

ASC REPORT

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2006-07



**AMERICAN SOUTHWEST
CONFERENCE
NCAA Division III**

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**ASC 2006-07
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

ASC Championship Tournament

- ◆ February 23-24-25, 2006 (Fri-Sat-Sun)
- ◆ Hosted by ASC #1 West Division Seed
- ◆ Eight Team Field, Single-elimination
- ◆ Qualify: Top four East Division seeds and top four West Division seeds
- ◆ Champion: ASC automatic qualifier to NCAA Division III Championship

NCAA Division III Championship

- ◆ First Round: Feb. 28
(on-campus)
- ◆ Second Round: March 2-3
(on-campus)
- ◆ Sectionals: March 9-10
(on-campus)
- ◆ Semifinals/Finals: March 16-17
(Blake Arena, Springfield, Mass.)



2005-06 SEASON REVIEW

**ASC Champion
MCMURRY**

East Division Co-Champions
Mississippi College; Texas-Tyler

West Division Champion
McMurry

NCAA Championship Participants

McMurry (First Round)
Howard Payne (Second Round)
Hardin-Simmons (Final Four / Semifinals)

WEB LINKS

www.ncaa.org, www.ncaasports.com
www.D3hoops.com

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CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	East Division					Overall				
	W	L	Pct	PF	PA	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Texas-Tyler&	2	0	1.000	81.5	60.0	3	0	1.000	81.0	61.7
Mississippi College	1	1	.500	75.0	65.5	4	1	.800	76.6	59.2
Ozarks	1	1	.500	63.0	77.5	3	2	.600	70.2	73.4
Texas-Dallas	1	1	.500	86.5	73.5	3	2	.500	76.5	70.8
East Texas Baptist	0	1	.000	74.0	79.0	3	1	.750	76.2	69.8
LeTourneau	0	2	.000	58.5	81.5	2	3	.400	56.4	68.6
Louisiana College	0	2	.000	59.5	68.5	0	4	.000	57.5	69.5

	West Division					Overall				
	W	L	Pct	PF	PA	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
#11 Hardin-Simmons	2	0	1.000	79.0	64.5	3	1	.750	76.5	65.5
Mary Hardin-Baylor	2	0	1.000	70.0	66.5	2	1	.667	73.7	72.3
#15 McMurry	1	0	1.000	84.0	62.0	3	0	1.000	80.7	56.0
#14 Howard Payne	1	0	1.000	94.0	52.0	2	0	1.000	85.0	48.5
Schreiner	2	1	.667	72.0	68.7	2	2	.500	66.2	79.0
Concordia-Austin	1	1	.500	64.0	68.0	1	2	.333	58.7	71.3
Sul Ross State	0	1	.000	61.0	74.0	1	2	.333	55.7	67.3
Texas Lutheran	0	3	.000	57.0	83.3	0	4	.000	52.8	85.0

& Ineligible for ASC Championship Tournament as NCAA-Div. III provisional member

READY FOR TIP-OFF

Schedule Subject to Change; + ASC game;
D3Hoops.com ranking listed

Thursday, November 30

- + Mississippi College @ #15 McMurry, 5:30
- + East Texas Baptist @ #14 Howard Payne, 5:30
- + Ozarks @ Schreiner, 5:30
- + Texas-Tyler @ Mary Hardin-Baylor, 5:30
- + Louisiana College @ #11 Hardin-Simmons, 5:30
- + LeTourneau @ Sul Ross State, 5:30

Saturday, December 2

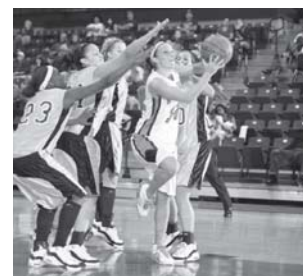
- + Mississippi College @ #11 Hardin-Simmons, 1:00
- + East Texas Baptist @ Sul Ross State, 1:00
- + Ozarks @ Texas Lutheran, 1:00
- + Texas-Tyler @ Concordia-Austin, 1:00
- + Louisiana College @ #15 McMurry, 1:00
- + LeTourneau @ #14 Howard Payne, 1:00

