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## Clark, Adams Named to Academic All-District Team

**Blue Raiders prepare for meeting with Western Kentucky Friday at 7 p.m.**

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** - Sophomore [Leslie Clark](#) and junior [Ashley Adams](#) have received ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District honors as announced on Thursday.

Clark received First Team recognition in District 4. The Olathe, Kan., native is an elementary education major with a 3.93 GPA.

This season Clark is adding depth to the Blue Raider offense as she is eighth the nation in assists per game with 13.80. Clark has a total of 1,270 assists this season.

"Obviously I think we have a number of players on our team who are outstanding students. Our overall GPA is a 3.2. Certainly Leslie and Ashley have contributed to that as much as anyone. I think it also goes to show what well-rounded student-athletes we have in our program," Peck said. "We have some outstanding students, some outstanding athletes and just the character of all our players is a great testament to the recruiting we have done the past couple of years."

Adams was named to the District 4 Second Team. The Columbus, Ohio native is majoring in political science (pre-law) with a 3.45 GPA.

Adams is leading Middle Tennessee offensively as she has 431 kills this season averaging 4.31 kills per game. This season Adams has a hitting percentage of .368. She also adds assistance on defense as she is third on the team in digs with 243.



Sophomore Leslie Clark (MT Athletics)

"Leslie and Ashley maintaining a high grade point average with all of the traveling we do is just amazing. I am very proud of Leslie and Ashley both and all of our players who really focus on their school work," head coach Matt Peck said.

Adams and Clark will help lead Middle Tennessee on Friday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. against Western Kentucky as it battles for the East Division Sun Belt Conference title.

### Complete District 4 Winners - University Division FIRST TEAM

Abbey Breit (Jacksonville State, Sr., Louisville, Ky., 3.89, Chemistry)

Rachel Shanks (Auburn, Sr., Madison, Ala., 4.0, Pharmacy)

Danielle Meyer (Ohio State, Sr., Cincinnati, Ohio, 3.98, Textiles & Clothing)

Tara Geegan (Wright State, Sr., Algonquin, Ill, 4.00, Early Childhood Education)

Anja Knabe-Paulsen (Kent State, Sr., Schwarzenbek, Germany, 3.94, Business Management and Business Finance)

[Leslie Clark](#) (Middle Tennessee, So., Olathe, Kansas, 3.93, Elementary Education)

### SECOND TEAM

Sarah Rumely (Kentucky, So., New Palestine, Ind., 3.83, Exercise Science)

[Ashley Adams](#) (Middle Tennessee, Jr., Columbus, Ohio, 3.45, Political Science [pre-law])

Stephanie Blackburn (Ohio University, Sr., Cincinnati, Ohio, 3.46, Pre-Medicine Major)

Jena Berg (Tennessee, So., Bristol, Wis., 3.49, Sport Management)

Jillian Wolosiansky (Eastern Michigan, Jr., Uniontown, Ohio-Green, 4.00, Public Administration)

BriAnne Sauer (Kentucky, So., Louisville, Ky., 3.46, Undecided)

### THIRD TEAM

Casey Dent (UAB, Jr. Helena, Ala., 3.88, Pre-business)

Anne Zakej (Kent State, Sr. Willoughby, Ohio, 3.66, Visual Communications)

Abbey Vierling (Jacksonville State, Sr., Louisville, Ky., 3.78, Biology)

Katie Eberling (Western Michigan, So., Palos Hills, Ill., 3.93, Elementary Education)

Jessica Fraley (Youngstown State, Sr., LaGrange, Ohio, 3.87, Telecommunications)

Melissa Griffin (Ohio University, Sr., Whitehall, Mich., 3.76, Hearing/Speech and Language Sciences)

Stesha Selsky (Michigan, Sr., Manhattan Beach, Calif., 3.43, Sociology)

Ashley Liford (Memphis, Sr, San Antonio, Texas, 3.72, Marketing Management)

Kathrine Sulewski (Eastern Michigan, Sr., Ottawa Lake, Mich.-Bedford, 3.35, Accounting)

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