**HUSKERS OPEN THREE-GAME BIG TEN TRIP AT MINNESOTA**

- The Nebraska women's basketball team starts Big Ten road action Sunday by taking on Minnesota.

- Tip-off between the Huskers (9-5, 0-1 Big Ten) and the Golden Gophers (12-2, 1-0 Big Ten) is set for 2 p.m.

- A live radio broadcast will be produced by the Husker Sports Network, with Matt Coatney and Jeff Griesch teaming up for their 17th season together on the call. The game will be carried live for free on Huskers.com and over the air on B107.3 FM in Lincoln and ESPN 590 AM in Omaha. Free audio also can be found on the Huskers App and the TuneIn App.

- A live premium video stream will be provided to BTN Plus subscribers.

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**SCOURING THE MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS**

- Coach Marlene Stollings brings her fourth Minnesota team into Sunday's game with Nebraska carrying a 12-2 record after opening Big Ten play with a 90-63 win at Northwestern in Evanston on Thursday.
- Minnesota has featured one of the highest scoring offenses in the nation, averaging 87.8 points per game. The Golden Gophers rank ninth nationally in scoring offense and have scored at least 73 points in every game this season except a 72-69 loss to San Diego on Dec. 10.
- Minnesota starts one player over 5-10, but ranks No. 2 in the Big Ten with 45.4 rebounds per game.
- Minnesota has outscored the opposition by 18.9 points per game while shooting 44.6 percent from the field and 36.9 percent from three-point range (9.2 3FG per game). The Gophers are plus-7.6 in rebound margin and plus-4.1 in turnover margin. Last season, the Gophers were just plus-0.2 in rebound margin and minus-1.0 in turnover margin in a season they finished 15-16, including 5-11 in the Big Ten.
- The Gophers also excel at the free throw line, where they rank No. 5 in the nation with 224 free throws made (74.9, 42nd).

**Minnesota is unbeaten at home this season, carrying a 7-0 record at Williams Arena. Under Coach Marlene Stollings, the Gophers are 46-10 at The Barn. The Huskers have lost in back-to-back trips to Minneapolis, including a 110-73 loss on Feb. 11, 2016.**

- Senior guard Carlie Wagner ranks sixth on Minnesota's all-time scoring list with 1,857 points and second with 246 three-pointers. Last season, the third-team CoSIDA Academic All-American, scored 28 points while playing all 45 minutes in Minnesota's 79-69 overtime win over Nebraska in Lincoln (Feb. 4).
- A two-time second-team All-Big Ten selection, Wagner led Minnesota with 19.1 points per game and 82 three-pointers last season.

- Junior guard Kenisha Bell has improved in all areas this season. Last year, the Marquette transfer averaged 16.1 points, 4.2 rebounds, 4.9 assists and 2.2 steals, but committed a whopping 4.8 turnovers per game in her first season with the Gophers. She shot 37.7 percent from the field and 28.6 percent from three-point range. This season, Bell is averaging a team-best 21.1 points (+5.0 ppg), 5.4 rebounds (+1.2 rpg) and 6.5 assists (+1.6 apg) while shooting 46.8 percent (+9.1%) from the field and 37.8 percent (+9.2%) from three-point range. She is averaging 3.1 turnovers per game, an improvement of 1.7 turnovers per game. Bell scored 13 points and had seven rebounds and four assists in last year's win at Nebraska.

- Bell opened Big Ten play with 26 points and 10 assists without committing a turnover against Northwestern. She also had seven rebounds and five steals in the win over the Wildcats.

- While Wagner’s numbers are remarkably consistent and Bell has shown dramatic improvement, freshman Destiny Pitts has made a huge impact. The 5-10 wing is a three-time Big Ten Freshman of the Week, averaging 12.5 points and 8.4 rebounds per game. Pitts owns four double-doubles, including 22 points and 11 rebounds in her Big Ten debut against Northwestern Thursday. She has scored in double figures eight times while grabbing double-figure rebounds seven times. She has hit 39.5 percent of her threes (34-86) and 83.3 percent (35-42) of her free throws.

- Gadiva Hubbard, a 5-9 sophomore guard, has added 13.2 points per game while knocking down 31-of-39 threes (.412) and 95.7 percent (22-23) of her free throws. Hubbard is a solid defender and owns better than a 2.6-to-1 assist-to-turnover ratio. Hubbard did not play last season against Nebraska.

- Sophomore guard Jasmine Brunson (4.7 ppg) provides solid support at the guard spots. She started last season at Nebraska in place of Hubbard, producing seven points and three rebounds.

- Senior Jessi Edwards, a 6-3 center from Australia, has started 12 games for Minnesota, averaging 16.5 minutes per game. She has produced 4.6 points and 5.9 rebounds. Last year, Edwards had 12 points and eight rebounds in the win over the Huskers.

- Sophomore Taiye Bello, a 6-2 forward, has contributed 5.6 points and 5.8 rebounds per game. Bello is averaging 17.9 minutes per game for a varied inside rotation for the Gophers.

- Senior Bryanna Fernstrom, a 6-5 center, has managed 3.4 points and 2.9 boards. AnnaLea Lambke, a 6-3 junior forward who started 14 games as a freshman in 2015-16, has played 10 games and managed 1.2 points in 3.6 minutes per contest. International forwards Palma Kaposi and Irene Garrido Perez have also contributed along with Taiye Bello’s twin sister, Kehinde.

**NEBRASKA VS. MINNESOTA SERIES HISTORY**

- Nebraska leads the all-time series with Minnesota 11-9, including a 110-73 loss at Williams Arena in Minneapolis on Feb. 11, 2016. Nebraska owns a 6-4 series edge as Big Ten foes.

- In the last meeting between the two schools, Minnesota prevailed 79-69 in overtime, Feb. 4, 2017.

- Nebraska had won four straight meetings with Minnesota in Lincoln, including an 88-85 overtime win on Jan. 16, 2014, in the first game between the schools at Pinnacle Bank Arena. The Huskers added an 80-56 win (Feb. 3, 2013) and a 64-49 win (Jan. 22, 2012) in Lincoln as Big Ten foes.

- Nebraska is 9-3 all-time against Minnesota in Lincoln, but 1-6 against the Gophers in Minneapolis.

The Huskers defeated the Gophers 80-67 at the Big Ten Tournament on March 7, 2014.

- Although women’s basketball was not a full varsity sport at Nebraska until 1975-76, a women’s team from Nebraska suffered its first defeat at Minnesota in 1904 after going unbeaten between 1897 and 1903.

Two weeks after the first meeting with Minnesota, Nebraska beat the same team in Lincoln.

- Minnesota’s Laura Coenen scored 42 points for the Gophers in a 90-79 win over the Huskers on Nov. 30, 1984. That effort is tied for the most points by any opponent in a game against the Huskers.
**YOUNG HUSKERS READY TO RISE, COMPETE ON DEFENSE**

- Nebraska is putting one of the least-experienced lineups in the Big Ten on the court this season. Senior Jasmine Cincore leads the Huskers with 48 career starts, while true sophomore Nicea Eliely’s 37 starts rank second and Hannah Whitish’s 31 starts rank third. Those three Huskers have combined for 116 of Nebraska’s 168 combined career starts in Husker uniforms. Junior Maddie Simon and sophomore Rachel Blackburn were the only other current Huskers who had ever started a game for Nebraska prior to this season, and neither of them made a start last season.

- Freshman Taylor Kissinger and junior Darrien Washington earned their first career starts against SIUE (Nov. 11), while freshman Kate Cain made her first career start against UMKC (Nov. 14). Sophomore Grace Mitchell notched her first career start against Creighton (Nov. 19) in place of an injured Maddie Simon. Senior Emily Wood made the first two starts of her career at the San Juan Shootout (Nov. 23-24).

- Last season, the four least-experienced teams (Nebraska, Illinois, Rutgers, Wisconsin) tied for 11th in the Big Ten Conference.

- The Huskers are confident they can be drastically improved on defense in 2017-18. Last season, Nebraska ranked 14th in the Big Ten by allowing 76.3 points, including 80.4 points per game in league play. It marked the second straight season Nebraska surrendered more than 65 points per game. Prior to 2015-16, the Huskers had not allowed 65 points per game since 2004-05.

- In the 2017-18 season-opening win over SIU Edwardsville, Nebraska held a Cougar team that returned five starters to just 53 - the lowest total allowed by the Huskers since the 2016-17 win over UTRGV.

- Nebraska has held five foes to 55 points or less, including 47 to Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24), 49 at Kansas (Dec. 6), 52 to Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2), 53 to SIUE (Nov. 11) and 55 at San Jose State (Dec. 17).

- Last season, the Huskers just held two foes to 55 or less, and those came in the first two games.

- The last time Nebraska held five non-conference opponents to 55 or less came in 2014-15. The Huskers held seven regular-season non-conference foes to 55 or less during their Big Ten title season in 2013-14.

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**INSIDE THE ROSTER**

**HUSKER PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

Jasmine Cincore………………………….. SN-clore
Nicea Eliely……………………………… NY-see-uh E-lee-lee
Taylor Kissinger………………………….. KISS-in-jur
Janay Morton…………………………….. juh-NAY
Bria Stallworth…………………………….. BREE-uh
Darrien Washington…………………….. DERRY-in
Hannah Whitish………………………….. WHITE-ish

**HUSKER HOMES**

The 12 members of the 2017-18 Husker women’s basketball team came to Nebraska from nine U.S. states.

California (1): Darrien Washington
Colorado (1): Nicea Eliely
Illinois (1): Bria Stallworth
Kansas (3): Rachel Blackburn, Grace Mitchell, Emily Wood
Minnesota (1): Janay Morton
New York (1): Kate Cain
Tennessee (1): Jasmine Cincore
Wisconsin (1): Hannah Whitish

**HUSKERS BY CLASS**

Seniors (3): Jasmine Cincore, Janay Morton, Emily Wood
Juniors (2): Maddie Simon, Darrien Washington
Sophomores (5): Rachel Blackburn, Nicea Eliely, Grace Mitchell, Bria Stallworth, Hannah Whitish
Freshmen (2): Kate Cain, Taylor Kissinger

**HUSKERS BY MAJOR**

Advertising & Public Relations: Jasmine Cincore
Animal Science: Darrien Washington
Biological Systems Engineering: Nicea Eliely
Business Administration: Rachel Blackburn
Communication Studies: Maddie Simon
Management (MBA): Emily Wood
Marketing: Hannah Whitish
Nutrition Science: Grace Mitchell
Psychology: Janay Morton, Bria Stallworth
Undeclared: Kate Cain, Taylor Kissinger

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**2017-18 NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS**

- * denotes letters earned
- # redshirted in 2016-17

**No.** | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Cl. | Hometown (High School/Other School) | Worth Noting
---|---|---|---|---|---|---
3 | Hannah Whitish* | G | 5-9 | So. | Barneveld, Wis. (Barneveld) | Big Ten Player of the Week (12/11); career-high 29 pts at Drake (12/9) & KU (12/6)
5 | Nicea Eliely* | G | 6-1 | Sr. | Colorado Springs, Colo. (Rampart) | Nebraska Defensive MVP in 2016-17; Started last eight games
12 | Emily Wood*** | G | 5-5 | Fr. | Salina, Kan. (Salina Central) | Walk-on to scholarship; 3-Year Grad; Big Ten-best 47.3% 3FG (26-55)
13 | Janay Morton# | G | 5-10 | Jr. | Brooklyn Park, Minn. (Osseo/Eastern Michigan) | 2016 All-MAC Third Team; 2016 MAC All-Defensive; Missed 8 games with injury
14 | Grace Mitchell* | F | 6-2 | So. | Wellington, Kan. (Wellington) | 2016 Kansas HS POY (USA Today), Career-high 10 pts vs. UMKC (11/14/17)
15 | Bria Stallworth# | G | 5-6 | Jr. | Chicago, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor/UMass) | 2016 A-10 Freshman Scoring, Assist Leader; 21 points, 6 assists vs. SIUE
24 | Maddie Simon** | F | 6-2 | Jr. | Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X) | 2015 Nebraska HS POY; Moved to PF in 2017-18; 10.4 ppg, 6.2 rpg
31 | Kate Cain | C | 6-5 | Fr. | Middletown, N.Y. (Pine Bush) | 4-Time Big Ten Frosh of the Week; Triple-Double vs. FAU (22 pts, 14 reb, 11 blocks)
33 | Taylor Kissinger | G/F | 6-1 | Fr. | Minden, Neb. (Minden) | No. 38 Player in Nation (ESPN, 2016); 25 points, 8 rebounds vs. Arkansas
34 | Jasmine Cincore*** | G | 5-10 | Sr. | Arlington, Tenn. (Briarcrest Christian) | 2-Time Tenn. 2A POY; 48 starts; 6.7 ppg, 3.4 rpg, 2.6 apg, team-best 1.6 spg
43 | Rachel Blackburn*# | F | 6-3 | So. | Leavenworth, Kan. (Leavenworth) | Redshirted in 2016-17 after October knee surgery; Started first 8 games of 2017-18
50 | Darrien Washington** | F | 6-2 | Jr. | Oakland, Calif. (Skyline) | First career start vs. SIUE (11/11/17)

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AMY WILLIAMS (NEBRASKA, 1998)
(16-27, Second Season at Nebraska)
(205-136, 11th Season Overall)
Summit League Coach of the Year (2015, 2016)
WNIT Championship Team (2016)

NAIA Season School Win Loss Pt.
2007-08 Rogers State 15 18 419
2008-09 Rogers State 18 14 563
2009-10 Rogers State 21 11 .656
2010-11 Rogers State 23 10 .697
2011-12 Rogers State 22 12 .647
Totals 5 seasons 97 65 .599

NCAA Division I
2012-13 South Dakota 19 16 .543
2013-14 South Dakota 19 14 .576
2014-15 South Dakota 26 8 .765
2015-16 South Dakota 32 6 .842
2016-17 Nebraska 7 22 .241
2017-18 Nebraska 9 5 .633
Div. I Totals Sixth season 112 71 .580
Overall 11th season 209 136 .606

WILLIAMS IN POSTSEASON
Year (Tournament) Results
2016 (WNIT) Champion
2015 (WNIT) Second Round
2014 (NCAA) First Round
2013 (WBI) Semifinals
2012-NAIA Elite Eight
2011-NAIA First Round

NOTING COACH WILLIAMS
- Summit League Regular-Season Champions (South Dakota, 2015, 2016)
- NCAA Tournament (South Dakota, 2014)
- Summit League Tournament Champions (2014)
- Four Summit League Championship Game Appearances
- Assistant Coach, Tulsa (2006-07)
- Assistant Coach, Oklahoma State (2002-05)
- Assistant Coach, Texas-San Antonio (2001)
- Graduate Assistant, Nebraska-Kearney (1999-2000)
- Four-Year Letterwinner Nebraska (1995-98)

Nebraska’s 2017-18 Coaching Staff (from left): Assistant Coach Tom Goehe, Head Coach Amy Williams, Assistant Coach Chuck Love and Assistant Coach Tandem Mays.

