

JENNIES TO FACE TOP-RANKED WEST TEXAS A&M THIS WEEKEND

WARRENSBURG, MO (August 27, 2001) -- After winning two of three matches at last weekend's Quincy Invitational, Central Missouri State's women's volleyball team takes on NCAA Division II's top-ranked team this weekend (Aug. 31-Sept. 1). West Texas A&M, ranked #1 in the AVCA preseason poll, will be the Jennies first opponent in pool play at this weekend's Premier Challenge in Denver, Colorado. The Jennies meet the Lady Buffs at 1 p.m. (CDT) Friday, then face Colorado Christian (0-4) in their second pool match at 4:30 p.m. Saturday's pairings will be based on the results of Friday's pool competition.

West Texas A&M won three of its four matches last weekend, dropping a four-game match to Western State of Colorado. The Jennies last played the Lady Buffs in 1997, dropping a four-game match, but lead the overall series 7-3. Colorado Christian lost all four matches in its own tournament last weekend. The Jennies' only previous meeting with Colorado Christian came in the 1998 Premier Challenge, with the Jennies winning in four games.

At Quincy last weekend, the Jennies recovered from a three-game loss to Northern Michigan in their season opener to beat host Quincy in four games and Minn.-Crookston in three games. Senior setter **Robyn Griffin** and newcomer **Carrie Potthast** were the Jennies' representatives on the all-tournament team. Griffin had 26 kills and a .480 hitting percentage to go with 109 assists, while Potthast, a transfer from Division I Murray State (Ky.), had a team-high 37 kills and 29 digs in her Jennies' debut.