



# SOUTH DAKOTA STATE Jackrabbits

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## SOUTH DAKOTA STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

JACKRABBITS

16-4  
OVERALL

3rd  
RANK (MID-MAJOR)

Aaron  
Johnston

HEAD COACH

5-0  
SUMMIT LEAGUE

RV/--  
RANK (AP/Coaches)

431-146  
18th Yr.

RECORD AT SDSU



-VS-



15-5  
OVERALL

23rd  
RANK (MID-MAJOR)

Dawn  
Plitzuweit

HEAD COACH

6-0  
SUMMIT

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RANK (AP/Coaches)

38-14  
7th Yr.

RECORD AT USD

COYOTES

### 2017-18 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

|      |                             |             |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| N10  | NJIT                        | W, 92-48    |
| N12  | at George Washington        | W, 97-88 ot |
| N15  | NORTH DAKOTA                | W, 66-52    |
| N18  | at Green Bay                | L, 55-41    |
| N24  | vs. -/No. 23 NC State^      | W, 75-67    |
| N25  | vs. Charlotte^              | W, 71-70    |
| N30  | NORTHERN IOWA               | W, 57-47    |
| D3   | No. 4/5 LOUISVILLE          | L, 68-64    |
| D6   | RV/- OKLAHOMA               | W, 67-61    |
| D9   | BOWLING GREEN               | W, 76-44    |
| D15  | at Creighton                | L, 72-65    |
| D17  | at Drake                    | W, 85-78    |
| D20  | WICHITA STATE               | W, 96-64    |
| D29  | at Florida Gulf Coast       | L, 87-78    |
| J3   | OMAHA                       | W, 89-64    |
| J6   | NORTH DAKOTA STATE*         | W, 83-63    |
| J11  | at Denver*                  | W, 69-58    |
| J13  | at Oral Roberts*            | W, 77-70    |
| J16  | DAKOTA WESLEYAN             | W, 76-63    |
| J20  | WESTERN ILLINOIS*           | W, 84-48    |
| J25  | SOUTH DAKOTA* [TV]          | 7 p.m.      |
| J27  | FORT WAYNE* [TV]            | 2 p.m.      |
| F1   | at North Dakota State* [TV] | 7 p.m.      |
| F3   | at Omaha*                   | 1 p.m.      |
| F8   | DENVER*                     | 7 p.m.      |
| F10  | ORAL ROBERTS*               | 2 p.m.      |
| F17  | at Western Illinois*        | 4:30 p.m.   |
| F21  | at South Dakota* [TV]       | 7 p.m.      |
| F24  | at Fort Wayne*              | 2 p.m.      |
| M3-6 | at Summit League Tournament |             |

Home games in **bold CAPS**

\*Summit League game

All times Central and subject to change

^ Puerto Rico Clasico — Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

[TV] Midco Sports

### HOW THEY COMPARE

NCAA Division I

| SDSU | -VS-                | USD  |
|------|---------------------|------|
| 75.4 | ↔ SCORING           | 73.0 |
| 43.0 | FG%↔                | 46.5 |
| 34.5 | 3FG%↔               | 36.8 |
| 39.6 | ↔ REBOUNDS          | 31.6 |
| 15.8 | ↔ ASSISTS           | 14.7 |
| 3.6  | ↔ BLOCKS            | 1.3  |
| 7.3  | STEALS↔             | 10.8 |
| 63.3 | SCORING↔<br>DEFENSE | 58.5 |
| 39.4 | ↔ FG%<br>DEFENSE    | 40.8 |
| 32.8 | 3FG%↔<br>DEFENSE    | 32.2 |
| +4.9 | ↔ REBOUND<br>MARGIN | +1.1 |
| +1.2 | TURNOVER↔<br>MARGIN | +5.4 |
| 1.1  | AST-TO<br>RATIO     | 1.1  |

### SOUTH DAKOTA STATE VS. USD

|      |                         |        |
|------|-------------------------|--------|
| GAME | Brookings, S.D.         | 7 p.m. |
| 21   | Frost Arena (6,100)     | CT     |
|      | Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018 |        |



### BROADCAST INFORMATION

Live Television: Midco Sports Network

Play-by-play: Tom Nieman

Analyst: Brad Newitt

Reporter: Elaina Lanson

Live Video: GoJacks.com



### JACKRABBITS SPORTS NETWORK

Live Radio: Jackrabbits Sports Network

Flagship WNAX 570 AM

Play-by-play: Brad Peterson

Free Live Audio: Jackrabbits All-Access



### LIVE STATISTICS

Live Stats: GoJacksLive.com

### SERIES AT A GLANCE

| OVERALL   | SDSU leads 56-26 |
|---|------------------|
| in Brookings, S.D. (Frost Arena)                          | 29-9             |
| in Vermillion, S.D.<br>(Dakota Dome/Coyote Sports Center) | 22-16            |
| at Neutral sites  | 5-1              |

### PROBABLE STARTERS



1 ALEXIS ALEXANDER  
SR ■ GUARD

MIN 23.1  
PPG 4.6  
FG% 38.2%  
3FG% 26.7%  
AST/GM 2.6



11 MADISON GUEBERT  
JR ■ GUARD

MIN 32.6  
PPG 15.0  
FG% 40.5%  
3FG% 35.9%  
AST/GM 2.4



12 MACY MILLER  
JR ■ GUARD

MIN 29.1  
PPG 18.6  
FG% 50.2%  
3FG% 44.3%  
AST/GM 2.9



24 TAGYN LARSON  
SO ■ FORWARD

MIN 20.0  
PPG 7.4  
FG% 46.2%  
BLK/GM 1.2  
REB/GM 5.6



45 ELLIE THOMPSON  
SR ■ FORWARD

MIN 22.3  
PPG 6.9  
FG% 40.2%  
BLK/GM 1.0  
REB/GM 5.2

# SOUTH DAKOTA STATE BROADCAST NOTES (probable starters noted with shaded boxes)



## #1 ALEXIS ALEXANDER Sr. G 5-7 Brooklyn Park, Minn.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 4.6 | 3.5 | 23.1 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 38.2 | 26.7 | 61.1 |
| Career | 3.8 | 2.6 | 20.3 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 34.8 | 24.3 | 64.3 |

- 11 pts. vs. UNI
- Recorded career-best 17 pts. & three 3s at GW
- Second in assists

| Season                | Highs | Career                |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 17, at GW, 11/12/17   | Pts   | 17, at GW, 11/12/17   |
| 8, vs. WIU, 1/20/18   | Rebs  | 8, vs. WIU, 1/20/18   |
| 6, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 | Asts  | 6, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 |
| 4, vs. UNO, 1/3/18    | Stls  | 4, vs. UNO, 1/3/18    |
| 2, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 | Blks  | 2, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 |



## #32 SYDNEY PALMER Jr. G/F 5-11 Pierre, S.D.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 3.1 | 2.8 | 12.9 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 41.2 | 46.2 | 50.0 |
| Career | 2.9 | 2.5 | 13.9 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 35.1 | 32.6 | 63.0 |

- Scored 8 points on 3-of-4 shooting from the field vs. UND
- Tallied 7 pts. & 2 reb. vs. Wichita State

| Season               | Highs | Career               |
|----------------------|-------|----------------------|
| 8, vs. UND, 11/15/17 | Pts   | 20, vs. UNO, 1/7/17  |
| 5, at DU, 1/11/18    | Rebs  | 7, vs. ORU, 2/8/17   |
| 3, vs. BGSU, 12/9/17 | Asts  | 4, at UNO, 1/28/17   |
| 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Stls  | 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  |
| 1, vs. UND, 11/15/17 | Blks  | 1, vs. UND, 11/15/17 |



## #2 RYLIE CASCIO JENSEN So. G 5-10 Fremont, Neb.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 3.2 | 1.6 | 13.8 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 31.4 | 33.3 | 55.6 |
| Career | 3.2 | 1.6 | 13.8 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 31.4 | 33.3 | 55.6 |

- Fifth in assists & steals
- 9 pts. on 3-pts. vs. Omaha
- 6 pts. & 5 reb. vs. OU

| Season                | Highs | Career                |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 9, vs. UNO, 1/3/18    | Pts   | 9, 4, vs. UNO, 1/3/18 |
| 6, vs. WIU, 1/20/18   | Rebs  | 6, vs. WIU, 1/20/18   |
| 5, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 | Asts  | 5, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 |
| 3, vs. CHR, 11/25/17  | Stls  | 3, vs. CHR, 11/25/17  |
| 1, at OU, 1/13/18     | Blks  | 1, at OU, 1/13/18     |



## #33 SYDNEY TRACY So. F 6-0 St. Michael, Minn.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 1.6 | 1.2 | 9.3  | 0.5 | 0.3 | 54.2 | 40.0 | 60.0 |
| Career | 2.0 | 1.2 | 13.6 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 39.3 | 26.8 | 45.5 |

- Season-high 5 points at Oral Roberts
- Tallied 4 pts. & 3 reb. vs. UND

| Season               | Highs | Career                   |
|----------------------|-------|--------------------------|
| 5, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Pts   | 6, vs. Colorado, 3/19/17 |
| 4, at CRE, 12/15/17  | Rebs  | 4, at CRE, 12/15/17      |
| 3, vs. BGSU, 12/9/17 | Asts  | 3, vs. BGSU, 12/9/17     |
| 1, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Stls  | 3, vs. UNO, 1/7/17       |
| 1, at FGCU, 12/29/17 | Blks  | 2, vs. ORU, 3/5/17       |



## #3 LINDSEY THEUNINCK Fr. G 5-7 Mankato, Minn.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 00.0 | 00.0 | 00.0 |
| Career | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 00.0 | 00.0 | 00.0 |

- 4x first team all-state selection
- Scored 3,294 career points in high school
- Holds 4 school records

| Season | Highs | Career |
|--------|-------|--------|
| 0      | Pts   | 0      |
| 0      | Rebs  | 0      |
| 0      | Asts  | 0      |
| 0      | Stls  | 0      |
| 0      | Blks  | 0      |



## #35 TIFFANY FLAATA Sr. C 6-2 Savage, Minn.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 00.0 | 00.0 | 00.0 |
| Career | 1.2 | 1.5 | 7.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 35.8 | 00.0 | 51.1 |

- Suffered career-ending injury prior to start of the season

| Season | Highs | Career                |
|--------|-------|-----------------------|
| 0      | Pts   | 8, vs. WIU, 1/23/16   |
| 0      | Rebs  | 8, vs. IPFW, 1/5/17   |
| 0      | Asts  | 1, vs. IUPUI, 1/11/17 |
| 0      | Stls  | 1, at DU, 1/18/17     |
| 0      | Blks  | 2, vs. SIUE, 11/13/16 |



## #11 MADISON GUEBERT Jr. G 5-8 Apple Valley, Minn.

|        | PPG  | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 15.0 | 2.5 | 32.6 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 40.5 | 35.9 | 93.8 |
| Career | 13.3 | 2.0 | 30.4 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 41.3 | 40.8 | 87.1 |

