECA in Honduras
- Named best setter at the 2019 World Championships and at NORCECA in 2018
- Named the Minnesota Volleyball Gatorade Player of the Year in 2018 and 2019
- Named a MaxPreps All-American in 2019 and PrepVolleyball.com All-American in 2018 and 2019
- Started at setter for Eagan High School since the end of seventh grade, playing six varsity seasons
- Helped Eagan to two state titles in 2015 and 2016 and three runner-up state finishes in 2017, 2018 and 2019
- Finished with 405 assists, 242 kills, 204 digs, 43 blocks and 32 aces while hitting .414 as a junior in 2019
- Played club for Northern Lights
- Was a member of the U17 team that won the gold medal at USA Volleyball's Junior Olympics in 2018
- Named the MVP at USA Volleyball's Junior Olympics in 2018

PERSONAL

- Born on Nov. 7, 2002
- Parents are Lorenzo and Gretchen Orr
- Has one sister, Brie, who played at Iowa
- Earned a bachelor's degree in communication studies in 36 months in May 2024

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	SP-MP	K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	PTS	PTS/S
2021	7-2	1	0.14	0	5	0.200	51	7.29	0	0.00	4	20	2.86	0	0	3	3	0.21	0	2	2.5	0.36
2022	54-18	4	0.07	1	16	0.188	271	5.02	5	0.09	27	105	1.94	0	1	11	12	0.14	2	21	15.5	0.29
2023	96-29	1	0.01	0	1	1.000	3	0.03	7	0.07	18	39	0.41	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	8	0.08
Totals	157-49	6	0.04	1	22	0.227	325	2.07	12	0.08	49	164	1.05	0	1	14	15	0.06	2	23	26	0.17



LINDSAY KRAUSE

#22

SENIOR • OUTSIDE HITTER • 6-4 • PAPILLION, NEB. (SKUTT CATHOLIC)

HONORS & AWARDS

- Big Ten Player of the Week (Oct. 9, 2023)
- NCAA Austin Regional All-Tournament Team (2021)
- Big Ten All-Freshman Team (2021)
- Big Ten Freshman of the Week (Sept. 27, 2021)
- Academic All-District (2022)
- Big Ten Distinguished Scholar (2023; Beach-2024)
- Academic All-Big Ten (2022, 2023; Beach-2023, 2024)
- Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (Fall 2021, 2023; Spring 2022, 2024)
- Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2022, 2023, 2024)



2023 (JUNIOR)

- Played in 14 matches and was averaging 2.50 kills per set on .285 hitting before her season was cut short by an injury in mid-October
- In six Big Ten matches, averaged 2.82 kills per set with a .366 hitting percentage, the top hitting percentage by a Big Ten outside hitter in conference play at the time of her injury
- Named Big Ten Player of the Week on Oct. 9 following her matches at Michigan State and Michigan in which she had a season-high 15 kills on .519 hitting at Michigan and nine kills on .381 hitting at Michigan State
- Recorded 13 kills with a .300 hitting percentage in a sweep of Penn State on Oct. 14
- Posted 12 kills with a .478 hitting percentage to go with three blocks in a 3-1 win over Creighton on Sept. 6
- Tallied a season-high five blocks in a sweep of SMU on Aug. 27
- Served two aces in four different matches

2022 (SOPHOMORE)

- Played in 31 matches and averaged 2.26 kills per set with a .271 hitting percentage
- Totaled 44 blocks and 45 digs on the season
- Had a career-high 16 kills with three blocks in a 3-2 win at Creighton on Sept. 7
- Tied her career high with 16 kills on .324 hitting to go with a season-best six blocks in the NCAA regional semifinal vs. Oregon on Dec. 8
- Posted double-digit kills eight times and hit .300 or better in 15 matches
- Hit a career-high .667 with 10 kills on 15 swings in a sweep at Iowa on Nov. 18

2021 (FRESHMAN)

- Named to the Big Ten All-Freshman Team after averaging 2.38 kills per set with 267 total kills, second-most on the team
- Finished with double-digit kills 13 times and hit .300 or better on 12 occasions
- Totaled a season-high 15 kills with five blocks against Utah on Sept. 11
- Opened Big Ten play with a season-high 15 kills on .500 hitting alongside four digs and two blocks at Northwestern on Sept. 22
- Hit .500 again in the next match vs. Iowa on Sept. 25, finishing with 12 kills, and was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week
- Put up a season-best 10 blocks with 12 kills and seven digs vs. Omaha on Sept. 3; her 10 blocks tied for the most in a five-set match at the Devaney Center
- Produced 13 kills on .500 hitting to go with five blocks and four digs at Texas in the NCAA regional final on Dec. 11
- Named to the NCAA Austin Regional All-Tournament Team after averaging 3.00 kills, 1.14 blocks and 0.86 digs per set
- Capped the season with 12 kills, five blocks and six digs vs. Wisconsin in the NCAA title match on Dec. 18

