

Middle Tennessee to play at home three times in next four games

The home stretch will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday against Arkansas State

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. -

Middle Tennessee women's basketball will return to the Murphy Center at 7 p.m. Wednesday to play host to Arkansas State in Sun Belt Conference action. The game will open a stretch during which the Lady Raiders will play at home three times in their next four games.

The Blue Raiders, currently ranked 30th in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll with nine votes and 32nd in the Associated Press Poll with eight votes, own a 10-game winning streak to go along with their 15-4 overall record, including 7-0 in Sun Belt play. The 10-game streak is tied with No. 2 Oklahoma for the seventh longest nationally.

Junior Alysha Clark was again named the Sun Belt Player of the Week, her third honor this season. Clark paced MT in its two wins last week, at Western

Kentucky and UALR with 23.5 points per game and 10.0 rebounds per game averages. She tallied 18 points in the second half of Wednesday's win at WKU and then scored all 29 of her points in the second half and overtime in helping the Blue Raiders snap UALR's 29-game home winning streak Saturday.

On the season, Clark is second nationally in scoring at 23.9 ppg and raises that mark to 24.9 in Sun



Belt games only. MT leads in the team categories of scoring offense (75.3), scoring defense (53.1), scoring margin (+22.1), 3-point field goal percentage (68-182, .374), rebounding margin (+7.1) and 3-point field goals made (9.71) in league games only.

Arkansas State will make its first appearance in Murfreesboro as the Red Wolves. Formerly known as the Indians prior to this summer's nickname change, ASU enters the contest with a 9-9 overall and 3-4 Sun Belt record.

Following the Arkansas State matchup, the Blue Raiders will hit the road for the final time in January to play at New Orleans Saturday. Middle Tennessee will then close the month at home against Louisiana-Lafayette Wednesday and Louisiana-Monroe Saturday.

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