



# Texas A&M University-Commerce Women's Basketball 2005-06

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## A&M-COMMERCE QUICK FACTS

<b>Enrollment</b>	8,546
<b>Mascot</b>	Lions
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## 2005-06 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Nov. 7	at Grambling St.%	L, 65-53
Nov. 11	at Stephen F. Austin%	L, 70-54
<b>Nov. 15</b>	<b>Lubbock Christian</b>	<b>W, 68-63</b>
<b>Nov. 19</b>	<b>UT-Dallas</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Nov. 21	at Northwestern St. (LA)	6:30 p.m.
<b>Dec. 1</b>	<b>Angelo St.~</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Dec. 3</b>	<b>Abilene Christian~</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Dec. 6	Oklahoma St.	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Eastern New Mexico~	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 10	West Texas A&M~	6 p.m.
Dec. 20	Central Missouri St.#	5 p.m.
Dec. 21	Southwest Baptist#	7 p.m.
<b>Jan. 5</b>	<b>Tarleton St.~</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Jan. 7</b>	<b>Midwestern St.~</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Jan. 12	Texas Woman's~	7 p.m.
Jan. 14	A&M-Kingsville~	2 p.m.
Jan. 15	A&M-Corpus Christi	3 p.m.
Jan. 18	Central Oklahoma*	6 p.m.
<b>Jan. 21</b>	<b>Northeastern Okla. St.*</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
<b>Jan. 25</b>	<b>East Central*</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Jan. 28	Southeastern Okla. St.*	6 p.m.
Feb. 1	Cameron*	6 p.m.
<b>Feb. 4</b>	<b>Southwestern Okla. St.*</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
<b>Feb. 8</b>	<b>Central Oklahoma*</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Feb. 11	Northeastern Okla. St.*	6 p.m.
Feb. 15	East Central*	6 p.m.
<b>Feb. 18</b>	<b>Southeastern Okla. St.*</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
<b>Feb. 22</b>	<b>Cameron*</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Feb. 25	Southwestern Okla. St.*	2 p.m.
Feb. 28	LSC Tournament	TBA
Mar. 3	LSC Tournament	TBA
Mar. 4	LSC Tournament	TBA

\* Lone Star Conference Game      ~ LSC Crossover Game  
# Las Vegas Classic                      % Exhibition Game

## UT-Dallas Comets (0-0)

vs.

## Texas A&M-Commerce Lions (1-0)

A&M-Commerce Field House • Saturday, Nov. 19, 2005 • 7 p.m.

## 2005-06 Alphabetical Roster

Pos. #	Name	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown/Prev. School
F 24	Althea Byfield	6-1	Sr-2L	Kingston, Jamaica (Midland)
G 15	Tarika Campbell	5-8	So-Tr	Long Beach, Calif. (Oregon St.)
G 21	Ashley Davis	5-5	Jr-JC	Dallas (Weatherford)
G 42	Francesca Johnson	5-9	Jr-Tr	Lancaster (Southern (LA))
G 10	Brittney Jones	5-8	Fr	Tyler (Robert E. Lee)
F 35	Andrea Lewis	5-11	Sr-Tr	Monroe, La. (LA-Monroe)
G 25	Kanani Marshal	5-9	Jr-JC	Madison, Wis. (Odessa)
G 5	Jennifer McCord	5-6	Jr-2L	Mesquite (Eastfield JC)
C 52	Portia Mitchell	6-4	Sr-1L	Los Angeles, Calif. (USC)
G 4	Dawn Montgomery	5-9	Jr-JC	Irving (Weatherford)
F 55	Katedria Mosley	6-1	So-1L	Idabel, Okla. (Idabel)
F 30	Tradawn Short	5-11	Jr-Tr	Compton, Calif. (UA-Little Rock)
G 20	Rashida Wilson	5-11	Jr-JC	Aberdeen, MD (Odessa)

## LIONS HOST UT-DALLAS

Following a season opening victory over Lubbock Christian, 68-63, the Lions look to keep their record unblemished. Saturday's game marks the first game of the season for the Comets. It also marks the first all-time matchup between the two teams. UT-Dallas finished last season with a 7-17 mark, two of those victories came on the road. The Lions won six home games in 2004-05.