- Has 1,143 career pts.
- Third in career 3-pters. & percentage

| Season               | Highs  | Career               |
|----------------------|--------|----------------------|
| 25, vs. UNO, 1/3/18  | Pts    | 32, at DU, 1/18/17   |
| 6, at FGCU, 12/29/17 | 3-Pter | 8, vs. UAPB, 12/3/16 |
| 4, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Rebs   | 6, at UL, 12/14/16   |
| 6, vs. WSU, 12/20/17 | Asts   | 6, vs. WSU, 12/20/17 |
| 3, vs. WSU, 12/20/17 | Stls   | 5, vs. ODU, 11/18/15 |



## #44 MYAH SELLAND Fr. G/F 6-2 Letcher, S.D.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 9.6 | 5.5 | 23.6 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 45.0 | 30.3 | 73.5 |
| Career | 9.6 | 5.5 | 23.6 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 45.0 | 30.3 | 73.5 |

- 11 reb., 3 blk & 4 st. at Denver
- 20 pts. vs. N.C. State
- Recorded 9 ast. vs. NJIT & at Drake

| Season                | Highs | Career                |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 20, vs. NCS, 11/24/17 | Pts   | 20, vs. NCS, 11/24/17 |
| 11, at DU, 1/11/18    | Rebs  | 11, at DU, 1/11/18    |
| 9, at Drake, 12/17/17 | Asts  | 9, at Drake, 12/17/17 |
| 4, at DU, 1/11/18     | Stls  | 4, at DU, 1/11/18     |
| 4, at DU, 1/11/18     | Blks  | 4, at DU, 1/11/18     |



## #12 MACY MILLER Jr. G 6-0 Mitchell, S.D.

|        | PPG  | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 18.6 | 5.3 | 29.1 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 50.2 | 44.3 | 78.7 |
| Career | 15.5 | 4.8 | 27.1 | 2.7 | 1.1 | 48.7 | 37.2 | 82.1 |

- Third career 30-plus pt. game vs. WIU
- Leads team in scoring
- Has 1,485 career points
- 5x SL Player of the Week

| Season               | Highs | Career                |
|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 31, vs. WIU, 1/20/18 | Pts   | 31, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  |
| 9, vs. BGSU, 12/9/17 | Rebs  | 10, at Iowa, 11/20/16 |
| 8, vs. WSU, 12/20/17 | Asts  | 8, vs. WSU, 12/20/17  |
| 4, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Stls  | 5, at USD, 1/17/15    |
| 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Blks  | 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18   |



## #45 ELLIE THOMPSON Sr. F 6-1 Chaska, Minn.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | BPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 6.9 | 5.2 | 22.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 40.2 | 20.0 | 78.7 |
| Career | 9.5 | 5.8 | 22.7 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 47.4 | 32.0 | 69.7 |

- Tallied 16 pts. & 7 reb. vs. DWU
- Career-high 5 blocks in UND game
- Has 1,126 career pts.

| Season                | Highs | Career                |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 16, vs. DWU, 1/16/18  | Pts   | 23, at UNO, 1/28/17   |
| 9, vs. UL, 12/3/17    | Rebs  | 13, at IUPUI, 2/25/16 |
| 2, at Drake, 12/17/17 | Asts  | 6, vs. USD, 1/17/16   |
| 2, at Drake, 12/17/17 | Stls  | 5, vs. UNI, 12/9/15   |
| 5, vs. UND, 11/15/17  | Blks  | 5, vs. UND, 11/15/17  |



## #21 TYLEE IRWIN Fr. G 6-0 Wahpeton, N.D.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | SPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 5.8 | 1.6 | 14.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 37.8 | 34.0 | 81.8 |
| Career | 5.8 | 1.6 | 14.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 37.8 | 34.0 | 81.8 |

- Netted 14 pts. & 5 reb. vs. Western Illinois
- Tallied 13 points on three 3-pters vs. NDSU
- 14 pts. on four 3-pointers at GW

| Season               | Highs | Career               |
|----------------------|-------|----------------------|
| 14, vs. WIU, 1/20/18 | Pts   | 14, vs. WIU, 1/20/18 |
| 5, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Rebs  | 5, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  |
| 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Asts  | 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  |
| 1, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  | Stls  | 1, vs. WIU, 1/20/18  |
| 1, vs. NCS, 11/24/17 | Blks  | 1, vs. NCS, 11/24/17 |



## #50 MEGAN BULTSMA So. C 6-3 Plankinton, S.D.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG | APG | BPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 1.0 | 1.3 | 3.9 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 33.3 | 00.0 | 50.0 |
| Career | 1.3 | 1.7 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 36.4 | 00.0 | 66.7 |

- Came off the bench vs. UNO for 2 pts., 3 reb. & 2 blocks
- Tallied a rebound, an assist & a block in 5 minutes vs. OU

| Season               | Highs | Career                |
|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 4, vs. BGSU, 12/9/17 | Pts   | 7, vs. UAPB, 12/3/16  |
| 5, vs. BGSU, 12/9/17 | Rebs  | 9, vs. UAPB, 12/3/16  |
| 1, vs. OU, 12/6/17   | Asts  | 1, vs. OU, 12/6/17    |
| 0                    | Stls  | 1, vs. IUPUI, 1/11/17 |
| 2, vs. UNO, 1/3/18   | Blks  | vs. UNO, 1/3/18       |



## #24 TAGYN LARSON So. F 6-2 Sioux Falls, S.D.

|        | PPG | RPG | MPG  | APG | BPG | FG%  | 3FG% | FT%  |
|--------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Season | 7.4 | 5.6 | 20.0 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 46.2 | 29.0 | 78.4 |
| Career | 7.4 | 5.4 | 19.9 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 45.2 | 30.0 | 80.0 |

- Career-best 15 pts. vs. Wichita State
- Two 10-plus rebound games
- Started last two games

| Season                 | Highs | Career                 |
|------------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 15, vs. WSU, 12/20/17  | Pts   | 15, vs. WSU, 12/20/17  |
| 11, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 | Rebs  | 11, vs. NJIT, 11/10/17 |
| 3, vs. NDSU, 1/8/18    | Asts  | 3, vs. NDSU, 1/8/18    |
| 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18    | Stls  | 2, vs. WIU, 1/20/18    |
| 3, at DU, 1/11/18      | Blks  | 3, at DU, 1/11/18      |



## AARON JOHNSTON

18th Season – 431-146 Overall – 144-29 Summit League  
Pine Island, Minn. – Gustavus Adolphus '96

- 425th career win came vs. Wichita State Dec. 20, 2017
- Led SDSU to seven NCAA Tournaments
- Advanced to postseason play in all 11 years at Division I
- 20-or-more wins in 9 of 10 seasons in

- The Summit League and 14 overall
- 4-time Summit League Coach of the Year
- Led SDSU to NCAA DII national title in 2002-03
- 2009 Naismith DII Women's College Coach of the Year finalist

## First Place on the Line Thursday

■ With a potential Summit League regular-season title, win streaks, state bragging rights and a Showdown Series point on the line, the South Dakota State women's basketball team plays in-state rival South Dakota Thursday. Tipoff for the South Dakota Showdown Series game, presented by South Dakota Corn, is at 7 p.m. in the friendly confines of Frost Arena.

■ Tom Nieman will call the play-by-play, Brad Newitt will provide the color commentary and Elaina Lanson will be reporting from the sidelines for the Midco Sports Network. The game can also be heard live on The Jackrabbit Sports Network with Brad Peterson on WNAX 570 AM.

■ The Jackrabbits are 16-4 overall and 5-0 in The Summit League and are just one of two teams—South Dakota—still undefeated in league play.

■ SDSU won its seventh consecutive home game Jan. 20, defeating Western Illinois, 84-48. Summit League Player of the Year candidate Macy Miller tied a career high by netting a season- and game-high 31 points on 11-of-18 shooting from the field.

■ SDSU has won 10 of the last 13 games against league members, dating to last season.

■ South Dakota is 15-5 overall and 6-0 in league play. The Coyotes defeated Omaha, 70-46, Jan. 20. Four USD players scored in double figures led by Alison Arens' 18 points.

■ Thursday's game will be the 83rd meeting between the Jackrabbits and the Coyotes. SDSU leads the series 56-26 and is 29-9 in Frost Arena.

## Noteworthy

■ South Dakota State has a 16-game home winning streak against Summit League opponents. Its last home loss was Jan. 17, 2016, to South Dakota. The streak ranks ninth in the latest NCAA statistics.

■ The Jacks' seven-game overall win streak versus league opponents, dates to a win at Fort Wayne Feb. 18, 2017.

■ After the Western Illinois win, the Jackrabbits have now won six games

in row, the longest since winning six consecutive games between Jan. 5 and Jan. 21, 2017.

■ SDSU is 477-120 (.798) all-time in home games, including 79-7 (.918) in home Summit League games.

■ State has started 6-0 in Summit League twice—2012-13 and 2013-14. The best start to a league season was by the 2013-14 team, which won its first eight games.

■ South Dakota State was ranked second in Graham Hays' Jan. 9 ESPNW mid-major poll. It was ranked No. 1 in the Nov. 15 poll and second in the Nov. 29 and Dec. 13 polls.

■ The Jackrabbits eight of their last 10 contests.

■ State has held 13 of its 20 opponents to 65-or-fewer points, including four to less than 50.

■ There have had at least three Jackrabbits scoring in double digits in 13 of 20 games. In the last five games, two Jacks are averaging double figures, led by Macy Miller's 22.4 ppg.

■ Miller has scored 20-or-more points 10 times. She averages 18.6 points per game.

## Poll Positions

■ South Dakota State received a vote in this week's Associated Press poll.

■ The last time the Jacks received votes in either poll was Dec. 11, when they had three votes in the AP and Coaches polls.

■ The highest SDSU has ever been ranked is 16th in the AP poll March 9, 2009, and 14th in the Coaches poll March 2, 2009.

## Jackrabbits in Mid-Major Poll

■ South Dakota State was ranked third in the Jan. 23 CollegeInsider Mid-Major poll.

■ SDSU has been ranked in the Mid-Major Top 25 Poll 111 of the last 112 weeks.

■ The Jackrabbits, who were picked No. 1 in last year's preseason poll, finished 15th at the end of the 2016-17 season.

## A Quick Glance at South Dakota State

■ Eighteenth-year head coach Aaron Johnston's probable starters for the South Dakota game are:

- Alexis Alexander, point guard
- Madison Guebert, guard
- Macy Miller, guard
- Tagyn Larson, forward
- Ellie Thompson, forward

■ The starting lineup is 3-0 overall this season.

■ Summit League Player of the Year candidate Macy Miller is currently The Summit League's overall and league-leading scorer and SDSU's leading scorer, averaging 18.6 points per game. Madison Guebert (15.0) ranks fourth in the league in scoring.

■ SDSU averages 75.4 points per game and limits foes to 63.3 points per outing.

■ On the boards, Tagyn Larson is SDSU's leading rebounder, grabbing 5.6 caroms an outing. The Jackrabbits are outrebounding opponents by 4.9.

■ The Jackrabbits' top 3-point threat is Guebert, who is sinking 2.5 treys per game.

■ Miller is the Jacks' top playmaker, dishing 2.9 assists per game.