- The 47 points scored by Coastal Carolina in Daytona Beach, Fla. (Nov. 24) were the fewest allowed by the Huskers under Coach Amy Williams.
- Nebraska held Kansas to just four points in the fourth quarter in Lawrence on Dec. 6. The Jayhawks did not get a field goal in the quarter against the Huskers - the first time Nebraska has held an opponent without a field goal in a quarter since the advent of the tournament system.
- Nebraska held Kansas to just 13 points in the second half, the fewest points ever scored in a half by a Husker road opponent on their homecourt.
- The Huskers held the nation’s top-scoring team (91.4 ppg entering the game) No. 12 Ohio State to just 73 points to Big Ten play on Dec. 28. It was only the second time this season that the Buckeyes failed to score at least 83 points. Last season, Ohio State averaged 91 points in its two meetings with the Huskers.
- Last season, Nebraska allowed 82.8 points per game on the road. The Huskers were also minus-6.2 on the glass and minus-5.9 in turnover margin away from Pinnacle Bank Arena.

WHITISH STARTING TO SHINE AS SOPHOMORE
- Nebraska’s growth in the backcourt this season starts with sophomore Hannah Whitish. The 5-9 guard from Barneveld, Wis., is the Big Red’s top returning scorer after averaging 9.0 points per game a year ago. Whitish, who started every Big Ten game for Nebraska, averaged 11.1 points in conference play, while shooting a sizzling 41.8 percent (38-91) from three-point range. She was also Nebraska’s top playmaker, averaging 3.7 assists in Big Ten action.
- Whitish’s play blossomed throughout the season, as she produced double figures in each of Nebraska’s last four games including a season-high 24-point performance in an overtime upset of NCAA Tournament-bound Michigan State on Feb. 26, 2017. Whitish knocked down 5-of-8 three-pointers against the Spartans while adding five rebounds and five assists in 44 minutes of work.
- Over the last six games, Whitish is averaging 18.8 points, 5.0 rebounds, 5.8 assists and 1.5 steals.
- She has scored in double figures in five of the last six games and seven times overall this season.
- For the season, Whitish is averaging 13.0 points, 4.6 rebounds and a team-best 5.4 assists while ranking second on the team with 20 steals on the year.
- Whitish is the only Husker to start all 14 games this season.
- The Big Ten Player of the Week (Dec. 11), Whitish averaged 29.0 points, 5.5 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 2.5 steals to lead Nebraska to a pair of road wins at Kansas (Dec. 6) and Drake (Dec. 9).
- She erupted for a career-high 29 points, including 25 in the second half, to carry Nebraska offensively in a road win at Kansas (Dec. 6). Whitish outscored the previously unbeaten Jayhawks 25-13 after halftime to help the Huskers rally from a 13-point late-second-quarter deficit to a 17-point victory.
- Whitish matched her career high with 29 points in the next game at Drake (Dec. 9) to lead Nebraska to an 89-85 double-overtime victory. She added six rebounds, six assists, two steals and her first block of the season against the Bulldogs.
- Whitish was solid against Washington State (Dec. 22) with 18 points, six assists (no turnovers) and three steals.
- She had an outstanding game with 17 points, five rebounds, eight assists and a steal in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).
- She tied her career high with three steals in three straight games (Clemson, UAPB, Kansas). She added three more steals against Washington State (Dec. 22).
- She scored 15 points on three threes against Buffalo (Nov. 23).
- Whitish scored 14 points on 5-of-10 shooting against Creighton (Nov. 19).
- She opened Big Ten play with 12 points, five rebounds and four assists against No. 12 Ohio State (Dec. 28).
- She tied a career high with nine assists while adding eight points and five rebounds in a win over UMKC (Nov. 14).
- Whitish owns a team-best 19 career double-figure scoring efforts, including six this season. She has produced a trio of 20-point performances in her career, including two this season.

ELIELY PLAYING WELL SINCE RETURN FROM INJURY
- Sophomore Nicea Eliely joins Hannah Whitish as a returning starter in the backcourt. Eliely, a 6-1 wing from Colorado Springs, Colo., started all 29 games for the Huskers as a true freshman, averaging 7.7 points, 3.7 rebounds, 2.4 assists and a team-leading 1.6 steals per game.
- Eliely was Nebraska’s top defender throughout her freshman season, and with a year of experience under her belt, the Huskers expect to see even better defensive play from the long, athletic wing.
- She added strength during the offseason and also improved her skill level at the offensive end to give herself more options in not only scoring but also creating opportunities for her teammates.
- However, Eliely suffered a foot/ankle injury in mid-October that sidelined her late in preseason. She has made a full recovery after missing the first three games this season and being limited in her first three games back.
- As a starter, Eliely is averaging 9.0 points, 4.1 rebounds, 2.3 assists and 1.5 steals. She is shooting 44.4 percent (28-63) from the field and 40 percent (6-15) from three-point range as a starter.
- For the season, Eliely is averaging 8.0 points, 4.7 rebounds, 1.9 assists and 1.5 steals.
- Eliely had her 11th career double-figure scoring effort and third in the last seven games with 10 points, a career-high-matching nine rebounds, three assists and a block in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).
• It followed 13 points, five rebounds, a block and two steals in a win at San Jose State (Dec. 17).
• Elici also scored 13 points against Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2).
• She played a strong all-around game in a win at Drake (Dec. 9), producing eight points, four rebounds, four assists, three steals and two blocks. Elici would have finished in double figures with 10 points, but her game-winner at the buzzer was wiped off after an official review of a tipped inbound pass. Elici’s shot from the middle of the lane was good well before time expired.
• Elici managed seven points and three assists in a win at Kansas (Dec. 6).
• She had nine points, three rebounds, an assist and a steal against Clemson (Nov. 30).
• She saw her first action this season against Creighton (Nov. 19), contributing four points, five rebounds, a career-high three blocks and a steal in 15 minutes. She completed a full practice on Nov. 18 and the pregame shoot-around Nov. 19, after missing four weeks of court time.

SIMON RUNNING FULL SPEED TO FORWARD
• With depth and experience creating a positive for the Nebraska backcourt, Maddie Simon has changed her focus to the power forward position.
• The 6-2 junior out of Lincoln Pius X High School has been a significant contributor in the Nebraska backcourt the past two seasons, including a starting role down the stretch in the regular season as a freshman in 2015-16.
• Through two seasons, she averaged 4.5 points and 1.9 rebounds in 13.3 minutes per game. She made five starts for the Huskers as a freshman, before coming off the bench in all 29 games a year ago.
• With the loss of Nebraska’s starting frontcourt, and inexperience and injuries challenging the inside game, Simon has run into a more prominent role.
• Through 10 games with nine starts at power forward, Simon is averaging 10.4 points and 6.2 rebounds. She has added 2.0 assists and nearly a steal per game. The Huskers are 8-2 in games that Simon has played this season.
• Statistically, Simon is one of the Big Ten’s most improved performers from a year ago, increasing her scoring average (+6.3 ppg) and rebounding average (+3.9 rpg) by more than double. Simon’s nine steals in 10 games this season are just four shy of her career total (13) through 50 games entering the year.
• Simon has produced double figures six times this season, including five times in the past seven games. She entered the season with five career double-figure scoring efforts in 50 games.
• She opened Big Ten play with a team-high 14 points to go along with six rebounds and a career-high-matching four assists against No. 12 Ohio State (Dec. 31).
• Simon scored a career-high 20 points on 9-of-13 shooting at San Jose State (Dec. 17). Her 20 points at San Jose State came in just 24 minutes.
• Her effort at San Jose State followed a then-career-high 17 points to go along with six boards, four assists and two steals in a win at Drake (Dec. 9). She added 13 points against Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).
• The Big Red opened the season 3-0 with Simon in the starting lineup. She averaged 6.7 points and a team-high 9.3 rebounds through three games. She had 11 points and eight rebounds in a win over UMKC (Nov. 14), before managing five points and a career-high 12 rebounds in a win over Arkansas (Nov. 16).
• She suffered an ankle sprain in pregame warmups prior to Nebraska’s game with Creighton (Nov. 19) and did not play against the Bluejays. Simon missed four straight games with the injury.
• The 2015 Nebraska High School Player of the Year, Simon was a two-time first-team Super-State selection while leading Lincoln Pius X to the 2015 Class B state championship. She was the No. 49 player in the nation according to Blue Star and the No. 22 guard by ESPN in 2015. A tremendous all-around athlete, Simon won the Class A 100- and 300-meter hurdles championships at the 2015 Nebraska State Track & Field Championships.
• Her mother, Nicole Ali Simon, was a CoSIDA Academic All-American as a member of Coach Gary Pepin’s national champion Huskers in 1983 and 1984.

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- Cain opened Big Ten play with 14 points, eight rebounds, two blocks and an assist and a steal going head-to-head against Ohio State senior Stephanie Mavunga. Cain limited Mavunga to eight points on 4-of-11 shooting.
- Cain is Nebraska’s No. 3 scorer (11.4 ppg) and top rebounder (7.7 rpg) and shot-blocker (3.7 bpg). The last Husker to average 1.0 block per game in a season was Catheryn Redmon (2.5 bpg) in 2010-11.
- Through games Dec. 28, Cain ranked No. 3 nationally in blocks per game (3.7) and total blocks (52).
- Cain is tied with Purdue’s Ae’Rianna Harris for the Big Ten lead in blocks with 52. Harris has played one more game than Cain.
- Cain’s 52 blocked shots through 14 games rank as the No. 2 total by a freshman in Nebraska history and she needs two blocks to match the freshman record held by school career record-holder Janet Smith with 54 blocks in 34 games in 1978-79.
- Cain, who set the Nebraska record with 11 blocks against Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19) smashed Olympic bronze medalist Danielle Page’s previous school record of nine set against Baylor on Feb. 3, 2007.
- Cain became just the sixth player in Big Ten Conference history to record 11 or more blocks and just the 10th Big Ten Player to notch double-double blocks in a single game.
- Cain, who previously tied the Nebraska freshman record with six blocks against Clemson (Nov. 30), has 10 games with three or more blocks this season, including two games with six or more rejections in her first 14 contests. In the previous 1,310 games over 43 seasons of Husker history, Nebraska players had produced six or more blocks only 10 times, including three by Danielle Page and three by Catheryn Redmon.
- Cain has blocked at least one shot in all 14 games and has multiple blocks in 13 of 14 contests.
- Offensively, Cain is shooting a team-best 58.1 percent from the field and has shot 50 percent or better in 12 of 14 games this season.
- Cain owns four double-doubles, including 19 points and 14 rebounds in a double-overtime win at Drake (Dec. 9). She had four blocks and a steal against the Bulldogs.
- She had another double-double with 16 points and 11 rebounds in a win over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2). She added three blocked shots against the Lady Lions.
- Cain noticed her first career double-double with 12 points, 10 rebounds and four blocks in Nebraska’s win over Arkansas (Nov. 16). She also had two assists against the Razorbacks.
- She owns nine double-figure scoring efforts, four double-figure rebounding games and one double-digit block game in the first 14 games of her career.
- Cain has produced four or more blocks six times, including Arkansas (4, Nov. 16), Coastal Carolina (4, Nov. 24), Clemson (6, Nov. 30), Kansas (5, Dec. 6), Drake (4, Dec. 9) and Florida Atlantic (11, Dec. 19).
- In her regular-season debut, Cain erupted for 18 points and game highs of nine rebounds and three blocked shots in 26 minutes off the bench in a win over SIUE (Nov. 11).
- She made her first career start in Nebraska’s win over UMKC (Nov. 14), producing eight points, two rebounds, two blocks and an assist. Cain has made 12 straight starts for the Huskers.

