

# 2024 ARKANSAS VOLLEYBALL

## COACHING STAFF



**JASON WATSON**  
Head Coach  
Ninth Season



**JORDAN CHILDS**  
Assistant Coach  
First Season



**JILL GILLEN**  
Assistant Coach  
First Season



**JORDAN NEAL**  
Assistant Coach  
Second Season

## QUICK FACTS

### TEAM INFORMATION

2024 Overall Record	12-2
2024 SEC Record	2-0
SEC Finish	N/A
Home Record	6-0
Away Record	2-2
Neutral Record	4-0
Starters Returning/Lost	4/3
Newcomers	4

### COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Jason Watson
Record at Arkansas	145-104 (.582)
SEC Record	78-72 (.520)
Career Record	345-252 (.578)
Assistant Coach	Jordan Childs
Assistant Coach	Jill Gillen
Assistant Coach	Jordan Neal
Director of Operations	Andy Rynd
Volleyball Office Phone	479-575-3813

### TEAM HISTORY

All-Time Overall Record	583-389 (.600)
All-Time SEC Record	304-224 (.574)
NCAA Tournaments/Last	13/2023
SEC Championships/Last	1 (Tournament)/1997
First Year of Program	1994

### FACILITY INFORMATION

Name	Barnhill Arena
Capacity	8,500
Opened	1953
All-Time Record	306-137 (.691)

## 2024 AWARDS & HONORS

2024 Preseason All-SEC  
Hannah Hogue

SEC Defensive Player of the Week: 9/9  
Zoi Evans

SEC Co-Offensive Player of the Week: 9/16  
Romani Thurman

SEC Defensive Player of the Week: 9/30  
Courtney Jackson

## 2024 SCHEDULE

OVERALL: 12-2 | SEC: 2-0  
H: 6-0 | A: 2-2 | N: 4-0

Aug. 30	St. Mary's	San Luis Obispo, Calif.	W, 3-2
Aug. 31	Sacramento State	San Luis Obispo, Calif.	W, 3-0
Aug. 31	Cal Poly	San Luis Obispo, Calif.	W, 3-1
Sept. 5	Rutgers	Barnhill Arena	W, 3-0
Sept. 6	Wichita State	Barnhill Arena	W, 3-0
Sept. 7	Louisiana Tech	Barnhill Arena	W, 3-0
Sept. 8	Little Rock	Barnhill Arena	W, 3-0
Sept. 12	Tulsa	Tulsa, Okla.	L, 3-2
Sept. 13	Stephen F. Austin	Tulsa, Okla.	W, 3-0
Sept. 19	Miami	Miami, Fla.	L, 3-0
Sept. 20	Florida International	Miami, Fla.	W, 3-2
Sept. 21	Texas Tech	Miami, Fla.	W, 3-1
Sept. 25	Georgia	Barnhill Arena	W, 3-2
Sept. 29	Ole Miss	Barnhill Arena	W, 3-0
Oct. 6	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	2PM
Oct. 13	Alabama	Barnhill Arena	3PM
Oct. 18	Texas	Austin, Texas	8PM
Oct. 20	Texas A&M	College Station, Texas	2PM
Oct. 25	Missouri	Barnhill Arena	7PM
Oct. 27	Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.	2PM
Oct. 30	Florida	Barnhill Arena	7PM
Nov. 3	Auburn	Barnhill Arena	3PM
Nov. 8	South Carolina	Barnhill Arena	7PM
Nov. 15	Ole Miss	Oxford, Miss.	6:30PM
Nov. 17	LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	2PM
Nov. 22	Tennessee	Knoxville, Tenn.	5:30PM
Nov. 24	Kentucky	Lexington, Ky.	3PM
Nov. 27	Oklahoma	Barnhill Arena	6PM