■ The Jacks have a plus-1.1 assist-to-turnover ratio.

■ SDSU is shooting 43.0 percent from the field, 34.5 percent from 3-point range and 78.6 percent from the free-throw line.

## Glance at South Dakota

■ South Dakota has a nine-game winning streak entering Thursday game after knocking off Omaha Jan. 20. The streak ranks 10th in the NCAA.

■ The Coyotes are 15-5 overall and 6-0 in league play, are 5-2 on the road, winning their last four outings.



-VS-



## ALL-TIME SERIES

| OVERALL                                 | SDSU LEADS: 56-26     |
|---|-----------------------|
| Home (Frost Arena)                      | 29-9                  |
| Away (Dakota Dome/Coyote Sports Center) | 22-16                 |
| Neutral Sites                           | 5-1                   |
| Aaron Johnston vs. USD                  | 22-8                  |
| Dawn Plitzuweit vs. SDSU                | 1-1                   |
| Current SDSU Streak                     | W1                    |
| Longest SDSU Winning Streak             | 21 (3/1/91 - 1/26/01) |
| Longest SDSU Losing Streak              | 8 (2/1/83 - 1/23/87)  |
| Largest SDSU Margin of Victory          | 45 (109-64, 2/16/95)  |
| Largest SDSU Margin of Defeat           | 36 (91-55, 12/12/80)  |

## SOUTH DAKOTA STATE-USD SERIES MEETINGS

Last Five Games

|               |         |             |
|---------------|---------|-------------|
| Feb. 4, 2017  | Home    | SDSU, 70-58 |
| Dec. 31, 2016 | Away    | USD, 65-62  |
| Mar. 8, 2016  | Neutral | SDSU, 61-55 |
| Feb. 20, 2016 | Away    | USD, 63-60  |
| Jan. 17, 2016 | Home    | USD, 63-58  |

## SDSU BY THE NUMBERS

3rd

South Dakota State is third in the CollegeInsider Mid-Major poll.

5

Senior Ellie Thompson needs five points to move into 32nd on the 1,000-point list.

9

In his 18th season, South Dakota State head coach Aaron Johnston needs eight wins to move into fourth in career Summit League games coached.

78

Jackrabbit junior Macy Miller needs 78 points to move into seventh on the 1,000-point list.

12

Junior Madison Guebert needs 12 points to be 29th on the 1,000-point list.



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### MEDIA INFORMATION

#### Interviews

Interviews with South Dakota State student-athletes and coaches must be arranged through the Sports Information Office. **Please contact the sports information director for women's basketball Michele Schmidt.**

Personal information for student-athletes will not be given to the media under any circumstances, although student-athletes will grant phone interviews by other means.

#### Practice

The South Dakota State women's basketball team normally practices from 4-7 p.m. in the fall semester and 1-4 in the spring semester at Frost Arena. The practices are open but check in advance as to the team's availability because of conditioning sessions and required off days.

#### Basketball Coaches Radio Show

The Basketball Coaches radio show airs live every Monday during The Summit League season from 6-7 p.m., starting Jan. 8 on all Jackrabbit Sports Network affiliates. The Basketball Coaches radio show takes place at Cubby's Bar and Grill in downtown Brookings.

#### Credentials

Please apply at GoJacks.com/pressroom

#### Jackrabbit Sports Network Affiliates

| City             | Call Letters | Frequency     |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Brookings        | KJJQ         | 910 AM        |
| Mitchell         | KORN         | 1490 AM       |
| Pipestone, Minn. | KJOE         | 106.1 FM      |
| <b>Yankton *</b> | <b>WNAX</b>  | <b>570 AM</b> |
| Yankton          | WNAX         | 99.9 FM       |
| Yankton          | WNAX         | 104.1 FM      |

**\*Flagship Station**

## ASSOCIATED PRESS (AP)

Jan. 22

| RK  | SCHOOL (First-Place Votes) | REC.        | PTS.       |
|-----|----------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 1.  | Connecticut (32)           | 18-0        | 800        |
| 2.  | Mississippi State          | 20-0        | 764        |
| 3.  | Baylor                     | 17-1        | 726        |
| 4.  | <b>Louisville</b>          | <b>20-1</b> | <b>703</b> |
| 5.  | Notre Dame                 | 18-2        | 683        |
| 6.  | Texas                      | 15-3        | 584        |
| 7.  | Oregon                     | 18-3        | 568        |
| 8.  | Florida State              | 18-2        | 564        |
| 9.  | South Carolina             | 16-3        | 556        |
| 10. | Tennessee                  | 16-3        | 519        |
| 11. | Missouri                   | 17-2        | 497        |
| 12. | Ohio State                 | 16-3        | 450        |
| 13. | UCLA                       | 15-4        | 443        |
| 14. | Maryland                   | 16-3        | 394        |
| 15. | Texas A&M                  | 15-5        | 303        |
| 16. | Michigan                   | 17-4        | 298        |
| 17. | Oregon State               | 14-5        | 270        |
| 18. | Duke                       | 15-5        | 223        |
| 19. | Oklahoma State             | 14-4        | 204        |
| 20. | West Virginia              | 16-4        | 203        |
| 21. | Georgia                    | 17-2        | 169        |
| 22. | <b>Green Bay</b>           | <b>17-2</b> | <b>165</b> |
| 23. | California                 | 14-5        | 121        |
| 24. | TCU                        | 13-5        | 44         |
| 25. | Arizona State              | 14-6        | 34         |

Others receiving votes: Stanford 33, Iowa 18, South Florida 12, **NC State 12**, Belmont 10, Marquette 8, Nebraska 4, Gonzaga 4, Rutgers 3, **Florida Gulf Coast 3**, Utah 2, Mercer 2, Purdue 1, **South Dakota State 1**, Virginia 1, Dayton 1.

## MID-MAJOR

Jan. 23

| RK  | SCHOOL (First-Place Votes) | REC.        | PTS.       |
|-----|----------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 1.  | <b>FGCU (26)</b>           | <b>18-3</b> | <b>769</b> |
| 2.  | <b>Green Bay (4)</b>       | <b>16-2</b> | <b>738</b> |
| 3.  | <b>South Dakota State</b>  | <b>16-4</b> | <b>707</b> |
| 4.  | Belmont (1)                | 18-3        | 663        |
| 5.  | Princeton                  | 13-3        | 630        |
| 6.  | Central Michigan           | 15-3        | 585        |
| 7.  | Mercer                     | 18-2        | 584        |
| 8.  | UC Davis                   | 15-3        | 555        |
| 9.  | Quinnipiac                 | 15-5        | 538        |
| 10. | Buffalo                    | 15-3        | 483        |
| 11. | Gonzaga                    | 15-4        | 477        |
| 12. | Ball State                 | 15-3        | 386        |
| 13. | American                   | 15-4        | 357        |
| 14. | <b>Drake</b>               | <b>12-7</b> | <b>341</b> |
| 15. | IUPUI                      | 15-5        | 327        |
| 16. | Wright State               | 15-5        | 284        |
| 17. | Albany                     | 17-3        | 283        |
| 18. | Saint Mary's               | 13-6        | 211        |
| 19. | Elon                       | 12-6        | 188        |
| 20. | Navy                       | 16-3        | 165        |
| 21. | <b>South Dakota</b>        | <b>15-5</b> | <b>118</b> |
| 22. | James Madison              | 11-7        | 114        |
| 23. | Northern Colorado          | 13-5        | 97         |
| 24. | Chattanooga                | 12-7        | 94         |
| 25. | Penn                       | 9-5         | 92         |

## USA TODAY (COACHES)

Jan. 23

| RK  | SCHOOL (First-Place Votes) | REC. | PTS. |
|-----|----------------------------|------|------|
| 1.  | Connecticut (32)           | 18-0 | 800  |
| 2.  | Mississippi State          | 20-0 | 766  |
| 3.  | Baylor                     | 17-1 | 725  |
| 4.  | Louisville                 | 20-1 | 688  |
| 5.  | Notre Dame                 | 18-2 | 674  |
| 6.  | Texas                      | 15-3 | 622  |
| 7.  | South Carolina             | 16-3 | 572  |
| 8.  | Florida State              | 18-2 | 564  |
| 9.  | Oregon                     | 18-3 | 561  |
| 10. | Tennessee                  | 16-3 | 486  |
| 11. | Missouri                   | 17-2 | 474  |
| 12. | UCLA                       | 15-4 | 459  |
| 13. | Maryland                   | 17-3 | 454  |
| 14. | Ohio State                 | 16-4 | 401  |
| 15. | Texas A&M                  | 16-5 | 328  |
| 16. | Michigan                   | 17-4 | 315  |
| 17. | Oregon State               | 14-5 | 250  |
| 18. | Duke                       | 15-5 | 229  |
| 19. | West Virginia              | 16-4 | 206  |
| 20. | Georgia                    | 17-2 | 197  |
| 21. | Green Bay                  | 17-2 | 179  |
| 22. | Oklahoma State             | 14-4 | 140  |
| 23. | South Florida              | 15-5 | 40   |
| 24. | TCU                        | 13-5 | 37   |
| 25. | Iowa                       | 15-5 | 31   |

Others receiving votes: Rutgers 28, California 25, Arizona State 24, **Florida Gulf Coast 19**, Marquette 18, **NC State 16**, Virginia 15, Stanford 11, DePaul 9, Villanova 9, Miami 7, Syracuse 5, Purdue 4, Utah 3, Buffalo 3, Central Michigan 2, Princeton 2, Michigan State 1, Mercer 1.

## WEEK-BY-WEEK RANKINGS

| WEEK      | AP   | COACHES | MID-MAJOR | RPI |
|-----------|------|---------|-----------|-----|
| Preseason | -    | RV-6    | 5th       | -   |
| Nov. 13   | -    | RV-6    | 3rd       | -   |
| Nov. 20   | -    | -       | 5th       | -   |
| Nov. 27   | -    | RV-1    | 2nd       | -   |
| Dec. 4    | RV-4 | RV-2    | 2nd       | 39  |
| Dec. 11   | RV-3 | RV-3    | 2nd       | 28  |
| Dec. 17   | -    | -       | 2nd       | 25  |
| Dec. 26   | -    | -       | 2nd       | 35  |
| Jan. 1    | -    | -       | 3rd       | 39  |
| Jan. 8    | -    | -       | 3rd       | 46  |
| Jan. 15   | -    | -       | 3rd       | 37  |
| Jan. 22   | RV-1 | -       | 3rd       | 31  |

## SUMMIT LEAGUE STANDINGS

| Jan. 22                   | Overall     |             |             |            |            |           | Summit     |              |            |            |           |  |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|--|
| Team                      | RECORD      | PCT         | H           | A          | N          | STREAK    | RECORD     | PCT          | H          | A          | STREAK    |  |
| South Dakota              | 15-5        | .750        | 9-1         | 5-2        | 1-2        | W9        | 6-0        | 1.000        | 3-0        | 3-0        | W6        |  |
| <b>South Dakota State</b> | <b>16-4</b> | <b>.800</b> | <b>10-1</b> | <b>4-3</b> | <b>2-0</b> | <b>W6</b> | <b>5-0</b> | <b>1.000</b> | <b>3-0</b> | <b>2-0</b> | <b>W5</b> |  |
| Western Illinois          | 14-6        | .700        | 7-2         | 7-4        | 0-0        | L1        | 4-2        | .667         | 2-1        | 2-1        | L1        |  |
| Oral Roberts              | 12-8        | .600        | 4-3         | 4-5        | 4-0        | W1        | 4-3        | .571         | 2-2        | 2-1        | W1        |  |
| Denver                    | 12-9        | .571        | 4-4         | 7-3        | 1-2        | L1        | 3-3        | .500         | 1-1        | 2-2        | L1        |  |
| North Dakota State        | 8-11        | .421        | 6-3         | 1-7        | 1-1        | W1        | 1-4        | .200         | 1-1        | 0-3        | W1        |  |
| Fort Wayne                | 4-16        | .200        | 4-7         | 0-9        | 0-0        | L3        | 1-6        | .143         | 0-3        | 1-3        | L3        |  |
| Omaha                     | 8-10        | .444        | 5-4         | 3-6        | 0-0        | L6        | 0-6        | .000         | 0-3        | 0-3        | L6        |  |

■ USD is led offensively by junior Allison Arens. The guard is averaging 12.4 points per game. Sophomore guard Ciara Duffy and junior guard Jaycee Bradley average 11.9 and 10.2 points per game, respectively.