KISSINGER SHOOTS INTO STARTING ROLE AS FRESHMAN

- A newcomer to the Nebraska backcourt in 2017-18, true freshman Taylor Kissinger was one of the top three-point shooters in the nation coming out of high school and was ranked among the nation’s top 50 overall players.
- The four-time all-state selection for the Whippets had both her junior and senior seasons of high school cut short by hand/arm injuries.
- The 6-1 guard from Minden, Neb., had an excellent summer and progressed quickly in Nebraska’s program, gaining strength and making an impact in practice.
- Kissinger joined Hannah Whitish as the only two Huskers to start each the first seven games this season, Kissinger did not play in wins over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2), at Kansas (Dec. 6), at Drake (Dec. 9), at San Jose State (Dec. 17) or over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19) after suffering a minor knee injury late in the game against Clemson (Nov. 30). She also missed a loss to Washington State (Dec. 22).
- She returned to action after a six-game absence by scoring eight points off the bench in Nebraska’s Big Ten opener with No. 12 Ohio State (Dec. 28).
- Kissinger is Nebraska’s leading scorer at 13.3 points per game and ranks third on the team with 23 threes despite missing six games.
- Kissinger has hit 2.9 threes per game, and she needs 10 more threes to produce one of the top-five season totals (33) by a freshman in school history.
- She produced the best performance of her young career with a game-high 25 points to lead Nebraska to an 80-69 win over Arkansas (Nov. 16). Kissinger hit 9-of-15 shots from the floor, including 4-of-7 threes, and 3-of-4 free throws against the Razorbacks. She added career highs with eight rebounds and four assists against the Hogs to go along with a steal.
- She set a career high with five threes, scoring 15 points in a win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24).
- Kissinger led Nebraska with 17 points to go along with six rebounds, three assists, a block and a steal against Clemson (Nov. 30).
- She averaged 14.0 points and 5.0 rebounds in two games at the San Juan Shootout in Daytona Beach, Fla., Nov. 23-24. She also established a career high with three steals against Buffalo (Nov. 23).
- Kissinger pumped in 18 points and four three-pointers in Nebraska’s win over UMKC (Nov. 14).
- She managed five points, three rebounds, three assists, a career-high two blocks, and an assist in a career-high 32 minutes going head-to-head against her older sister, Brooke, in Nebraska’s game with Creighton (Nov. 19).
CINCORE STEPPING UP AS SENIOR

• Senior Jasmine Cincore has played solid basketball through the first 14 games of 2017-18, averaging 6.7 points, 3.4 rebounds, 2.6 assists and a team-best 1.6 steals per game.
• Cincore, who has four double-figure scoring efforts this season, produced one of her top efforts with 10 points, four rebounds and four assists in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).
• The 5-10 guard from Arlington, Tenn., enjoyed one of the best performances of her career with 14 points, five rebounds, three assists, three steals and a block in a win over Arkansas (Nov. 16).
• She had another big game with 12 points, seven rebounds, four assists and two steals in Nebraska’s win at Drake (Dec. 9).
• Cincore has a strong all-around game with 10 points, eight rebounds, four assists and two steals against Buffalo (Nov. 23).
• She had five points, four assists and two steals while being a disruptive force in the fourth quarter in a win at Kansas (Dec. 6). Cincore helped the Huskers hold KU without a field goal in the final period.
• Cincore owns a team-leading 48 career starts as a Husker. She also leads NU with 23 steals this season.
• Cincore scored eight points and tied a career high with four steals in Nebraska’s win over UMKC (Nov. 14). She added three assists against the Roos.
• Cincore started every game a year ago and averaged 6.7 points and 3.4 rebounds per contest. A solid defender, she ranked second on the squad with 31 steals.
• Nebraska’s 2016-17 Women’s Basketball Lifter of the Year, Cincore has the strength to guard larger players inside and could be used in a small forward/power forward role this season, even though she has experience playing point guard in her career. She also claimed Nebraska’s Kathy Branchaud Most Improved Rebounder Award a year ago.

The two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection is also a nominee for the 2018 Senior CLASS Award. The advertising and public relations major took time out in late spring of 2017 to serve as part of a mission trip to Nigeria coordinated by Nebraska Assistant Coach Tom Goehle.

GRADUATE WOOD CONTINUES TO LEAD BY EXAMPLE

• Nebraska gains more experience, depth and leadership from senior contributor Emily Wood. The 5-5 guard from Salina, Kan., originally came to Nebraska as a walk-on before earning a scholarship in her first season.
• Arguably Nebraska’s hardest worker on the court, Wood’s gritty determination and countless hours in the gym have allowed her to increase her skill level exponentially over the past few seasons.
• Her hard work is paying off on the court this season, as one of the Big Ten’s most improved players. Wood led the conference in three-point field goal percentage (.481, 25-of-52) in non-conference play.
• Wood’s 26 threes also rank among Big Ten leaders and are two more than her career total (24) through 60 career games entering this season.
• Wood owns five games with three or more threes this season.
• She also has 12 steals this season, which are three more than her career total (9) entering her senior year. Her 37 rebounds are 11 more than the 26 she had in 29 games a year ago.
• Wood is averaging 6.6 points per game - a 4.5 points per game improvement over a year ago. She averaged 2.1 points and 0.9 rebounds in 2016-17.
• Over the last seven games, Wood is averaging 8.3 points, 3.1 rebounds and 1.0 steal. She has produced the first three double-figure scoring efforts of her career during that span.
• Wood closed non-conference play with a career-best 19-point effort against Washington State (Dec. 22), when she buried 5-of-7 threes and 7-of-10 shots overall from the field.
• Wood made the first two starts of her career at the San Juan Shootout in Daytona Beach, Fla., Nov. 23-24. She added a third start in Nebraska’s win over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2).
• She scored a then-career-high 12 points and knocked down four threes against Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2). She also tied her then-career high with four rebounds while tying another career best with three steals against the Lady Lions.
• She produced her second double-figure scoring effort with 11 points, including eight in Nebraska’s decisive fourth quarter, in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).
• Wood contributed seven points and a career-high eight rebounds in a win at San Jose State (Dec. 17). Her production came despite a rare off-shooting day.
• Wood’s previous career highs in points (9) and three-pointers (3) were achieved twice earlier this season against Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24) and UMKC (Nov. 14). She also tied her previous career best with four rebounds against the Roos.
• Despite the increased competition for playing time in the backcourt this season, Wood gladly accepted the role of pushing herself and her teammates by putting in a huge summer in the gym and the weight room. She also completed her bachelor’s degree in management from Nebraska in just three seasons and is pushing herself to complete her MBA from Nebraska in 2018.
• A two-time Big Ten Distinguished Scholar, Wood was one of five Nebraska Outstanding Scholars in 2017. Nebraska’s Big Ten Sportsmanship Award winner across all women’s sports, Wood is a nominee for
MORTON ADDS EXPERIENCE, BUT BATTLES INJURY

• Nebraska’s most experienced Division I player is newcomer Janay Morton. The 5-10 guard from Brooklyn Park, Minn., was a three-year starter at Eastern Michigan before transferring to Nebraska prior to the start of the 2016-17 season.

• Morton spent a year working in Nebraska’s system while redshirting because of NCAA transfer rules.

• Morton gained a level of comfort and confidence in the system last year, but hit a speed bump during the summer with a foot injury. She underwent surgery in late-September of 2017, but was expected to return to action for the start of the regular season. She has been slowed in non-conference play seeing action in just four games after missing NU’s first six contests. She also missed Nebraska’s wins over San Jose State (Dec. 17) and Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19) before returning to play one minute against Washington State (Dec. 22) and two minutes against Ohio State (Dec. 28).

• She did not play in Nebraska’s first six games of 2017-18, but she saw her first action with 10 minutes off the bench against Clemson (Nov. 30). Morton had five points and three rebounds against the Tigers.

• Morton had three points, two boards and an assist in a win over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2). She added a three-pointer off the bench in the win at Kansas (Dec. 6).

• Morton is a proven performer. She earned All-MAC honors as a junior and was a member of the 2016 MAC All-Defensive Team. In three seasons at Eastern Michigan, Morton totaled 1,341 points, 359 rebounds, 249 assists and 223 steals, while averaging nearly 1,000 minutes per season.

STALLWORTH HOPING TO ADD SPARK AT GUARD

• Another Division I transfer, Bria Stallworth is making an impact for the Huskers this season. The 5-6 sophomore from Chicago sat out alongside Morton because of NCAA transfer rules last season.

• Stallworth erupted for team highs of 21 points and six assists off the bench to lead Nebraska to a season-opening win over SIUE (Nov. 1). She hit 7-of-14 shots from the floor, including 3-of-6 three-pointers, while knocking down 4-of-5 free throws to seal the win.

• She added nine points, including four consecutive free throws in the final minute, to close Nebraska’s 80-69 win over Arkansas (Nov. 16).

• Stallworth is averaging 4.2 points, 2.0 rebounds and 1.9 assists through 14 games.

• In Nebraska’s exhibition win over Minnesota State (Nov. 5), Stallworth came off the bench to score 15 points on 6-of-11 shooting while adding three assists.

• Stallworth, who earned a spot on the Atlantic-10 All-Rookie Team as a true freshman in 2015-16, is a quick, play-making guard who can also defend and score. In fact, she led all A-10 freshman by averaging 13.2 points per game at UMass in 2015-16.

• She hit 35.7 percent of her three-point attempts and 81.8 percent of her free throws while playing nearly 1,000 minutes in her only season at UMass.

MITCHELL WORKING TO CONTRIBUTE INSIDE

• Another young power forward for the Huskers who is finding a greater role than a year ago is Grace Mitchell. The 6-2 sophomore from Wellington, Kan., played in all 29 games and averaged nearly 11 minutes per contest.

• Mitchell produced a nine-point, five-rebound performance in 16 minutes off the bench at San Jose State (Dec. 17). She has put up season averages to 3.2 points and 2.9 rebounds per game.

• She produced her best performance as a collegian with a career-high 10 points while adding three rebounds in the win over UMKC (Nov. 14).

• Mitchell followed with four first-half points to go along with a career-high six rebounds in 11 minutes off the bench in Nebraska’s win over Arkansas (Nov. 16).

• She made her first career start against Creighton (Nov. 19) in place of Maddie Simon who was injured in pregame warmups. Mitchell played well against the Jays with seven points on 3-of-6 shooting while adding five rebounds in a season-high 20 minutes.

• Mitchell made her second start in a win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24). She had four points, three rebounds and two assists in 16 minutes against the Chanticleers.

• Mitchell had four points and four rebounds in 11 minutes against Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2), knocking down her first three-pointer of the season.

• Mitchell, who is a strong, hard-working athlete, averaged 1.8 points and 1.7 rebounds last season and hit 40 percent (4-10) of her three-pointers.

BLACKBURN GRADUALLY RETURNING TO SPEED

• The Huskers welcomed the return of Rachel Blackburn inside to bolster them at both ends of the court. The 6-3 forward from Leavenworth, Kan., was a starter early in her freshman season of 2015-16, before succumbing to severe knee pain.
Husker head coach and her staff back-to-back top-20 classes.

- Blackburn added four points and three rebounds against Creighton (Nov. 19).
- She played a season-high 15 minutes in a win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24). She matched a season high with five rebounds against the Chanticleers after grabbing five rebounds against Buffalo (Nov. 23).
- Blackburn also had a season-high two assists against the Bulls.
- Blackburn had four points, two rebounds and two assists in 11 minutes off the bench in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2).
- She had two points and two rebounds in the win at Kansas (Dec. 6).
- Blackburn opened the regular season with three rebounds in eight minutes off the bench in Nebraska’s win over SIUE (Nov. 11).
- She added two points and three more rebounds while taking her first charge of the season in 10 minutes of work in Nebraska’s win over UMKC (Nov. 14).
- In the first nine games of her career, Blackburn averaged 6.3 points and 7.6 rebounds per game while providing suffocating defense at the rim. Blackburn’s intelligence in defensive rotation could take pressure off her teammates and help a Husker defense that surrendered a staggering 76.3 points per game last season, including 80.4 points per night in Big Ten play.

Washington moves forward in off season

- Nebraska’s lone returning post player from a year ago, Darrien Washington returns for her fourth season as a Husker in 2017-18.
- The 6-2 junior from Oakland, Calif., averaged 2.3 points and 3.0 rebounds in 12 minutes per contest last season while playing in 23 games.
- Washington made her first career start in Nebraska’s season-opening win over SIUE (Nov. 11). She had two points, three rebounds and her fourth career assist in eight minutes.
- She had a season high five points to go along with four rebounds and a steal in Nebraska’s win at San Jose State (Dec. 17). She also had four rebounds against UMKC (Nov. 14) and Creighton (Nov. 19), and recorded steals against Creighton (Nov. 19) and at Kansas (Dec. 6).
- She had a season-high five rebounds and a career-high two assists against Ohio State (Dec. 28).
- Washington managed four points against Buffalo (Nov. 23) at the San Juan Shootout.

Huskers sign second straight top 20 Class

- Nebraska received National Letters of Intent from four standout high school seniors from Iowa, Minnesota and Indiana on the first day of the early signing period on Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2017.
- Nebraska’s recruiting class was ranked No. 20 in the nation by the ESPN rankings at the start of the early signing period. Coach Amy Williams’ first Nebraska class, which consisted of current Husker freshmen Taylor Kissinger and Kate Cain, was also ranked No. 20 nationally, giving the second-year Husker head coach and her staff back-to-back top-20 classes.
- The first commitment to the Huskers in this year’s class, Ashtyn Veerbeek made her commitment to Nebraska in December of 2016. The 6-2 forward out of Western Christian High School in Hull, Iowa, is ranked as the No. 55 player in the nation by Blue Star, No. 66 by Prospects Nation and No. 68 by ESPN, which also ranked Veerbeek as the No. 9 forward in the Class of 2018. The Sioux City native earned first-team Iowa Class 2A honors as a junior in 2016-17. She led Western Christian to Iowa Class 2A state championship. She produced her best effort of the season with six points and four rebounds in 10 minutes off the bench in Nebraska’s win over Arkansas in the state of Minnesota. The 6-3 forward from Chanhassen, Minn., who committed to the Huskers in February of 2017, was ranked as the No. 132 overall player in the nation by Prospects Nation and the No. 14 wing nationally by ESPN. As a junior, Mershon averaged 12 points and 10 rebounds in 2016-17. As a sophomore, she helped Minnetonka High School to its first-ever state championship in 2016.
- A North Tartan club teammate of Mershon’s, guard Sam Haiby committed to the Huskers in mid-May of 2017. A 5-9 guard, Haiby averaged 22.1 points, 7.6 rebounds, 4.4 assists and 4.1 steals as a junior for Class 4A Moorhead High School in 2016-17. Haiby, who was ranked as the No. 122 player in the country by Prospects Nation, the No. 125 player by Blue Star and the No. 28 guard nationally by ESPN, enters her senior season with 1,856 career points.
- Leigha Brown, a 6-1 guard out of DeKalb High School in Indiana, rounds out Nebraska’s class. Brown, who also committed to the Huskers in May, averaged 22.9 points, 10.8 rebounds and 2.9 assists last season as a first-team Class 4A choice and an Supreme 15 Underclass All-State selection in 2016-17. She was ranked as the No. 21 forward nationally by ESPN.
- “We are really excited about this entire group of high-achieving young women,” Nebraska Coach Amy Williams said. “They not only have had strong careers so far, but they are all on track to have great senior seasons. They have all shown an impressive commitment to our program during the recruiting process. They are high-character individuals with incredible work ethics and competitive spirits. We are looking forward to helping them achieve their goals on and off the court.”

