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	MPSF						OVERALL						
	W	L	Pct.	Home	Away	Streak	W	L	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
^BYU	9	1	.900	5-1	4-0	W1	19	5	.792	9-3	8-2	2-0	W1
^Pepperdine	7	3	.700	4-0	3-3	W3	14	6	.700	7-3	6-3	1-0	W4
^UCLA	7	3	.700	4-0	3-3	L1	20	6	.769	14-1	6-5	0-0	L1
Concordia	4	7	.364	2-3	2-4	L1	13	14	.481	8-6	4-8	1-0	L1
USC	3	7	.300	2-4	1-3	W1	7	17	.292	4-6	1-9	2-2	W1
Stanford	3	7	.300	2-4	1-3	W2	6	17	.261	3-7	3-8	0-2	W2
Grand Canyon	3	8	.273	2-3	1-5	L2	16	10	.615	8-4	6-5	2-1	L2

MPSF Champion and NCAA Automatic Qualifier determined at conference tournament, April 14-21... ^ Clinched Top-Four Seed

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, April 2

Benadictine at GRAND CANYON 5:00 pm

Thursday, April 5

*BYU at PEPPERDINE 7:00 pm

*# Stanford at UCLA 7:00 pm

Friday, April 6

*USC at GRAND CANYON 6:00 pm

UC Santa Cruz at CONCORDIA 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 7

*Stanford at PEPPERDINE 5:00 pm

*# BYU at UCLA 7:00 pm

*USC at CONCORDIA 7:00 pm

SCHEDULE/RESULTS NOTES

*MPSF Match

TV: Pac-12 Networks... & BYU TV

Home Team in CAPS; All Times Local to Site

RECENT RESULTS

Saturday, March 31

*& BYU 3, Grand Canyon 0 (25-17, 25-17, 25-23)

*STANFORD 3, Concordia 1 (24-26, 36-34, 25-19, 25-21)

*# USC 3, UCLA 2 (18-25, 25-23, 25-23, 19-25, 15-11)

Thursday, March 29

*Pepperdine 3, USC 0 (25-20, 26-24, 25-23)

*& Concordia 3, BYU 2 (19-25, 16-25, 25-22, 25-21, 16-14)

* STANFORD 3, Grand Canyon 2
(21-25, 25-21, 25-16, 23-25, 23-21)

Wednesday, March 28

UCLA 3, UC Santa Barbara 0 (25-22, 25-15, 25-18)

Saturday, March 24

Concordia 3, BENADICTINE 1 (25-19, 25-20, 21-25, 25-22)

Concordia 3, OTTAWA 1 (18-25, 25-18, 25-15, 25-23)

UC Irvine 3, USC 0 (25-18, 28-26, 25-13)

Friday, March 23

*GRAND CANYON 3, Concordia 1 (25-19, 25-21, 21-25, 25-21)

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JAYLEN JASPER OF STANFORD MPSF/MOLTEN OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK
Stanford freshman opposite **Jaylen Jasper** (Annapolis, MD/Broadneck HS) averaged 5.11 kills, 1.78 digs, 0.89 aces, 0.44 blocks, and 6.22 points per set as the Cardinal defeated No. 13 Grand Canyon (Mar. 29) and No. 14 Concordia (Mar. 31) to register back-to-back wins for the first time this season. Jasper tied his own 2018 MPSF single-match high of 27 kills (.409) and served four aces against GCU. He finished one dig shy of a double-double. He followed up with 19 kills (.317), four aces and seven digs in four sets against CUI. Jasper hit .365 (46-15-85) for the week. This is the first career MPSF honor for Jasper.



Others Nominated: Gianluca Grasso (USC); Alex Hathaller (PEP); Darcy Taig (CUI); Calbe Blazer (GCU); Christian Hessenauer (UCLA)...

KYLER PRESHO OF STANFORD MPSF/MOLTEN DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Stanford freshman middle blocker **Kyler Presho** (San Clemente, CA/San Clemente HS) led the Cardinal defensively with 1.44 blocks and 2.83 points per set in wins over No. 13 Grand Canyon (Mar. 29) and No. 14 Concordia (Mar. 31). Presho had a career-high seven blocks to go with nine kills and an ace against GCU. He followed up with six blocks, two digs, and nine kills on .571 hitting in a four-set win over the CUI, helping the Cardinal win back-to-back matches for the first time this season. This is the first career MPSF honor for Presho.