■ The Coyotes average 73.0 points per game and give up 58.5.

■ Senior guard Jasmine Trimboli and Duffy each average a team-leading 4.9 rebounds. The Yotes are outrebounding opponents by 1.1 caroms a game.

■ Sophomore guard Madison McKeever is dishing 2.6 assists per game and five Coyotes have 30-or-more assists.

■ Bradley is USD's top 3-point threat, sinking 43.8 percent (42-96) of her shots. She ranks fourth in The Summit League 3-point field goals and in 3-point field goals per game and fifth in 3-point field goal percentage.

■ South Dakota has seven players averaging five-or-more points and nine averaging 10-or-more minutes per game.

■ The Yotes are shooting 46.5 percent from the field, 36.8 percent from 3-point range and 79.6 percent from the free-throw line.

### Breaking Down the USD Series

■ Thursday's game marks the 83rd meeting between South Dakota State and South Dakota, dating to a 35-26 Jackrabbits' victory Feb. 4, 1967, in Vermillion. It was the second game in SDSU's first season as a varsity program.

■ Overall, the Jackrabbits hold a 56-26 series advantage, winning 38 of the last 50 meetings, and hold a 29-9 record in Frost Arena.

■ SDSU won the first 14 games in the series before the Coyotes won 18 of 23 matchups between the 1977-78 and 1990-91 seasons. The Jackrabbits followed with 25 consecutive victories.

■ The Jackrabbits won six meetings in a row, starting with an 87-63 victory in the championship game of the 2003 NCAA Division II North Central Regional at Frost Arena. However, that streak came to an end in 2012 as the two squads split the series in their first year together as members of The Summit League.

■ Last year, each team won on its home court. In Vermillion, USD won 65-62, Dec. 31, 2016, and in Frost, SDSU won 70-58, Feb. 4, 2017.

■ In nine of the last 15 games, SDSU has limited USD to 65-or-fewer points, including 48 points Feb. 15, 2010, in Frost Arena.

■ In six games, Macy Miller is averaging 18.2 points and 6.0 rebounds against the Coyotes. Madison Guebert is scoring 15.0 per game in five games, while Ellie Thompson is shooting 53.3 percent from the field and scoring 11.1 points and grabbing 4.5 rebounds per game in eight outings against USD.

### Second-Quarter Explosion Powers Jacks

■ BROOKINGS, S.D.—Jan. 20, 2018—South Dakota State head coach Aaron Johnston set The Summit League records for wins as the Jackrabbits recorded an 84-48 win over Western Illinois in front of 2,129 fans at Frost Arena.

■ The win gives Johnston 144 victories in Summit League play and 261 overall wins since the Jackrabbits entered The Summit League in 2007-08. Oral Roberts' Jerry Finkbeiner was the previous record-holder.

■ Macy Miller tied her career high with 31 points to lead South Dakota State. Tylee Irwin tied her career high with 14 points while Madison Guebert added 10 points. Miller added eight rebounds, four assists, four steals and tied a personal best with two blocked shots.

■ Western Illinois was led by Emily Clemens' 16 points.

■ After Western Illinois closed the first quarter with a 9-2 run to tie game 12-12, the Jackrabbits opened the second quarter with a 15-3 run for a 27-15 lead when Tagyn Larson scored inside with 6:06 left in the half.

■ After making four of 17 shots in the first quarter, SDSU made 14 of 17 shots, including four 3-point field goals, in the second quarter. Miller made eight-straight field goals to close the first half as the Jackrabbits scored 34 points in the second quarter to take a 46-23 lead at halftime.

■ The Jackrabbits forced Western Illinois into 9-of-42 shooting and 11 turnovers through three quarters and had 44-point lead, 79-35, with 4:43 to play in the final quarter.

### Western Illinois Leftovers

■ South Dakota State made 16 of 22 free throws, marking the 18th game with 10-or-more makes from the foul line.

■ The Jackrabbits won by 30-plus points for the fourth time this season.

■ SDSU held WIU to just 14 field goals, the fewest by an opponent since limiting Fort Wayne to 13 field goals Jan. 13, 2016, in Fort Wayne.

■ State limited the Leathernecks for 23.0 percent field goal percentage, the lowest since TCU shot just 19.2 percent from the field Nov. 27, 2013.

■ The Jacks collected a season-high 12 steals. It was the most since having 12 versus NDSU Feb. 2, 2017.

■ State outrebounded its sixth consecutive opponent and 12th of the year.

■ SDSU's 45 defensive rebounds were a season best.

### Jackrabbits in Frost Arena

■ SDSU is 10-1 this season, averaging 77.3 points per game and giving up 56.5.

■ Macy Miller, Madison Guebert and Myah Selland average 17.7, 14.0 and 10.5 points per game, respectively.

■ Tagyn Larson is grabbing 6.4 rebounds per game and



## THE SUMMIT LEAGUE RANKINGS

2017-18 League-Only Games

| Team Category         | Stat  | Summit |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|
| Scoring Offense       | 80.4  | 1st    |
| Scoring Defense       | 60.6  | 3rd    |
| Scoring Margin        | +19.8 | 2nd    |
| Field Goal Percentage | 46.2  | 3rd    |
| Free Throw Percentage | 77.8  | 2nd    |
| 3-Point FG Made       | 9.0   | 3rd    |
| 3-Point FG%           | 35.7  | 4th    |
| 3-Point FG% Defense   | 34.0  | 4th    |
| Rebounding            | 42.4  | 1st    |
| Rebounding Defense    | 31.4  | 3rd    |
| Rebounding Margin     | +11.0 | 1st    |
| Blocked Shots         | 3.8   | 3rd    |
| Assists               | 15.6  | 3rd    |
| Steals                | 8.7   | 3rd    |
| Turnover Margin       | +2.0  | 4th    |
| Assist/Turnover Ratio | 1.2   | 1st    |
| Offensive Rebounds    | 12.2  | 2nd    |
| Defensive Rebounds    | 30.2  | 1st    |

### Individual Summit League Rankings

as of Jan. 22

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
| <b>Scoring</b> .....Avg./G |      |
| 1. Macy Miller.....        | 19.0 |
| 3. Madison Guebert.....    | 17.6 |

|  |      |
|--|------|
| <b>Field Goal Percentage</b> .....Pct. |      |
| 9. Madison Guebert.....                | 50.9 |

|  |      |
|--|------|
| <b>Free Throw Percentage</b> .....Pct. |      |
| 3. Madison Guebert.....                | 93.8 |
| 4. Macy Miller.....                    | 91.7 |

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| <b>3-Point FG Made</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 1. Madison Guebert.....            | 3.0 |

|  |      |
|--|------|
| <b>3-Point FG Percentage</b> .....Pct. |      |
| 8. Madison Guebert.....                | 45.5 |

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| <b>Assists</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 7. Macy Miller.....        | 3.0 |

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| <b>Steals</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 5. Alexis Alexander.....  | 1.8 |

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| <b>Blocks</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 2. Tagyn Larson.....      | 1.4 |

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| <b>Rebounds</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 7. Myah Selland.....        | 6.3 |

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| <b>Defensive Rebounds</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 6. Macy Miller.....                   | 4.6 |
| 8. Alexis Alexander.....              | 4.2 |

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| <b>Offensive Rebounds</b> .....Avg./G |     |
| 1. Myah Selland.....                  | 2.5 |
| 5. Tagyn Larson.....                  | 2.2 |

## SDSU'S Record When...

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Overall.....       | 16-4 |
| League.....        | 5-0  |
| Nonconference..... | 11-4 |
| Home.....          | 9-1  |
| Away.....          | 4-3  |
| Neutral.....       | 2-0  |

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Sunday.....    | 2-1 |
| Monday.....    | 0-0 |
| Tuesday.....   | 1-0 |
| Wednesday..... | 4-0 |
| Thursday.....  | 2-0 |
| Friday.....    | 2-2 |
| Saturday.....  | 5-1 |

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| November..... | 6-1 |
| December..... | 4-3 |
| January.....  | 6-0 |
| February..... | 0-0 |
| March.....    | 0-0 |

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| Leading at halftime.....  | 12-1 |
| Tied at halftime.....     | 0-0  |
| Trailing at halftime..... | 4-3  |

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| FG% is higher..... | 10-1 |
| FG% is equal.....  | 1-0  |
| FG% is lower.....  | 5-3  |

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| FG% defense is less than 30%.....  | 3-0 |
| FG% defense is 30-39%.....         | 6-1 |
| FG% defense is 40% or greater..... | 7-3 |

|                              |     |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Makes 0-5 3FGs.....          | 1-2 |
| Makes 6-10 3FGs.....         | 8-1 |
| Makes more than 10 3FGs..... | 7-1 |

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Makes more FTs than opponent.....  | 10-3 |
| Makes equal FTs than opponent..... | 0-0  |
| Makes fewer FTs than opponent..... | 6-1  |

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Fewer turnovers..... | 10-0 |
| Equal turnovers..... | 2-0  |
| More turnovers.....  | 4-4  |

|                         |      |
|-------------------------|------|
| vs. AP Top 5.....       | 0-1  |
| vs. AP Top 10.....      | 0-1  |
| vs. AP Top 25.....      | 0-1  |
| vs. Coaches Top 5.....  | 0-1  |
| vs. Coaches Top 10..... | 0-1  |
| vs. Coaches Top 25..... | 1-1  |
| vs. Unranked.....       | 15-3 |

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Margin is 1-5 points..... | 1-1 |
| 6-10 points.....          | 6-2 |
| 11-15 points.....         | 3-1 |
| 16-20 points.....         | 1-0 |
| 21 or more points.....    | 5-0 |

In overtime.....1-0

## Miscellaneous Streaks

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Current.....                     | W6 |
| Homecourt.....                   | W7 |
| Road.....                        | W2 |
| Neutral.....                     | W2 |
| vs. Nationally Ranked Teams..... | L1 |
| Postseason.....                  | L1 |

Alexis Alexander is dishing 2.9 assists an outing.