## 2024 RAZORBACK VOLLEYBALL ROSTER

#	Name	Position	Class	Height	Hometown	High School/Previous School
0	Lauryn Lambert	OH	Freshman	5-9	Murphy, Texas	Plano East HS
1	Avery Calame	OH	R-Sophomore	5-11	McKinney, Texas	McKinney-Boyd HS
2	Jada Lawson	OH	Senior	5-7	North Little Rock, Ark.	North Little Rock HS
3	Sania Petties	MB	Senior	6-2	Houston, Texas	Mississippi State
4	Lily Dudley	OH	R-Freshman	5-11	Columbia, Mo.	Rock Bridge HS
5	Kylie Weeks	L	R-Sophomore	5-6	Elkhorn, Neb.	Elkhorn South HS
7	Kayla Robertson	OH	Freshman	6-1	Lake St. Louis, Mo.	Timberland HS
8	Lo Jones	S	R-Freshman	5-9	Carl Junction, Mo.	Carl Junction HS
9	Aniya Madkin	OH	R-Freshman	6-2	Clinton, Miss.	Clinton HS
14	Rosana Hicks	OH	Senior	6-1	Fayetteville, Ark.	Fayetteville HS
15	Courtney Jackson	L	Senior	5-8	Olathe, Kan.	Olathe Northwest HS
17	Skylar Ellison	MB	R-Sophomore	6-1	Aledo, Texas	Aledo HS
18	Hannah Hogue	S	Senior	5-8	Fort Smith, Arkansas	Southside HS
19	Olivia Ruy	OH	R-Freshman	6-2	Salt Lake City, Utah	Woods Cross HS
22	Ava Roth	L	R-Freshman	5-6	Festus, Mo.	Jefferson HS
23	Aleki Alexander	MB	Freshman	6-2	Blue Springs, Mo.	Blue Springs HS
30	Romani Thurman	OH	Sophomore	5-10	Little Rock, Ark.	North Carolina
44	Zoi Evans	MB	Senior	6-4	Tampa, Fla.	Wiregrass HS

Head Coach: Jason Watson/BYU, '95 (Ninth Season/20th Overall)  
 Assistant Coach: Jordan Childs/Truett-McConnell, '19 (First Season)  
 Assistant Coach: Jill Gillen/Arkansas, '23 (First Season)  
 Assistant Coach: Jordan Neal/ Ouachita Baptist, '13 (Second Season)  
 Director of Operations: Andy Rynd/Bowling Green, '15 (Third Season)

### TEAM STUDIES

Lauryn Lambert	Pre-Business
Avery Calame	Marketing
Jada Lawson	Biomedical Engineering
Sania Petties	Psychology
Lily Dudley	Interior Design
Kylie Weeks	Communication Sciences & Disorders
Kayla Robertson	Pre-Business
Lo Jones	Journalism
Aniya Madkin	Pre-Business
Rosana Hicks	Anthropology
Courtney Jackson	Marketing
Skylar Ellison	Public Health
Hannah Hogue	Agricultural Business
Olivia Ruy	Social Work
Ava Roth	English
Aleki Alexander	Exploratory
Zoi Evans	Operations Management (MA)
Romani Thurman	Communications

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Avery Calame	<i>CAL-um</i>
Sania Petties	<i>PET-iss</i>
Aniya Madkin	<i>uh-NY-uh</i>
Rosana Hicks	<i>Rose-AH-nuh</i>
Hannah Hogue	<i>Rhymes with ROGUE</i>
Olivia Ruy	<i>WHO-ee</i>
Aleki Alexander	<i>uh-LEH-key</i>
Romani Thurman	<i>ro-MAH-nee</i>
Zoi Evans	<i>Zoey</i>

### BY CLASS

**Freshmen/R-Freshmen (8)**  
 Aleki Alexander  
 Lily Dudley  
 Lo Jones  
 Lauryn Lambert  
 Aniya Madkin  
 Kayla Robertson  
 Ava Roth  
 Olivia Ruy

**Sophomores/R-Sophomores (4)**  
 Avery Calame  
 Skylar Ellison  
 Romani Thurman  
 Kylie Weeks

### BY CLASS

**Seniors (6)**  
 Zoi Evans  
 Rosana Hicks  
 Hannah Hogue  
 Courtney Jackson  
 Jada Lawson  
 Sania Petties

### BY STATE

**Arkansas (4)**  
 Rosana Hicks Fayetteville  
 Hannah Hogue Fort Smith  
 Jada Lawson North Little Rock  
 Romani Thurman Little Rock

**Florida (1)**  
 Zoi Evans Tampa

**Kansas (1)**  
 Courtney Jackson Olathe

**Mississippi (1)**  
 Aniya Madkin Clinton

**Missouri (5)**  
 Aleki Alexander Blue Springs  
 Lily Dudley Columbia  
 Lo Jones Carl Junction  
 Kayla Robertson Lake St. Louis  
 Ava Roth Festus

