

VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

#16 WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY TIGERS



(5-2, 0-0 NCAC)

VS.

#11 OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY CARDINALS



(9-0, 0-0 OAC)

RIKE CENTER - WESTERVILLE, OHIO (September 13 , 2022)

MATCH PREVIEW:

A massive clash with regional and national implications takes place in the Rike Center as both sides prepare for another Top-25 battle in recent weeks.

The Cards remained perfect over the weekend as Amber Greeley, newest OAC Player of the Week, took MVP honors at the Pam Briggs Classic to cap a stretch hitting nearly .450.

Wittenberg soared into the rankings after notable 3-1 wins over powerhouses Calvin and Hope up in Michigan.

Monica Wright, inducted into the Wittenberg Hall of Honor last fall, looks to beat her alma mater for the first time in eight tries. Her team last won in this series during 2011, when the Tigers went on to win the national championship.

Adding to the storyline, Wittenberg is now led by former Otterbein player and 2015 graduate Evelyn Carus-Miller. The defensive specialist also has her father (Pat) on the bench.

Wittenberg standout Katie Hiestand has returned for a fifth year of eligibility. The versatile player averaged over three kills and three digs per set last time around.

Otterbein secured a nice win over Birmingham-Southern over the weekend, emerging to win a four-setter by final counts of 25-22, 22-25, 25-22, 25-17. The Cards hit .346 as a team in that matchup with four players at nine-plus kills.

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	W 3-2
9/9	THIEL	W 3-0
9/9	EARLHAM	W 3-0
9/10	vs. #20 Birmingham-Southern	W 3-1
9/10	vs. Defiance	W 3-0
9/13	#16 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.
10/22	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

WITTENBERG Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Ally White	L	Fr.	5-4	Harrison / Harrison
2	Piper Ricketts	OH	Fr.	5-7	Morrow / Little Miami
3	Mack Ricketts	S	Jr.	5-7	Cincinnati / Little Miami
4	Olivia Follick	MB	Fr.	5-10	Vandalia / Butler
5	Camryn Colahan	OH/DS	So.	5-7	Vermilion / Vermilion
6	Sadie McClinchie	OH/S	Fr.	5-6	Pittsburgh, PA / Mt. Lebanon
7	Emmie Jackson	L	Jr.	5-5	Troy / Troy
8	Hannah Schartz	OH	Gr.	5-8	Springfield / Shawnee
9	Tyler Linkhart	OH	Jr.	5-11	Yellow Spring / Yellow Springs
11	Laney Yoder	MB	Jr.	5-8	Bellefontaine / Bellefontaine
12	Emma Reeder	L	So.	5-8	Lewis Center / Olentangy Orange
13	Sydnee Johnson	S	Fr.	6-0	Centerville / Centerville
14	Alana Bartulovic	OH	Fr.	5-10	Cleveland / Notre Dame Cathedral Latin
15	Katie Troyer	S	So.	5-8	Orrville / Orrville
16	Reagan Kane	S	Fr.	5-10	Columbus, IN / Columbus North
17	Sarah Hettich	MB	Sr.	6-3	Sarver, PA / Freeport
18	Katie Hiestand	OH	Gr.	6-0	Canton / St. Thomas Aquinas
19	Kendall Robertson	MB	So.	6-2	Lake Orion, MI / Lake Orion
21	Kendall Black	MB	So.	6-1	Defiance / Defiance
22	Sarah Trisel	OH	Fr.	5-10	Jamestown / Greenview
23	Kaili Worcester	OH	Fr.	5-10	Powell / Olentangy Liberty
25	Ava Hampton	L	So.	5-1	Westerville / Westerville Central



COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Evelyn Carus-Miller (5th Season)

Assistant Coaches: Jamie Peterson, Pat Carus, Taylor Campbell