



## ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS

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### HORNET VOLLEYBALL INKS FIVE IN EARLY PERIOD

December 2, 2008 -- Emporia State head coach Bing Xu has announced the signing of five players to attend ESU and play volleyball for the Hornets.

Jocelyn DeMotte is a 5-5 defensive specialist from Topeka Hayden HS. She was named first team All-Class 4A as well as being named to the 4A State Tournament Team. Hayden finished in the top three in the state all four seasons DeMotte played, including winning the state championship her junior season.

Nicole Gingery is a 5-11 outside hitter from Lincoln East High School in Lincoln, Neb. She was named first team Class A All-State during her junior year and named honorable mention during her senior season. During her senior season with the Spartans she had 292 kills along with a team high 33 solo blocks. She also added 232 digs along with 48 service aces on the season.

Caitlyn Murray is a 6-0 outside hitter from Great Bend HS. She was named Honorable Mention All-State at the Class 5A level as a senior. She was twice named First Team All-6A-5A by the Hutchinson News as well as being named to the 5A All-State Tournament team as a junior. Is second all-time at Great Bend HS in career kills with 927 and blocks with 357. She set a single-season record in blocks with 162 as a senior.

Katelyn Schmidtberger is a 5-10 setter and outside hitter from Sacred Heart HS in Salina, Kan. She was named first team All-State at the Class 3A level in 2006, 2007 and in 2008 at the 2A level. She was a three time All-NCAA League pick. She had 340 kills along with 361 assists and 77 blocks during her senior season with the Knights. As a senior she hit .500 for the season to set a Sacred Heart HS single season record.

Meg Schwartz is a 5-7 libero/defensive specialist from Salina Central HS. She was named first team All-State at the Class 5A level in junior and senior seasons. She was named All-Ark Valley/Chisholm Trail League during her sophomore through senior years for the Mustangs. She led the team in digs with 394 in 2008 and also led the team in kills with 218 on the year.

The Hornets finished the 2008 campaign as the MIAA Champions and the NCAA Division II South Central Regional Runners-Up.

###HORNETS###

2008-09 Hornet Volleyball Early Signees			
Name	Ht	Pos.	Hometown/Previous School
Jocelyn DeMott	5-5	DS	Topeka, Kan./Hayden HS
Nicole Gingery	5-11	OH	Lincoln, Neb./East HS
Caitlyn Murray	6-0	OH	Great Bend, Kan./Great Bend HS
Katelyn Schmidtberger	5-10	S/OH	Salina, Kan./Sacred Heart HS
Meg Schwartz	5-7	DS/L	Salina, Kan./Central HS