■ The Jackrabbits are sinking 8.2 3-pointers.

■ State is shooting 42.7 percent from the field, 32.0 percent from long range and 77.9 percent from the free-throw line.

■ Since the 2004-05 season, South Dakota State owns a 171-23 (.881) mark in home contests.

## Jackrabbits Defense

■ SDSU has held 12 of its 20 opponents to 65-or-fewer points, including four to less than 50.

■ So far this season, the Jacks held NJIT to 48 points, Northern Iowa to 47 points, Bowling Green to 44 points and Western Illinois to 48 points.

■ Under head coach Aaron Johnston's direction, SDSU has a 120-60 (66.6) record when holding an opponent to 70 points-or-fewer since 2007-08.

## OPPONENTS POINTS PER GAME - LAST 10 YEARS

| Season.....  | Opp. PPG | Season.....  | Opp. PPG |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| 2017-18..... | 63.3     | 2012-13..... | 59.7     |
| 2016-17..... | 60.9     | 2011-12..... | 58.5     |
| 2015-16..... | 59.9     | 2010-11..... | 60.8     |
| 2014-15..... | 62.2     | 2009-10..... | 62.1     |
| 2013-14..... | 65.5     | 2008-09..... | 54.6     |

## Magic Number: 70 Points

■ Since 2007-08, South Dakota State is 167-17 (.907) when scoring 70-or-more points in a game, including 43-5 (.895) the last two seasons.

■ The Jackrabbits have scored 75-or-more points 12 times this season.

| Year          | <70 pts      | >70 pts     | >80 pts     | >90 pts    |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| 2017-18       | 4-3          | 11-1        | 7-0         | 3-0        |
| 2016-17       | 6-6          | 10-2        | 4-1         | 2-0        |
| 2015-16       | 13-5         | 7-1         | 7-0         | 1-0        |
| 2014-15       | 10-3         | 9-4         | 5-1         | 1-0        |
| 2013-14       | 7-10         | 10-0        | 8-0         | 1-0        |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>40-27</b> | <b>47-8</b> | <b>31-2</b> | <b>8-0</b> |

## Miller Honored, Again

■ Macy Miller picked up her fifth Summit League Player of the Week and fourth College Insider Mid-Major Summit League Player of the Week honors of the season Monday.

■ The junior scored a game-high 23 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished six assists against Dakota Wesleyan.

■ In the win over Western Illinois, the guard scored a career-tying and season- and game high 31 points on 11-of-18 shooting from the field. She also added eight rebounds, four assists and four steals.

■ The five Player of the Week honors this season are tied for the second-most in Summit League history.

■ Miller has been named The Summit League Player of the Week nine times in her career and College Sports Madness Summit League Mid-Major Player of the Week four times.

## Single-Season Summit League Players of the Week

|                             |                |          |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| 1. Kevi Luper, ORU          | 2009-10        | 7        |
| 2. <b>Macy Miller, SDSU</b> | <b>2017-18</b> | <b>5</b> |
| Emily Clemens, WIU          | 2016-17        | 5        |
| Ashley Luke, WIU            | 2014-15        | 5        |
| Amanda Hyde, IPFW           | 2013-14        | 5        |
| Elisha Turek, ORU           | 2006-07        | 5        |

## Miller Time

■ Macy Miller has hit her stride midway through The Summit League season.

■ The 6-foot guard is averaging an impressive 22.4 points, 6.4 rebounds, 3.8 assists and 1.6 steals in the last five games. She is also shooting 54.3 percent from the field, 40.7 percent from 3-point range and 92.9 percent from the free-throw line.

■ Miller took over both the Oral Roberts (1/13) and Western Illinois (1/20) games. She shot 50 percent (18 of 36) from the floor, averaged 28.5 points, 7.5 rebounds and 4.0 assists in those contests.

■ The Mitchell native has scored 20-plus points in her last three games and is a perfect 10 for 10 from the foul line.

## Big Three

■ South Dakota State's Macy Miller, Ellie Thompson and Madison Guebert are the most experienced trio in The Summit League.

■ The trio has combined to play in 301 games, start 279 and score 3,754 points.

■ All three are 1,000-point scorers and have 150-plus rebounds and 140 assists each.

| Category   | Miller | Thompson | Guebert |
|------------|--------|----------|---------|
| GP-GS      | 96-96  | 119-97   | 86-86   |
| Points     | 1,485  | 1,126    | 1,143   |
| Rebounds   | 456    | 690      | 170     |
| Assists    | 263    | 161      | 145     |
| Steals     | 106    | 83       | 72      |
| Blocks     | 18     | 107      | 17      |
| 3-Pointers | 96     | 48       | 232     |

## Countdown Continues

■ Macy Miller, Madison Guebert and Ellie Thompson are the third Jackrabbit trio to have 1,000 career points in the same year.

■ Both Guebert and Thompson reached the milestone earlier this season and Miller last year.

■ Miller enters Thursday's game with 1,485 career points, 78 points shy of moving into seventh on the all-time scoring list, passing Karla Stevenson (1983-86).

■ Guebert enters the South Dakota game with 1,143 career points and needs 12 points to move into 29th in career scoring.

■ Thompson is 34th in career scoring with 1,126 points and needs five points for 32nd and eight points for 31st.

■ Miller scored her 1,000th career point in 76 games. Thompson did so in 101 games and Guebert in 78 games.

■ The quickest to 1,000 career points was Jennifer

## Big Games

|  |
|--|
| <b>Western Illinois</b>                  |
| 31 pts., 8 rebs., 4 ast., 2 blks., 4 st. |
| <b>at Oral Roberts</b>                   |
| 26 pts., 7 rebs., 4 ast.                 |
| <b>Charlotte</b>                         |
| 25 pts., 5 reb., 4 ast.                  |
| <b>Florida Gulf Coast</b>                |
| 24 pts., 3 reb. 3, st.                   |

## SDSU 1,000-Pt. Club

|     |              |                                |
|-----|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.  | 1,887        | Shannon Schlagel, 2001-04      |
| --  | --           | --                             |
| 5.  | 1,676        | Jennifer Johnson, 1981-85      |
| 6.  | 1,621        | D. Van Klei, 1985-88           |
| 7.  | 1,562        | Karla Stevenson, 1983-86       |
| 8.  | <b>1,485</b> | <b>Macy Miller, 2014-p</b>     |
| --  | --           | --                             |
| 27. | 1,227        | Ann Just, 1992-95              |
| 28. | 1,174        | Lisa Kurtenbach, 1985-88       |
| 29. | 1,154        | Rachel Halsrud, 1990-93        |
| 30. | <b>1,143</b> | <b>Madison Guebert, 2015-p</b> |
| 31. | 1,133        | Lori Fish, 1986-89             |
| 32. | 1,130        | Lisa Kannegieter, 1990-93      |
| 33. | <b>1,126</b> | <b>Ellie Thompson, 2014-p</b>  |



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## SDSU's Largest in 2017-18

### Largest Halftime Lead

23 (46-23, Western Illinois, 1/20/18)

### Largest Halftime Deficit

8 (29-21 Green Bay, 11/18/17)

8 (49-41 at FGCU, 12/29/17)

### Largest Win

44 (NJIT, 11/10/17)

### Largest Defeat

14 (Green Bay, 11/18/17)

### Largest Lead

51 (82-31, 5:01-4th, NJIT, 11/10/17)

### Largest Deficit

17 (51-34, 4:56-4th, Green Bay, 11/18/17)

17 (58-41, 1:24-3rd Creighton, 12/15/17)

### Largest Deficit to Win

12 Dakota Wesleyan (1/16/18)

### Largest Lead Given Up in a Loss

12 (24-12, Louisville, 12/3/17)

### Most Consecutive Points

16 (9:11 to 4:14 3Q Dakota Wesleyan, 1/16/18)

### Most Consecutive Points by Opponent

12 (3:01 to 00:21 3Q Dakota Wesleyan, 1/16/18)

### Most Time Leading

39:53 Wichita State, 12/20/17

### Most Time Leading in a Loss

28:22 Louisville, 12/3/17

### Points off the Bench

37 NJIT (11/10/17)

### Points in the Paint

50 NJIT (11/10/17)

50 Wichita State, 12/20/17

### Points Off Turnovers

24 North Dakota (11/15/17)

24 Wichita State (12/20/17)

### Most Second Chance Points

23 at Denver (1/11/18)

### Most Fast Break Points

19 NJIT (11/10/17)

## South Dakota State Jackrabbits Please

■ Please call us South Dakota State or SDSU. Please do NOT call us San Diego State or SDST.

■ Please do NOT call us South Dakota. What's the difference? Great question. Calling us "South Dakota" is like calling Illinois State "Illinois" or Iowa State "Iowa." Calling South Dakota State "San Diego State" is just not cool, so please don't do it.

■ Also, Jackrabbits is one word, not Jack Rabbits or JackRabbits.

■ Our jackrabbit mascot is modeled after a real species of rabbit, not a rabbit named Jack. Technically speaking, a jackrabbit is a hare, but let's not get to literal.

■ Calling us the Jacks is an acceptable second reference along with SDSU and State.

Johnson when she tallied 1,000 points in 65 games. Pat Dobratz scored 1,334 points in 71 games, but game-by-game statistics are unavailable from her 1973-74 senior year.

■ The last time the Jackrabbits had a trio of 1,000-point scorers on the same team was 1995-96 with Dawn Hull, Ann Just and Erin Reiten.

■ In addition to Hull, Just and Reiten, one other trio scored 1,000 points each in a season—Lisa Kannegieter, Rachel Halsrud and Jodi Bergeman in 1993-94.

## Single-Season Scoring

■ Macy Miller broke the SDSU single-season freshman scoring record in 2014-15 and the sophomore record in 2015-16.

The question is will she break the junior scoring record in 2017-18?

■ Based on averaging 18.6 points per game in nine regular-season games and one game in The Summit League Tournament left, Miller would need to up her average to 21.3 points per game to break Shannon Schlager's mark of 583 points set in 33 games in 2003-04.

■ A long postseason run would help Miller's chances of breaking the record.

## Double Figure Scorers Combos

■ This season, three-or-more players have reached double digits in scoring in the same game 14 of 20 games.

■ SDSU has had a season-high five players reach double figures in an over-time game at George Washington and at Drake.

## 2017-18 Players

|   | Record | Last Game                |
|---|--------|--------------------------|
| Miller, Guebert, Selland, Stevens           | 1-0    | NJIT (11/10)             |
| Miller, Guebert, Thompson, Alexander, Irwin | 1-0    | at G. Washington (11/12) |
| Miller, Selland, Larson                     | 1-1    | Wichita State (12/20)    |
| Miller, Guebert, Selland                    | 3-1    | at FGCU (12/29)          |
| Miller, Guebert, Thompson                   | 0-1    | at Creighton (12/15)     |
| Guebert, Thompson, Selland                  | 1-0    | Omaha (1/3)              |
| Miller, Guebert, Thompson, Larson, Selland  | 1-0    | at Drake (12/17)         |
| Miller, Guebert, Larson, Irwin              | 1-0    | North Dakota State (1/6) |
| Miller, Guebert, Alexander                  | 1-0    | at Oral Roberts (1/13)   |
| Miller, Guebert, Irwin                      | 1-0    | Western Illinois (1/20)  |

## Selland Making Early Impact

■ South Dakota State guard/forward Myah Selland is establishing herself as one of the top freshmen in The Summit League.

