Preseason rankings:

1. ESU (2)
2. Incarnate Word (14)
3. PSU
4. UCM
5. UNO
6. Central Oklahoma
7. Abilene Christian
8. SBU
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10. MWSU
11. TSU 118
12. FHSU

Women's basketball preview

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Volleyball picks up key win vs. UNO

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Refilling its roster, the Bulldog senior center is on a mission.

The No. 19 volleyball team took down No. 10 University of Nebraska-St. Mary's, 3-1 Saturday. This likely guarantees the Bulldogs the No. 5 regional spot as they near the postseason.

Every aspect of the Bulldogs' game was improved. The defense, which has struggled all season, showed much improvement. The Bulldogs held UNO to a .043 hitting percentage, in fact holding two sets (16-0 in the third, 25-11 in the fourth) to make them look like a .000 hitter. The attack, which has struggled all season, showed much improvement. The Bulldogs put up 12 kills. Senior right side hitter Erin Hattey put up 12 kills. Senior setter Kori Thiel picked up 19 assists and 16 digs for the Bulldogs.

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