### BY STATE

**Nebraska (1)**  
 Kylie Weeks Elkhorn

**Texas (4)**  
 Avery Calame McKinney  
 Skylar Ellison Aledo  
 Lauryn Lambert Murphy  
 Sania Petties Houston

**Utah (1)**  
 Olivia Ruy Salt Lake City

2024 RAZORBACK VOLLEYBALL MEDIA ROSTER



**0 LAURYN LAMBERT**  
Fr. | OH | 5-9 | Murphy, Texas



**1 AVERY CALAME**  
R-So. | OH | 5-11 | McKinney, Texas



**2 JADA LAWSON**  
Sr. | OH | 5-7 | North Little Rock, Ark.



**3 SANIA PETTIES**  
Sr. | MB | 6-1 | Houston, Texas



**4 LILY DUDLEY**  
R-Fr. | OH | 5-11 | Columbia, Mo.



**5 KYLIE WEEKS**  
R-So. | L | 5-6 | Elkhorn, Neb.



**7 KAYLA ROBERTSON**  
Fr. | OH | 6-1 | Lake St. Louis, Mo.



**8 LO JONES**  
R-Fr. | S | 5-9 | Carl Junction, Mo.



**9 ANIYA MADKIN**  
R-Fr. | OH | 6-2 | Clinton, Miss.



**14 ROSANA HICKS**  
Sr. | OH | 6-1 | Fayetteville, Ark.



**15 COURTNEY JACKSON**  
Sr. | L | 5-9 | Olathe, Kan.



**17 SKYLAR ELLISON**  
R-So. | MB | 6-1 | Aledo, Texas



**18 HANNAH HOGUE**  
Sr. | S | 5-8 | Fort Smith, Ark.



**19 OLIVIA RUY**  
R-Fr. | OH | 6-2 | Salt Lake City, Utah



**22 AVA ROTH**  
R-Fr. | L | 5-6 | Festus, Mo.



**23 ALEKI ALEXANDER**  
Fr. | MB | 6-2 | Blue Springs, Mo.



**30 ROMANI THURMAN**  
So. | OH | 5-10 | Little Rock, Ark.



**44 ZOI EVANS**  
Sr. | MB | 6-4 | Tampa, Fla.

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## BARNHILL ARENA: HOME OF THE RAZORBACKS

Single-Match Attendance			Year-by-Year Attendance				
Rank	Attendance	Match	Year	#	Total	Avg.	
1.	4,299	#1 Wisconsin	Aug. 30, 2023	1994	15	6,548	437
2.	3,847	Stephen F. Austin (NCAAT)	Dec. 1, 2023	1995	13	6,194	477
3.	3,749	#20 Florida	Nov. 19, 2023	1996	18	8,296	461
4.	3,557	TCU (NCAAT)	Dec. 2, 2023	1997	15	8,101	540
5.	3,298	Mississippi State	Nov. 5, 2023	1998	19	13,299	700
6.	3,015	#13 Florida	Sept. 14, 2012	1999	14	6,315	451
7.	2,947	#10 Kentucky	Nov. 22, 2023	2000	17	7,499	441
8.	2,740	#1 Wisconsin	Aug. 31, 2023	2001	11	5,794	527
9.	2,491	Ole Miss	Sept. 29, 2024	2002	16	7,127	451
10.	2,349	South Carolina	Nov. 19, 2014	2003	11	5,683	517
11.	2,067	Ole Miss	Oct. 3, 2023	2004	14	8,254	590
12.	1,755	#19 Kentucky	Oct. 7, 2022	2005	14	9,365	669
13.	1,752	Wichita State	Sept. 6, 2024	2006	14	9,817	701
14.	1,751	Missouri	Oct. 8, 2023	2007	16	10,919	682
15.	1,747	Texas A&M	Sept. 24, 2023	2008	14	9,086	649
16.	1,728	Louisiana Tech	Sept. 7, 2024	2009	14	10,316	737
17.	1,717	Michigan State	Aug. 25, 2023	2010	14	11,855	847
18.	1,672	Missouri	Oct. 2, 2013	2011	14	12,903	922
19.	1,653	South Carolina	Sept. 22, 2023	2012	18	18,297	1,016
20.	1,616	Georgia	Sept. 25, 2024	2013	15	13,047	870
21.	1,593	Alabama	Oct. 15, 2023	2014	16	15,265	954
22.	1,490	Little Rock	Sept. 8, 2024	2015	15	14,697	980
23.	1,474	Alabama	Nov. 20, 2022	2016	11	9,149	832
24.	1,464	Alabama	Nov. 19, 2022	2017	13	12,919	994
25.	1,463	Tennessee State	Aug. 29, 2014	2018	12	8,117	624
				2019	13	8,479	652
				2020	12	5,675	473
				2021	12	10,590	882
				2022	16	19,607	1,225
				2023	17	40,078	2,358
				2024	6	10,463	1,744

\* 1998 SEC Tournament



Barnhill Arena was opened for the first time in 1954 and officially closed its doors as a basketball facility on March 3, 1993. Barnhill was reconfigured into the largest volleyball-only arena in time for the 1994 season. It then underwent a second significant face-lift prior to the 2003 season to also become the home of Arkansas gymnastics.