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Big Ten Player of the Week

- Nov. 13 - Megan Gustafson, Jr., F (Iowa)
- Nov. 20 - Kenisha Bell, Jr., G (Minnesota)
- Dec. 4 - Kelsey Mitchell, Sr., G (Ohio State)
- Dec. 11 - Hannah Whitish, So., G (Nebbraska)
- Dec. 18 - Megan Gustafson, Jr., F (Iowa)
- Dec. 26 - Kelsey Mitchell, Sr., G (Ohio State)

Big Ten Freshman of the Week

- Nov. 17 - Kate Cain, Fr., C (Nebraska)
- Nov. 20 - Destiny Pitts, Fr., G/F (Minnesota)
- Nov. 27 - Destiny Pitts, Fr., G/F (Minnesota)
- Dec. 4 - Kasey Cain, Fr., C (Nebraska)
- Dec. 11 - Kate Cain, Fr., C (Nebraska)
- Dec. 18 - Destiny Pitts, Fr., G/F (Minnesota)
- Dec. 26 - Kate Cain, Fr., C (Nebraska)

This Week in Big Ten Women’s Basketball

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#21 Michigan 89, Penn State 69
Michigan State 68, at Nebraska 46
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Indiana at Ohio State, 1 p.m. [ESPN2]
Maryland at Penn State, 1 p.m. [BTN]
Wisconsin at Purdue, 1 p.m. [BTN Plus]
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Wednesday, Jan. 3
Northwestern at Michigan State, 6 p.m. [BTN Plus]
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Illinois at Rutgers, 6 p.m. [BTN Plus]

Thursday, Jan. 4
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**SCHEDULE PROVIDES CHALLENGING OPPORTUNITIES**

- Nebraska will be challenged by a strong schedule, but it should be a bit more manageable than the suffocating schedule the Huskers faced a year ago.
- The Husker schedule features non-conference home games against Power Five teams Arkansas (SEC, Nov. 16), Clemson (ACC, Nov. 30) and Washington State (Pac-12, Dec. 22) at Pinnacle Bank Arena.
- The Huskers clashed with in-state rival Creighton (BIG EAST, Nov. 19), along with other non-conference home contests against SIU Edwardsville (Nov. 11), UMKC (Nov. 14), Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2) and Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).
- The Big Red’s non-conference road schedule started with the San Juan Shootout, which was played in Daytona Beach, Fla., in a move from Puerto Rico that followed the devastation of Hurricane Maria. The Huskers faced Buffalo (Nov. 23) and Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24) at the Ocean Center in Daytona Beach.
- NU returned to road action with a win at Kansas (Dec. 6), before beating Drake in double-overtime in Des Moines (Dec. 9). The Huskers closed road non-conference play with an 81-55 victory at San Jose State (Dec. 17). The win gave Nebraska its first perfect (3-0) record in true road non-conference play for the first time since 2009-10 and just the fourth time in school history.
- Nebraska opened Big Ten play against defending conference co-champion Ohio State (Dec. 28), before playing three straight road games at Minnesota (Dec. 31), Northwestern (Jan. 7) and Illinois (Jan. 10).
- The Huskers return to Pinnacle Bank Arena for back-to-back games against Michigan (Jan. 13) and Iowa (Jan. 16), before heading to Piscataway, N.J., to joust with the Rutgers Scarlet Knights (Jan. 21).
- Nebraska then opens a stretch with four-of-five games at home, starting against Purdue (Jan. 24), before a brief trip to Iowa City to complete the season series with the Hawkeyes (Jan. 28).
- Home games against Illinois (Feb. 1), Maryland (Feb. 4) and Wisconsin (Feb. 11) follow at Pinnacle Bank Arena.
- Road games at Michigan State (Feb. 14) and Indiana (Feb. 17) set up Senior Night against Penn State (Feb. 22) at Pinnacle Bank Arena. The Huskers close the regular season on the road at defending Big Ten champion Maryland (Feb. 25), before the Big Ten Tournament returns to Indianapolis (Feb. 28-Mar 4).

**NEBRASKA STREAKS**

- Sophomore guard Hannah Whitish (31) owns the longest current streak of consecutive starts by a Husker. Nebraska’s second-longest streak is 13 games by freshman Kate Cain.
- Whitish is the only Husker to start all 14 games this season.
- Kate Cain has blocked at least one shot in each of the first 14 games of her career. She has 13 games with two or more blocks, including 10 straight games.
- Hannah Whitish has posted at least one assist in 16 consecutive games, and has three or more assists in 13 games this season, including 10 straight.
- Whitish has knocked down a three-pointer in 11 consecutive games.
- Taylor Kissing has knocked down at least one three-pointer in seven consecutive games.
- Kissing has at least three rebounds in each of her eight games this season.
- The Huskers have knocked down at least one three-pointer in 294 straight regular-season games dating back to a loss at UTEP on Dec. 20, 2008.
- Nebraska has hit at least two three-pointers in 173 consecutive games.

**NEBRASKA’S HISTORY OF HOME SUCCESS**

- Nebraska opened 2017-18 with a 62-53 win over SIU Edwardsville for its 12th consecutive season-opening win at home. The Huskers closed their 2016-17 home season with a 76-74 overtime win over Michigan State on Feb. 26 to finish 7-9 at Pinnacle Bank Arena in 2016-17. It snapped a streak of 13 consecutive seasons with double-figure home victories for the Big Red.
- The Huskers are 5-4 at home in 2017-18.
- Nebraska posted three home wins over top-50 RPI teams in 2016-17, including a 62-59 non-conference victory over Colorado State in the Preseason WNIT, and late-season wins over Indiana and Michigan State.
- The Huskers won 15-4 at Pinnacle Bank Arena in 2015-16 after going 12-3 (13-3 at home) in 2014-15. The Huskers are 54-22 (.711) all-time at Pinnacle Bank Arena since the building opened for the 2013-14 campaign. The Big Red went 16-2 at home in 2013-14, suffering their only Big Ten loss to Purdue, 77-75, on Jan. 19, 2014. NU’s 16 home wins in 2013-14 tied the school record for single-season home victories.
- The Huskers played the first regular-season game in the history of the arena against USA Today No. 25 UCLA (Nov. 8, 2013) and rolled to a 77-49 win over the Bruins. NU’s first win over an AP Top 25 team came with a 76-56 win over No. 24 Michigan State on Feb. 8, 2014. The Huskers added their first-ever win over an AP Top 10 team at the arena with a 94-74 victory over No. 8 Penn State on Feb. 24, 2014.
- NU suffered its first loss at the arena to Washington State (76-72) on Nov. 30, 2013.
- The Huskers are 444-152 (.745) all-time at home. The Huskers have gone 180-56 (.763) over the last 15 seasons, posting double-figure home victory totals 13 times.
- Nebraska played in the Devaney Center from 1976-77 through 2012-13, and added one appearance at Devaney against Utah on Nov. 23, 2014. The Huskers own a 389-130 record at the Devaney Center, including 146-83 (.624) mark in conference play.
NEBRASKA RANKS NEAR TOP IN ATTENDANCE

• Nebraska ranked No. 17 nationally with an average home attendance of 4,712 in 2017-18.
• Nebraska has ranked among the top 20 nationally in average home attendance in each of its first four seasons inside Pinnacle Bank Arena.

• In 76 all-time home games at Pinnacle Bank Arena, the Huskers own a 54-22 record (.711 winning percentage) while averaging 5,408 fans per game (410,385 total fans/76 games).
• Nebraska attracted a Pinnacle Bank Arena non-conference record crowd of 9,750 to open its stay in the arena with a win over UCLA on Nov. 8, 2013.
• Nebraska set its all-time single-game record with a sellout crowd of 13,595 fans against Missouri at the Devaney Center on Feb. 27, 2010. NU drew 10 straight crowds of more than 10,000 fans at the Devaney Center in 2009-10.
• Nebraska has ranked among the top-25 teams nationally in average home attendance for eight consecutive seasons, including a program-best No. 7 nationally with a record 7,390 fans per game at the Bob Devaney Sports Center in 2009-10. The Huskers went 16-0 at the Devaney Center on their way to a perfect 29-0 record, a Big 12 title and a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament.

HUSKER SPORTS NETWORK COVERS WORLD

The Husker Sports Network is in its 24th season producing and marketing the live broadcasts of Nebraska women’s basketball in 2017-18. Women’s basketball play-by-play announcer Matt Coatney and color commentator Jeff Griesch are teaming up for their 17th season together as the Husker’s broadcast team.

The Husker Sports Network and Nebraska women’s basketball have teamed up for well over a decade to take every game, home and away, around the world for free on Huskers.com. In addition to carrying every women’s basketball game free on Huskers.com, the Husker Sports Network flagship stations B107.3 FM-KBBK (Lincoln) and ESPN 590 AM-KSPX (Omaha) provide strong signals for Husker women’s basketball. When a network conflict occurs in Omaha, the Huskers also could be heard on CD105.9 FM-KKCD. 880-AM-KRVN (Lexington) also provides a huge AM signal statewide in central Nebraska, while more than 20 stations carry the Husker Sports Network’s women’s basketball coverage across the state and the Midwest.

Inside Pinnacle Bank Arena, fans can access the direct radio call of the game at 87.7 FM.

NEBRASKA POSTS 13TH STRAIGHT PERFECT GSR
In the eyes of the NCAA’s Division I Graduation Success Rate (GSR), the Husker women’s basketball program has been perfect for 13 consecutive years. Nebraska is the only program among the 14 Big Ten Conference schools to accomplish the perfect score for 13 straight years.

The NCAA announced the release of its annual Graduation Success Rate report on Nov. 8, 2017, and Nebraska was a national leader in women’s basketball for the 13th straight season (2004-05).

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NEBRASKA OVERTIME FACTS

• Nebraska is 22-21 all-time in overtime games, including 12-10 at home, 7-8 in true road games and 3-3 on neutral courts in overtime. The Huskers are 1-0 in overtime in 2017-18 after an 89-85 double-overtime win at Drake on Dec. 9, 2017.
• Nebraska was 1-1 in overtime in 2016-17, including a 76-74 win over Michigan State at Pinnacle Bank Arena to close the regular season on Feb. 26, 2017. The Huskers lost 79-69 in OT to Minnesota at the arena on Feb. 4, 2017.
• The Huskers are 2-1 in overtime games under Coach Amy Williams.
• Nebraska is 2-1 in overtime games at Pinnacle Bank Arena.
• Nebraska is 5-1 in multi-overtime games with the lone loss coming to Purdue in the Big Ten Championship Game, 74-70 in double-overtime in 2012.
• The Huskers have played 12 all-time overtime games against Big Ten opponents and own a 5-7 record.
• Nebraska’s most frequent overtime opponents are Purdue, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Missouri. The Huskers and Purdue have played three overtime games in 10 all-time meetings. NU’s six total overtime games against Purdue are the most against any team in school history.
• The Huskers also have played three overtime games against Minnesota, including two of the three overtime games in Pinnacle Bank Arena history.
• In 14 all-time games with Wisconsin, the Huskers have played three overtime contests, including the 71-70 win over the Badgers on Feb. 5. It was NU’s first OT win against UW. The Huskers also battled Missouri in three single-overtime games among the 71 all-time contests in that series.
• Nebraska has never played back-to-back overtime games at home. The Huskers have played back-to-back overtime games only once in school history, an 83-81 loss to Texas A&M in College Station on Dec. 30, 1985, before returning to Lincoln for an 80-75 win over Eastern Kentucky at the Devaney Center on Jan. 2, 1986.

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Deadball Rebounds
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- # denotes Big Ten Tournament game (Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis, Ind.)

**Home Attendance (Avg.)** - 34,591 (3,843)  
**Road Attendance (Avg.)** - 6,301 (2,100)  
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2017-18 GAME-BY-GAME BOX SCORES

GAME #1

NEBRASKA 62
SIU EDWARDSVILLE 53
LINCOLN, NEB., NOV. 11, 2017

Nebraska Min FG FT RB PF A ST TP
Simon* 22 2-6 0-0 2 2 0 1 4
Nebraska Min FG FT RB PF A ST TP
Simon* 22 2-6 0-0 2 2 0 1 4

Out for the first times in their careers.

GAME #2

NEBRASKA 80
UMKC 60
LINCOLN, NEB., NOV. 14, 2017

3FG: SIUE 6-23 (Bell 5-12, Alston 1-4, Churchill 0-2, White 0-4); Nebraska 6-24 (Stallworth 3-9, Thomas 2-3, Monceaux 2-3, Johnson 1-2, Dillard 1-3). FT%: SIUE 26.9; Nebraska 64.0. FT%: SIUE 26.9; Nebraska 64.0. FG%: SIUE 29.7; Nebraska 41.7.