Sunday, December 3

- Menlo @ Mary Hardin-Baylor, 2:00

IN THE PAINT

The 2006-07 season is in full swing, as each team has a conference game under its belt. Three undefeated teams remain: Texas-Tyler, McMurry and Howard Payne. UTT is the only squad in the East Division that is unbeaten in league play, while Hardin-Simmons and Mary Hardin-Baylor join McMurry and HPU as West Division clubs without an ASC loss. Appearing in the D3hoops.com national rankings are Hardin-Simmons (11), Howard Payne (14) and McMurry (15). As far as statistics, Mississippi College's Lacey Kennedy is the league's leading scorer at 25.8 points per game. She has already delivered a 43-point performance.



Preseason player of the year Sarah Stanley has helped lead Texas-Tyler to a 3-0 start.

The slates for Thursday and Saturday are filled with nothing but conference games.

A LOOK BACK...

EAST DIVISION

N 20 Katrina Visina, G, Sr., LeTourneau
 N 27 Sarah Stanley, G, Sr., Texas-Tyler
 D 4
 D 11
 D 18
 J 1
 J 8
 J 15
 J 22
 J 29
 F 5
 F 12
 F 19

WEST DIVISION

N 20 Tarra Richardson, C, Jr., McMurry
 N 27 Symbri Tuttle, PG, Sr., McMurry
 D 4
 D 11
 D 18
 J 1
 J 8
 J 15
 J 22
 J 29
 F 5
 F 12
 F 19

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Games of November 20-26

EAST DIVISION

SARAH STANLEY, G, Sr., Texas-Tyler

Texas-Tyler senior guard **Sarah Stanley** (*Rockwall, Texas / RHS*) began the season with 18 points and six assists in a win over Jarvis Christian, then scored 30 points – including going 12-for-14 from the floor and 3-for-3 from 3-point range – in a conference victory against Texas Lutheran. The Preseason ASC East Division Player of the Year also added five steals, three assists and two blocks in just 19 minutes against the Bulldogs.

WEST DIVISION

SYMBRI TUTTLE, PG, Sr., McMurry

McMurry senior point guard **Symbri Tuttle** (*Arlington, Texas / Lamar HS*) became the American Southwest Conference's all-time assists leader in a league-opening victory over LeTourneau. Tuttle, who finished with 11 assists and 10 points, broke the mark of 535 set from 2002-05 by LeTourneau's Marissa Coop with 10:49 remaining in the first half. She dished a pass to Sandra Lewis, who was good on a 17-foot jump shot. The performance was Tuttle's second double double of the season for nationally-ranked McMurry.

OTHER TOP PERFORMANCES

EAST: Mississippi College F **Lacey Kennedy** scored a career-high 43 points in a win over Rhodes College with 12 rebounds and had 22 points, seven rebounds and six steals in a conference-opening loss to UMHB. . . . Texas-Dallas F **Lauren Hale** scored in double figures in each of the Comets' three games. She was 6-for-14 from beyond the arc as UTD went 2-1. . . . ETBU P **Mary Slaughter** averaged 18 points and five rebounds as the Lady Tigers went 1-1. . . . Ozarks F **Tiffany Jewell** averaged 11 points and six rebounds off the bench as the Lady Eagles went 1-1.

WEST: Howard Payne G **Meia Daniels** shot 69.2 percent from the floor to guide the Lady Jackets past Ozarks. She had 22 points, lifting her past the 1,000-point mark for her career. . . . Concordia-Austin G **Kassandra Bills** scored a game-high 22 points along with eight rebounds in a win over Louisiana College. . . . Mary Hardin-Baylor F **Lindsey LeDee** scored a team-high 25 points in a loss to Trinity (Texas) and tallied 12 in a conference-opening road victory against MC. . . . Hardin-Simmons C **Melissa Contrucci** had 18 points and 11 rebounds in a win over East Texas Baptist and 14 points and five rebounds in a loss to Southwestern. . . . Sul Ross State C **Nitra Woods** averaged 17.5 points and eight rebounds as the Lady Lobos went 1-1.

