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2008 ACADEMIC ALL-BIG 12 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM ANNOUNCED

IRVING, Texas — The Big 12 Conference has named 37 student-athletes to the 2008 Academic All-Big 12 Women's Basketball Team, the league office announced.

Among those honored, Haylee Abbe (Baylor) and Carolyn McCullough (Kansas State) were nominated with a 4.00 grade point average.

Kansas State led the conference with eight selections – seven on the first team and one on the second.

Nominated by each institution's director of student-athlete support services and the media relations offices, the women's basketball academic all-league team consisted of 27 first team members combined with 10 on the second team. First team members consist of those who have maintained a 3.20 or better GPA, and the second team are those who have a 3.00 to 3.19 GPA.

To qualify student-athletes must maintain a 3.00 GPA or higher either cumulative or the two previous semesters and must have participated in 60 percent of her team's scheduled contests. Freshmen and transfers are not eligible in their first year of academic residence. Senior student-athletes who have participated for a minimum of two years and meet all the criteria except percent of participation are also eligible.

The 2008 Phillips 66 Big 12 Women's Basketball Championship returns to Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium on March 11-13 & 15 for the eighth time in conference history. Kansas City hosted the first six women's postseason events from 1997-2002, in addition to the 2005 championship.

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2008 ACADEMIC ALL-BIG 12 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

FIRST TEAM (3.20-PLUS GPA; * - INDICATES NOMINATED WITH A 4.00 GPA)

Name, School	Class	Major	Hometown
Haylee Abbe, Baylor*	So.	Business	Waco, Texas
Rachel Allison, Baylor	Jr.	Exercise Physiology	Jonesboro, Ark.
Caley Dow, Colorado	Jr.	Spanish Professions/Economics	Littleton, Colo.
Jackie McFarland, Colorado	Sr.	Accounting	Derby, Kan.
Amanda Nisleit, Iowa State	Jr.	Elementary Education	Woodbury, Minn.
Ivana Catic, Kansas	Jr.	Management and Leadership	Zrenjanin, Serbia
Kelly Kohn, Kansas	So.	Communication Studies	Adrian, Mich.
Taylor McIntosh, Kansas	Sr.	Human Biology	Wichita, Kan.
Marlies Gipson, Kansas State	Jr.	Elementary Education	McPherson, Kan.
Kari Kincaid, Kansas State	So.	Secondary Education	Andover, Kan.
Shalee Lehning, Kansas State	Jr.	Electronic Journalism	Sublette, Kan.
Carolyn McCullough, Kansas State*	Sr.	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Stilwell, Kan.
Ashley Sweat, Kansas State	So.	Kinesiology	McPherson, Kan.
Shana Wheeler, Kansas State	Sr.	Special Education	Lee's Summit, Mo.
Danielle, Zanotti, Kansas State	Jr.	Psychology	Yukon, Okla.
Alyssa Hollins, Missouri	Jr.	Interdisciplinary Studies	Mesquite, Texas
Kelsey Griffin, Nebraska	Jr.	Biological Sciences	Eagle River, Alaska
Kala Kuhlmann, Nebraska	So.	Undeclared	Charter Oak, Iowa
Cory Montgomery, Nebraska	So.	Accounting	Cannon Falls, Minn.
Danielle Page, Nebraska	Sr.	Communication Studies	Monument, Colo.
Ashley Paris, Oklahoma	Jr.	Journalism	Piedmont, Calif.
Danielle Green, Oklahoma State	Sr.	Education	Philadelphia, Pa.
Kristen Nash, Texas	So.	Education	Plano, Texas
Katrina Limbaha, Texas A&M	So.	International Business	Riga, Latvia
Katy Pounds, Texas A&M	Sr.	Kinesiology - Graduate	Shallowater, Texas
Jordan Murphree, Texas Tech	So.	Exercise and Sport Science	Brock, Texas
Erin Myrick, Texas Tech	Sr.	Broadcast Journalism/Public Relations	Duarte, Calif.

SECOND TEAM (3.00 TO 3.19 GPA)

Name, School	Class	Major	Hometown
Susie Powers, Colorado	Sr.	Spanish/Education	Centennial, Colo.
Alison Lacey, Iowa State	So.	Communication Studies	Canberra, Australia
Kimberly Dietz, Kansas State	Sr.	Marketing	Boulder, Colo.
Marissa Scott, Missouri	So.	Business	Iola, Kan.
Courtney Paris, Oklahoma	Jr.	Journalism	Piedmont, Calif.
Maria Cordero, Oklahoma State	Sr.	Education	Santa Barbara, Calif.
Taylor Hardeman, Oklahoma State	Jr.	Dietics and Exercise	Norman, Okla.
Carla Cortijo, Texas	Jr.	Kinesiology	Carolina, Puerto Rico
Earnesia Williams, Texas	Jr.	Youth and Community Studies	Sapulpa, Okla.
Ashlaa Horton, Texas A&M	So.	Leadership	Cedar Hill, Texas