GAME #3

NEBRASKA 80
ARKANSAS 69
LINCOLN, NEB., NOV. 16, 2017

3FG: Arkansas 8-32 (Cosper 5-16, Northcross-Baker 2-2, Monk 1-4, Swenson 1-5, Mason 0-2, Zimmerman 2-6); Nebraska 7-22 (Kissinger 4-7, Cincore 1-2, Wood 2-3, Stallworth 1-6, Monk 1-4, Ginocchio 0-5, Swenson 0-2, Thomas 0-3). FT%: Arkansas 71.4; Nebraska 75.5. FT%: Arkansas 71.4; Nebraska 75.5. Steals: Arkansas 5 (Moore 3); Nebraska 6 (Cincore 4). Blocked Shots: Arkansas 6 (Cincore 3); Nebraska 7 (Cincore 2).
## 2017-18 Game-by-Game Box Scores

### Game #4
**Creighton vs. Nebraska**
**Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 19, 2017**

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| Totals | 18-55 | 9-16 | 38 | 11 | 11 | 9 | 49 |

FG: Creighton 11-27 (Agnew 6-9, Faber 2-6, Lamberty 1-1, Rembao 1-2, Carda 1-6, Mellman 0-1, Kissingers 0-2); Nebraska 4-12 (Whitish 2-3, Wood 1-1, Kissingers 1-3, Elleys 0-1, Stallworths 0-1, Cincores 0-3). 3FGs: Creighton 5-of-13; Nebraska 5-of-12. Fouls: Nebraska 21; Creighton 19. Turnovers: Nebraska 12; Creighton 11. Technical Fouls: None. Officials: Mattingly, Barb Smith, Resch. Attendance: 3,424.

**Game Highlights:** Hannah Whitish scored 14 points on 5-of-10 shooting, but the rest of the Huskers hit just 13-of-45 shots as Creighton knocked off Nebraska 64-49 at Pinnacle Bank Arena. The win was Creighton’s first in Lincoln since 1993, ending an 11-game losing streak on Nebraska’s home court. The Jays used an 11-0 run in the first half to build a 14-lead, but Nebraska responded with the final six points of the quarter. The Huskers added the first two points of the second quarter and kept the Jays within a possession until the final 2:30 of the half. Audrey Faber, who finished with 14 points, started an 11-0 CU run with a pair of free throws, then capped the run with a three-pointer to close the half. Jaylyn Agnew, who finished with game highs of 20 points and nine rebounds for the Jays, added back-to-back threes in between Faber’s shots and CU took a 32-18 lead to halftime. In the third quarter, Creighton hit five more scores. After opening the game 1-0-8 from long range, the Jays finished 11-27, outscoring Nebraska by 21 points from beyond the arc.

### Game #5
**Buffalo vs. Nebraska**
**Daytona Beach, Fla., Nov. 23, 2017**

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| Totals | 20-64 | 16-49 |


**Game Highlights:** Hannah Whitish scored 15 points to lead four Huskers in double figures, but Buffalo outscored Nebraska 20-6 down the stretch in an 82-72 win at the Ocean Center in the San Juan Shootout at Daytona Beach. Nebraska trailed 21-11 in the first quarter after Buffalo hit 8-of-9 shots including its first five three-pointers to open the game. The Huskers rallied to take a six-point lead after Kate Cain scored eight straight points in the first three minutes of the third quarter. Cain finished with 12 points. The Huskers stretched the lead to 48-41 after Taylor Kissinger’s three-pointer with 5:42 left in the quarter. Kissinger finished with 13 points, six rebounds and three steals. The Huskers held a 66-62 lead after four straight points from Jasmine Cincore, who finished with 10 points and eight boards, but Cierra Dillard led the Bulls down the stretch. Dillard finished with a game-high 25 points and Katherine Ups pitched in 18 points for the unbeaten Bulls.

### Game #6
**Nebraska vs. Coastal Carolina**
**Daytona Beach, Fla., Nov. 24, 2017**

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| Totals | 20-51 | 2-4 |

FG: Coastal Carolina 2-11 (Adams 2-8, Blanding 0-1, DJ Williams 0-2); Nebraska 11-28 (Kissinger 5-12, Wood 3-6, Cincore 1-2, Whitish 1-3, Elleys 0-2, Stallworths 0-1). 3FGs: Coastal Carolina 18.2; Nebraska 39.3. FG%: Coastal Carolina 35.2; Nebraska 42.0. FT%: Coastal Carolina 70.0; Nebraska 50.0. Steals: Coastal Carolina 13 (Adams 6); Nebraska 6 (Elleys 3). Blocked Shots: Coastal Carolina 1 (Hamilton 1); Nebraska 4 (Cain 4). Turnovers: Coastal Carolina 18; Nebraska 21. Technical Fouls: None. Officials: Maxey, Tucker, Carla Roberts. Attendance: 175.

**Game Highlights:** Taylor Kissinger scored a team-high 15 points on five three-pointers, while Emily Wood added nine points on three three-pointers to help Nebraska beat a 55-47 win over Coastal Carolina in the San Juan Shootout at the Ocean Center in Daytona Beach. Wood and Kissinger combined for five three-pointers in a big third quarter to take control after trailing 22-19 at the half. Wood hit all three of her threes in the quarter to help the Huskers take a 41-36 lead to the final period. Nebraska took its biggest lead at 49-39 after back-to-back threes by Kissinger and Hannah Whitish with just over seven minutes left in the game. In the second half, Nebraska knocked down 9-of-15 threes after hitting just 2-of-13 shots from long range in the first half. Nicea Eliely added nine points, five rebounds and three steals in her third game off the bench since returning from an early season ankle injury. Jas Adams led all players with 28 points, five rebounds and six steals for the Chanticleers. DJ Williams added 11 points off the bench as the duo accounted for 39 of Coastal’s 47 points.
**Game #7**
**Clemson 67**
**Nebraska 66**
Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 30, 2017

**Game #8**
**Nebraska 73**
**Arkansas Pine Bluff 52**
Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 2, 2017

**Game #9**
**Nebraska 66**
**Kansas 49**
Lawrence, Kan., Dec. 6, 2017

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**Nebraska Min FG FT RB PF A ST TP**

Clemson 20 9-25 22-25 33 18 8 12 67

1st 2nd 3rd 4th Final

**Nebraska Min FG FT RB PF A ST TP**

Clemson 20 23-52 12-18 35 22 12 8 66

**3FG**: Clemson 7-19 (Edwards 5-9, Cotton 1-1, Collier 0-1, Thomas 0-2, Carter 0-2, Tagliapietra 0-3); Clemson 12 (Collier 5); Nebraska 17 (Edwards 9-15, Cotton 1-1, Collier 1-3, Thomas 0-2, Carter 0-2, Tagliapietra 0-3); Nebraska 8-17 (Whitish, Wood 3).

**Blocked Shots**: Clemson 4 (Thornton); Nebraska 7 (Cain).

**Turnovers**: Clemson 20; Nebraska 26.

**Technical Fouls**: Nebraska-Bench (2).

**Officials**: Beverly Roberts, Blauch, Cruse.

**Attendance**: 3,579.

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**Nebraska Min FG FT RB PF A ST TP**

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Nebraska 14 24 16 12 66

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**2017-18 GAME-BY-GAME BOX SCORES**

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**NEBRASKA 89**  
**DRAKE 84 2OT**  
**DES MOINES, IOWA, DEC. 9, 2017**

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**GAME #11**  
**NEBRASKA 81**  
**SAN JOSE STATE 55**  
**SAN JOSE, CALIF., DEC. 17, 2017**

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**NEBRASKA 86**  
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WASHINGTON STATE 73
NEBRASKA 61
LINCOLN, NEB., DEC. 22, 2017

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Kostourkova* 13 2-4 2-2 5 0 1 0 6
Hailey* 23 2-4 0-0 2 3 1 1 5
Pavlopoulou* 28 2-6 0-0 5 1 1 1 5
Washington 5 1-2 0-0 3 1 0 0 2
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GAME #14
#12 OHIO STATE 73
NEBRASKA 61
LINCOLN, NEB., DEC. 28, 2017

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#12 Ohio State 22 12 23 16 73
Nebraska 15 9 16 21 61

3FG: Ohio State 8-23 (Calhoun 3-6, K. Mitchell 3-7, Doss 2-3, Caretti 0-1, C. Mitchell 0-1, Harper 0-5); Nebraska 6-21 (Simon 2-4, Kissinger 2-7, Wood 1-3, Whitish 1-4, Eliely 0-1, Stallworth 0-2). 3FG%: Ohio State 34.8; Nebraska 28.6. FG%: Ohio State 42.9; Nebraska 41.1. FT%: Ohio State 78.6; Nebraska 64.3. Steals: Ohio State 14 (Doss 7); Nebraska 6 (Cincore, Eliely 2). Blocked Shots: Ohio State 4 (Hart 2); Nebraska 5 (Cain 2). Turnovers: Ohio State 15; Nebraska 23. Technical Fouls: None. Officials: Dickerson, Barb Smith, Daley. Attendance: 4,383.

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She ranks second on the team with 13.0 points, while Whitish is the only Husker to start all 14 games. She added 15 points against Buffalo (Nov. 23) and 14 five rebounds in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19). Assists and three steals against Washington State Whitish has produced seven double-figure her career on Dec. 11.

Whitish earned the first Big Ten Player-of-the-Week award of the season with the best game of her career to help the Huskers to a 76-74 overtime win over Michigan State (Feb. 26). She erupted for 24 points on 9-of-13 shooting, including a career-best 5-for-8 from three-point range. She added five rebounds, five assists and a steal in a career-high 44 minutes.

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Whitish, who started all 16 Big Ten games as a freshman, scored in double figures 10 times in conference play. She finished the year with 13 double-figure games.

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Whitish played key roles in NU’s first three wins, opening with seven points against UTRGV (Nov. 12), before producing 10 points against Colorado State in the Preseason WNIT (Nov. 17). She added 10 points and five assists in a win over Omaha (Nov. 22). She led NU with nine points against No. 1 UConn (Dec. 21). She produced double figures in each of the last four games, averaging 17.3 points, 3.5 rebounds, 4.5 assists and 1.3 steals while hitting 61 percent (25-41) from the field, including 57.1 percent (16-28) from three-point range.

For the season, she averaged 9.0 points, 2.5 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 1.0 steal, while leading the Huskers in assists (85) and three-pointers. Her 57 threes ranked No. 2 by a freshman in NU history, trailing only Jordan Hooper’s 67 (2010-11).

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PERSONAL

The daughter of Bob and Sherry Whitish, Hannah was born March 20, 1998, in Little Rock, Ark. She has a younger sister Jordyn, 14. Hannah is majoring in marketing at Nebraska. She earned a spot on the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team in 2017. Whitish chose Nebraska over Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, Arkansas and Florida Gulf Coast.

HANNAH WHITISH career statistics

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NICEA ELIELY

FRESHMAN (2016-17)

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2017-18 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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|------------------------|------|----------|-----|--------|------|---------|------|--------|------|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| #12 Ohio State        | 11-8 | 12/28    | 26  | 1-3    | 0.33 | 0.00    | 0.00 | 0.00   | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0   | 0   | 0.0     |
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| Total                  | 11-8 |          | 277 | 33-83  | 0.39 | 38-114  | 0.33 | 54-98  | 0.55 | 56  | 32 | 23  | 20  | 32  | 28  | 15  | 9   | 2   | 19  | 16  | 311.7  |

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She capped her freshman campaign with six points, five rebounds, a career-high-setting six assists, two steals and a block against Illinois (March 1) at the Big Ten Tournament in Indianapolis. Eliely hit 5-of-11 shots from the field, including a career-high four three-pointers (4-8) against the Fighting Illini. It was her first double-figure scoring effort in Nebraska’s final six games of the season, after producing just four double-digit efforts through NU’s first 23 games.

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EMILY WOOD
5-5 Senior Guard Salina, Kansas (Salina Central)

HONORS & AWARDS
• Big Ten Sportsmanship Award (Nebraska, All Women's Sports, 2017)
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• Husker Award (2017)
• Nebraska Teammate Award (2016)
• Big Ten Distinguished Scholar (2016, 2017)
• Academic All-Big Ten (2016, 2017)
• Nebraska Outstanding Scholar Award (2017)
• Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (Fall 2014, 2015, 2016; Spring 2015, 2016, 2017)
• Nebraska Student-Athlete HERO Leadership Award (2016)
• Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2015, 2016, 2017)
• Nebraska Athletic Department Service Trip Abroad to Dominican Republic (2016)

SENIOR (2017-18)
A leader on and off the court, former walk-on Emily Wood is playing 2017-18 as a graduate student for the Huskers. The 5-5 guard from Salina, Kan., earned her bachelor’s degree in management in just three years, graduating in May of 2017. She is on track to earn her MBA from Nebraska this year.

Wood is having her best season, averaging 6.6 points, 2.6 rebounds and 1.1 assists after a career-high 19 points with a career-high five threes against Nebraska State (Dec. 22). She led the Big Ten with her 48.1 three-point percentage in non-conference play. Her 26 threes are two more than the 24 she hit in her first three seasons.

Wood produced the first double-digit scoring effort of her career with 12 points on four threes in a win over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2) when she played a career-high 29 minutes in place of injured starter Taylor Kissing.

She had back-to-back double-figure efforts to end non-conference play with 19 points against WSU and 11 points in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19). For those two efforts, Wood was Nebraska’s Big Ten Player-of-the-Week nominee (Dec. 26).

