

# Cloud County Volleyball



## T-Birds 2021

# Welcome to Thunderbird Volleyball!

Our volleyball program's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of our student-athletes. We aim to create an environment where our athletes can succeed in the classroom, on the court, and in our communities. Academics is top priority for us. We know our athletes' education is an essential piece to their lifelong success. We are committed to excellence, and we strive to see every student-athlete succeed on and off the court. Athletics instills self-confidence, leadership, commitment, and a physically/mentally healthier state of well-being. We assist our athletes to work cooperatively, build relationships, set goals, be successful, and handle failure. We want to make a difference in the lives of our athletes. We work to recognize and capture "teachable" moments to help prepare our athletes for life experiences. We know that we are "better together" so we emphasize the importance of teamwork.

At Cloud, we push our athletes to develop their volleyball and leadership skills. We prepare the athlete to step in and succeed at the next level. The Cloud County volleyball team is part of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) and the Kansas Jayhawk Community College West Division (KJCCC). The KJCCC West Division is one of the premier conferences in the United States. The KJCCC West contends at the NJCAA Division I level and provides great exposure for our athletes to four-year universities. We have placed several athletes in NCAA Division I and II programs.

Come join our T-Bird Family!

Deb, Hilta & Courtney



**Deb Monzon**  
Head Coach  
18th year



**Hilta Pereira**  
Assistant Coach  
2nd year



**Courtney Monzon**  
Assistant Coach  
3rd year

# CLOUD COUNTY QUICK FACTS

**Founded:** 1965

**Enrollment:** 2,700

**President:** Amber Knoettgen

**Athletic Director:** Matt Bechard

**Sports Information Director:** Matt Kinney

**Athletic Trainer:** Steve Schroeder

**Location:** Concordia, KS

**Home Court:** Arley Bryant Gymnasium

**Seating Capacity:** 1,000

**Mascot:** Thunderbird

**Colors:** Black and Gold

**Conference:** Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference

**Region:** NJCAA Region VI



For more information on the CCCC volleyball program or scholarship information, contact head coach Deb Monzon at 785-243-1435 ext. 293, or text at 785-275-1016 or 785-614-5154, or by email at [dmonzon@cloud.edu](mailto:dmonzon@cloud.edu)

## ALL-TIME POSTSEASON HONORS

### NJCAA All-Americans

Sandy Underwood  
Honorable Mention, 1977  
Lori Lorenstein  
Honorable Mention, 1981  
Jill Schroeder  
Honorable Mention, 1982  
April Chavey  
Second Team, 1986  
April Chavey  
Second Team, 1987  
Stephanie Blackwell  
Second Team, 1995  
Dayana Chara  
Second Team, 2019

Sheila Cherry - 1987  
Stacey Slavens - 1988  
Wendy Clark - 1989  
Erin Christensen - 1989  
Shelly Slavens - 1989  
Deanna Reeb - 1990  
Jenny Engelken - 1990  
Kari Jo Matejka - 1991  
Melanie Teeter - 1991  
Angie Schoof - 1992  
Leslie Wahle - 1992  
Amy Hager - 1993  
Amy Hansen - 1993  
Stephanie Blackwell - 1994, 1995  
Erin Haist - 1994  
Kim Ford - 1994  
Kendra Wiedel - 1995  
Crystal Petersen - 1995  
Holly Waldo - 1996  
Christy Brown - 1996  
Tara Lang - 1996  
Karyn Posey - 1996  
Jennifer Davis - 2001  
Laramie Bott - 2001  
Julie Corbett - 2002

Jill Hiltibrand - 2003  
Angelica Cruz - 2006  
Luana Henriques - 2006  
Maria Bujanda - 2011  
Kylie Penning - 2013  
Emily Brown - 2014  
Laura Sudbeck - 2014  
Jaci Kolm - 2015  
Gaby da Silva - 2015  
Elizabeth Norbert - 2016  
Dayana Chara - 2018, 2019  
Emelys Martinez - 2019  
Geraldyn Palacios - 2019, 2020, 2021  
Mary Broxterman - 2019  
Madi Spencer - 2019  
Jaycee Burghart - 2020  
Natasha Dooley - 2020, 2021  
Lakyn Tenbrink - 2020

