

#19 WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY
TIGERS
(4-5, 0-0 NCAC)

OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY
CARDINALS
(13-1, 0-0 OAC)

VS.

RIKE CENTER - WESTERVILLE, OHIO - Sept. 20

2019 SCHEDULE

8/30	vs. Defiance	W 3-0
8/30	vs. St. John Fisher	W 3-1
8/31	vs. Lawrence	W 3-0
8/31	vs. Hiram	W 3-2
9/3	DENISON	W 3-0
9/6	vs. Sewanee	W 3-0
9/6	vs. #13 Chicago	L 3-0
9/7	vs. Hendrix	W 3-0
9/7	at #24 Illinois Wesleyan	W 3-0
9/13	vs. Defiance	W 3-1
9/13	at Ohio Wesleyan	W 3-0
9/14	vs. Wilmington	W 3-0
9/14	vs. Kalamazoo	W 3-1
9/18	KENYON	W 3-0
9/20	#19 WITTENBERG	7 p.m.
9/28	CARNEGIE MELLON	2 p.m.
9/28	TRANSYLVANIA	4:30 p.m.
10/4	MOUNT UNION *	7 p.m.
10/9	MARIETTA *	7 p.m.
10/12	at Baldwin Wallace *	1 p.m.
10/15	at John Carroll *	7 p.m.
10/18	HEIDELBERG *	7 p.m.
10/19	at Bluffton	1 p.m.
10/19	vs. Hanover	4 p.m.
10/22	WILMINGTON *	7 p.m.
10/26	at Muskingum *	1 p.m.
10/29	at Ohio Northern	7 p.m.
11/2	CAPITAL *	1 p.m.

HOME GAMES IN UPPERCASE/BOLD

vs. = neutral matches

* denotes Ohio Athletic Conference match

MATCH PREVIEW:

Otterbein and Wittenberg square off in a quality non-conference showdown to help launch 2019 Homecoming weekend on campus.

The Cardinals, receiving votes in the latest national poll, will begin a challenging stretch that includes three ranked teams in a row followed by Mount Union, which has also earned some AVCA votes.

Otterbein worked past Kenyon two days ago in just its second home match of the fall, getting a match-high 14 kills from junior middle Tate Eppard. She currently leads the OAC in kills per set (3.36) and hitting percentage (.363) as the season reaches its midway point.

Freshman setter Carlie Craycraft, the league leader at 10.5 assists per set, has enjoyed multiple weapons at her disposal. A handful of her classmates are also making an impact as Anna Donner and Amber Greeley started the last match, which Bridget Oder ranks second on the club in digs.

Wittenberg advanced to the national championship match in 2017 and then fell in the regional final last year at top-ranked Calvin, by a 3-2 final. The Tigers are off to an uncharacteristically slow start this year but have played top notch competition once again.

The Tigers are coached by a pair of former Cardinals in 2015 grad Evelyn Carus and new lead assistant Hadley Sterett, the reigning OAC Player of the Year and 2x All-American from 2017/2018.

Katie Hiestand is pacing the Tigers with 2.62 kills per set while veteran Taylor Yontz leads the back line with 139 digs thus far.

OAC STANDINGS

	<i>Conference</i>	<i>Overall</i>
Baldwin Wallace	0-0	13-0
OTTERBEIN	0-0	13-1
Muskingum	0-0	11-1
Heidelberg	0-0	9-2
Mount Union	0-0	11-3
John Carroll	0-0	10-3
Ohio Northern	0-0	8-3
Marietta	0-0	9-4
Capital	0-0	5-9
Wilmington	0-0	1-11

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OTTERBEIN (13-1, 0-0 OAC)

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Bridget Oder	Fr.	DS	5-5	Mount Gilead / Sparta Highland
2	Hillary Sterett	Jr.	DS	5-4	Huron / Huron
3	Carlie Craycraft	Fr.	S	5-7	Marion / Pleasant
4	Emily Shuk	Jr.	MB	6-1	Tipp City / Tippecanoe
5	Dasha Bruyako	Jr.	OH	5-9	Gahanna / Lincoln
6	Anna Donner	Fr.	OH	5-11	Bellville / Northmor
7	Hannah Brown	Fr.	MB	5-11	Newark / Newark Catholic
8	Tate Eppard	Jr.	MH	5-11	Greenwood Village, Colo. / Cherry Creek
9	Tasia Lauth	Fr.	OH/MB	5-10	New Knoxville / New Knoxville
10	Emma Linehan	So.	MH	6-2	Powell / Worthington Christian
11	Kate Fisher	So.	OH/DS	5-9	Plainfield, Ind. / Plainfield
12	Ellory Farmer	Fr.	DS	5-5	Coldwater, Mich. / Coldwater
13	Jadyn Lockwood	Fr.	MB/RS	6-2	Springfield / Northeastern
14	Makenzie Rabbit	So.	MB	5-10	Massillon / Jackson
17	Julia Vermilion	So.	OH	5-10	Pickerington / North
18	Ashlyn Leon	Sr.	Lib.	5-5	Dublin / Scioto
21	Amber Greeley	Fr.	MB	6-3	Lima / Shawnee
24	Tia Trotter	Fr.	RS	6-0	Columbus / Marion Franklin
30	Morgan Meyers	So.	DS	5-8	Johnstown / Johnstown-Monroe



COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Monica Wright (13th season)

Assistant Coaches: Megan Mills, Brett Holt, Nikki Van Cleave

WITTENBERG (4-5, 0-0 NCAC)

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Dakota White	DS/L	So.	5-5	Springfield, OH / Kenton Ridge High School
2	Maya Hagander	OH	Fr.	6-0	Fort Knox, KY / Fort Knox High School
3	Sarah Auble	S	Sr.	5-6	Orrville High School / Orrville, OH
4	Olivia Young	OH	Fr.	5-10	Rocky River, OH / Rocky River High School
5	Cora Lutz	OH	Jr.	5-10	Celina, OH / Celina High School
6	Katie Springer	RS	Fr.	5-9	Huron, OH / Huron High School
8	Hannah Schartz	OH	Fr.	5-8	Springfield, OH / Shawnee High School
10	Aubrey Cox	MB	Sr.	5-11	Tipp City, OH / Tippecanoe High School
11	Alexa Bell	S	So.	5-10	Ann Arbor, MI / Dexter High School
12	Lexie Weithman	DS	Jr.	5-7	Lewis Center, OH / Olentangy High School
13	Carly Carafa	OH	So.	5-9	Urbana, OH / Graham High School
14	Ashley Brooks	S	So.	5-10	Cincinnati, OH / Mount Notre Dame High School
15	Paige Kucinic	OH/MB	So.	6-1	Hilliard, OH / Darby High School
16	Sidney Reeder	OH/RS	So.	5-10	Lewis Center, OH / Olentangy Orange High School
17	Sarah Hettich	MB	Fr.	6-3	Sarver, PA / Freeport High School
18	Katie Hiestand	MH	So.	6-0	Canton, OH / St. Thomas Aquinas High School
20	Taylor Yontz	DS/L	Sr.	5-6	Springfield, OH / Shawnee High School
22	Gabi Hancock	MH	Jr.	6-0	Vincennes, IN / Vincennes Rivet High School



COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Evelyn Carus (2nd Season)

Assistant Coaches: Hadley Sterett