

NATIONAL POWERS

One of the nation's premier athletic programs, Nebraska is dedicated to and successful in all 23 of its varsity sports. In 2007-08, five Husker teams finished among the top 10 in their respective sports. Nebraska has won a total of 23 team national championships since 1970, including eight in men's gymnastics, five football championships, four bowling crowns, three volleyball titles and three women's track and field championships.

Individually, Sarah Pavan completed a remarkable volleyball career in 2007-08. Pavan, who led Nebraska to one national title and one runner-up finish, was a four-time first-team All-American. In 2006-07, Pavan became the first Husker to bring home the Honda-Broderick Cup, presented to the Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year. Pavan was also named the Big 12 Conference Female Athlete of the Year in her junior and senior seasons. On the men's side, Dusty Jonas claimed the indoor national championship in the high jump, while Jonas cleared

7-8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in winning the Big 12 outdoor title in May, establishing the best jump in the world to that point in the season.

Overall, Nebraska produced 25 individual All-Americans who captured 28 All-America awards in their respective sports in 2007-08.

Nebraska finished either first or second in the conference in eight sports, including the volleyball program's 10th title in the 12-year history of the Big 12 Conference.

In addition to Nebraska's success at the national level, the Huskers have been a leader in the powerful Big 12 Conference since its inception. Nebraska has captured 59 total team titles, including a league-high 19 championships in track and field, 10 in volleyball, eight in soccer, seven in baseball, six in women's gymnastics and softball and two each in football and swimming and diving.



Guard Ade Dagundro was one of three Huskers to earn postseason accolades as he helped the Nebraska men's basketball team to just the 12th 20-win season in program history in 2007-08.

Above: Sarah Pavan was a four-time All-American on the court and three-time Academic All-American in the classroom, and earned the prestigious Honda-Broderick Cup as a junior before being named a Top VIII Award winner following her senior season in 2007.

Bottom: All-American high jumper Dusty Jonas stamped his name in the Husker record book when he set the top mark in the world by winning the 2008 Big 12 Outdoor Championship with a jump of 7-8 $\frac{3}{4}$. Jonas went on to earn a bid on the U.S. Olympic Team for the Summer Games in Beijing.

BIG 12 LEADERS

The Huskers have won more Big 12 Conference championships than any other league school in the following categories:

Baseball Regular Season: 3

Baseball Postseason: 4

Baseball Overall: 7

Men's Indoor Track: 8

Men's Outdoor Track: 4

Men's Track Combined: 12

Women's Indoor Track: 5

Men's and Women's Track: 19

Women's Gymnastics: 7

Soccer Postseason: 5

Volleyball: 10



The Nebraska volleyball team captured the Big 12 title for the fourth straight season and the 10th time in 12 years of Big 12 play in 2007. Coach John Cook's squad has won at least 30 matches in each of the past four seasons.



Above left: Jordan Burroughs placed third at the NCAA Championships at 149 pounds to help Nebraska to a fourth-place team finish, one of the highest finishes in school history. Burroughs was one of five All-Americans for Coach Mark Manning's squad, which will be an early favorite to challenge for the 2009 NCAA title.

Above right: A two-time All-Big 12 first-team performer, Kelsey Griffin led Nebraska to its second straight NCAA Tournament appearance in 2008, helping NU reach the second round. Coach Connie Yori's squad will be gunning for its sixth straight postseason appearance in 2009.

Bottom: The Nebraska baseball team went beyond expectations in 2008 as it won 41 games and claimed a top-10 national ranking during the regular season. The Huskers earned a No. 1 seed in regional play for the seventh time in nine years.

Emily Parsons concluded one of the most storied careers in Nebraska women's gymnastics history as she collected her seventh first-team All-America certificate in 2008. Overall she earned 11 All-America awards and was a two-time regional gymnast of the year.