

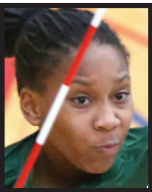
FIRST TEAM

ALLEN | CARROLLTON | CELINA | COPPELL | FRISCO | LAKE CITIES | LEWISVILLE | LITTLE ELM
MCKINNEY | MESQUITE | PLANO | ROWLETT | THE COLONY | FLOWER MOUND

SECOND TEAM

BAILEY BIRMINGHAM OH, Prosper, Sr.

Head coach Erin Kauffman said Birmingham fine-tuned her skill to match her gifted athleticism during her senior season. The result was a district MVP campaign for the Tulsa commit. Birmingham scrambled 5-6A's defenses from the right side to the tune of 202 kills and 30 blocks. Most notable was the southpaw's efficiency on the attack — she hit .383 on the year and had a kill percentage of 50% to help guide Prosper to a district title and three-round playoff run.



MAGGIE BOYD OH, Marcus, Jr.

Boyd finished her junior year ranked among the top hitters in the Metroplex with 295 kills. The first-team all-district pick out of 6-6A averaged just a shade under four kills per set, chipping in 35 aces, 21 blocks and 231 digs as the anchor of a Marcus team that tallied a 16-6 record and qualified for the bi-district round of the playoffs.



SHALIYAH RHODEN OH, Sachse, Sr.

Rhoden, a Providence signee, is a four-time all-district selection and was twice named district offensive player of the year. A member of the TGCA Class 6A all-state team, Rhoden recorded 253 kills (3.3 kpg), as she surpassed 1,000 for her career, to go along with 184 digs (2.4 per set), 28 aces and 25 blocks, as the Mustangs earned a share of the district championship.



HANNAH BILLETER OH, McKinney Boyd, Jr.

It was no secret where the ball was headed when the Lady Broncos needed a big point during a challenging District 5-6A campaign. Even then, defenses were largely rendered powerless against the hard-hitting junior. Billeter was named 5-6A's offensive player of the year following a season where she tallied 276 kills, 224 digs and 12 blocks. Head coach JJ Castillo praised Billeter's ball control as well, as she passed a 2.25 on the year to lead Boyd back to the playoffs.



NYLAH ENCALADE MB, McKinney North, Sr.

Encalade's presence was missed late in the postseason, sidelined for the Lady Bulldogs' fourth- and fifth-round matchups, but the program may not have even found itself in such a position if not for the work of their 6-foot middle blocker. Named 10-5A's blocker of the year, Encalade rejected 76 shots and tallied 251 kills on a whopping .402 hitting percentage for the regional finalists.



AVERI CARLSON S, Lovejoy, Jr.

Carlson was at the controls of Class 5A's back-to-back state champions, weaponizing her skill set beyond setting up Lovejoy's arsenal of hitters. The 10-5A co-MVP dished out 679 assists on more than 8.5 per set while mixing up a slew of well-timed kills at the net — she finished with 48 — to go along with 165 digs and 39 aces as she was named to the Class 5A all-state tournament team for the third consecutive year.



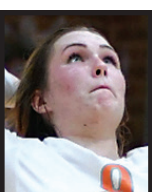
CALLIE KEMOHAH L, Lovejoy, Sr.

At the heart of the Lady Leopards' success last season was a level of defense and ball control that head coach Ryan Mitchell lauded as the best he has ever seen from the program. Kemoah led that effort in just her second year at Lovejoy, totaling 344 digs during her senior season on almost 14 per set. The All-American third-team selection added 31 aces and was named 10-5A defensive MVP.



MEGAN HODGES UTIL, Celina, Jr.

Hodges did it all for the Lady Bobcats during her junior season, alternating between hitter and setter for a Celina squad that repeated as district champions and reached the regional quarterfinals. Hodges contributed in every area for a young Lady Bobcat squad with 258 kills, 442 assists, 314 digs, 65 aces and 21 blocks. Fittingly enough, the junior was named 9-4A MVP.



TYRAH ARIAIL Frisco Lebanon Trail, Sr.

Lebanon Trail recently completed just its third varsity season, but it hit the ground running from the start and Ariail has been at the heart of that success.