NATIONAL AWARDS

D3Hoops.com Team of the Week

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D3Hoops.com Preseason All-America Team

Second Team

Center: Tarra Richardson, Jr., McMurry

Third Team

Guard: Meia Daniels, Jr., Howard Payne



LEADERBOARD

The top performances by teams and individuals this season

-INDIVIDUAL-

POINTS

43 – Lacey Kennedy, Mississippi College (vs. Rhodes, 11/21/06)

3-POINTERS

6 – Katrina Visina, LeTourneau (at Southwestern Assemblies of God, 11/18/06)

REBOUNDS

18 – Tarra Richardson, McMurry (at LeTourneau, 11/25/06)

ASSISTS

11 – Symbri Tuttle, McMurry (at LeTourneau, 11/25/06)

STEALS

8 – Kristen Baskin, LeTourneau (at Southwestern Assemblies of God, 11/18/06)

BLOCKED SHOTS

4 – Lauren Hale, Texas-Dallas (vs. Schreiner, 11/25/06)

-TEAM-

POINTS SCORED

95 – Texas-Dallas (vs. Texas Lutheran, 11/26/06)

FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED

44 – Mississippi College (at Guilford, 11/18/06)

WINNING STREAK

3 – McMurry (11/18/06 – current); Texas-Tyler (11/20/06 – current)

LEAGUE'S LEADING...

SCORER

Lacey Kennedy, Mississippi College (25.8)

REBOUNDER

Tarra Richardson, McMurry (12.7)



**D3HOOPS.COM
TOP 25**

Week 1: November 26

No.	School	Points
1.	Bowdoin (13)	605
2.	Hope (9)	600
3.	Southern Maine (1)	558
4.	Rochester (2)	503
5.	Scranton	508
6.	UW-Stout	472
7.	DePauw	442
8.	Brandeis	388
9.	Calvin	386
10.	Baldwin-Wallace	357
11.	HARDIN-SIMMONS	315
12.	Mary Washington	310
13.	Messiah	291
14.	HOWARD PAYNE	284
15.	MCMURRY	251
16.	UW-Stevens Point	229
17.	Puget Sound	197
18.	Lake Forest	178
19.	Salem State	143
20.	Simpson	143
21.	Bridgewater	139
22.	Randolph-Macon	120
23.	Wilmington	113
24.	Maryville (Tenn.)	88
25.	Chicago	72

Next Poll: TBA
www.D3Hoops.com

Tracking the ASC:

Date	Poll	ASC Team	Rank
Nov.	Pre	Hardin-Simmons	7 (405)
		Howard Payne	18 (186)
		McMurry	20 (157)
N26	W1	Hardin-Simmons	11 (315)
		Howard Payne	14 (284)
		McMurry	15 (251)

WHO'S THE BEST?

The All-Time ASC Women's Basketball Records – updated after the 2005-06 season – can be found on the conference's website, www.americansouthwestconf.org.

2006 Preseason

ASC PRESEASON PLAYER AWARDS

East Division Player of the Year
Sarah Stanley, G, Sr., Texas-Tyler
West Division Player of the Year
Tarra Richardson, P, Jr., McMurry

WHO THE COACH/SIDs/MEDIA PICKED:

East Division
Texas-Tyler (8 first-place votes)
West Division
Hardin-Simmons (10 first-place votes)

AROUND THE ASC

Compiled from information submitted by ASC Sports Information Directors

**~ FROM THE EAST ~
TEXAS-TYLER**

Texas-Tyler started the season with a pair of wins over Jarvis Christian and Texas Lutheran. For the first time, Texas-Tyler won their season opener with an 80-65 win over Jarvis Christian. The Patriots got a double-double from **Sha Shead** with 11 points and 14 rebounds. Freshman post **Haleigh Hennig** scored on her first shot as a Patriot, netting eight points and eight rebounds in just ten minutes of play. UTT began ASC play with a 91-51 win over Texas Lutheran. The Patriots had an 18-2 run to start the game, and never trailed. **Sarah Stanley** had a near-perfect night, with 30 points including going 12-14 from the floor, 3-3 from the line, and 3-3 from the three-point arc. Stanley also added five steals, three assists, and two blocks in just 19 minutes in the blowout win.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Mississippi College improved their record to 3-0 with an 81-72 win over Rhodes College. Senior forward **Lacey Kennedy** led the way with 43 points and 12 rebounds. After the Thanksgiving break, the Lady Choctaws dropped their first game of the season to Mary Hardin-Baylor, 73-72. MC had the final shot of the game rim out to give the Lady Crusaders the one-point win.

