



NCAA TOURNAMENT SELECTION QUOTES

Baylor Head Coach Kim Mulkey:

ON SELECTION:

"We were so excited and loud that I did not hear anything said about Baylor after the announcement! I will have to watch it again. I know that Fresno State is in the WAC and I don't know anymore about them. It would be premature for me to tell you what their strengths and weaknesses are. I have to wait until I get to see film."

ON PLAYING IN ALBUQUERQUE:

"I feel like Albuquerque has become our second home in the NCAA Tournament. Maryland beat us there but we also made it to our first Sweet Sixteen there too. We have had success in Albuquerque. A little altitude to deal with but they draw great, The Pit is loud, and the fans will come out and support women's basketball."

ON THE SEEDING:

"I thought that we were rewarded for what we have done all year. I thought some teams were rewarded for what they did late in the year and not all year. But, we were certainly not penalized in any way because of the three losses. The Big 12 is the number one RPI conference in the country and we were playing three teams that were pretty darn good."

ON PLAYERS:

"You know you give them time off to rest and we may have a great day tomorrow but by the time we get to Albuquerque with the altitude and excitement, you never know. We have two freshmen that have never played in the tournament, they will have to play, and they will be nervous. That is to be expected. But, I know that they will give me all they have. And sometimes when you only have seven you can't defend as well as you could if you had a breather, but we have dealt with it all year."

Baylor Forward Rachel Allison:

ON THE EXCITEMENT OF THE TOURNAMENT SELECTION:

"We weren't really sure if we were going to be a three or a four seed, we were hoping for one of those two spots. With the crowd we had come tonight, it was great to see all these fans come out, especially the students."

"I like our region. We played Stanford so hopefully we can get another shot at them. I think that we weren't happy with the outcome when we played them on their home floor. Hopefully we'll get another shot of them."

ON THE LAST THREE LOSSES:

"Those teams (Oklahoma State, Texas, Texas A&M) are good; two of them are two and three seeds in this tournament. I think that we did the best we could and that we will have to forget about those games and not dwell on them, because we can't go into a tournament like that because we'll just keep doing bad. And I think we're going to get another chance to show what we're all about."

Baylor Guard Angela Tisdale:

ON THE OPPORTUNITY TO START FRESH IN THE TOURNAMENT:

“Our conference is so hard that everyone knows your tendencies and weaknesses, everything. When we get out in the playoffs, they don’t know anything about you; they don’t know you like to go right or anything. It feels refreshing.”

ON THE THOUGHT THAT THIS IS HER LAST CHANCE AT A CHAMPIONSHIP:

“I don’t think like that because if you think like that you’ll put too much pressure on yourself. You just have to take it one game at a time. Each game you have to know what you have to do and play it like your last, play it like it might be your last game.”