Others Nominated: Alex Hathaller (PEP); Ryan Moss (USC); Hunter Howell (CUI); Christian Rupert (BYU); Ashton King (GCU); Dylan Missry (UCLA)...

2018 MPSF SINGLE-MATCH HIGHS

Hit % (min. 10 kills) -	Daenan Gyimah (UCLA)	.889 (17-1-18)	3/7 vs. Pepperdine
Kills-	Jaylen Jasper (STAN)	27 (5 sets)	3/29 vs. GCU
	Jack Wyett (USC)	27 (4 sets)	3/11 vs. Harvard
	Jaylen Jasper (STAN)	27 (4 sets)	3/9 vs. UCSD
Aces-	David Wiczorek (PEP)	6 (3 sets)	3/15 vs. CUI
	Micah Ma'a (UCLA)	6 (3 sets)	2/1 vs. Princeton
Points-	Jaylen Jasper (STAN)	32 (5 sets)	3/29 vs. GCU
Assists-	Chris Hall (USC)	64 (5 sets)	2/8 vs. Stanford
Total Blocks-	Sam Lewis (USC)	11 (5 sets)	1/20 vs. Penn St.
Digs-	Addison Enriques (CUI)	17 (4 sets)	3/24 at OUAZ
	Jacob Weiser (CUI)	17 (4 sets)	2/23 at USC
	Noah Dyer (PEP)	17 (4 sets)	2/10 at CUI
Team Hit %-	Grand Canyon	.578 (43-6-64)	1/12 vs. NGU
Team Aces-	<i>Ranks 8th in MPSF Rally-Scoring Era</i>		
	UCLA	15 (3 sets)	2/1 vs. Princeton
Team Blocks-	<i>Ties School Record</i>		
	Concordia	21 (5 sets)	2/24 vs. CSUN
Team Digs-	Concordia	58 (5 sets)	3/12 vs. Harvard
Team Kills-	USC	72 (5 sets)	2/8 vs. Stanford
Longest Set-	Lewis 42, USC 40	Set 1	2/2 at Lewis
Longest Set 5-	Stanford 23, GCU 21		3/29 at Stanford

2018 MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

2018 MPSF/MOLTEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



Jan. 8.....Cody Williams-GCU (Off.); Miki Jauhiainen-BYU (Def.)
 Jan. 15...Gabi Garcia Fernandez-BYU (Off.); Evan Enriques-Stanford (Def.)
 Jan. 22.....Chandler Gibb-CUI (Off.); Daenan Gyimah-UCLA (Def.)
 Jan. 29Micah Ma'a-UCLA (Off.); Daenan Gyimah-UCLA (Def.)
 Feb. 5.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Garland Peed-UCLA (Def.)
 Feb. 12.....Brenden Sander-BYU (Off.); Jacob Weiser-CUI (Def.)
 Feb. 19.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Price Jarman-BYU (Def.)
 Feb. 26.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Taylor Falduti-CUI (Def.)
 Mar. 5.....Leo Durkin-BYU (Off.); Felipe de Brito Ferreira-BYU (Def.)
 Mar. 12.....Brenden Sander -BYU (Off.); Felipe de Brito Ferreira-BYU (Def.)
 Mar. 19.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Alex Harthaller-PEP (Def.)
 Mar. 26.....Ashton King-GCU (Off.); Will Schwob-GCU (Def.)
Apr. 2.....Jaylen Jasper-Stanford (Off.); Kyler Presho-Stanford (Def.)
 Apr. 9.....

2018 MPSF CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, April 14 (Quarterfinals)

(Hosts: Seeds 2, 3, 4)

Quarterfinal # 1- No. 7 seed at No. 2 seed 7:00 pm
 Quarterfinal # 2- No. 6 seed at No. 3 seed 7:00 pm
 Quarterfinal # 3- No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed 7:00 pm
 No. 1 seed-Bye

Thursday, April 19 (Semifinals)

(Host: No. 1 Seed)

Semifinal # 1—Highest-Seeded Quarterfinal Winners
 Semifinal # 2—Lowest Remaining Seed at No. 1 seed

Saturday, April 21 (Championship)

(Host: No. 1 Seed)

Semifinal Winners

2018 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

NCAA Selections: Sunday, Apr. 22; 10 am (PT)---www.ncaa.com

Host: UCLA

Pauley Pavilion; Los Angeles, Calif.