The Trail Blazers qualified for the playoffs in their inaugural campaign in 2018, and as a sophomore, Ariail emerged as a central figure, leading the team with 118 blocks and averaging 2.3 kills per game as she was named district blocker of the year.

Last season, Lebanon Trail finished second in 9-5A and won its first playoff match in program history. Ariail was



named the Star Local Media and district blocker of the year after recording 122 blocks and 332 kills.

Ariail, who signed with USC in November, became one of the most well-rounded players in the state on her way to 9-5A most valuable player honors this season.

Though teams played a reduced schedule due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ariail still put up big numbers, averaging 5.1 kills per set and recording 85 blocks.

But she also made a huge impact in the back, where she tallied 19 aces behind the serving line and was also one of the team's leading defensive players, registering 3.8 digs per game.

Ariail led Lebanon Trail to a share of its first district championship, and it matched its deepest playoff run, defeating Prosper Rock Hill and Lancaster before falling to McKinney North in the regional quarterfinals.

HITTER OF THE YEAR

CECILY BRAMSCHREIBER Lovejoy, Sr.

The Lady Leopards had a year for the history books in 2020, becoming the first Dallas-area volleyball team to post an undefeated season. Lovejoy went 26-0 and dropped all of two sets on its way to a second consecutive Class 5A state championship.

Experience was a big reason behind the Lady Leopards' success and Bramschreiber, one season removed from being named the 2019 state tournament MVP, picked up where she left off.

The District 10-5A co-MVP tallied 257 kills (nearly four per set) 30 aces, 21 blocks and 235 digs on the year — amassing those totals despite the entire Lovejoy team not getting to play its preseason schedule due to a COVID-19

shutdown. They made up for lost time during an unblemished district run, and Bramschreiber ramped up her play in the postseason, to boot.

Across six playoff matches, the TCU commit totaled 96 kills, five aces, four blocks and 81 digs on her way to being named state tournament MVP for the second consecutive year.

Bramschreiber also finished the season among prestigious company as an All-American first-team selection by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.



BLOCKER OF THE YEAR

MADISON GILLILAND Coppell, Sr.

Gilliland was a staple in the Cowgirl offense since the first day that she stepped foot on campus, but it was her play as a blocker that stood out in her final season donning a Coppell uniform.

In a season in which the Cowgirls qualified for the postseason yet again and finished with an overall record of 14-12, Gilliland, a Texas Tech signee, stuffed the stat sheet with 82 blocks in 87 sets played to go along with 314 kills, 33 service aces and 165 digs.

A four-year starter for Coppell, Gilliland, who

was recently named the 6-6A blocker of the year and also earned a spot on the AVCA All-Region Team, was at her best when the Cowgirls played against some of the top competition that the state had to offer.

Playing defending Class 6A state runner-up Plano West twice in a span of six days on Nov. 6 and 13, both of which were won in five sets by the Lady Wolves, Gilliland totaled 13 blocks in addition to a whopping 42 kills.

In the bi-district round of the Class 6A playoffs, Coppell took nationally ranked Prosper to five sets. Gilliland was a big reason, logging 20 kills and six blocks.

The Lady Eagles, at one time this season were No. 21 in the nation in the AVCA/USA Today Super 25 national high school volleyball rankings, won the match in five sets.

Gilliland finished her prep career with 1,400 kills, 465 blocks, 80 aces and 316 digs.



ANGELIQUE CYR UTIL, Flower Mound, Sr.

The other half of one of the state's premier hitting tandems alongside Kaylee Cox, Cyr gave head coach Jamie Siegel another player that could function in practically any role on the court. Named co-hitter of the year in 6-6A as well as All-America honorable mention, Cyr totaled 225 kills, 328 digs, 20 aces and 19 blocks to help steer the Lady Jaguars back to the Class 6A state semifinals.



SETTER OF THE YEAR

LILY NICHOLSON McKinney North, Soph.

Nicholson was one of several Lady Bulldogs who entered the 2019 season with plenty of fanfare after dominating the middle school ranks. She helped lead North back to the postseason as a freshman and then helped rewrite the program history books as a sophomore.

Nicholson totaled a staggering 939 assists on the season, spreading the wealth around a dynamic North offense that had five players log at least 125 kills on the year. Nicholson ran the show at setter for the Lady Bulldogs, averaging 10.6 assists per set on her way to 10-5A setter of the year honors.