### NJCAA All-Region VI

Joyce Green - 1978  
Sandy Underwood - 1978, 1979  
Debe Rettele - 1978, 1979  
Lori Lorenstein - 1981  
Jill Schroeder - 1981, 1982  
Lana Riemann - 1982  
Cindy Kickhaefer - 1983  
April Chavey - 1986, 1987

### NJCAA Region VI Championships

1980  
1987  
1989

# 2021 CLOUD COUNTY THUNDERBIRD VOLLEYBALL

## #1

### Sydney Kunnemann

5'8" Freshman

Setter

*St. Robert, Missouri*



A first year player for the T-Birds, Sydney joins the CCCC volleyball program following four years at Waynesville High School in St. Robert, Mo. Kunneman would be named a 2020 Honorable Mention All-Ozark Confernece selection while also playing club volleyball for Apex Volleyball in Springfiled, Missouri.

## #2

### Shaina Wright

5'7" Sophomore

Defensive Specialist

*Concordia, Kansas*



Back for a second year with the T-Birds, Wright will look build upon last year that saw the Concordia, KS native appear in nine matches and 16 sets for the T-Birds. Prior to joining the CCCC volleyball program, Wright would be play volleyball and softball at Concordia High School.

## #3

### Mariah Janda

5'4" Freshman

Setter

*Salina, Kansas*



A first year player for the T-Birds, Janda was a three-year letter winner at Salina South High School in Salina, Kansas. A three-time Honorable Mention All-Ark Valley Chisholm Trail League selection, Janda would also be a firs-team Saline County selection and KVCA All-Star while playing club volleyball for Volleytech in Salina.

## #4

### Natasha Dooley

5'11" Sophomore

Outside Hitter

*Garden Plain, Kansas*



Dooley will look to follow up a first-year campaign with the T-Birds that would lead to a Second-Team All-Plains District A Selection after playing in 12 matches and 44 sets for CCCC in the spring of 2021 which included season-bests of 14 kills and 28 digs on Feb. 27 against Central Community College.

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#5

## Zoe Bechard

5'4" Freshman  
Defensive Specialist  
Concordia, Kansas



A first year player for the T-Birds, Bechard was a four-year letter winner at Concordia High School where she was primarily a libero and defensive specialist for the Panthers while earning Honorable Mention All-North Central Kansas League Honors as a senior.

#6

## Geraldyn Palacios

6'0" Sophomore  
Middle Blocker  
Medellín, Colombia



A two-time All-KJCCC honoree, Palacios will look to cap off her career with the T-Birds this season after appearing in 53 matches over the past two seasons. Last year, Palacios would finish with a team-best 230 kills and a .356 attack percentage while adding 21 service aces and 98 total blocks to be named a First-Team All-Plains District A selection.

#7

## Erin Deters

6'2" Freshman  
Middle Blocker  
Fairview, Kansas



A first year player for the T-Birds, Erin joins the CCCC volleyball program following a high school career at Sabetha High School where she helped lead the program to their first State Championship by winning the 2020 KSHSAA 3A State Tournament. Also played club volleyball for NEK Power, NEK Storm, and NEK Juniors.

#8

## Kylie Fuller

5'8" Sophomore  
Setter  
Minneapolis, Kansas



After playing multiple positions for the T-Birds in the spring of 2021, Fuller will look to transition to a setter role for CCCC to help provide depth in a spot that loses two setters from a year ago. In her first year with the T-Birds, Fuller appeared in 39 sets and recorded 109 digs and 11 service aces to go along with 29 total kills.

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**#9**

**Hollie Stewart**

5'9" Sophomore  
Outside Hitter  
Wichita, Kansas



One of seven returners from last spring's squad for Cloud County, Stewart will look to take on a more prominent role in the lineup after playing in 19 matches and 55 sets a year ago for CCCC. In total last year, Stewart would record 71 kills, 75 digs, and 35 total blocks as a true freshman.