Wood hit a pair of big threes while adding two rebounds and an assist in 18 minutes in a road win at Kansas (Dec. 6). She pitched in seven points and a career-high eight boards at San Jose State (Dec. 17). Wood had nine points and three threes in a win over UMKC (Nov. 14). She also had four rebounds. She set a career high with three steals to go along with three points, three rebounds and three assists in 21 minutes against Creighton (Nov. 19).

NEBRASKA CAREER
Wood became a more significant player in Nebraska’s rotation as a junior, contributing 2.1 points and 0.9 rebounds per game while playing in all 29 contests in 2016-17. She hit 16 threes and shot 80 percent (4-5) at the line. She also had 18 assists.

Wood had nine points on three threes against No. 12 Ohio State (Feb. 16). She also had eight points at Virginia Tech (Dec. 1). She scored all eight during a 23-4 first-half surge that helped NU build a 16-point lead. She had seven points on 2-of-2 shooting in a win over San Jose State (Dec. 9). Wood hit a pair of threes and grabbed two boards against Minnesota (Feb. 4).

The junior scored three points eight times and managed two points in three other games for NU.

Wood averaged 1.4 points and 0.8 rebounds while producing a 3-to-1 assist-to-turnover (12-4) ratio as a sophomore. She had six points on her first career threes in a win over North Florida on Nov. 16.

She had a strong effort with three points and an assist in 19 minutes against North Florida (12/2/17). Wood ended an eight-minute, first-half scoreless drought. Her only points of the season on a reverse layup to end an 18-point, first-half scoreless drought.

PERSONAL
Emily is the daughter of Brian and Julie Wood. She was born in Salina, Kan., Oct. 17, 1995, and has two younger sisters, Lindsey and Lauren. Emily is a management major and was a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar while earning academic All-Big Ten accolades in 2016. She is a five-time member of the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll. A two-time member of the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team, she claimed a Nebraska Student-Athlete HERO Leadership Award in 2016. She was one of 20 student-athletes across all sports to take part in the Nebraska Athletic Department’s Service Trip Abroad to the Dominican Republic in May of 2016.

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**JANAY MORTON**

**13**

Senior Guard
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota (Osseo/Eastern Michigan)

**REDSHIRT SEASON (NEBRASKA, 2016-17)**
Morton sat out the entire 2016-17 season due to NCAA transfer rules. Off the court, she earned spots on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll in both the fall and spring semesters, while also becoming a member of the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team.

**EASTERN MICHIGAN CAREER**
Morton earned third-team All-MAC accolades and a spot on the MAC All-Defensive Team as a junior in 2015-16. She ranked second among the Eagles and 15th in the MAC by averaging 13.5 points per game. She led Eastern Michigan with 76 three-pointers on the season, while hitting 37.8 percent of her long-range attempts which ranked sixth in the MAC.

She led the Eagles with a MAC-best 96 steals.

No other player in the conference had more than 78 steals. She had six or more steals five times as a junior, including a season-high seven against UT-Rio Grande Valley (Nov. 21). She had six steals in her final game as an Eagle against TCU in the second round of the Postseason WNIT, when she added 20 points and four assists, while hitting 5-of-9 three-pointers.

Morton produced double figures in each of her last five games, while knocking down 17-of-29 three-pointers (.586). She averaged 15.4 points per game and hit 50 percent (25-50) of her shots from the floor overall during the stretch.

Morton added 3.4 rebounds per contest, while dishing out 2.9 assists per game. She helped Eastern Michigan to a 22-12 overall record.

Morton was the No. 2 scorer for an Eastern Michigan team that finished with a 24-13 overall record in 2014-15. She averaged 12.6 points per game, while adding 3.8 rebounds and 2.6 assists. She also led the Eagles with 78 steals on the season, while her 2.1 steals per game ranked second in the MAC. She also ranked second among the Eagles with 63 three-pointers. She played in 37 games with 35 starts.

She matched a career best by erupting for 34 points against Central Michigan on March 7, 2015. Her effort included 13-for-13 free throw shooting. She matched a career best by erupting for 34 points against Central Michigan on March 7, 2015. Her effort included 13-for-13 free throw shooting.

She hit 7-of-11 three-pointers against the Bulls. She earned MAC West Player-of-the-Week honors on Dec. 16, 2013.

**PERSONAL**
The daughter of Gregg and Tania Morton, Janay was born Oct. 3, 1994. Janay has two younger brothers, Jaden, 16, and Jaren, 14. Janay is a psychology major and earned spots on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll in the fall and spring semesters of 2016-17. She was also a member of the 2017 Tom Osborne Citizenship Team.

**HONORS & AWARDS**
- Third-Team All-MAC (2016)
- MAC All-Defensive Team (2016)
- MAC All-Freshman Team (2014)
- Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (Fall 2016; Spring 2017)
- Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2017)
- All-Minnesota (HM, 2013)

**SENIOR (2017-18)**
Janay Morton hopes to help the Huskers as a fifth-year senior in 2017-18. After sitting out 2016-17 following a transfer from Eastern Michigan, the former All-Mid-American Conference guard underwent foot surgery prior to the start of the 2017-18 season. She missed NU’s first six games before seeing her first action as a Husker with five points and three rebounds in 10 minutes off the bench against Clemson (Nov. 30). She had three points, two boards and an assist against UAPB (Dec. 2), and added a three-pointer off the bench at Kansas (Dec. 6).

Morton averaged 13.0 points per game as a three-year starter at Eastern Michigan. The 5-10 guard from Brooklyn Park, Minn., amassed 1,341 points, 364 rebounds, 249 assists and 223 steals. She also knocked down 203 threes for the Eagles.

Morton’s 223 career steals ranked among the top 10 totals in Eastern Michigan history. Her 96 steals in 2015-16 marked the third-best single-season total in school history, helping her to a spot on the MAC All-Defensive Team. She was a third-team All-MAC choice as a junior, after earning a spot on the MAC All-Freshman Team in 2013-14.

Morton has scored in double figures 68 times, including 16 games with 20 or more points. She has scored a career-high 34 points on two occasions.

**MORTON’S CAREER BESTS**

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Morton finished her sophomore season strong, producing double figures in nine of her final 10 games. She averaged 16.2 points, 4.1 rebounds, 3.6 assists and 2.0 steals during the 10-game season-ending stretch, while hitting 21-of-58 threes (.362). Morton made an immediate impact as a true freshman at Eastern Michigan in 2013-14, ranking second on the team with 13.0 points per game. She added 3.2 rebounds and 1.7 assists. She played in all 32 games for the 18-14 Eagles, including 26 starts. She led EMU with 64 three-pointers, while ranking third on the team with 49 steals.

She produced seven 20-point performances as a freshman, including a career-high 34 points against Buffalo on Jan. 18, 2014. She hit 7-of-11 three-pointers against the Bulls. She earned MAC West Player-of-the-Week honors on Dec. 16, 2013.

**2017-18 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

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**JANAY MORTON**

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**2017-18 NEBRASKA WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

**FIVE FACTS ABOUT JANAY**

1. Janay loves tennis and the Williams sisters.
2. She used to live in San Francisco.
3. Janay is obsessed with Minions.
4. She never misses an episode of The Walking Dead.
5. Janay once had a full, 1-on-1 conversation with Maya Moore.
GRACE MITCHELL
6-2  Sophomore  Forward  Wellington, Kansas (Wellington)

GRACE MITCHELL career statistics

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FRESHMAN (2016-17)

The No. 51 ranked wing player in the nation according to ESPN, Mitchell brought a long-range shooting threat and a big frame to the Huskers in 2016-17. Mitchell was the Kansas Player of the Year by USA Today High School Sports and the Kansas Class 4A Player of the Year in 2016. She earned first-team KCBA Class 4A all-state honors as a senior at Wellington High School in 2016.

Mitchell focused on the forward spot as a freshman, averaging 1.8 points and 1.7 rebounds in 10.7 minutes per game in support of starters Jessica Shepard and Allie Havers.

She produced a career-high seven-point effort against Drake on Dec. 6, when she hit her first career three-pointer and added her first career steals. She scored five points to spark a 15-5 surge for the Big Red against the Bulldogs to help the Huskers to halftime with a 33-32 lead.

Mitchell added five points on a perfect shooting night, including a three-pointer against No. 1 UConn on Dec. 21. She added three rebounds against the Huskies. She contributed five points, including a three-pointer, against No. 3 Maryland. She added two rebounds, a block and a steal.

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BEFORE NEBRASKA

Mitchell was the No. 51 wing in the nation as a high school senior, according to ESPN. As a senior at Wellington High School, Mitchell set a school single-season scoring record with 533 points on her way to Kansas Class 4A Player-of-the-Year honors. She averaged 21.7 points, 7.4 rebounds and 2.7 blocks in her only season at Wellington. She helped the Lady Crusaders to a 24-1 record and a third-place finish at the Class 4A state tournament. As a senior, she hit 48 percent of her three-pointers.

A first-team All-Kansas selection, she was the Kansas Player of the Year by USA Today High School Sports and the Kansas Class 4A Player of the Year in 2016. She earned first-team KCBA Class 4A all-state honors as a senior at Wellington High School in 2016.

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FIVE FACTS ABOUT GRACE

1. Grace loves dogs and has a toy Golden Retriever.
2. She likes to watch movies in her free time.
3. She can never have too many shoes.
4. Grace’s stress reliever is shooting in the gym by herself.
5. She knows how to do card tricks.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (Fall 2016; Spring 2017)
- Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2017)
- No. 51 Wing in the Nation (ESPN, 2015)
- Kansas Player of the Year (USA Today HS Sports, 2016)
- Kansas Class 4A Player of the Year (2016)
- First-Team Kansas Class 4A All-State (KCBA, 2016)
- Second-Team Kansas Class 6A All-State (2015)
- Honorable-Mention Kansas Class 6A All-State (2014)
- Ark Valley-Chisholm Trail League MVP (2016)
- First-Team All-Ark Valley-Chisholm Trail League (2015, 2016)
- Second-Team All-Ark Valley-Chisholm Trail League (2014)

SOPHOMORE (2017-18)

Grace Mitchell produced the best effort of her career with 10 points in Nebraska’s win over UMKC (Nov. 14). She hit 4-of-7 shots while adding three rebounds in the win over the Roos.

The 6-2 forward from Wellington, Kan., added another strong effort with nine points, five rebounds and a steal in 16 minutes off the bench in a win at San Jose State (Dec. 17).

Mitchell had four points, a career-high six rebounds and a steal in a win over Arkansas (Nov. 16). She made the first start of her career and provided seven points and five rebounds in 20 minutes against Creighton (Nov. 19). She added her second start of the season in a win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24), when she scored two points and added three rebounds.

She had four points and four rebounds in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2).

PERSONAL

The daughter of Jud Mitchell and Cathy Mitchell, Grace was born April 2, 1998, in Wichita, Kan. Grace has two older sisters, Sarah Jeanne (25), and Elizabeth (22). Grace is majoring in nutrition science at Nebraska.

A solid student, she earned spots on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll in both semesters of 2016-17. She was also a member of the 2017 Tom Osborne Citizenship Team.

She is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Grace chose Nebraska over 12 other Division I scholarship offers.

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A three-time AVCTL Division I pick, earning first-team honors as a junior and senior and a second-team award as a sophomore, Mitchell was a second-team Kansas Class 6A all-state selection at Derby High School in 2015 by both the KCBA and the Wichita Eagle.

She was a KCBA honorable-mention all-state choice as a sophomore in 2014.

She led the AVCTL in scoring with 17.6 points and 6.3 rebounds per game as a junior at Derby High School in 2014-15. She played for Coach Gayla Soyez at Next Level Hoops Academy in Wichita.
Athlete Honor Roll in the spring of 2017, while also earning a spot on the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team.

**FRESHMAN (2015-16, UMASS)**

Stallworth averaged 13.1 points, 2.4 rebounds, 3.8 assists and 0.9 steals per game as a true freshman at UMass. She started 26 of 30 games and played 965 total minutes (32.2 mpg), which ranked second on the team. Stallworth hit 39.1 percent (155-396) of her field goal attempts, including a solid 35.1 percent (39-111) from three-point range. She was also a strong 81.5 percent (44-54) from the free throw line.

Stallworth’s 13.1 points per game led all Atlantic 10 freshmen and ranked second among UMass players to help earn a spot on the Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team. She also led all Atlantic 10 freshmen with 3.8 assists per game. Despite her success, UMass struggled to a 12-18 overall record that included a 5-11 mark in Atlantic 10 play.

Stallworth put up consistent numbers, especially for a freshman, producing double figures in 24 of 30 games, including 11 of her last 12 contests. She erupted for a career-high 24 points against Dayton on Feb. 17. She also knocked down a career-high five three-pointers against the Flyers. Stallworth notched the first 20-point performance of her collegiate career with 20 points against No. 13 Duke, when she attempted a career-high 26 field goal attempts, including 12 three-pointers. She added three straight 20-point games beginning with 20 points on 8-of-13 shooting and a career-high 11 assists for her first career double-double against Rhode Island on Jan. 27. She followed with 21 points on 8-of-16 shooting against George Mason on Jan. 30. She added 21 points, five rebounds and four assists while playing the full 40 minutes at Duquesne on Feb. 3.

Overall, Stallworth produced five 20-point games and 10 games with 17 or more points as a freshman.

In her final game with UMass, she had 17 points, four rebounds and four assists while playing a career-high 42 minutes in an A-10 Tournament loss to Fordham on March 3. She hit at least one three-pointer in each of her final eight games as a freshman and dish out at least four assists in each of her final five games. She notched at least one assist in all 30 games of her freshman season, including 17 games with four or more assists.

