**THIS WEEK IN BULLDOG VOLLEYBALL:**

Friday, Oct. 20 • 7 p.m. (EDT)  
Lake Superior State at Ferris State  
Ewigleben Sports Arena • Big Rapids, Mich.  
Saturday, Oct. 21 • 4 p.m. (EDT)  
Michigan Tech at Ferris State  
Ewigleben Sports Arena • Big Rapids, Mich.  
Sunday, Oct. 22 • 1 p.m. (EDT)  
Northern Michigan at Ferris State  
Ewigleben Sports Arena • Big Rapids, Mich.  
Overall Ferris State Record: 17-6, 9-5 GLIAC

**BULLDOG BITES**

**FSU VOLLEYBALL AT A GLANCE:** The Ferris State women’s volleyball squad returns home for three Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) matches this week inside the Ewigleben Sports Arena at Big Rapids, Mich. FSU hosts Lake Superior State Friday, Oct. 20, for a 7 p.m. (EDT) tilt before squaring off against Michigan Tech Saturday, Oct. 21, in a 4 p.m. (EDT) match. Ferris will battle Northern Michigan in its regular-season home finale Sunday, Oct. 22, starting at 1 p.m. (EDT).

**LAST WEEK:** The Bulldogs split a pair of conference road matches last weekend (Oct. 13-14). FSU registered a 3-1 triumph in Friday’s (Oct. 13) match versus Saginaw Valley State in University Center before suffering a 3-2 setback Saturday (Oct. 14) against Northwood in Midland, Mich.

**TICKET INFORMATION:** Tickets for all 2006 Ferris home matches will be available at the door. For more information, please contact the FSU Athletics Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888.

**LAST SEASON:** Ferris State advanced to the NCAA Division II National Tournament for the 13th time in school history during the 2005 campaign after previously claiming its ninth Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Championship in 2004 by winning the league’s annual postseason tournament for the first time ever. FSU posted a 22-10 overall mark last season along with a third-place tying 12-6 mark in GLIAC North Division action. Ferris, which compiled the program’s eighth consecutive winning campaign in 2005, also made its eighth-straight league tournament appearance a year ago.

**THE 34TH SEASON:** The 2006 campaign represents Ferris State’s 34th season of women’s volleyball. The Bulldogs own an all-time mark of 731-413 (.639) to date. Since the program’s inception in 1972, the Bulldogs have registered 26 winning seasons.


**ON THE INTERNET:** Ferris State University Athletics’ official web site can be found at www.ferris.edu/sports. The site features information on all of FSU’s varsity athletics programs including rosters, statistics, yearbooks and more. The squad’s 2006 yearbook can also be found at the site.

**LIVE STATS:** “Live Stats” of all 2006 Ferris home matches will be provided in progress via the internet. Visit www.ferris.edu/sports and click on the “Live Stats” icon to access the “Live Stats” feature.

**WHAT A RUN:** Ferris has won 20 or more matches seven times under 11th-year head coach Tia Brandel-Wilhelm. The Bulldogs are 196-75 (.723) over the past nine years and have reached the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Tournament four times in that span. FSU has advanced to the GLIAC Tournament eight consecutive years to date.

**THIS IS OUR PLACE:** The Bulldogs have compiled a 248-66 (790) record to date in 25 seasons of competition at Ewigleben Sports Arena since moving from the Health and Physical Education (HPE) Building in 1981. Ferris, which has compiled six undefeated home seasons in the facility, registered an 11-2 mark at home in 2005. Overall, Ferris is 101-26 (.795) in home matches under head coach Tia Brandel-Wilhelm.

**ON THE ROAD AGAIN:** Ferris State is 643-302 (.680) overall since 1981 and sports a 413-239 (.633) record in road/neutral site matches during that span. The Bulldogs were 6-5 in road matches last campaign and posted a 5-3 record in neutral site encounters. Presently, Ferris holds a 2-2 road record and is 3-0 in neutral site matchups this season.