**#10**

**Lakyn Tenbrink**

6'0" Sophomore  
Right Side  
Ellsworth, Kansas



A second-team All Plains District A selection last season, Tenbrink will look to build on a year that saw her appear in 12 matches and 43 sets where she recorded 92 kills, 53 digs, and 42 blocks before having her season cut short due to medical reasons for the T-Birds.

**#11**

**Kenzie Cooper**

5'8" Freshman  
Outside Hitter  
Wamego, Kansas



A first year player for the T-Birds, Kenzie joins the CCCC volleyball program following a high school career at Wamego School where she was a three-year letter winner and two-time KSHSAA 4A Second-Team All-State selection (2019, 2020). Kenzie would also play club volleyball for the Kansas Jets and Topeka Impact club teams while in high school.

**#12**

**Lisette Pfortmiller**

5'10" Sophomore  
Middle Hitter  
Smith Center, Kansas



Pfortmiller will enter her second season with the T-Birds as the Smith Center, KS native will look for more playing time after appearing in all 21 matches and 75 sets for CCCC last year. During her freshman campaign, Pfortmiller would record 125 kills, 60 total blocks, 40 digs, and four service aces.

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## #13

### **Camryn Wessel**

5'9" Freshman  
Middle Hitter  
*Sabetha, Kansas*



A first year player for the T-Birds, Camryn joins the CCCC volleyball program following a high school career at Sabetha School where she helped the program to their first State Championship by winning the 2020 KSHSAA 3A State Tournament. Camryn would also play club volleyball for the NEK Storm while in high school.

## #14

### **Cadence Nondorf**

5'8" Freshman  
Outside Hitter  
*Luray, Kansas*



A first year player for the T-Birds, Cadence joins the CCCC volleyball program following a high school career at Sylvan-Lucas High School where she was a three-year letter winner. Cadence would be named a First-Team All-Northern Plains League Selection and KVA Class 1A All-State Second team selection in 2020 and played club volleyball for Southern Plains Thunder.

## #15

### **Michaela Bowers**

5'7" Sophomore  
Defensive Specialist  
*McPherson, Kansas*



Bowers bring collegiate experience to the T-Birds after spending 2019-20 with Neosho Community College and will look to help CCCC as they transition to NJCAA Division I this season. While at Neosho, Bowers appeared in 36 matches and played in 123 sets while recording 568 digs 82 set assists, and 30 service aces.

## #16

### **Neveah Jackson**

6'0" Freshman  
Middle Blocker  
*Olathe, Kansas*



A first year player for the T-Birds, Neveah joins the CCCC volleyball program following a high school career at Olathe West High School where she was a two-year letter winner under head coach Amy Hoffsommer. Neveah would also play club volleyball for Dynasty Volleyball Club in Kansas City.

# MEET THE T-BIRD COACHING STAFF



Deb Monzon was hired on December 19, 2017 for her second stint as Head Coach of the Cloud County Community College volleyball program. She previously led the T-Birds from 1983-1996, compiling an overall record of 529- 200. Cloud County won the Region VI championship and finished ninth at the national tournament in 1987. Monzon was named Region VI Coach of the Year after her team finished 49-8 overall that season. Monzon is a member of the Cloud County Athletics Hall of Fame for her work as a player and coach and has been a staple at Cloud County Community College for decades. As a student-athlete, she was a member of the Cloud County women's basketball team's run to back-to-back Region VI championships in 1978-79 and 1979- 80. The T-Birds finished 28-4 overall her sophomore season and became the first Kansas junior college women's basketball team to play in a NJCAA championship game.



Hilta Pereira is from Minas Gerais, Brazil. She came to the US in 2013 to study and play volleyball at Cloud County. After Cloud, she completed her playing career OKWU and graduated in 2017 with a BS in Sports Recreation Leadership. Coach Pereira spent one year coaching Independence Community College and two years as the Assistant Coach at Southwest Baptist University. While at SBU, she completed her Masters in Athletic Administration. Last June, Coach Pereira returned to Cloud County to coach under Coach Deb Monzon. She is also currently working on her MBA from Kansas Wesleyan University.