**PERSONAL**

The daughter of Adam and LaChell Stallworth, Bria was born Feb. 12, 1997, in Chicago. Bria has a younger brother, Adam (18). Bria is majoring in psychology. She earned a spot on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete-Honor Roll for the spring of 2017. She was also a member of the 2017 Tom Osborne Citizenship Team.
NEBRASKA CAREER

After being challenged by injuries as a freshman, Simon averaged 4.2 points and 2.3 rebounds as a sophomore in 2016-17. She matched her season high with 11 points at No. 25 Michigan (Feb. 23). She also had 11 points to go along with four rebounds against California (Dec. 4). She added 10 points at Michigan State (Jan. 7).

Simon had nine points and a career high with three three-pointers to go along with a season-high seven rebounds at No. 15 Ohio State (Jan. 29). She had six points and seven boards against UTRGV (Nov. 12).

Simon scored eight points and snagged a career-high three steals against Virginia (Nov. 26). She had six points, three rebounds, two assists and a block against Drake (Dec. 6). She added six points and four rebounds against No. 3 Maryland (Jan. 4).

As a freshman, Simon averaged 5.0 points, 1.4 rebounds and 1.0 assist over 21 games with five starts. She started in four straight games late in the year, averaging 7.3 points, 3.8 rebounds and 2.0 assists. She had 16 points and seven rebounds in a win over Northwestern (Feb. 28). She added nine points, four rebounds and two assists against Rutgers in the Big Ten Tournament March 3.

Simon was a significant contributor for the Huskers through seven games, before breaking her left arm in a non-basketball fall on Dec. 7. She had 13 points in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19). She opened Big Ten play with 14 points, six rebounds a career-high-tying four assists and a block against No. 12 Ohio State (Dec. 28).

She recorded career-best rebound totals in each of the first three games, before suffering a sprained ankle late in pregame warmups ahead of Nebraska’s game with Creighton (Nov. 19). Simon did not play in the loss to the Jays. The injury kept her out four games, and the Huskers went 1-3 without her.

Simon returned against Arkansas Pine Bluff (Dec. 2). Her favorite hobbies include traveling and going to concerts. She considers herself to be a terrible dancer and singer. Maddie loves coffee.

MADDIE SIMON

6-2 Junior Forward Lincoln, Nebraska (Pius X)

rebounds and three assists to help the Big Red to a win over Arkansas (Nov. 16).

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Steals | 3 | Virginia (11/26/16)
Blocks | 2 | UConn (12/21/16)
FGM | 15 | Drake (12/9/17)
FTA | 9 | San Jose State (12/17/17)
Pen | 5 | Penn State (1/19/17)
Stl | 5 | California (12/4/16)

FTM | 4 | Arkansas Pine Bluff (11/14/15)
3-PT FGA | 6 | Ohio State (1/29/17)
3-PT FG | 3 | Northwestern (2/28/16)
3-PT FGM | 3 | Ohio State (1/29/17)

As a junior, Simon averaged 19.8 points and 7.0 rebounds to help Pius X to a Class B runner-up finish. Her top game came with 35 points and 13 rebounds against Omaha Gorst.

MADDIE SIMON

• Maddie loves coffee.
• She considers herself to be a terrible dancer and singer.
• Maddie loves coffee.

PERSONAL

The daughter of Doug and Nicole Simon, Maddie was born Feb. 7, 1997, in Lincoln, Neb. Maddie has two older brothers, Bennett and Zach, who both graduated from the University of Nebraska. Maddie’s mother was a hurdler for Coach Gary Pepin’s 1983 and 1984 national championship track and field teams at Nebraska. Nicole also owns the distinction of being the first female track and field CoSIDA Academic All-American at Nebraska. Maddie is a communication studies major and earned spots on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll in the fall and spring semesters of 2016. She was also a member of the 2016 and 2017 Tom Osborne Citizenship Team. She earned a prestigious Nebraska Sam Foltz Hero 27 Leadership Award in 2017.

Maddie is the niece of University of Maryland men’s basketball coach Mark Turgeon.
and is shooting a team-best 58.1 percent.

She managed five points, a game-high nine rebounds and five huge blocks in the win at Kansas (Dec. 6). Cain had 11 points, eight rebounds and a then-Nebraska freshman record six blocks against Clemson (Nov. 30).

Cain erupted for 18 points and team highs of nine rebounds and three blocks off the bench in her debut against SIUE (Nov. 11). She added an assist and a steal while helping the Husker bench outscore the SIUE reserves, 39-2. She earned Big Ten Freshman-of-the-Week honors on Nov. 13.

Cain made her first start in a win over UMKC (Nov. 14), scoring eight points, while adding two rebounds, two blocks and an assist. She managed 12 points and two blocks against Buffalo (Nov. 23).

Cain’s 52 blocks on the season rank second all-time among Husker freshmen, and she needs two more to match the school freshman record of 54 set by NU career block leader Janet Smith in 1978-79.

Through games Dec. 28, Cain’s 52 total blocks led the Big Ten and ranked No. 3 nationally among all Division I players.

One of the top 100 players nationally in the 2017 high school senior class, Cain made her decision to join the Nebraska program on June 23, 2017.

Cain, who graduated from Pine Bush High School in New York, originally signed her National Letter of Intent with Delaware in November of 2016. Cain was released from her NLI after a coaching change at Delaware during the offseason.

BEFORE NEBRASKA

Cain was a finalist for Miss New York Basketball honors as a senior, when she averaged 25.2 points, 12.3 rebounds and 7.9 blocks per game for Coach Bill Lacoura at Pine Bush High School. She was a first-team USA Today All-New York selection in 2016-17.

She averaged 24.3 points, 15.0 rebounds and 8.0 blocks per game as a junior. Cain, who hails from an immediate family.

KATE CAIN

Kate Cain is making an instant impact for the Huskers. The 6-5 freshman from Middletown, N.Y., is averaging 11.4 points and team bests of 7.7 rebounds and 3.7 blocks, including a school-record-setting performance in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).

The four-time Big Ten Freshman of the Week not only notched her fourth double-double with career highs of 22 points and 14 rebounds against the Owls, she added a school-record 11 blocks to register the first points-rebounds-blocks triple-double in school history.

Cain had 19 points and 14 boards for her third double-double in a road win at Drake (Dec. 9). She added four blocks in a career-high 34 minutes.

She produced her second double-double with 16 points, 11 boards and three blocks in the win over UABP (Dec. 2). Cain posted her first double-double with 12 points, 10 boards and four blocks in a win over Arkansas (Nov. 16).

Cain just missed a double-double with 10 points, nine rebounds and two blocks in 20 minutes in a win at San Jose State (Dec. 17).

Cain, who opened Big Ten play with team highs of 14 points, eight rebounds and two blocks against No. 12 Ohio State (Dec. 28), has nine double-figure scoring efforts, four double-figure games

KATE CAIN career statistics

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Middletown, N.Y., played her club basketball for Coach John Reilly and the Hudson Valley Elite AAU program.

PERSONAL

The daughter of Tim and Alison Cain, Katherine (Kate) was born May 18, 1999. She has a strong family background in basketball. Kate’s father graduated as the all-time leading scorer (1,872 points) in Manhattan College history. He was a two-time honorable-mention All-American by The Sporting News, averaging 17.3 points per game during his career for the Jaspers. Kate’s mother, Alison (Martinsky) Cain, was also a 1,000-point career scorer as a collegian at Fairfield, finishing with 1,071 points. She also ranked 10th in Fairfield history with 734 career rebounds, while ranking second in Stags history with 268 blocks. Alison played professionally in Ireland. Kate’s older brother, John, is a 6-10 starting left-handed pitcher for the Lafayette baseball team. She also has a younger brother, Chris.

She chose Nebraska over Virginia, Minnesota and Dayton. Kate has not declared a major at Nebraska.

FIVE FACTS ABOUT KATE

1. Kate’s favorite color is blue.
2. She has worn the same number (31) since eighth grade.
3. Kate was born and raised in New York.
4. Her favorite candy is Reeses.
5. Kate is the second-shortest person in her immediate family.

HONORS & AWARDS

• Four-Time Big Ten Freshman of the Week (Nov. 13; Dec. 4; Dec. 11, Dec. 26, 2017)
• School-Record 11 Blocks vs. Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19)
• First Points-Rebounds-Blocks Triple-Double in Nebraska History vs. Florida Atlantic, Dec. 19 (22 points, 14 rebounds, 11 blocks)
• First-Team All-New York (USA Today, 2017)
• No. 82 Player in the Nation (ESPN, 2016)
• No. 10 Post in the Nation (ESPN, 2016)

FRESHMAN (2017-18)

Kate Cain is making an impact for the Huskers. The 6-5 freshman from Middletown, N.Y., is averaging 11.4 points and team bests of 7.7 rebounds and 3.7 blocks, including a school-record-setting performance in a win over Florida Atlantic (Dec. 19).

Cain erupted for 18 points and team highs of nine rebounds and three blocks off the bench in her debut against SIUE (Nov. 11). She added an assist and a steal while helping the Husker bench outscore the SIUE reserves, 39-2. She earned Big Ten Freshman-of-the-Week honors on Nov. 13.

Cain made her first start in a win over UMKC (Nov. 14), scoring eight points, while adding two rebounds, two blocks and an assist. She managed 12 points and two blocks against Buffalo (Nov. 23).

Cain’s 52 blocks on the season rank second all-time among Husker freshmen, and she needs two more to match the school freshman record of 54 set by NU career block leader Janet Smith in 1978-79.

Through games Dec. 28, Cain’s 52 total blocks led the Big Ten and ranked No. 3 nationally among all Division I players.

One of the top 100 players nationally in the 2017 high school senior class, Cain made her decision to join the Nebraska program on June 23, 2017.

Cain, who graduated from Pine Bush High School in New York, originally signed her National Letter of Intent with Delaware in November of 2016. Cain was released from her NLI after a coaching change at Delaware during the offseason.

BEFORE NEBRASKA

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Taylor was born March 10, 1999. Her parents were Brian and Amy Kissinger of Lincoln, Nebraska. Her twin sisters, Brooke and Amy, are both Division I basketball players, with Brooke playing for Division II Nebraska-Kearney and Amy playing volleyball at NCAA Division I Oklahoma State. Kissinger’s older twin brother, Brian, played basketball at Creighton University. Taylor has not declared a major at Nebraska.

Taylor was a three-time first-team Class C-1 all-state selection (2015, 2016, 2017) and was named Nebraska Class C-1 Player of the Year after averaging 25.6 points and 10.0 rebounds per game during her sophomore year. She also played in the 2016 USA Today High School Sports All-Nebraska team.

In 2015, Kissinger became the first sophomore to be named the Kearney Hub Territory Player of the Year after averaging 25.6 points and 10.0 rebounds per game. She also tied a state record with 26 three-pointers.

Kissinger played her club basketball for the All-Cornhusker Shooting Stars. She was invited to compete in the USA Basketball U16 National Team Trials in Colorado Springs. She chose Nebraska over Oklahoma State and Creighton. She also received offers from Arizona State and Creighton. Taylor was born March 10, 1999. Her parents were both collegiate student-athletes, with Brian playing basketball and Amy playing volleyball at NCAA Division II Nebraska-Kearney. Kissinger’s older twin sisters are both Division I guards, with Brooke entering her third year at Arkansas and Amy playing volleyball at NCAA Division I Oklahoma State. Taylor’s brother Derek played college basketball at NAIA Hastings College.

Taylor has not declared a major at Nebraska.
JASMINE CINCORE
5-10 Senior Guard Arlington, Tenn. (Briarcrest Christian)

NEBRASKA CAREER
As a junior in 2016-17, Cincore started all 29 games and averaged 6.7 points, 3.4 rebounds, 2.1 assists and 1.1 steals. She produced a career-high 17 points at Michigan State (Jan. 7). She added five rebounds and two assists at MSU.

She had 12 points and a career-high-tying four steals in a win over Rutgers (Jan. 10). Cincore closed the season with 12 points and a career-high three threes against Illinois in the Big Ten Tournament.

Cincore scored 11 points at No. 15 Ohio State (Jan. 29), before adding 10 points, a career-high six assists and seven rebounds against Minnesota (Feb. 4) and a third straight double-figure effort with 11 points, five rebounds and four steals at Wisconsin (Feb. 8). She opened the season with nine points, two rebounds and four assists in a win over UTRGV (Nov. 12). She added nine points on 4-for-5 shooting in a win over Colorado State (Nov. 17). She pitched in nine points, four rebounds, four assists and two steals at Virginia Tech (Dec. 1). She had seven points and a career-high four blocks against Drake (Dec. 6). She had a career-high 11 rebounds at Iowa (Dec. 31).

As a sophomore in 2015-16, Cincore emerged and started in place of injured point guard Rachel Theriot the final five games of the season.

Cincore averaged 4.3 points, 1.8 rebounds and 1.4 assists in 17.9 minutes per game. She had a career-high 16 against Indiana Feb. 24. She capped her season with 10 points, four rebounds and three assists against Northern Illinois in the first round of the WNIT. Over the final 10 games, Cincore averaged 6.6 points, 2.3 rebounds, 2.4 assists and 1.2 steals in 29.7 minutes per game.

Cincore made her first career start in Nebraska’s win at Michigan Jan. 31. She had eight points, three assists, a block and a steal in 32 minutes. She had nine points and knocked down a pair of threes at No. 5 Ohio State Feb. (18), before making her second career start in place of Theriot in a loss to Purdue (Feb. 21). She scored eight points in a win over Southern Nov. 23, when she went a career-best 6-for-6 at the free throw line. She had a career-high four steals to go along with seven points against North Florida. She hit 27 straight free throws (Dec. 8-Feb. 14).