■ She has started 17 of 20 games and averages 9.6 points, 5.5 rebounds and 2.4 assists while shooting 45.0 percent from the field and 73.5 percent from the free-throw line.

■ The native of Letcher, S.D., has scored in double digits in seven games, has a pair of nine-assist games and grabbed a career-best 11 rebounds at Denver.

■ Selland ranks first in rebounds and assists, second in free-throw percentage and offensive rebounds (2.1), third in scoring and blocks (0.6) and fourth in field goal percentage among Summit League freshmen in overall Summit League statistics.

## From the Charity Stripe

■ The 2017-18 team could be one of the best free-throw shooting teams in school history.

■ South Dakota State's team free-throw percentage (78.6) is second in The Summit League, fifth nationally and is currently the highest percentage in school history. The current record is held by the 2014-15 team, which shot 77.5.

■ In the NCAA rankings, South Dakota State is 34th in free throws made (282).

■ Madison Guebert ranks fifth in free-throw percentage (93.8) and leads The Summit League.

## SDSU Season & Career Totals

2017-18 Career

### DOUBLE-DOUBLES

|                |   |    |
|----------------|---|----|
| Ellie Thompson | 0 | 10 |
| Macy Miller    | 0 | 3  |

### 30-PLUS POINT GAMES

|                 |   |   |
|-----------------|---|---|
| Macy Miller     | 1 | 3 |
| Madison Guebert | 0 | 1 |

### 20-PLUS POINT GAMES

|                 |    |    |
|-----------------|----|----|
| Macy Miller     | 10 | 23 |
| Madison Guebert | 4  | 14 |
| Myah Selland    | 1  | 1  |
| Ellie Thompson  | 0  | 7  |
| Sydney Palmer   | 0  | 1  |

### DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORING GAMES

|                  |    |    |
|------------------|----|----|
| Macy Miller      | 17 | 79 |
| Madison Guebert  | 17 | 65 |
| Myah Selland     | 7  | 7  |
| Ellie Thompson   | 6  | 58 |
| Tagyn Larson     | 4  | 4  |
| Alexis Alexander | 3  | 6  |
| Tylee Irwin      | 3  | 3  |
| Sydney Palmer    | 0  | 1  |

### 10-PLUS REBOUND GAMES

|                |   |    |
|----------------|---|----|
| Tagyn Larson   | 2 | 2  |
| Ellie Thompson | 0 | 11 |
| Macy Miller    | 0 | 3  |

### 5-PLUS ASSIST GAMES

|                     |   |    |
|---------------------|---|----|
| Madison Guebert     | 4 | 5  |
| Macy Miller         | 3 | 12 |
| Alexis Alexander    | 2 | 9  |
| Myah Selland        | 2 | 2  |
| Rylie Cascio Jensen | 1 | 1  |
| Ellie Thompson      | 0 | 1  |

### 3-PLUS STEAL GAMES

|                     |   |    |
|---------------------|---|----|
| Alexis Alexander    | 3 | 10 |
| Macy Miller         | 3 | 9  |
| Myah Selland        | 2 | 2  |
| Madison Guebert     | 1 | 5  |
| Rylie Cascio Jensen | 1 | 1  |
| Ellie Thompson      | 0 | 5  |
| Sydney Tracy        | 0 | 1  |

### 3-PLUS 3-POINT FG GAMES

|                     |   |    |
|---------------------|---|----|
| Madison Guebert     | 8 | 48 |
| Macy Miller         | 5 | 8  |
| Tylee Irwin         | 2 | 2  |
| Myah Selland        | 1 | 1  |
| Alexis Alexander    | 1 | 1  |
| Rylie Cascio Jensen | 1 | 1  |
| Sydney Palmer       | 0 | 3  |
| Ellie Thompson      | 0 | 2  |

### 3-PLUS BLOCKS

|                |   |   |
|----------------|---|---|
| Ellie Thompson | 2 | 6 |
| Tagyn Larson   | 2 | 2 |
| Myah Selland   | 1 | 1 |

### STARTS

|                  |    |    |
|------------------|----|----|
| Ellie Thompson   | 20 | 97 |
| Madison Guebert  | 20 | 86 |
| Alexis Alexander | 20 | 43 |
| Macy Miller      | 20 | 96 |
| Myah Selland     | 17 | 17 |
| Tagyn Larson     | 3  | 3  |
| Sydney Palmer    | 0  | 5  |

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## In-Season Honors

### Summit League Player of the Week

Macy Miller, Nov. 13  
Madison Guebert, Nov. 27  
Macy Miller, Dec. 11  
Macy Miller, Dec. 26  
Macy Miller, Jan. 16  
Macy Miller, Jan. 22

### Mid-Major Player of the Week

Macy Miller, Nov. 13  
Macy Miller, Nov. 27  
Madison Guebert, Jan. 8  
Macy Miller, Jan. 16  
Macy Miller, Jan. 22

## 30-Plus Point Games

**Macy Miller** .....1  
31 vs. Western Illinois, 1/20/18

## 20-Plus Point Games

**Macy Miller** .....9  
21 vs. NJIT, 11/10/17  
20 at George Washington, 11/12/17  
25 vs. Charlotte, 11/25/17  
22 vs. Bowling Green, 12/9/17  
20 at Drake, 12/17/17  
22 vs. Wichita State, 12/20/17  
24 at Florida Gulf Coast, 12/29/17  
26 at Oral Roberts, 1/13/18  
23 vs. Dakota Wesleyan, 1/16/18

**Madison Guebert** .....4  
20 vs. N.C. State, 11/24/17  
20 vs. Charlotte, 11/25/17  
22 at Florida Gulf Coast, 12/29/17  
25 vs. Omaha, 1/3/18

**Myah Selland**.....1  
20 vs. N.C. State, 11/24/17

## Game-Winning Baskets

Madison Guebert, vs. Charlotte, 11/25/17  
- sank 3-pointer as time expired

■ Macy Miller ranks 33rd in career free-throw percentage (82.1) among active players in the NCAA.

■ The Jackrabbits have made 10-or-more made free throws in a game 18 times.

■ SDSU is 282 of 359 from the foul line. It is scoring 18.7 percent of the team's overall point total from the charity stripe.

## Guebert Takes Over Top Spot

■ Madison Guebert took over first place on the SDSU career free-throw percentage list when she went 3 for 4 from the foul line at Oral Roberts Jan. 13.

■ Guebert has made 175 of 201 free throws for an 87.1 shooting percentage, 2.2 percentage points higher than former record holder Megan Waytashek (2010-15).

■ Guebert tied the school record for consecutive free throws with 35 earlier this season. She has made 60 of 64 free throws this season and has been perfect from the foul line 11 times.

■ Waytashek, who had a string of 32 consecutive makes from the charity stripe in 2013-14, missed just 12 free throws as a junior and was perfect from the free-throw line 17 times that season.

■ Guebert is also ranked second on The Summit League career free throw percentage list behind Kansas City's Katie Houlehan (2001-05), who finished her career with a 89.7 free throw percentage.

## Keys To SDSU's Success

■ When South Dakota State is playing winning basketball, the Jackrabbits are also on top of their game defensively.

■ Jackrabbit opponents have scored 80-or-more points twice this season in a double-overtime win at George Washington and at Florida Gulf Coast.

■ The Jackrabbits have been outrebounded seven times this season. Two of those resulted in a loss.

■ South Dakota State has shown an ability to win at any tempo, winning games in the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s.

## NCAA Free-Throw Percentage

as of 1/22/18

|                              |    |     |     |      |
|------------------------------|----|-----|-----|------|
| 1. Evansville                | 18 | 235 | 281 | 83.6 |
| 2. Northern Colorado         | 18 | 248 | 297 | 83.5 |
| 3. Central Michigan          | 18 | 269 | 328 | 82.0 |
| 4. South Dakota              | 20 | 238 | 299 | 79.6 |
| 5. <b>South Dakota State</b> | 20 | 282 | 359 | 78.6 |

## Individual Free-Throw Percentage

as of 1/22/18

|                                 |       |      |
|---------------------------------|-------|------|
| 1. Kitija Laksa, USF            | 52-53 | 98.1 |
| 2. Rebekah Hand, Marist         | 48-50 | 96.0 |
| 3. Candice White, Fresno St.    | 71-74 | 95.9 |
| 4. Jovana Nogic, Providence     | 67-70 | 95.7 |
| 5. <b>Madison Guebert, SDSU</b> | 60-64 | 93.8 |

## Career Free Throw Percentage

(min. 200 attempts)

|  |
|--|
| 1. <b>.871 (175-201) M. Guebert, 2015-P</b>  |
| 2. .849 (361-425) M. Waytashek, 2010-15      |
| 3. .837 (241-288) Jill Young, 2008-11        |
| 4. .825 (198-240) Kerri Young, 2013-16       |
| 5. <b>.821 (331-403) Macy Miller, 2014-P</b> |

|                       |     |     |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| 3-Point Attempts/Game | 9.1 | 6.8 |
| Blocked Shots/Game    | 3.9 | 2.3 |
| Steals/Game           | 7.9 | 4.8 |

## Last Five Outings

■ The Jackrabbits have scored 75-or-more points in four of five games and are 5-0. They are scoring 77.8 points per game and limiting opponents to 60.4 points.

■ South Dakota State is shooting 45.9 percent from the field, 32.8 from 3-point range and 72.2 percent from the foul line.

■ SDSU is averaging 8.4 3-pointers per game, led by Madison Guebert's 13 treys. Miller is shooting 40.7 percent from long range (11-27).

■ Miller leads the team in scoring (22.4) while Guebert is scoring at a 14.2 clip.

■ On the boards, Selland is grabbing 6.7 caroms an outing.

■ Miller is dishing a team-best 3.8 assists per game.

■ In all, two Jackrabbits are scoring 10-or-more points and seven are grabbing three-or-more rebounds.

## From Long Range

■ Madison Guebert, who is fourth in career 3-point percentage (.408), needs 19 treys to move into second in career 3-pointers with 251.

■ The junior also needs 100 3-point attempts to move into third in attempts, passing Kristin Rotert's 667.

■ Guebert needs five treys to move into seventh on The Summit League 3-point career field goals list. She currently ranks eighth in career 3-point field goal percentage. ■ Guebert is second in 3-point field goals made (2.5)

in overall games and tied for first in league (3.0) games this season.