**BULLDOG CAPTAINS:** Senior outside hitter Danielle Baucher (Kalamazoo/Mattawan), senior middle hitter Karla White (New Baltimore/Anchor Bay) and junior outside hitter Jamie Palazzolo (Emmett/Yale) are serving as tri-captains for the 2006 campaign. Baucher had both a team-high 451 digs and 408 kills last season. White totaled 267 kills along with a team-best 121 total blocks while Palazzolo chipped in 272 digs during the 2005 campaign.

**THE FSU ROSTER:** Ferris’ 2006 roster includes two seniors, three juniors, four sophomores and six freshmen. Seven of the 15 players are outside hitters, four are middle hitters, and four others fill the squad’s setter, defensive specialist and libero roles. All 15 squad members are from the state of Michigan.

**NATIONAL RANKINGS:** The Bulldogs are not ranked in this week’s (Oct. 16) CSTV/AVCA Division II Coaches Top 25 Poll announced by the AVCA. FSU, which ranked 25th in the initial (Sept. 5) regular-season poll this year, was listed among other schools receiving votes with four points in this week’s poll. Hillsdale is listed fourth nationally in this week’s poll with Grand Valley State ranked sixth overall. GLIAC member Findlay is also included in the current rankings at 25th nationally.

**BULLDOG SUCCESS:** The Bulldogs’ current 17-6 mark this season with four regular-season matches remaining assures themselves of recording the program’s ninth consecutive winning campaign. The Bulldogs’ current 17-6 mark this season with four regular-season matches remaining assures themselves of recording the program’s ninth consecutive winning campaign. The last time FSU failed to record at least 10 victories was in 1980 (5-21). The Bulldogs have won 20 or more matches seven times under 11th-year head coach Tia Brandel-Wilhelm. The Bulldogs are 196-75 (.723) over the past nine years and have reached the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Tournament four times in that span. FSU has advanced to the GLIAC Tournament eight consecutive years to date.

**SENIOR DAY MATCH:** Sunday’s match versus Northern Michigan will be the school’s annual Senior Day contest as Danielle Baucher and Karla White will be honored prior to their final regular-season home encounters. Baucher has amassed 1,474 kills along with 1,376 kills in 430 games entering this week’s action while White has totaled 872 kills and 359 total blocks in 349 games to date.
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MORE BULLDOG BITES

NEW SCHOOL RECORD: Ferris' Danielle Baucher surpassed Janna Biggs' (1985-88) school-record total of 1,469 digs during Saturday's match at Northwood. Baucher currently has 1,474 career digs to date along with 1,376 kills, which presently ranks seventh on the school's career kills leaders list. Baucher, who ranks as Ferris' overall kills (4.30 kpg) leader this season along with second in digs (3.33 dpg), became the 14th player in school history to notch 1,000 career kills and only the sixth Bulldog player ever to record both 1,000 career kills and digs in Ferris' season-opening home win over St. Joseph's (Aug. 24). She's 14 service aces away from matching Kathy O'Connor's (1990-93) fifth-place career mark of 171 aces at FSU.

BULLDOG BITES: FSU's Jamie Palazzolo recorded her 650th career dig at Northwood. Sophomore setter Candice Marut (Pincorning) tallied a career-high 64 assists against the Timberwolves while junior outside hitter Lindsay Johnson's (Cadillac) 16 digs in the same match marked a personal career-best. Five of Ferris' six losses this season have came in five games.

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FERRIS STATE TRENDS: The Bulldogs are currently 9-2 overall in evening matches this season. Ferris has recorded a higher hitting percentage than its opponent in 19 of 23 outings this year.

The Bulldogs have recorded a 9-0 mark to date this season when holding their opponent to a .100-.300 hitting percentage. Ferris has recorded a higher hitting percentage than its opponent in 19 of 23 outings this year.

A LOOK AT THE OPPONENTS

LAKE SUPERIOR STATE: FSU holds a 56-17 advantage entering this Friday's 74th series meeting with Lake Superior State. Ferris' Tia Brandel-Wilhelm has a current 22-1 career coaching mark against LSSU and guided the Bulldogs to a 3-1 win in the last meeting (9/21/06) earlier this year at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. LSSU, which has dropped 36 of the last 37 meetings, are 29-4 all-time versus Lake Superior State in matches at Big Rapids. FSU is coached by eighth-year head coach Mark Engle. MTU has won its last five outings to date this campaign.