Courtney Monzon will be entering her 3rd season leading the T-Bird Volleyball strength and conditioning program. Courtney received her Bachelors in Kinesiology/Exercise Physiology from Washburn University in 2016. She is currently pursuing her Masters in Science in Human Performance and Wellness from Pittsburg State University. Courtney is a Certified Health Coach by the Institute of Integrative Nutrition. Courtney also works part-time as a Personal Trainer at Sharp Performance in downtown Concordia.

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Welcome to Cloud County Community College, where our mission is to prepare students to lead successful lives and enhance the vitality of our communities. Our guiding values are Success, Excellence, Service, Integrity, Diversity, Accessibility, and Sustainability. We are delighted you've found your way to us.

As you explore what we have to offer, you will find that we provide a caring community that supports our students as they pursue their educational goals. Many of our faculty and staff members are former students or long-time employees who have multiple connections to the institution and local community. Although you have many educational choices, Cloud has a proud history of helping individuals improve their lives, whether your goals are to go to work, update your skills to obtain a better job, or transfer to a four-year university! We offer twelve fields of study with stackable credentials totaling more than 335 courses each semester to help you accomplish whatever you desire!

There are endless opportunities to explore at Cloud and we look forward to assisting you in your needs and navigating your path. Our goal is for you to have the best possible experience here at Cloud while preparing you to be successful in your future endeavors. Go T-Birds!



Amber Knoettgen  
*Cloud County President*

## ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT STAFF



**Matt Bechard**  
Athletic Director  
24th Year at Cloud County



**Madi Odette**  
Assistant to the  
Athletic Director  
5th Year at Cloud County



**Steve Schroeder**  
Athletic Trainer  
28th Year at Cloud County



**Matt Kinney**  
Sports Information Director  
3rd Year at Cloud County

# T-BIRD VOLLEYBALL LOCKER ROOM



# ARLEY BRYANT GYMNASIUM



# ATHLETIC TRAINING ROOM



# 2021 Cloud County Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
8-14	at KJCCC Scrimmages (El Dorado, KS)	9 AM
<b>8-17</b>	<b>Kansas Wesleyan JV (Scrimmage)</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
8-20	Hesston College ^	11 AM
8-20	North Platte CC ^	3 PM
8-21	Coffeyville ^	3 PM
8-21	Northeast CC ^	5 PM
<b>8-25</b>	<b>Barton *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
8-27	Labette #	3 PM
8-27	Highland	7 PM
8-28	Fort Scott #	11 AM
8-28	Allen #	3 PM
9-1	Hutchinson *	6 PM
<b>9-8</b>	<b>Seward County *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
9-9	Central CC	7 PM
<b>9-15</b>	<b>Colby *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
9-18	Dodge City *	3 PM
9-18	Lamar CC %	5 PM
<b>9-20</b>	<b>Central CC</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>9-22</b>	<b>Butler *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
9-25	Pratt *	2 PM
<b>9-27</b>	<b>UNK JV</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
9-29	Barton *	6:30 PM
<b>10-2</b>	<b>Hutchinson *</b>	<b>2 PM</b>
<b>10-2</b>	<b>Highland</b>	<b>6 PM</b>
10-6	UNK JV	5 PM
10-9	Seward County *	6:30 PM
<b>10-11</b>	<b>Garden City *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
10-13	Garden City *	6:30 PM
<b>10-18</b>	<b>Hesston</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
10-16	Colby *	2 PM
<b>10-18</b>	<b>Hesston College</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
<b>10-18</b>	<b>Southeast CC</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>
<b>10-20</b>	<b>Dodge City *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
10-23	Butler *	2 PM
<b>10-27</b>	<b>Pratt *</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
11-3	Region VI Tournament	TBD
11-5/11-6	Region VI Tournament	TBD

Home Games in **Bold**

\* Denotes KJCCC Matches

^ Denotes match played in Beatrice, NE

# Denotes match played in Highland, KS

% Denotes match played in Dodge City, KS