JASMINE CINCORE
Year G-GS Min FG-FGA Pct. 3P-3PA Pct. FT-FTA Pct. Off-Def Tot Avg. PF-FO A TO Blk Stl Pts Avg
JUNIOR (2017-18)
1. Jasmine was born in New Orleans.
2. Going to the movies is one of her hobbies.
3. She has been to four continents.
4. Jasmine has always wanted a dachshund.
5. Her favorite color is purple.

HONORS & AWARDS
• Nebraska Women’s Basketball Lifter of the Year (2017)
• Nebraska Kathy Branchaud Most Improved Rebounder Award (2017)
• Academic All-Big Ten (2016, 2017)
• Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (Fall 2014, 2015, 2016; Spring 2015, 2017)
• Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2015, 2016, 2017)
• Tennessee Class 2-AA Player of the Year (2013, 2014)
• First-Team All-Tennessee (USA Today, 2014)
• Tennessee Class 2-AA All-State (2013, 2014)
• Tennessee Class 2-AA West Region Player of the Year (2013, 2014)

SENIOR (2017-18)
• First-Team All-Tennessee (USA Today, 2014)
• Second-Team All-State (Tennessee, 2014)
• Tennessee Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll. She is a three-time member of the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team.

CINCORE’S CAREER BESTS
Category Total Game
Points 17 Michigan State (1/7/17)
Rebounds 11 Iowa (12/31/16)
Assists 6 Three Times, most recent
Steals 4 Minnesota (2/4/17)
Blocks 4 Drake (6/12/16)
FGA 14 Drake (9/9/17)
FG 6 Michigan State (1/7/17)
FT 8 Buffalo (11/23/17)
FTM 6 Three Times, most recent
3-PT FGA 7 Michigan State (1/7/17)
3-PT FGM 3 Illinois (3/1/17)

Cincore played in 20 games as a freshman for the Huskers in 2014-15, despite missing more than a month with an ankle injury. She finished with 25 points, four rebounds, 10 assists and seven steals.

She appeared in seven of NU’s first eight games, before being sidelined by an ankle injury following Nebraska’s game at Alabama (Dec. 7). She missed more than a month but returned to action against Penn State (Jan. 15). She played in 13 of NU’s final 17 games, scoring a season-high six points in four minutes at a win in Wisconsin (Jan. 22).

PERSONAL
The daughter of Wesley and Monique Cincore, Jasmine was born April 26, 1996, in New Orleans, La. Jasmine has a younger brother, Jalen. Jasmine is majoring in advertising and public relations and is a two-time academic All-Big Ten selection. She has earned five spots on the Nebraska Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll. She is a three-time member of the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team. In the spring of 2017, she served on a Fellowship of Christian Athletes trip to Africa.

She chose Nebraska over Michigan, Marquette, Memphis, Tennessee Tech, Kansas State, Auburn and Georgia State.

2017-18 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2014-15
2015-16
2016-17
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JASMINE CINCORE career statistics

JASMINE CINCORE

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2015-16 31-6 556 39-111 .351 11-28 .393 45-55 .818 17-38 55-1.8 47-0 44 40 4 26 134-4.3
Career 94-48 1,792 142-453 .313 38-149 .255 124-178 .697 73-133 206-2.2 164-2 152 107 15 87 446-4.7
FIVE FACTS ABOUT RACHEL
1. Rachel is a Star Wars fanatic.
2. She has eight dogs, three cats and three horses.
3. Rachel loves the Kansas City Chiefs.
4. She hopes to one day backpack through Europe.
5. Rachel would love to go skydiving with her dad, Col. (Ret.) David Blackburn, someday.

HONORS & AWARDS
• Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2016, 2017)
• No. 63 Player in the Nation (Blue Star, 2014)
• No. 69 Player in the Nation (Prospects Nation, 2014)
• No. 17 Post in the Nation (ESPN, 2014)
• DiRenna Award Finalist (1 of 5, 2015)
• No. 17 Post in the Nation (ESPN, 2014)
• Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2016, 2017)
• Honorable-Mention Kansas Class 5A (KBCA, 2014)

SOPHOMORE (2017-18)
Rachel Blackburn returned to the court for the first time in more than a year in Nebraska’s season-opening win over SIUE (Nov. 11). Blackburn had three rebounds and an assist against the Cougars. She scored her first points of the season, added three rebounds and took her first charge in the win over UMKC (Nov. 14).

She played her best game of the young season with six points, four rebounds and two charges drawn in the win over Arkansas (Nov. 16). She added four points and three rebounds against Creighton (Nov. 19). She averaged 5.0 rebounds in two games at the San Juan Shootout, while playing a season-high 15 minutes in a win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 24).

The 6-3 sophomore forward from Leavenworth, Kan., started Nebraska’s first nine games in 2015-16. She missed all of the 2016-17 season after undergoing multiple knee surgeries.

NEBRASKA CAREER
Blackburn sat out 2016-17 as a redshirt while recovering from multiple knee surgeries. Off the court, she earned a spot on the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team for the second straight season.

Blackburn joined fellow freshman forward Jessica Shepard in Nebraska’s starting lineup for each of the first nine games before missing NU’s games against Northern Arizona (Dec. 19) and Kansas State (Dec. 21) with illness and NU’s Big Ten opener against Iowa (Dec. 31) with illness and a knee strain. She returned to limited action off the bench for seven straight games, before missing games with Rutgers (Jan. 30), Penn State (Feb. 2) and Indiana (Feb. 7) with knee and foot injuries. She returned at Minnesota (Feb. 11) and made her first start since Dec. 12 against Indiana on Feb. 24. Blackburn averaged 4.2 points, 4.8 rebounds and 1.0 assist. She had knee surgery on April 5.

She produced a career-high 14 points on 7-of-9 shooting against Evansville Dec. 8. Blackburn had a dominant defensive effort in NU’s win over NC State, drawing four charges to go along with nine defensive rebounds, a block and a steal. She became the first Husker to draw four charges in a game since All-American Kelsey Griffin at Baylor in 2010. Blackburn played a huge role in NU’s win at Purdue Jan. 20 with five points, a game-high eight rebounds and a career-high three assists in just 15 minutes. She had eight points and five rebounds in the win over Northwestern Feb. 28. She added six points on a perfect shooting day with five rebounds, two assists, a steal and a block at Michigan Jan. 24.

Blackburn had six points and her third double-figure rebound game of the season with 10 boards in a win over Creighton Dec. 6. She just missed double-doubles in back-to-back games, finishing with nine points, nine rebounds, three assists and a career-high two steals against North Florida Nov. 16.

That followed eight points and 10 rebounds to go along with three assists against North Florida Nov. 16. Blackburn was ranked as the No. 17 post player in the nation, joining Shepard among the top 20 posts in the 2014 signing class. She also ranked as the No. 63 player in the nation overall by Blue Star Basketball and No. 69 by Prospects Nation. She was also one of five finalists for the 2015 DiRenna Award, presented to the top high school player in the greater Kansas City area. She helped lead Leavenworth to its second straight Class 5A state championship in 2015.

BEFORE NEBRASKA
Blackburn was ranked as one of the top 75 recruits in the nation by both Blue Star Basketball and Prospects Nation after being rated the No. 17 prep post in the country by ESPN. The honorable-mention Class 5A all-state selection as a junior by the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association, owns the Nebraska career record with her .675 career field goal percentage. As a junior at Leavenworth, Blackburn averaged 10 points and 10 rebounds per game for the Class 5A state champions.

Blackburn played her club basketball for Coach Derek Zeck and the MoKan Eclipse. A talented all-around athlete, Blackburn set the Leavenworth school record with a javelin throw of 125-7 as a sophomore in 2013. She won the Sunflower League title and qualified for the state meet in the event.

PERSONAL
The daughter of Col. David (Ret.) and Lisa Blackburn, Rachel was born Oct. 30, 1996, in Leavenworth, Kan. Rachel has an older sister, Rebecca, and a younger sister, Katelyn. Rachel is a business administration major at Nebraska. She was a member of the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team in 2016 and 2017. Rachel chose Nebraska over Arizona, Kansas State, Texas Tech, Iowa State and Wake Forest.

RACHEL BLACKBURN career statistics

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DARRIEN WASHINGTON
6-2 Junior Forward Oakland, California (Skyline)

Washington had three points and set her career high with six rebounds against Washington State at the South Point Shootout on Nov. 26. She opened the season with two points and tied her then-career high with five rebounds in a career-high 20 minutes in NU’s win over UTRGV on Nov. 12. She added two points and four boards in 12 minutes of work in NU’s win over Colorado State on Nov. 17.

Washington competed for time in a deep and talented Nebraska post rotation as a redshirt freshman in 2015-16. She enjoyed an impressive debut with six points, five rebounds and an assist in just eight minutes in NU’s victory over Arkansas Pine Bluff on Nov. 14. She added three points, five rebounds and her first career steal in the win over North Florida on Nov. 16.

She missed Nebraska’s next seven games before returning for one minute of first half action against Northern Arizona on Dec. 19. Washington did not play in NU’s next three games, before making her Big Ten debut with three points and two rebounds in five minutes at No. 8 Maryland on Jan. 7.

She battled a nagging knee injury for several games, but returned at near full strength in the win over Penn State Feb. 2. She scored five points while adding a rebound and a block in six minutes in the win over the Lady Lions. For the season, Washington scored 20 points and grabbed 19 rebounds in just 39 total minutes. Washington redshirted in her first season at Nebraska in 2014-15. She earned a spot on the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team in 2015.

BEFORE NEBRASKA
Washington earned first-team All-Oakland honors after averaging 16.5 points, 11.5 rebounds and 4.1 blocks per game for 21-9 Skyline High School in 2013-14. She finished her high school career with 1,181 points over 101 career games to average 11.7 points per game.

Washington was a first-team All-Oakland selection in the Bay Area League in 2012-13. She averaged 16.4 points, 12.6 rebounds and 4.9 blocks as a junior in 2012-13. She helped Skyline to a 17-10 record as a junior and was an all-state candidate out of the CIF San Francisco/Oakland section.

As a sophomore, Washington earned second-team All-OAL honors from the ContraCosta Times in 2011-12. She averaged 9.9 points, 10.6 rebounds and 3.3 blocks per contest for a Skyline team that went 21-6. Washington also played on the Cal Stars Elite team that finished as the national runner-up in the summer of 2013.

PERSONAL
Darrien is the daughter of BJ Washington. Darrien was born April 31, 1996. She has a younger sister. Darrien is an animal science major at Nebraska. She earned spots on the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team in 2015, 2016 and 2017. She chose Nebraska over Utah, Oregon, Oregon State and UC Santa Barbara.

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FIVE FACTS ABOUT DARRIEN
1. Darrien has two dogs, Moose and Bailey.
2. Her favorite food is anything with potatoes.
3. Darrien really likes musicals.
4. She can make multiple animal noises.
5. Darrien really wants to visit the Chicago Bean, also referred to as the “Cloud Gate” sculpture.

HONORS & AWARDS
- Tom Osborne Citizenship Team (2015, 2016, 2017)
- First-Team All-Oakland (2013, 2014)
- Second-Team All-OAL (ContraCosta Times, 2012)

JUNIOR (2017-18)
Darrien Washington opened the season by making her first career start in Nebraska’s win over SIUE (Nov. 11). She had two points, three rebounds and an assist against the Cougars. She added two points, four boards and another assist off the bench in the win over UMKC (Nov. 14).

The 6-2 post contributed three points, four rebounds and a steal against Creighton (Nov. 19). She managed four points on 2-of-3 shooting against Buffalo (Nov. 23), while adding two points at the free throw line against Clemson (Nov. 30).

She produced her best effort of the season with five points, four rebounds and a steal in a win at San Jose State (Dec. 17).

NEBRASKA CAREER
Washington saw more playing time inside as a third-year sophomore, averaging 2.3 points and 3.0 rebounds in 12 minutes per game. She missed six of Nebraska’s last seven games with a knee injury suffered in practice following NU’s game at Ohio State (Jan. 29). She played two minutes in Nebraska’s overtime win over Michigan State (Feb. 26).

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As a sophomore, Washington earned second-team All-OAL honors from the ContraCosta Times in 2011-12. She averaged 9.9 points, 10.6 rebounds and 3.3 blocks per contest for a Skyline team that went 21-6. Washington also played on the Cal Stars Elite team that finished as the national runner-up in the summer of 2013.

PERSONAL
Darrien is the daughter of BJ Washington. Darrien was born April 31, 1996. She has a younger sister. Darrien is an animal science major at Nebraska. She earned spots on the Tom Osborne Citizenship Team in 2015, 2016 and 2017. She chose Nebraska over Utah, Oregon, Oregon State and UC Santa Barbara.
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5-9, Sophomore, Guard  
Barneveld, Wisconsin

Nicea Eliely  
6-1, Sophomore, Guard  
Colorado Springs, Colorado

Emily Wood  
5-5, Senior, Guard  
Salina, Kansas

Janay Morton  
5-10, Senior, Guard  
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

Grace Mitchell  
6-2, Sophomore, Forward  
Wellington, Kansas

Rachel Blackburn  
6-3, Sophomore, Forward  
Leavenworth, Kansas

Maddie Simon  
6-2, Junior, Forward  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Kate Cain  
6-5, Freshman, Center  
Middletown, New York

Taylor Kissinger  
6-1, Freshman, Guard/Forward  
Minden, Nebraska

Jasmine Cincore  
5-10, Senior, Guard  
Arlington, Tennessee

Maddie Simon  
6-2, Junior, Forward  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Bria Stallworth  
5-6, Sophomore, Guard  
Chicago, Illinois

Ashley Rudolph  
Athletic Trainer  
Second Season

Stuart Hart  
Strength & Conditioning Coach  
First Season

Katie Adams  
Video Coordinator  
Third Season

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Director of Operations  
Second Season

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Second Season

Chuck Love  
Assistant Coach  
Second Season

Tandem Mays  
Assistant Coach  
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