Michigan Tech: Ferris and Michigan Tech will square off for the 56th time this Saturday with FSU holding a commanding 44-11 series advantage. In the last meeting (9/24/06), the Bulldogs recorded a 3-2 win at Houghton, Mich. Ferris holds an 18-14 all-time advantage over the Wildcats in meetings at Big Rapids. Finnish volleyball is coached by eighth-year head coach Tia Brandel-Wilhelm as Ferris recorded a 3-2 win at Houghton, Mich. Ferris has won its last five outings to date this campaign, has claimed seven of the last 12 series' victories versus MTU. FSU has lost to Ferris in 3-2 at Houghton, Mich. Ferris has won its last five outings to date this campaign, has claimed seven of the last 12 series' victories versus MTU. FSU has lost to Ferris in 3-2 at Houghton, Mich.

Northern Michigan: The series' between the two teams is tied at 37 wins apiece entering Sunday's 75th meeting. FSU's Tia Brandel-Wilhelm has a current 8-16 career coaching mark against the Wildcats and led FSU to a 3-0 victory in the last matchup (9/23/06) at Marquette, Mich. NMU is presently 14-8 overall and 6-8 in the GLIAC's North Division following Saturday's (Oct. 14) 3-0 home win over Lake Superior State. Northern Michigan recorded a 15-12 overall record and a third-place tying 6-12 GLIAC North Division finish. The Huskies, who are coached by eighth-year head coach Krista Mikes, improved to 13-10 overall and 9-5 in league play as a result of their 3-0 conference home win over Lake Superior State. Ferris recorded a 3-0 victory in the last meeting (9/24/06). MTU has won its last five outings to date this campaign.

2006 FSU VOLLEYBALL ROSTER

No. Name Pos. Yr. Ht. Exp. Hometown/High School (College)
#1 Katie Edwards* OH So. 5-11 1L Cedar Springs, Mich.
#2 Amanda Kettlewell OH/MH Fr. 5-10 HS St. Clair. Mich./Marysville
#3 Candice Marut* S/OH So. 5-10 1L Pinconning, Mich.
#4 Dana Ruttle S Fr. 5-7 HS Reed City, Mich.
#5 Meredith Doyle OH Fr. 5-9 HS Farmington Hills, Mich./Mercy
#6 Danielle Baucher*** OH Sr. 5-10 3L Kalamazoo, Mich./Mattawan
#7 Lindsay Johnson** OH Jr. 5-10 2L Cadillac, Mich.
#8 Jamie Palazzolo*** OH/LB Jr. 5-7 1L Emmett, Mich./Yale
#9 Sjaarda Hannah LH Fr. 5-11 HS Alma, Mich.
#10 Whitney Rupp LH Fr. 5-8 HS West Bloomfield, Mich./Mercy
#11 Karla White** MH Sr. 6-0 3L New Baltimore, Mich./Anchor Bay
#12 Lilly theatre*** OH Jr. 5-10 2L Gregory, Mich./Chelsea
#13 Andrea Rich* S So. 5-10 1L New Baltimore, Mich./Anchor Bay
#19 Emily Nenmers* OH/MH So. 6-0 1L Caledonia, Mich./East Kentwood
#20 Kelly Cowcher LS Fr. 5-8 HS Muskegon, Mich./ Anchor Bay