OZARKS

Christina Jost collected her first win as a collegiate head coach against North Central College when Ozarks won 72-66 on November 18. Through four games, the Lady Eagles have displayed a balanced scoring effort. Five players were in double figures against Rust College. **Savannah Carter** finished with a team-high 15 points on a 3-of-5 performance from the 3-point line. **Jeanne Randall, Lindsey Nietert** and **Tiffany Jewell** shot a combined 15-of-19 (78%) from the field en route to each scoring 13 points. In the win, Ozarks shot 61 percent from the field. Against Howard Payne, the Lady Eagles had trouble from the field, shooting only 35 percent in the first half, and 30 percent in the second half. **Mandi Carter**, who moved into 10th place on Ozarks all-time career scoring list, was the only player to finish in double figures.

TEXAS-DALLAS

Texas-Dallas evened its record at 2-2 after wins over former ASC member Austin College (71-58) and Texas Lutheran (95-64); and could have had a 3-0 week but lost an early 10-point lead over Schreiner in an 83-78 loss. In that game, UTD went seven minutes midway through without a basket from the field and allowed Schreiner back in the game. UTD began the season thinking that offense would be a problem, but the Comets are averaging 76.5 points per game, have three players averaging in double figures and are shooting 49.6 percent from the field. The Comets have also hit 45.8 percent from beyond the three-point arch. Junior **Ericka Baker** (13.8 ppg) is the only non-freshman in the top five scorers on the team, led by freshman **Lauren Hale** (15.5 ppg).

LETOURNEAU

Two LeTourneau freshmen, **Memrie Ferguson** and **Kristen Baskin**, stepped up their play in the ASC opener against #18 McMurry. Ferguson scored 22 points off the bench and Baskin added 18 points. In the team's loss to Wiley, freshman **Stephanie Bush** pulled down 12 rebounds in 16 minutes. The team gets set for its longest road trip of the season traveling to Sul Ross and Howard Payne this weekend.

LOUISIANA COLLEGE

Louisiana College sophomore center **Kelli Brasher** has now posted double-doubles in her last two games, averaging 13.5 ppg and 10.0 rpg during those two games.

**~ FROM THE WEST ~
HARDIN-SIMMONS**

Hardin-Simmons lost to a non-conference opponent in the regular season for the first time since the first game of the 2003-04 season at Southwestern. HSU has had seven different players score in double figures in the first three games of the season.

MARY HARDIN-BAYLOR

Mary Hardin-Baylor opened conference play with a 73-72 win over Mississippi College. UMHB has now won two straight over the Lady Choctaws in Clinton, Miss. The two games this season have been decided by a total of four points. **Shannon Barnes** posted team highs with 15 points and seven rebounds in the victory over MC. Freshman guard **Jessica Kelly** hit the two free throws to beat the Lady Choctaws.

MCMURRY

Symbri Tuttle's career record breaking-assist was just the silver lining to McMurry's ASC-opening victory over LeTourneau Saturday at Solheim Arena in Longview. Tuttle, who needed just four

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RECENT RESULTS

+ Indicates ASC game

Friday, November 17

LeTourneau 58, Dallas Christian 52
 Howard Payne 76, Trinity (Texas) 45
 Oklahoma City Univ. 78, Concordia-Austin 48
Millsaps College Tournament (Jackson, Miss.)
 Mississippi College 61, Rust 45
University of Dallas Tip-Off Tournament (Dallas, Texas)
 Austin College 69, Louisiana College 47
North Central College Tournament (Chicago, Ill.)
 John Carroll 80, Ozarks 64
Guilford Tournament (Greensboro, N.C.)
 McMurry 80, Oneonta State 62

