

## 2018-19 D2CCA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-WEST REGION TEAMS

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LA MIRADA, Calif. - The 2018-19 D2CCA NCAA Division II Women's Basketball All-West Region first and second teams have been announced as voted upon by College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) from the region. The West Region consists of 36 women's basketball teams from the California Collegiate Athletic Association (13 teams), Great Northwest Athletic Conference (11 teams) and the Pacific West Conference (12 teams). In all, nine teams were represented, with No.5/No. 9 Northwest Nazarene as the only team with multiple selections.

The teams are headlined by undefeated No. 2 UC San Diego's <u>Mikayla Williams</u>, who was named the West Region Player of the Year. Williams, the CCAA Player of the Year, guided the Tritons to a CCAA regular season and tournament championship and a perfect 29-0 to this point in the season. The junior forward put up 20.1 points-per-game to go along with 10.4 rebounds-per-game while shooting 55.2% from the floor this season. Her field goal percentage is the highest among the all-region players.

Joining Williams on the first team were <u>Natalie Diaz</u> of Dominican, <u>Hannah Wandersee</u> of Alaska Anchorage, <u>Savanna Hanson</u> of Azusa Pacific and <u>Alexia Thrower</u> of Humboldt State. Williams, Diaz and Wandersee are all receiving all-region recognition for the second time in their careers. Diaz was the highest scorer among the all-region recipients, dropping in 26.4 points-per-game while earning PacWest Player of the Year honors for a second-consecutive season. Wandersee helped Alaska Anchorage to a regular season GNAC title and won the conference's player of the year honor while passing 1,200 career points. Hanson and Thrower earn their first all-region selections after leading both their teams to NCAA Regional Tournament berths.

The second team highlighted the two honorees from Northwest Nazarene - <u>Avery Albrecht</u> and <u>Ellie Logan</u>. That duo is joined by a trio of first-time picks in Chaminade's <u>Destiny Castro</u>, Hawaii Hilo's <u>Allie Navarette</u> and Hawaii Pacific's <u>Breanna Mackenzie</u>. The PacWest led all conferences with five selections. Next was the GNAC with three, followed by the CCAA's two selections - both on the first team. Williams led all players with 16 first-place votes. Diaz was next with nine. The other three members of the first team and Albrecht combined for five.

Each of the five D2CCA All-West Region First Team selections will now be listed on the D2CCA Women's Basketball All-America ballot, which will be voted on by the CoSIDA Division II membership with the announcement of those All-American teams expected Monday, March 25.

## 2018-19 D2CCA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL WEST REGION PLAYER OF THE YEAR Mikayla Williams, UC San Diego (F, 6-1, Jr., Meath Park, SK, Canada)

2018-19 D2CCA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL WEST REGION FIRST TEAM													
NAME	SCHOOL	YR	GP	GS	MIN/G	FG%	3PT%	FT%	REB/G	AST/G	STL	BLK	PTS/G
<u>Mikayla Williams</u> *#	# #2/2 UC San Diego	Jr.	29	29	32.6	.552	.000	.816	10.4	2.5	23	50	20.1
Natalie Diaz*	Dominican	Sr.	27	27	34.1	.484	.574	.634	8.9	2.9	26	40	26.4
Hannah Wandersee*	* #8/13 Alaska Anchorage	Sr.	30	30	28.1	.486	.298	.870	5.2	1.7	32	29	14.5
<u>Savanna Hanson</u>	#24/RV Azusa Pacific	So.	30	30	29.3	.416	.326	.685	8.3	3.7	51	29	16.1
<u>Alexia Thrower</u>	Humboldt State	Jr.	26	26	35.5	.519	.357	.803	10.4	1.4	33	5	17.6

2018-19 D2CCA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL WEST REGION SECOND TEAM													
NAME	SCHOOL	YR	GP	GS	MIN/G	FG%	3PT%	FT%	REB/G	AST/G	STL	BLK	PTS/G
Avery Albrecht	#5/9 Northwest Nazare	ne Jr.	30	29	27.8	.489	.475	.919	3.5	1.4	48	5	13.7
Destiny Castro	Chaminade	Jr.	25	25	32.5	.423	.295	.753	6.8	3.3	82	1	20.0
Allie Navarette	Hawaii Hilo	So.	26	25	30.4	.395	.259	.794	10.1	0.9	25	20	19.8
<u>Ellie Logan</u>	#5/9 Northwest Nazare	ne Sr.	30	30	25.0	.464	.333	.779	5.3	2.1	34	24	11.4
Breanna Mackenzie	RV/NR Hawaii Pacific	Sr.	24	23	26.4	.447	.337	.645	6.3	2.0	45	11	14.6

\* - Two-time D2CCA All-Region | # - West Region Player of the year

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