HIGH SCHOOL/CLUB

- Named the 2020 High School National Player of the Year by VolleyballMag.com and the 2019 High School National Junior of the Year by PrepVolleyball.com
- Was an Under Armour First-Team All-American in 2020 and selected to compete in the Under Armour All-American game (which was canceled due to COVID-19)
- Named a three-time PrepVolleyball.com All-American and two-time MaxPreps All-American
- Played on the USA U18 National Team that won gold at the NORCECA Championship in Honduras in 2018
- Won gold with the USA U18 National Team at the 2019 FIVB U18 World Championship in Egypt, a first for the U.S. in that age group
- Member of the 2020 USA Women's Junior National Team Training program
- Helped the USA to a fifth-place finish at the FIVB U20 World Championships in Netherlands and Belgium in 2021, its highest finish in a decade
- Named the Nebraska Gatorade Volleyball Player of the Year in 2019 and 2020, the first and only back-to-back winner of the award
- Was a four-time Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska selection and four-time Lincoln Journal Star Super-State selection
- Led Skutt Catholic to four Nebraska Class B state titles and finished her career with 1,449 kills and 135 solo blocks in 338 sets played
- Helped her club team, Premier Nebraska 18 Gold, win the gold medal at the USAV National Championships - Open Division
- Took the silver medal with Premier Nebraska 15 Gold at the USAV National Championships - National Division
- Also earned second-team all-state honors in basketball for Skutt Catholic in 2020-21

PERSONAL

- Born on Dec. 11, 2002, in Omaha, Neb.
- Parents are Pat Krause and JoAnna Draper
- Completed her bachelor's degree in English in three years in May 2024

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	SP-MP	K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	PTS	PTS/S
2021	112-33	267	2.38	104	725	0.225	7	0.06	1	0.01	3	88	0.79	4	3	87	90	0.45	4	0	314.5	2.81
2022	106-31	239	2.26	73	617	0.269	9	0.09	0	0.00	2	45	0.43	4	2	42	44	0.30	5	0	262	2.47
2023	44-14	110	2.50	34	267	0.285	4	0.09	8	0.18	8	30	0.68	2	1	24	25	0.57	0	0	131	2.98
Totals	262-78	616	2.35	211	1609	0.252	20	0.08	9	0.03	13	163	0.62	10	6	153	159	0.41	9	0	707.5	2.70



JOHN COOK

HEAD COACH • 25TH SEASON • SAN DIEGO (1979)

CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS

- 4 National Championships (2000, 2006, 2015, 2017)
- 8 NCAA Finals Appearances
- 11 NCAA Semifinals Appearances
- 23 NCAA Regional Appearances in 24 years at NU
- 13 Conference Titles at NU
- 68 AVCA All-Americans at NU
- 21 Academic All-Americans at NU
- Nation's Best Win Percentage while at NU

COACHING HONORS

- AVCA Hall of Fame Inductee (2017)
- USA Volleyball All-Time Great Coach Award (2008)
- AVCA Division I National Coach of the Year (2000, 2005, 2023)
- Volleyball Magazine National Coach of the Year (2008, 2018)
- AVCA Division I Region Coach of the Year (1997, 2000, 2005, 2008, 2016, 2023)
- Big 12 Coach of the Year (2001, 2005, 2008, 2010)
- Big Ten Coach of the Year (1997, 2016, 2017, 2023)
- NACDA/USOC Collegiate Coaches Award (1997)

YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORD

Year	Overall	Pct.	Conf. Record	Pct.	Conf. Place	Postseason Finish	AVCA Rk.
1992 (UW)	14-17	.452	9-11	.450	7th	--	NR
1993 (UW)	19-13	.593	11-9	.550	5th	NCAA Second Round	NR
1994 (UW)	21-12	.636	11-9	.550	5th	NCAA First Round	NR
1995 (UW)	22-15	.595	9-11	.450	7th	NIVC Champion	NR
1996 (UW)	25-8	.758	13-7	.650	5th	NCAA Regional Semifinals	15th
1997 (UW)	30-3	.909	19-1	.950	t1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
1998 (UW)	30-5	.857	17-3	.850	2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	7th
2000 (NU)	34-0	1.000	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Champion	1st
2001 (NU)	31-2	.940	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Semifinals	3rd
2002 (NU)	31-2	.940	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2003 (NU)	28-5	.850	17-3	.850	2nd	NCAA Regional Semifinals	13th
2004 (NU)	30-2	.938	20-0	1.000	1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2005 (NU)	33-2	.943	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
2006 (NU)	33-1	.971	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Champion	1st
2007 (NU)	30-2	.938	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2008 (NU)	31-3	.912	18-2	.900	1st	NCAA Semifinals	3rd
2009 (NU)	26-7	.788	16-4	.800	3rd	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2010 (NU)	29-3	.906	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Regional Semifinals	7th
2011 (NU)	25-5	.833	17-3	.850	1st*	NCAA Second Round	12th
2012 (NU)	26-7	.788	15-5	.750	t2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	7th
2013 (NU)	26-7	.788	16-4	.800	2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	7th
2014 (NU)	23-10	.697	14-6	.700	4th	NCAA Regional Finals	8th
2015 (NU)	32-4	.889	17-3	.850	2nd	NCAA Champion	1st
2016 (NU)	31-3	.939	18-2	.900	1st	NCAA Semifinals	4th
2017 (NU)	32-4	.889	19-1	.950	t1st	NCAA Champion	1st
2018 (NU)	29-7	.806	15-5	.750	t3rd	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
2019 (NU)	28-5	.848	17-3	.850	t2nd	NCAA Regional Finals	5th
2020 (NU)	16-3	.842	14-2	.875	3rd	NCAA Regional Finals	6th
2021 (NU)	26-8	.765	15-4	.789	2nd	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
2022 (NU)	26-6	.827	16-4	.800	2nd	NCAA Regional Semifinals	9th
2023 (NU)	33-2	.943	19-1	.950	1st	NCAA Runner-Up	2nd
Totals	850-173	.831	508-107	.826			

*Nebraska's first year in the Big Ten

AT NEBRASKA

- Head Coach (2000-present)
- Associate Head Coach (1999)
- Assistant Coach (1988-91)

OTHER COACHING EXPERIENCE

- Head Coach, Wisconsin (1992-98)
- Assistant Coach, U.S. Men's National Team (1992)
- San Diego VB Club (1986-88)
- UC-San Diego (1983-84)
- Francis Parker High School (1981-88)

COLLEGIATE RECORD

- Overall: 850-173 (.831)
- At Nebraska: 689-100 (.873)
- Big Ten Overall: 301-94 (.762)
- Big Ten at Nebraska: 212-43 (.831)
- NCAA Overall: 97-25 (.795)
- NCAA at Nebraska: 89-20 (.817)

EDUCATION

- University of San Diego (1979)
Bachelor's, History
- San Diego State University (1991)
Master's, Teaching and Coaching Effectiveness

PERSONAL

- Born: April 19, 1956
- Wife: Wendy; Children: Lauren and Taylor
- Grandchildren: Madden

MAJOR PLAYER HONORS UNDER COOK

Honda-Broderick Cup Winner

- Sarah Pavan (2006)

Honda Sport Award Winners

- Greichaly Cepero (2000)
- Sarah Pavan (2006)

AVCA National Player of the Year

- Greichaly Cepero (2000)
- Christina Houghtelling (2005)
- Sarah Pavan (2006)

CoSIDA Academic All-American of the Year

- Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) (2001)
- Sarah Pavan (2006, 2007)

U.S. National Team Members

- Greichaly Cepero (2002-03)
- Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) (2002-13)
- Tracy Stalls (2007-11)
- Jordan Larson (2009-present)
- Kayla Banwarth (2011-16)
- Kelsey Robinson (2014-present)
- Amber Rolfzen (2017-2020)
- Justine Wong-Orantes (2017-present)

Canadian National Team Members

- Sarah Pavan (2010-13)
- Sarah Pavan (Beach, 2013-present)

Olympians

- Justine Wong-Orantes (2020, 2024)
- Kayla Banwarth (2016)
- Kelsey Robinson (2016, 2020, 2024)
- Sarah Pavan (2016 Beach, 2020 Beach)
- Jordan Larson (2012, 2016, 2020, 2024)
- Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) (2004)