Saturday, November 18

+ Schreiner 64, Texas Lutheran 56
 Oklahoma City Univ. 78, Texas-Dallas 62
 East Texas Baptist 61, Jarvis Christian 53
 Hardin-Simmons 84, Trinity (Texas) 67
 LeTourneau 63, Southwestern Assemblies of God 55
Millsaps College Tournament (Jackson, Miss.)
 Mississippi College 91, LaGrange 48
University of Dallas Tip-Off Tournament (Dallas, Texas)
 University of Dallas 72, Louisiana College 66
North Central College Tournament (Chicago, Ill.)
 Ozarks 72, North Central 66
Guilford Tournament (Greensboro, N.C.)
 McMurry 78, Guilford 44

Monday, November 20

Texas-Tyler 80, Jarvis Christian 65
 Wiley 73, LeTourneau 44

Tuesday, November 21

Mississippi College 81, Rhodes 72
 Ozarks 89, Rust 66
 East Texas Baptist 84, LSU-Shreveport 78
 Southwestern 66, Hardin-Simmons 64
 Trinity 84, Mary Hardin-Baylor 81
 Abilene Christian 90, Texas Lutheran 40
 Texas-Dallas 71, Austin College 58
 Texas-Pan American 110, Schreiner 49
 Lubbock Christian 70, Sul Ross State 46

Saturday, November 25

+ Mary Hardin-Baylor 73, Mississippi College 72
 + Hardin-Simmons 79, East Texas Baptist 74
 + Howard Payne 94, Ozarks 52
 + Schreiner 83, Texas-Dallas 78
 + Concordia-Austin 70, Louisiana College 58
 + McMurry 84, LeTourneau 62
 + Texas-Tyler 91, Texas Lutheran 51
 Sul Ross State 60, Texas-Permian Basin 58

Sunday, November 26

+ Texas-Dallas 95, Texas Lutheran 64

AROUND THE ASC (continued from Page 3)

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assists, to become the conference's all-time leader in career assists entering into the contest. However, she added 11 to her career total to give her 543 in her four-year career. She passed the record in the gym of the former record holder's school as **Marissa Coop**'s mark of 535 fell. Tuttle's big pass came with 10:49 remaining in the first half when she hit freshman Sandra Lewis on the right wing who followed by draining a 17-foot jump shot. **Tarra Richardson** scored 25 points and had a career-high 18 rebounds while **Maigen Sawyer** added 21 points and Tuttle's double-double paced McMurry to a 84-62 victory. McMurry jumped out to an early 11-2 lead to set the tone for the matchup and never trailed.

HOWARD PAYNE

Howard Payne continued to put up impressive numbers as it downed Ozarks 94-52 last Saturday. HPU is averaging 85.0 points per game with a plus-36.5 scoring margin in its first two games. Guard **Meia Daniels** passed 1000 points in her career against Ozarks. She is currently 8th all-time at HPU and is on pace to break 2000 by the end of her career.

SCHREINER

Schreiner picked up a win on the road against Texas-Dallas on Saturday. Four Mountaineers recorded double figures in scoring: **Monica Enriquez**, **Vanessa Lopez** and **Lynn Stow** tallied 20, 19, and 18 points respectively. Freshman **Courtney Davis** came off the bench to score 16 points. Lopez was one rebound shy of recording her first double-double of the season with nine.

CONCORDIA-AUSTIN

Concordia-Austin won its conference opener 70-58 at Louisiana College.

SUL ROSS STATE

Sul Ross State posted a 1-1 season opening week with a 70-46 loss to Lubbock Christian on Tuesday in Alpine. The Lady Lobos rebounded and edged Texas-Permian Basin 60-58 in Saturday play.

TEXAS LUTHERAN

Texas Lutheran dropped a non-conference road game to Abilene Christian on Tuesday and lost ASC road games to Texas-Tyler and Texas-Dallas on Saturday and Sunday, respectively. TLU opponents scored 90 or more points in all three contests last week. The Bulldogs were outscored by an average of 40 points last week. **Tyson Mathews**, TLU's senior point guard, scored 26 points on 10-of-12 shooting in the road loss to UT-Dallas. TLU shot a season-best 44.9 percent from the field in the loss to UTD.