In addition to her passing, Nicholson chipped in 63 kills, 29 aces and 232 digs as one of the key cogs during North's program-best run to the regional finals.



LIBERO OF THE YEAR

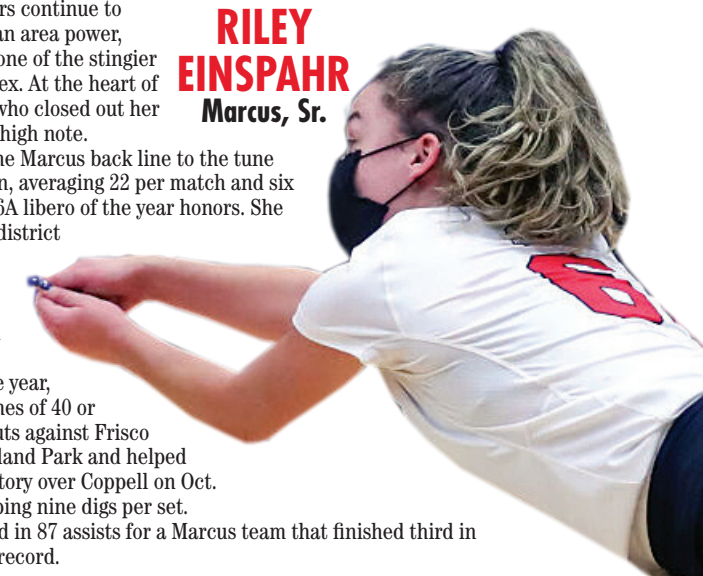
RILEY EINSPAHR Marcus, Sr.

As the Lady Marauders continue to reassert themselves as an area power, they've done so behind one of the stingier defenses in the Metroplex. At the heart of that effort is Einspahr, who closed out her high school career on a high note.

Einspahr anchored the Marcus back line to the tune of 461 digs on the season, averaging 22 per match and six per set on her way to 6-6A libero of the year honors. She amassed that total in a district that featured two state-ranked teams (Flower Mound and Plano West) and a wealth of Division I-caliber hitters.

Playing 77 sets on the year, Einspahr had two matches of 40 or more digs in five-set bouts against Frisco Lebanon Trail and Highland Park and helped key a big 3-1 district victory over Coppell on Oct. 27 by averaging a whopping nine digs per set.

Einspahr also chipped in 87 assists for a Marcus team that finished third in 6-6A and totaled a 16-6 record.



COACH OF THE YEAR

LIBBY RODRIGUEZ McKinney North

Sometimes a change of scenery is all it takes. After seven years coaching at Lewisville, Rodriguez made the move to McKinney ISD in 2019. In her first year, she led McKinney North to back-to-back playoff berths for just the second time in program history. In 2020, she and the Lady Bulldogs turned in their best season ever.

North posted a 23-4 record and advanced to the regional finals, the program's deepest run in the playoffs by a considerable margin. Entering the 2020 season, the Lady Bulldogs had just a single postseason win under their belts — all the way back in 2013.

North matched that feat with a three-round sweep of Frisco Liberty in the bi-district round and made history the rest of the way — defeating Woodrow Wilson, Frisco Lebanon Trail and North Forney. Of the Lady Bulldogs' four losses, three came to the state's No. 1-ranked team, Lovejoy.

Rodriguez pushed all the right buttons in her second year at the helm, entrusting numerous underclassmen with prominent roles and helping her program navigate the COVID-19 pandemic for a record-breaking season.



UTILITY PLAYER OF THE YEAR

KAYLEE COX Flower Mound, Sr.

The last name "Cox" is synonymous with athletic excellence at Flower Mound, with Kaylee being one of four sisters to have played significant roles at the varsity level for the Lady Jaguars.

Cox announced her arrival as one of the state's premier volleyball players as a sophomore when she helped lead Flower Mound to its first-ever UIL state championship in 2018. She did so behind one of the state's most versatile skill sets — something that served the Lady Jaguars well this year when they advanced to the state semifinals for the second time in three years.

Cox, a six-rotation player committed to Missouri, led Flower Mound in kills (362), aces (40) and digs (331) and was second on the team in blocks (36).

She hit .277 on the year and was named both 6-6A MVP and an All-American second-team selection by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

