VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

DENISON UNIVERSITY BIG RED



(2-1, 0-0 NCAC)

VS.

#15 OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY CARDINALS



(4-0, 0-0 OAC)

RIKE CENTER - WESTERVILLE, OHIO (September 7, 2022)

MATCH PREVIEW:

Otterbein and Denison clash for a key in-region matchup, continuing a series that has experienced some wild and wacky five-set thrillers in recent memory.

The Cards have won 14 of the last 15 meetings altogether (including five straight), but two of those went right down to the wire.

Last season, the Cards fought off match point in the third to storm back and escape Granville with a 20-25, 24-26, 26-24, 25-18, 15-13 triumph. Otterbein trailed 13-9 in the final set before a 6-0 run sealed the deal.

Morgan Hartman was recently named both MVP of the Mount Union Invitational and OAC Offensive Player of the Week. She was joined on the All-Tournament Team up in Alliance by senior libero Bridget Oder.

Denison went 2-1 at its Big Red Invitational over the weekend... beating Houghton in the opener, losing a five-set showdown to Centre and then rallying for a 3-2 victory against nationally-ranked Ohio Northern.

The Big Red went 19-7 overall last season, winning the NCAC regular-season title before getting upset by Wooster in the semifinals of the league's postseason event.

Denison was picked first in the NCAC Preseason Poll and is also receiving votes nationally in the AVCA rankings list.

2022 Schedule							
9/1	OHIO WESLEYAN	W 3-0					
9/2	vs. Alma	W 3-0					
9/2	vs. Carnegie Mellon	W 3-2					
9/3	vs. Wooster	W 3-1					
9/7	DENISON	7 p.m.					
9/9	THIEL	4 p.m.					
9/9	EARLHAM	6 p.m.					
9/10	vs. Birmingham-Southern	12 p.m.					
9/10	vs. Defiance	2 p.m.					
9/13	WITTENBERG	7 p.m.					
9/16	vs. Calvin	7:30 p.m.					
9/17	vs. Elmhurst	10 a.m.					
9/17	at Hope	2 p.m.					
9/21	at Kenyon	5 p.m.					
9/23	at Mount St. Joseph	6 p.m.					
9/23	vs. Transylvania	8 p.m.					
9/28	MUSKINGUM *	7 p.m.					
10/1	at Capital *	11 a.m.					
10/5	OHIO NORTHERN *	7 p.m.					
10/12	at Wilmington *	7 p.m.					
10/15	at Heidelberg *	12 p.m.					
10/15	vs. Albion	2 p.m.					
10/19	JOHN CARROLL*	7 p.m.					
-	BALDWIN WALLACE *	1 p.m.					
10/26	at Marietta *	7 p.m.					
10/29	at Mount Union *	1 p.m.					

OTTERBEIN Roster

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Bridget Oder	Sr.	DS	5-5	Mount Gilead / Highland
2	Alex VanHorssen	So.	DS	5-5	Blacklick / Gahanna Lincoln
3	Carlie Craycraft	Sr.	S	5-7	Marion / Pleasant
4	Kristen Scherger	So.	MH	5-11	Findlay / Findlay
5	Aubrey Geis	So.	MB	5-10	Clearwater, Fla. / Central Catholic
6	Maddie Mergen	Fr.	OH	6-0	Sylvania / Notre Dame Academy
7	Alyssa Merrell	Fr.	MB	5-10	Strongsville / Strongsville
8	Kennedy Hoffman	So.	OH	5-11	Seymour, Ind. / Trinity Lutheran
9	Annie Casper	Fr.	MB	5-11	Morrow / Little Miami
10	Brooke Barb	Fr.	OH	5-10	Johnstown / Johnstown-Monroe
11	Emily Skelley	Fr.	OH	5-8	Urbana / Urbana
12	Olivia Vitaz	Fr.	S / RS	5-10	Milan / Edison
13	Kayla Lechnir	Fr.	OH	5-11	Dayton / Carroll
14	Madison McCoy	Jr.	MH	5-11	Wooster / Wooster
15	Kailey Mishler	Jr.	S	5-8	Columbus / Gahanna Lincoln
16	Grace Ganz	Fr.	DS	5-5	Powell / Olentangy Liberty
17	Claire Shank	Fr.	S	5-9	Johnstown / Northridge
18	Olivia Jurcevic	Fr.	DS	5-6	Chardon / Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin
21	Amber Greeley	Sr.	RS	6-3	Lima / Shawnee
22	Anna Cecil	Jr.	OH	5-11	Lewis Center / Olentangy
24	Amanda Troyer	So.	DS	5-5	Berlin / Hiland
30	Morgan Hartman	Jr.	OH	5-10	Lancaster / Fairfield Union



COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Monica Wright (16th season)

Assistant Coaches: Heather Bailes, Max Miller, Megan Mills

DENISON Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / High School
1	Jenna Corrao	DS	5-3	Sr.	Solon, Ohio / Solon
2	Sidney Gossard	RS	5-9	Sr.	Westerville, Ohio / Olentangy Orange
4	Kirby MacKinnon	S	5-8	Jr.	Chatham, Ontario / Kent Secondary
5	Alice Kempf	S	5-8	Fr.	Louisville, Ky. / Sacred Heart Academy
6	Maxon Perkins	RS	5-11	Fr.	Springfield, Ill. / Sacred Heart-Griffin
7	Kelly McCaskey	OH	5-10	So.	Lake Bluff, Ill. / Lake Forest
8	Sophie Tight	S	5-8	Sr.	San Rafael, Calif. / Terra Linda
9	Corinne Boyd	MH	6-1	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. / Lincoln Southwest
11	Natalie Hutras	OH	5-8	Sr.	Dublin, Ohio / Dublin Scioto
12	Sophia Sobota	OH	5-9	Jr.	Castle Pines, Colo. / Rock Canyon
13	Brooke Bosart	RS	5-10	Jr.	Orchard Lake, Mich. / Bloomfield Hills
14	Sadie Habeeb	DS	5-5	Fr.	Independence, Ohio / Independence
16	Lucy Anderson	MH	6-2	Sr.	Bloomington, Ind. / Bloomington South
19	Cailey Johns	MH	6-0	So.	St. Charles, Ill. / St. Charles North
21	Emma Goss	RS	5-11	Jr.	Rochester, Minn. / Mayo
22	Sophia Buoy	DS	5-8	So.	Charlotte, N.C. / Providence Day
23	Ellie Martin	MH	6-0	Fr.	Grosse Pointe Park, Mich. / South



COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Carter Cassell (6th Season)

Assistant Coaches: Jasmine Brown, Lindsay Brewer