## ABOUT THE COMETS

UT-Dallas has high expectations for its seventh season in existence. The addition of head coach Polly Thomason and the return of seven seniors may help the Comets register their first winning season in school history. The Comets are led by a number of seniors, namely Jennifer Longoria. Longoria was second on the team in scoring last season, averaging just over ten points and nearly five rebounds per game. Senior Kia Jones is the only other returner who averaged double-figures. Jones averaged just over ten points per game over the course of the last two seasons.

## ESPN/USA TODAY DII PRESEASON TOP 25

Rk	School (1st Place Votes)	Points
1.	Washburn University (18)	663
2.	Drury University (4)	611
3.	Seattle Pacific University	554
4.	Shaw University (1)	523
5.	University of Charleston (1)	509
6.	Merrimack College	453
7.	Grand Valley State Univ.	442
8.	North Dakota-Grand Forks	438
9.	Emporia State University	392
10.	Saint Cloud St. University	336
11.	Bentley College	314
12.	California Univ. of PA	305
13.	Anderson College	282
14.	Western Washington Univ.	259
15.	Henderson State Univ.	256
16.	California St. Univ.-Chico	252
17.	Univ. of Central Arkansas	240
18.	Angelo State University	230
19.	Carson-Newman College	222
20.	Fairmont State University	163
21.	Lake Superior St. Univ.	111
22.	Valdosta St. University	111
23.	Central Missouri St. Univ.	100
24.	Glennville State College	97
25.	Regis University	96

## THE LIONS LAST TIME OUT

“Piggy” Mosley paced the Lions offensive attack en route to a 68-63 victory over Lubbock Christian in the team’s home opener. Byfield tallied 19 points, seven rebounds, and seven assists. She also registered 4 steals and three blocks. Althea Byfield posted a double-double by scoring 11 points and ripping down 11 rebounds. Standout transfer Kanani Marshal scored 14 points and had five rebounds in the winning effort. A&M-Commerce took a 14-point lead into halftime, but Lubbock Christian answered back at the start of the second half with a 10-0 run. The Lady Chaps took their first lead of the contest on a buzzer-beating three-pointer by Talita Aguiar midway through the second half, but back-to-back conventional three-point plays by Mosley gave the Lions the lead for good with 4:16 remaining in the contest. With the win the team improved to 18-17 all-time in season openers. It also marked the Lions second consecutive season opening victory.

## EARLY SIGNEE BRITTNEY BENNETT

Brittney Bennett (Del City, Okla.) has signed a national letter of intent to play women’s basketball at Texas A&M University-Commerce, head coach Denny Downing announced Wednesday. Bennett is the first and only signee that the Lions have stamped during the NCAA early signing period.

“I am very excited to bring someone in with her athleticism and skill level to the program,” Downing said. “She is going to be the type of athlete that can come in and make an impact immediately. She has a great inside and outside game and you don’t see players at her size with offensive skills at this level.”

Bennett (Forward, 5-11), who will graduate from Del City High School, received numerous honors as a junior. She was named The Daily Oklahoman Big All-City Honorable Mention, MVP for her team, DCHS Gatorade Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year and Second Team All-Conference for the 2004-05 season.

Under head coach Deanna Duerson at DCHS, she scored a total of 165 points, and averaged 5.9 rebounds per game. She also collected 2.4 steals per contest and totaled 36 blocks for the season.

## LISTEN TO THE LIONS

All A&M-Commerce men’s and women’s basketball games, both home and away, will be broadcast live on 88.9 KETR. Sean McEnany will handle the play-by-play duties for home contests, while Jesse Logan will provide color analysis. On the road, Logan will handle the play-by-play responsibilities. Fans unable to pick up the over-the-air broadcast will be able to listen to the action via the internet on the school’s official athletics website ([www.lionathletics.com](http://www.lionathletics.com)). All broadcasts will begin 15 minutes prior to tip-off and will feature pregame analysis, as well as interviews with the coaching staff and players.