### YEAR BY YEAR

YEAR	COACH	OVERALL	PCT	SEC	PCT	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	POSTSEASON
1994	Poole	19-17	.528	10-5	.667	9-6	7-7	3-4	NIVC
1995	Poole	25-15	.625	11-4	.733	10-3	9-6	6-6	NIVC
1996	Poole	26-11	.703	11-4	.733	15-3	8-6	3-2	NCAA (2nd Round)
1997	Poole	30-6	.833	13-2	.867	14-1	10-4	6-1	NCAA (2nd Round)
1998	Poole	29-6	.829	14-1	.933	17-2	10-2	2-2	NCAA (Regional Semifinal)
1999	Poole	30-7	.811	14-1	.933	14-0	11-5	5-2	NCAA (2nd Round)
2000	Poole	16-14	.533	9-6	.600	11-6	5-3	0-5	--
2001	Poole	21-12	.636	12-3	.800	10-1	8-7	3-4	NCAA (1st Round)
2002	Poole	27-6	.818	14-2	.875	13-4	11-2	3-0	--
2003	Poole	27-7	.794	15-1	.938	11-0	8-4	8-3	NCAA (2nd Round)
2004	Poole	17-16	.515	10-6	.625	10-5	4-8	3-3	NCAA (1st Round)
2005	Poole	21-12	.636	11-5	.688	11-4	5-6	5-2	NCAA (2nd Round)
2006	Poole	16-13	.552	9-11	.450	10-4	4-8	2-1	NCAA (1st Round)
2007	Poole	12-19	.387	6-14	.300	6-9	4-8	2-2	--
2008	Pulliza	7-23	.233	4-16	.200	4-10	3-10	0-3	--
2009	Pulliza	13-18	.419	7-13	.350	6-8	4-9	3-1	--
2010	Pulliza	14-17	.452	8-12	.400	8-6	4-9	2-2	--
2011	Pulliza	18-13	.581	10-10	.500	8-6	6-7	4-0	--
2012	Pulliza	22-10	.688	13-7	.650	14-4	6-5	2-1	NCAA (1st Round)
2013	Pulliza	16-14	.533	9-9	.500	9-6	6-6	1-2	NCAA (1st Round)
2014	Pulliza	15-16	.484	9-9	.500	9-7	4-7	2-2	--
2015	Pulliza	17-13	.567	7-11	.389	9-6	4-7	4-0	--
2016	Watson	9-21	.300	7-11	.389	4-8	4-9	1-4	--
2017	Watson	19-11	.633	9-9	.500	10-3	6-6	3-2	--
2018	Watson	11-17	.393	5-13	.278	7-6	2-10	2-1	--
2019	Watson	11-19	.367	5-13	.278	8-5	1-11	2-3	--
2020	Watson	14-8	.636	14-8	.636	9-3	5-5	0-0	--
2021	Watson	20-11	.645	10-8	.556	7-5	9-7	4-2	NIVC (Quarterfinals)
2022	Watson	21-9	.700	11-7	.611	13-3	5-5	3-1	NCAA Tournament (2nd Round)
2023	Watson	28-6	.824	15-3	.833	14-3	9-3	5-0	NCAA Tournament (Regional Final)
2024	Watson	12-2	.857	2-0	1.000	6-0	2-2	4-0	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>583-389</b>	<b>.600</b>	<b>304-224</b>	<b>.574</b>	<b>306-137</b>	<b>183-191</b>	<b>93-60</b>	

Chris Poole (1994-07) | Overall: 316-161 (.662) | SEC: 159-65 (.710)  
 Robert Pulliza (2008-15) | Overall: 122-124 (.496) | SEC: 67-87 (.435)  
 Jason Watson (2016-pres.) | Overall: 145-104 (.582) | SEC: 78-72 (.520)