<http://uclabruins.com/sports/2018/1/10/2018-ncaa-mens-volleyball-championships.aspx>

Play-In Match

No. 7 seed vs. No. 6 seed

Tuesday, May 1 (Quarterfinals)

No. 6/7 seed winner vs. No. 3 seed 6:00 pm
 No. 4 seed vs. No. 5 seed 8:30 pm

Thursday, May 3 (Semifinals)

No. 1 seed vs. 4/5 winner 6:00 pm
 No. 2 seed vs. 3/6/7 winner 8:30 pm

Saturday, May 5 (Championship)

4:00 pm

2018 MPSF PRESEASON COACHES' POLL

Rank	Team (First-Place)	Points
1.	BYU (4)	33
2.	UCLA (2)	32
3T.	Pepperdine	22
3T.	Stanford	22
5.	USC (1)	18
6.	Grand Canyon	14
7.	Concordia	6

AVCA TOP-15 COACHES' POLL

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Apr. 2

Rank	School (First-Place)	Points	Record	Last
1	Long Beach State (25)	375	21-0	1
2	BYU	321	19-5	2
3	UC Irvine	309	17-7	4
4	Pepperdine	303	14-6	5
5	UCLA	295	20-6	3
6	Hawai'i	234	15-6	7
7	Ohio State	225	19-4	9
8	Loyola-Chicago	251	20-5	6
9	CSUN	177	13-8	8
10	Lewis	131	16-10	10
11	UC Santa Barbara	129	10-9	11
12	Ball State	95	15-11	12
13	Concordia Irvine	89	13-14	14
14	Grand Canyon	33	16-10	13
15	Fort Wayne	29	17-9	15

2018 MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

MPSF TOURNAMENT SEEDS ON THE LINE IN FINAL WEEK

No. 2 BYU (9-1 MPSF/19-5 Overall) bounced back from the Concordia loss to win in three sets at home over Grand Canyon (Mar. 31). Christian Rupert totaled 14 blocks for the week (2.00 b/s) while hitting .353 (8-2-17). BYU closes the regular season at Pepperdine Thursday (Apr. 5) and UCLA Saturday (Apr. 7). **BYU clinches the No. 1 seed in the MPSF Tournament (Apr. 14-21) with one win this week, or if UCLA and Pepperdine both lose to Stanford.** BYU could still earn a No. 1 seed if it loses twice and ends up in a three-way tie with UCLA and Pepperdine (or two-way with either), provided it has the top head-to-head set advantage. Three-way tie example: BYU enters the week 6-2 in total sets vs. Pepperdine and UCLA. If BYU loses to both in five sets, it would have gone 2-2 in matches against those teams and 10-8 in sets, which would be a higher percentage than Pepperdine's 9-8 and UCLA's 6-9 head-on set records within the three-way tie group.

No. 4 PEPPERDINE (7-3 MPSF/14-6 Overall) won 3-0 at USC last Thursday (Mar. 29). Alex Harthaller had 13 kills with a .440 clip, served three aces, and picked up seven digs. Pepperdine hosts BYU Thursday (Apr. 5) and Stanford Saturday (Apr. 7). **Two wins vs. BYU and Stanford, a BYU loss at UCLA, a UCLA loss to Stanford, and if Pepperdine beats BYU in 3 or 4 sets--or—in 5 sets by a total of at least 5 points, would give the Waves the MPSF's No. 1 seed (with each of those combinations, Pepp would hold the two-way tie over BYU).** A three-way tie with BYU and UCLA could also give Pepperdine the No. 1 seed. Three-way tie example: Pepp beats BYU in four sets and UCLA beats BYU in five, resulting in each team 1-1 in matches vs. each other. Pepp would be 9-7, BYU would be 9-8, and UCLA 6-9 in head-on sets vs. the tied group. Pepperdine also holds a two-tie over UCLA (4-3 head-on sets).