## Career 3-Pointers

|                                       |
|---------------------------------------|
| 1. 305 Jill Young, 2008-11            |
| 2. 250 Brenda Davis, 2000-03          |
| 250 Kristin Rotert, 2007-10           |
| 4. <b>232 Madison Guebert, 2015-P</b> |

## Career 3-Point Attempts

|                                       |
|---------------------------------------|
| 1. 734 Jill Young, 2008-11            |
| 2. 698 Brenda Davis, 2000-03          |
| 3. 667 Kristin Rotert, 2007-10        |
| 4. <b>568 Madison Guebert, 2015-P</b> |

## Junior 3-Point Field Goals Made

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| 1. Brenda Davis, 2002-03           | 86 |
| 2. Jill Young, 2010-11             | 78 |
| 3. Lisa Kurtenbach, 1987-88        | 72 |
| Kristen Rotert, 2009-10            | 72 |
| -- <b>Madison Guebert, 2017-18</b> | 51 |

## Junior 3-Point Field Goals Pct. (min. 100 attempts)

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| 1. Lisa Kurtenbach, 1987-88        | .423 |
| 2. Jill Young, 2010-11             | .415 |
| 3. Brenda Davis, 2002-03           | .398 |
| -- <b>Madison Guebert, 2017-18</b> | .359 |

## Jacks From Beyond the Arc

■ South Dakota State is shooting an efficient 34.5 percent from 3-point range (172 of 498), which includes 8.6 made 3-point field goals per game. State is scoring 34.2 percent (516 points) of its points from beyond the arc this season.

■ The Jackrabbits rank 20th in 3-pointers made in the NCAA and in 3-pointers attempted. They are 27th in 3-pointers per game.

■ SDSU registered a season-high 14 treys three times this season—at George Washington Nov. 12, against

## In 16 Wins In 4 Losses

|                       |      |      |
|-----------------------|------|------|
| Points/Game           | 78.8 | 62.0 |
| Opponent Points/Game  | 61.6 | 70.5 |
| Rebound Margin        | +6.4 | -1.0 |
| Field Goal Percentage | 44.0 | 38.3 |
| FG Percentage Defense | 38.0 | 44.9 |



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## South Dakota State Division I National Rankings

### 2017-18

| AP   | Coaches | Date           |
|------|---------|----------------|
| RV-1 | ?       | Jan. 22, 2018  |
| RV-3 | RV-3    | Dec. 11, 2017  |
| RV-4 | RV-2    | Dec. 4, 2017   |
| --   | RV-1    | Nov. 27, 2017  |
| --   | RV-6    | Nov. 20, 2017  |
| --   | RV-6    | Preseason Poll |

### 2016-17

| AP    | Coaches | Date           |
|-------|---------|----------------|
| --    | RV-22   | Dec. 5, 2016   |
| RV-7  | RV-20   | Nov. 28, 2016  |
| RV-12 | RV-35   | Nov. 21, 2016  |
| RV-2  | RV-25   | Nov. 14, 2016  |
| RV-5  | RV-38   | Preseason Poll |

### 2015-16

| AP   | Coaches | Date          |
|------|---------|---------------|
| --   | RV-12   | April 6, 2016 |
| RV-4 | RV-1    | Jan. 11, 2016 |
| RV-4 | --      | Jan. 4, 2016  |

### 2009-10

| AP    | Coaches | Date           |
|-------|---------|----------------|
| RV-31 | RV-17   | Nov. 16, 2009  |
| RV-31 | RV-70   | Preseason Poll |

### 2008-09

| AP    | Coaches | Date          |
|-------|---------|---------------|
| 16    | 19      | Final poll    |
| 16    | 15      | Mar. 9, 2009  |
| 17    | 14      | Mar. 2, 2009  |
| 21    | 16      | Feb. 23, 2009 |
| 22    | 18      | Feb. 15, 2009 |
| 23    | 21      | Feb. 9, 2009  |
| 24    | 20      | Feb. 2, 2009  |
| 24    | 19      | Jan. 26, 2009 |
| RV-68 | 20      | Jan. 19, 2009 |
| RV-50 | 21      | Jan. 12, 2009 |
| 23    | 23      | Jan. 5, 2009  |
| 24    | 21      | Dec. 29, 2008 |
| 25    | 21      | Dec. 22, 2008 |
| RV-1  | 22      | Dec. 15, 2008 |

AP - Associated Press Poll

Coaches - USA Today Coaches Poll

Charlotte Nov. 25 and at Florida Gulf Coast Dec. 29.

■ The Jackrabbits have made 10-or-more 3-pointers in a game eight times (7-1) this season. State has made 10-or-more 3-pointers in a game 32 times in the last five years.

■ In five-plus seasons, South Dakota State has buried 1,342 3-pointers for 8.6 per game. In 2008-09, State sank a school-record 291 treys.

■ The Jacks have made 200-or-more 3-point field goals in 16 of the last 17 seasons.

■ South Dakota State ranks second in 3-pointers made (8.6) overall and third in league games (9.3).

## Guebert + Miller = Threes

■ The junior pairing of Madison Guebert and Macy Miller has established itself as one of the top long-range shooting duos in SDSU history.

■ Already this year, the two Jackrabbit guards have combined for 86 State's 172 3-pointers. The prolific outside shooting from these two is nothing new as they continue to move up the all-time SDSU 3-point charts.

■ Only one other South Dakota State duo has tallied more threes over a three-year stretch than the 328 that Guebert and Miller have combined for since the 2015-16 season.

■ Jill Young and Kristin Rotert are the most prolific 3-point shooting duo in school history as they netted 412 treys while they played together from 2008-10.

■ Guebert and Miller are the second-most accurate Jackrabbit pair. They have teamed up to shoot 39.7 percent from beyond the arc while Gwen Greiner and Sherri Brende shot 40.7 (286-702) between 1998 and 2001.

## Best SDSU 3-Point Shooting Duos

| Players                | Years         | 3FG-3FGA (%)     |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| G. Greiner/S. Brende   | '98, '99 '00  | 286-702 (40.7)   |
| J. Young/K. Rotert     | '08-'09-'10   | 412-1,049 (39.2) |
| R. Halsrud/A. Just     | '93, '94      | 145-401 (36.1)   |
| M. Waytaszek/K. Young  | '14, '15      | 163-471 (34.6)   |
| H. Seiler/B. Dickmeyer | '03, '04, '05 | 148-450 (32.9)   |
| M. Guebert/M. Miller   | '15-'16-'17   | 328-826 (39.7)   |

## Elite Company

■ Ellie Thompson is on the verge of joining select group of Jackrabbits. Only two other Jacks in the 52-year history of SDSU basketball—Jennifer Warkenthien and Lora Kluis—accumulated 1,000 points, 500 rebounds, 200 assists and 100 blocked shots.

■ The forward enters Thursday's game 10 rebounds and 39 assists shy of joining the group.

| Players              | Yrs.    | Pts.  | Reb. | Ast. | 3FG | Bk  |
|----------------------|---------|-------|------|------|-----|-----|
| Jennifer Warkenthien | 2005-08 | 1,349 | 782  | 237  | 79  | 105 |
| Lora Kluis           | 1995-98 | 1,235 | 706  | 217  | 1   | 108 |
| Ellie Thompson       | 2014-P  | 1,126 | 690  | 161  | 48  | 107 |

## Top 3-point Field Goal Games

| Rk. | Opponent (Date)            | 3s  |
|-----|----------------------------|-----|
| 1.  | vs. Old Dominion, 11/28/15 | 17* |
| 2.  | at Northern State, 2/1/05  | 16  |
|     | UMKC, 2/14/09              | 16  |
|     | vs. TCU, 3/22/09           | 16  |

\* School record

## Top 3-Point Shooting Teams

| Team    | 3s/gm |
|---------|-------|
| 2017-18 | 8.6*  |
| 2008-09 | 8.3   |
| 2004-05 | 8.2   |
| 2002-03 | 8.1   |
| 2003-04 | 8.0   |

\* School record

■ The senior should also make her 50th 3-point field goal later this season. Only Warkenthien had made more than 50 treys.

## Block Party

■ Ellie Thompson is climbing the career blocks charts this season.

■ The forward has 107 blocks and needs two blocks to move into sixth in career blocks at State.

■ Thompson is also eighth in blocks per game (0.89).

■ She ranks sixth overall and 12th in The Summit League in blocks per game (0.6).

## Tip In

■ South Dakota State has a 360-game 3-pointer streak. The last time it didn't connect from long range was when it went 0 for 7 at Missouri Dec. 17, 2006.

■ The Jackrabbits have won their 16 games by an average of 17.2 points (nine by double digits and four by 30-or-more points). They have lost by a total of 34 points or 8.5 points per game.

■ SDSU's 69.2 field goal percentage, which broke the school record Dec. 20, 2017, against Wichita State, ranks fourth in the NCAA this season.

■ State's seven-game winning streak over league members ranks ninth in the NCAA.

## Five on the Floor

■ There have been multiple times this season when South Dakota State has had five point guards on the floor.

■ Alexis Alexander starts at the point position, averaging 2.6 assists per game and sophomore Rylie Cascio Jensen is the backup, averaging 1.7 an outing.

■ Macy Miller, the Jacks' point guard the last three seasons, also plays the other two guard positions and is averaging a team-high 2.9 assists per game.

■ Madison Guebert (2.4) and Myah Selland (2.4), who play the wing and forward, respectively, for the Jackrabbits, were point guards in high school.

■ The point guard group averages 11.7 assists per game, 7.9 turnovers per outing and has a 3.8 assists/turnover ratio.

■ SDSU ranks third in The Summit League in assists per game in overall (15.8) and league games (15.6).

## Dropping Dimes

■ The Jackrabbits dished a season-high 27 assists in their 92-48 win over NJIT in the season opener Nov. 10. They also had 20 in the overtime win at George Washington and against Charlotte. SDSU dished 22 against Wichita State.

■ Last year, State collected 20-or-more assists in three games, including a season-best 34 vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff Dec. 3, 2016.

