

JENNIES FACE BIGGEST MATCH OF THE SEASON FRIDAY NIGHT

WARRENSBURG, MO (October 4, 2001) -- After recording their most impressive win of the season Wednesday night, a five-game win at #18 Rockhurst, Central Missouri State's women's volleyball team now faces its most important match of the season Friday night. The #17 Jennies, now 15-4 overall and 7-0 in the MIAA will face their main MIAA rival in #4 Truman State (20-1, 7-0) as part of CMSU's Family Weekend. Match time is 7 p.m. Friday at the CMSU Multipurpose Building.

The Jennies have lost three of their last four matches with Truman State, but they have not lost at home to Truman since 1983. Picked in the MIAA preseason coaches' poll to end the Jennies' string of consecutive MIAA titles at 19, Truman State shared last year's title with the Jennies, marking the first time in MIAA history the Jennies have not won the MIAA volleyball title outright. The two teams split last year's two MIAA matches with each team winning on its home court. This year's second meeting will be the final match of the regular season Nov. 7 at Truman State. Also at stake Friday night will be the Jennies' string of 35 straight MIAA home wins. They have not lost an MIAA match at home since 1996, when they dropped a five game match to Washburn.

Saturday the Jennies will play two matches in Kansas City at the Rockhurst Classic. They'll meet St. Edwards (Tex.) at 10 a.m. and Harding (Ark.) at 12 noon.