2006 SEASON TRENDS

SITUATION .................................................FSU RECORD
Three-game match ........................................9-1
Four-game match .........................................7-0
Five-game match .........................................1-5
Win game one .............................................13-4
Lose game one ............................................4-2
Win first two games ......................................11-1
Split first two games .....................................6-3
Lose first two games .....................................0-2
In game three ..............................................16-7
In game four ...............................................13-2
In the deciding fifth game ..............................1-5
More kills than opponent ................................16-2
Fewer kills than opponent ..............................1-1
Kills are equal ..............................................0-0
Hit under .100 .............................................1-0
Hit .100-.300 ...............................................11-6
Hit over .300 ..............................................5-0
Opponent hits under .100 ...............................9-0
Opponent hits .100-.300 .................................8-4
Opponent hits over .300 ..................................0-1
Has higher hitting pct. ..................................17-3
Opponent has higher pct. ...............................0-3
Has more assists .........................................16-2
Opponent has more assists .............................1-4
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Has more digs .............................................11-2
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Has more blocks .........................................12-5
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In Morning matches ....................................1-0
In afternoon matches ...................................7-4
In evening matches .....................................9-2
Against nationally-ranked teams .................0-3
In non-conference matches ..........................8-1
In conference matches ................................9-5
In non-conf. matches vs. conf. teams .............0-0
Attendance under 100 ..................................4-0
Attendance of 100-200 ..................................3-2
Attendance over 200 ..................................10-4
Match time under one hour ..........................0-0
Match time one-two hours .............................15-1
Match time over two hours ............................2-5
In Invitational matches ................................7-1
Against in-state foes ....................................6-0
Against out of state teams .............................11-2
Against winning teams ..................................6-5
Against losing teams ....................................10-0
Against even teams ......................................1-1
In Home Matches .......................................8-4

Head Coach: Tia Brandel-Wilhelm, 11th year (Alma, 1990)
Assistant Coach: Theresa Beeckman, second year
Volunteer Assistant Coaches: Dale Wilhelm, third year, Kim Anderson-Bunker, second year
Student Assistant Coach: Karla Fairbanks, second year

* Denotes letters earned
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**2006 FSU Volleyball Schedule**

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**Upcoming GLIAC Schedule**

**Tuesday, Oct. 17**

Bluffton (Ohio) at Findlay, 7:30 p.m.
Michigan Tech at Minnesota-Duluth, 8 p.m.

**Thursday, Oct. 19**

Lake Superior at Grand Valley State* | 7 p.m.
Indianapolis at Hillsdale, 7 p.m.

**Friday, Oct. 20**

Mercyhurst at Ashland* | 7 p.m.
Lake Superior at Ferris State*, 7 p.m.
Michigan Tech at Grand Valley State*, 7 p.m.
Hillsdale at Wayne State*, 7 p.m.
Northwood at Saginaw Valley State*, 7 p.m.
Gannon at Findlay*, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 21**

Gannon at Ashland*, 1 p.m.
Mercyhurst at Findlay*, 3 p.m.
Michigan Tech at Ferris State*, 4 p.m.
Northern Michigan at Grand Valley State*, 4 p.m.

**Sunday, Oct. 22**

Northern Michigan at Ferris State*, 1 p.m.

**More Bulldog Bites**

**2006 Volleyball Quick Facts**

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**What’s On Tap:** Ferris visits archival and defending NCAA Division II National Champion Grand Valley State for its regular-season finale Friday, Oct. 27, in Allendale, Mich. Match time for the league encounter inside GVU’s Fieldhouse Arena is set for 7 p.m. (EDT).

**League Stats:** Ferris’ Danielle Baucher ranks second in both kills (4.30 kpg) and points (5.04 ppg) while Karla White is listed third in blocks (1.22 bpg) according to the latest (Oct. 16) GLIAC overall statistical rankings. Lindsay Tej presently is fifth in service aces (0.56 apg). FSU ranks first as a team in aces (2.92 apg) and second in opponent’s hitting percentage allowed (.120) along with third in blocks (2.41 bpg).

**GLIAC Tourney:** The 2006 GLIAC Tournament remains on campus sites this season for the third-straight year. The top three teams in each division plus the next two best overall teams will qualify for the postseason tournament. The top four teams will host quarterfinal-round action Tuesday, Oct. 31, with the top remaining seed selected to host the semifinals/finals Friday and Saturday, Nov. 3-4.

**Regional Information:** Three automatic and five at-large bids will be awarded in the region, which consists of the GLIAC, Great Lakes Valley (GLVC) and West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conferences (WVIAC). Three automatic bids will be awarded in the region, which consists of the GLIAC, Great Lakes Valley (GLVC) and West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conferences (WVIAC). Three automatic bids will be awarded in the region, which consists of the GLIAC, Great Lakes Valley (GLVC) and West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conferences (WVIAC). Three automatic bids will be awarded in the region, which consists of the GLIAC, Great Lakes Valley (GLVC) and West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conferences (WVIAC).