

Joanna Alferts



Redshirt Freshman
Outside/Rightside Hitter
Height: 5-10
Hometown: Axtell, Kan.
High School: Axtell
Birthdate: March 11, 1987
Major: Physical Education
Parents: Bernie and Julia Alferts

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At Washburn

Did not play last year and was a redshirt.

Background

A first team all-league selection three seasons and an honorable mention all-state selection at Axtell High School...earned Class 1A all-state honors as a junior...named Class 1A player of the year as a senior...played in the Kansas Volleyball Association All-Star match.

Personal

Mother played volleyball, track and basketball at Pittsburg State...father played football at Bethany.

All About Joanna

Nickname Jo
Role model My Family
Favorites
Food Chinese
Book John Grisham
TV show The Real World
Sports movie Coach Carter
Cartoon character Belle
Professional team Misty May & Kerri Walsh
Pro athlete Kerri Walsh
Actress Julia Stiles
Most influential person in my life is .. Granny
Person in history I would want to meet
..... Princess Diana
"Other" sport softball



Shannon Bechard



Freshman
Middle Hitter
Height: 6-0
Hometown: Salina, Kan.
High School: Sacred Heart
Birthdate: February 24, 1988
Major: Physical Therapy
Parents: Susan and Harold Bechard

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Background

A three-time all-league and all-county selection for the Sacred Heart High School Knights, earning all-state honors as a junior in Class 2A...graduated in 2006...led her team to a Class 2A state title in 2004 with a 37-1 record and was named to the all-tournament team...helped the Knights to a second-place finish at the Class 3A state tournament with a 36-2 record her senior year and was named to the all-tournament team...led the Knights in kills, blocks, aces and hitting percentage her last two seasons and set school records with 104 blocks as a junior and 100 aces as a senior...Sacred Heart went 99-9 in the last three seasons with Bechard as a starter...started her last two seasons for the basketball and softball teams at Sacred Heart.

All About Shannon

Nickname Shan
Role model My family and God
Favorites
Food Chips and Salsa
Book Da Vince Code
Sports movie Rudy
Cartoon character Ducky (Land Before Time)
Professional team Saint Louis Cardinals
Pro athlete Albert Pujols
Actress Kate Hudson
Most influential person in my life is My parents
If I could live anywhere in the world Australia
Most prized possession State championship rings
"Other" sport Basketball and softball