No. 5 UCLA (7-3 MPSF/20-6 Overall) won a straight-set home match over No. 11 UC Santa Barbara last Wednesday (Mar. 28). The Bruins held the Gauchos to an opponent season-low .099 hitting. Christian Hessenauer hit .435 for the week and established career-highs for both kills (22) and points (24.5) at USC. UCLA hosts Stanford Thursday (Apr. 5) and BYU Saturday (Apr. 7). **Two wins vs. Stanford and BYU, a BYU loss at Pepperdine, a Pepperdine loss to Stanford, and a 3-0 UCLA win over BYU by a total of at least 12 points would give the Bruins a No. 1 seed.**

No. 13 CONCORDIA (4-7 MPSF/13-14 Overall) stunned No. 2 BYU (Mar. 29) 3-2 in Provo, after trailing by two sets, in snapping the Cougars' 13-match win streak and unbeaten MPSF season. The outcome was a historic one for the Eagles, marking the program's first-ever win against a top-five opponent. Darcy Taig had 14 kills and seven digs in the win, and finished the week hitting .390 (32-7-64). Hunter Howell had seven blocks in the win and finished the week with 13 (1.44 b/s). Concordia hosts UC Santa Cruz Friday (Apr. 6) and USC in the MPSF finale Saturday (Apr. 7). **Concordia would lock up the No. 4 MPSF Tournament seed and host a quarterfinal match with a win over USC.** CUI could also earn the four seed if it ends up in a four-way tie (but NOT a three-way tie) with USC, GCU, and Stanford. Four-way tie example: CUI loses to USC, GCU beats USC, and Stanford gets one win this week. This scenario gives each of those teams four MPSF wins and 3-3 in matches vs. the tied group. If CUI was to win one set vs. USC, CUI's final set record would be 12-10 vs. the tied group. If GCU was to beat USC in five, USC would finish 14-13 in sets and GCU would be 12-14. Stanford is locked in at 12-13 in sets vs. the group. Entering the week, Concordia holds two-way ties over USC (1-0 matches), Stanford (4-3 sets), and GCU (4-3 sets).

USC (3-7 MPSF/7-17 Overall) recorded a huge upset in five sets at home over No. 3 UCLA Saturday (Mar. 31). Gianluca Grasso had 20 kills at .441 in the win. He hit .417 with 11 kills against No. 5 Pepperdine two days prior. USC wraps the regular season at Grand Canyon Friday (Apr. 6) and Concordia Saturday (Apr. 7). **USC would clinch the MPSF Tournament's No. 4 seed and quarterfinal home court with two wins this week.** A win over Concordia and a loss to Grand Canyon, resulting in a possible three-way tie, would NOT give USC the four seed (1-3 record vs. CUI and GCU in that case). However, if USC beats Concordia and loses to GCU, USC could earn the four seed in a possible four-way tie when factoring in Stanford if the Cardinal wins once this week. Four-way tie example: USC, CUI, GCU, and Stanford all finish with four MPSF wins. They all would have gone 3-3 in matches against each other. If USC wins 3-0 vs. CUI and loses 3-2 vs. GCU, USC's set record vs. the tied teams would be 14-12 for the highest percentage within that tied group (Stanford is finished at 12-13 in head-on sets, GCU would be 12-14 and CUI would be 11-10).

STANFORD (3-7 MPSF/6-17 Overall) defeated No. 13 Grand Canyon in five sets (Mar. 29) and No. 14 Concordia in four (Mar. 31). Jaylen Jasper hit .365 for the week, averaging 5.11 kills and 6.22 points per set. He tied his career-highs of 27 kills (also tying the 2018 MPSF season-high) and four aces against GCU. Stanford travels to UCLA Thursday (Apr. 5) and Pepperdine Saturday (Apr. 7). **Stanford locks the four seed and quarterfinal home court with two wins this week, a Grand Canyon win vs. USC, and a USC win at Concordia.** Stanford holds a two-way tie over GCU (2-0 head-on matches).

No. 14 GRAND CANYON (3-8 MPSF/16-10 Overall) dropped matches at Stanford and No. 2 BYU last week. Grand Canyon hosts Benadictine Monday (Apr. 2) and USC in the MPSF finale Friday (Apr. 6). **GCU locks the four seed with a win vs. USC, a USC win at Concordia, and losses by Stanford at UCLA and Pepperdine.** This scenario forces a three-way tie between GCU, USC, and CUI, in which GCU would have the best head-on match record in that group at 3-1.