■ SDSU's 15.8 assists per game rank third in The Summit

## Career Blocks

|    |     |                            |
|----|-----|----------------------------|
| 1. | 189 | Gina Mouw, 1993-96         |
| 2. | 174 | Clarissa Ober, 2013-17     |
| 3. | 135 | Angie Swenson, 1993-96     |
| 4. | 118 | Courtney Grimsrud, 2006-07 |
| 5. | 112 | Jennie Sunnarborg, 2008-11 |
| 6. | 108 | Lora Kluis, 1995-98        |
|    | 108 | Sarita DeBoer, 2001-04     |

## 8. 107 Ellie Thompson, 2014-P Career - Average

|    |      |                         |
|----|------|-------------------------|
| 1. | 1.83 | Gina Mouw, 1993-96      |
| -- | --   | --                      |
| 5. | 1.00 | Sarita DeBoer, 2001-04  |
| 6. | 0.98 | Lora Kluis, 1995-98     |
| 7. | 0.91 | J. Sunnarborg, 2008-11  |
| 8. | 0.89 | Ellie Thompson, 2014-P  |
|    | 0.89 | J. Warkenthien, 2005-08 |

# Page 10 - Game Notes

## SDSU vs. Ranked Opponents

| Date         | AP          | Opponent             | Result      |
|--------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|
| 11/17/06     | 19          | USC                  | W, 67-63    |
| 11/25/06     | 15          | vs. Baylor           | L, 71-53    |
| 12/31/06     | 20          | Marquette            | L, 80-63    |
| 11/23/07     | 15          | at George Washington | L, 65-60    |
| 11/26/08     | 10          | vs. Maryland         | L, 68-56    |
| 12/9/08      | 25          | at Minnesota         | W, 65-55    |
| *3/24/09     | 5           | vs. Baylor           | L, 60-58    |
| 11/15/09     | 16          | at Arizona State     | L, 73-64    |
| 11/27/09     | 15          | vs. Virginia         | L, 78-66    |
| *3/21/10     | 12          | at Oklahoma          | L, 68-57    |
| 12/18/10     | 16          | Iowa                 | L, 65-54    |
| *3/20/11     | 5           | at Xavier            | L, 72-56    |
| 12/21/11     | 24          | at Nebraska          | L, 80-71    |
| *3/17/12     | 13          | at Purdue            | L, 83-68    |
| 11/18/12     | 15          | Nebraska             | W, 60-55    |
| 12/16/12     | 10          | at Penn State        | L, 60-50    |
| *3/23/13     | 14          | vs. South Carolina   | L, 74-52    |
| 11/28/13     | 6           | vs. Stanford         | L, 80-60    |
| 12/11/13     | 12          | vs. Penn State       | W, 83-79    |
| 1/2/14       | 2           | at Notre Dame        | L, 94-51    |
| 12/4/15      | 25          | at Arkansas          | W, 80-75 ot |
| *3/20/15     | 10          | at Oregon State      | L, 74-62    |
| 11/21/15     | 3           | Notre Dame           | L, 75-64    |
| 11/27/15     | 6           | vs. Maryland         | L, 62-55    |
| 12/15/15     | 16          | DePaul               | W, 88-79    |
| *3/19/16     | 19          | vs. Miami            | W, 74-71    |
| *3/21/16     | 13          | at Stanford          | L, 66-65    |
| 11/23/16     | 13          | at Oklahoma          | L, 74-60    |
| 12/14/16     | 8           | at Louisville        | L, 83-30    |
| 11/24/17     | 23          | vs. N.C. State       | W, 75-67    |
| 12/3/17      | 4           | Louisville           | L, 68-64    |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>8-24</b> |                      |             |

\*NCAA Tournament

## Signing Day Summary

- Head coach Aaron Johnston signed five to National Letters of Intent (NLI) Nov. 8.
- Signing with the Jackrabbits were:

- Paiton Burckhard, 6-0, forward  
Aberdeen, S.D./Aberdeen Central HS
- Jordan Ferrand, 6-2, forward  
Lino Lakes, Minn./White Bear Lake HS)
- Addison Hirschman, 6-2, forward  
Kingsley, Iowa/Kingsley-Pierson HS
- Lauren Rongisch, 5-7, guard  
Omaha, Neb./Millard West HS
- Sydney Stapleton, 6-0, forward  
Blaine, Minn./Centennial HS

League. Its 316 assists ranks third in the league and 44th in the NCAA. The Jacks have four players, led by Macy Miller's 59 assists, with 40-or-more assists.

## Single-Digit Scoring Quarters

- Nine times in 20 games this season, South Dakota State has held opponents to single digits scoring quarters.

- NJIT, 4 pts., 3rd quarter
- George Washington, 9 pts., OT
- North Dakota, 8 pts., 2nd quarter
- N.C. State, 9 pts., 1st quarter
- Northern Iowa, 8 & 9 pts. 1st & 2nd quarters
- Bowling Green, 9 pts. 3rd quarter
- Dakota Wesleyan, 9 pts., 3rd quarter
- Western Illinois, 9 pts., 3rd quarter

## January Streak

- Since 2001-02, SDSU sports a 57-7 (.890) home record and 47-15 (.758) road mark in January.
- The Jackrabbits have won 44 of their last 52 January games. Their losses were to then-No. 2 Notre Dame, three losses to IUPUI, two to South Dakota and at NDSU and at Omaha.
- The Fighting Irish are the lone ranked team SDSU has played in January.

## Balanced Bench

- Through 20 games, 10 of the 12 Jackrabbits who have played this season are averaging 10-or-more minutes and six with 15-or-more minutes on the floor.
- The reserves for the Jackrabbits have combined for 27.6 percent of State's points (417) or 20.8 points per game. The group is shooting 41.2 percent (154-373) from the field, 35.4 percent (57-161) from 3-point range and 73.8 percent (65-88) from the free-throw line.
- The bench has five players averaging 3.0-or-more points and three grabbing 2.0-or-more rebounds an outing.
- Coming off the bench, Tagyn Larson leads the team in rebounding (5.6), Rylie Cascio Jensen is fifth in assists (1.8) while Tylee Irwin is third on the team in 3-pointers (18 of 53).

## Jackrabbits Attendance Mark

- Since the Johnston era began in 2000-01, South Dakota State has averaged 2,216 fans per game.
- SDSU averages 1,862 fans at home this season, second in The Summit League. In league games, State has an average of 1,880 fans, second in the league.
- South Dakota State's largest home crowd so far this season was 2,506 fans vs. Louisville Dec. 3.
- The Jackrabbits led the league in overall home attendance and in league games by 77 fans last year.
- They ranked 78th in the NCAA in overall attendance.

## Frost Magic

- The Jackrabbits regularly play before large crowds at Frost Arena, drawing an average of more than 2,000 fans per game eight of the last 10 seasons.
- The top four largest crowds since the Jacks opened play in Frost in 1972-73 have been vs. South Dakota.
- Prior to the Coyotes joining The Summit League, SDSU defeated

## Attendance Averages

since 2000-01

|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| 2000-01        | 1,669        |
| 2001-02        | 2,577        |
| 2002-03        | 2,568        |
| 2003-04        | 2,484        |
| 2004-05        | 1,473        |
| 2005-06        | 1,905        |
| 2006-07        | 2,753        |
| 2007-08        | 2,343        |
| 2008-09        | 2,803        |
| 2009-10        | 2,394        |
| 2010-11        | 1,882        |
| 2011-12        | 2,403        |
| 2012-13        | 2,208        |
| 2013-14        | 2,201        |
| 2014-15        | 2,117        |
| 2015-16        | 2,381        |
| 2016-17        | 1,908        |
| 2017-18        | 1,862        |
| <b>Average</b> | <b>2,218</b> |

## THE SUMMIT LEAGUE PRESEASON POLL

| Rank | Team                      | Points          |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| 1.   | <b>South Dakota State</b> | <b>380 (16)</b> |
| 2.   | Western Illinois          | 372 (12)        |
| 3.   | South Dakota              | 307             |
| 4.   | Oral Roberts              | 238             |
| 5.   | Omaha                     | 185             |
| 6.   | North Dakota State        | 150             |
| 7.   | Denver                    | 143             |
| 8.   | Fort Wayne                | 60              |

## THE SUMMIT LEAGUE PRESEASON TEAMS

### First Team

| Name                   | Yr.        | Pos.     | School      |
|------------------------|------------|----------|-------------|
| <b>Ellie Thompson</b>  | <b>Sr.</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>SDSU</b> |
| <b>Macy Miller</b>     | <b>Jr.</b> | <b>G</b> | <b>SDSU</b> |
| <b>Madison Guebert</b> | <b>Jr.</b> | <b>G</b> | <b>SDSU</b> |
| Morgan Blumer          | Sr.        | G        | WIU         |
| Emily Clemens          | Sr.        | G        | WIU         |
| Allison Arens          | Jr.        | G        | USD         |

### Second Team

| Name                | Yr. | Pos. | School |
|---------------------|-----|------|--------|
| Faith Ihim          | Sr. | F    | ORU    |
| Maria Martianez     | Jr. | F    | ORU    |
| Taylor Higginbotham | Jr. | G    | WIU    |
| Taylor Thunstedt    | Sr. | G    | NDSU   |
| Ciara Duffy         | So. | G    | USD    |

### Preseason Player of the Year

|               |     |   |     |
|---------------|-----|---|-----|
| Emily Clemens | Sr. | G | WIU |
|---------------|-----|---|-----|

## Flaata Ends Playing Career

- Tiffaney Flaata's senior year didn't go as planned as she will end her playing career with the Jackrabbits due to a career-ending injury.
- Flaata, who suffered the injury prior to the start of the season, played in 68 career games and averaged 1.2 points and 1.5 rebounds per game. The Jacks' center will remain with the team.



## Showdown Series

■ South Dakota State and South Dakota meet in the South Dakota Corn Utilization Showdown Series Thursday, a yearlong collegiate athletics and academic competition started in fall 2012.

■ The Jackrabbits lead the all-time series 3-2, and Thursday's women's basketball is the eighth event this year. SDSU leads 4-3 with 14 events to go.

■ The South Dakota Showdown Series, presented by South Dakota Corn, operates on a point system in which each school can earn a maximum of 24 points per year based on head-to-head competition and Summit League Championship finishes between the Jackrabbits and the Coyotes in a total of 17 men's and women's sports. There is an academic component as well, and the university compiling the most points by the end of the school year will earn bragging rights to the specially designed traveling trophy.

■ In addition to focusing on the points earned by both schools respectively, promoting values of good sportsmanship will be strongly emphasized among SDSU and USD fans.

■ Complementing the competition aspect, SDSU, USD and South Dakota Corn have designated Feeding South Dakota as the nonprofit organization to benefit from the rivalry series. As the state's primary hunger relief operation, Feeding South Dakota feeds thousands of people every year and provided 10.1 million meals to individuals in need in 2015. It was imperative to both schools and South Dakota Corn that Feeding South Dakota benefits, and concessionaire Aramark is ensuring that happens as fans attending Showdown Series' head-to-head athletic events are encouraged to make a monetary donation for Feeding South Dakota while making their concession purchases.

USD, 86-69, Jan. 16, 2003, in front of the largest women's basketball crowd—7,814.

■ The largest women's-only crowd to watch the South Dakota State-South Dakota battle was Feb. 15, 2010, when 5,246 fans filled Frost Arena to see the Jacks beat the Coyotes, 67-48.

## Tough at Home

■ The Jackrabbits women's basketball team has a decisive home-court advantage in Frost Arena since its opening in 1972-73.

- 477-120 (.798) overall record
- 228-32 (.876) under Johnston
- 161-22 (.879) during Division I era
- Two undefeated seasons: 2014-15 and 2008-09
- 35, longest regular-season home win streak (2007-2010)

## Height Advantage

■ The average height of the 2017-18 South Dakota State roster is 6-foot with nine of 14 Jacks 6-foot or taller this season.

■ The Jackrabbits are the tallest team in The Summit League again this season:

Most Players 6'0 and taller - 2017-18 rosters  
South Dakota State — 9  
Denver — 8  
Omaha — 6  
North Dakota State — 5  
South Dakota — 5  
Oral Roberts — 4  
Western Illinois — 3  
Fort Wayne - 1

## Best in The Summit League

- In the last 11-plus years, South Dakota State has won 144 league games, the most among all current Summit League teams. SDSU has recorded a winning season in all 10 seasons.
- The Jacks have lost only 26 league games since joining the league in 2007-08 or 2.6 games per season.

## Up Next

■ South Dakota State concludes its four-game homestand when it hosts Fort Wayne at 2 p.m. Saturday.