



State Farm Missouri Valley Conference  
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## Post-Game Quotes – Wichita State

### Coach Jody Adams:

On today's defensive effort: "Our intensity ignited our offensive efforts. We have gotten back to what we do great and we really, truly understand that. I have to give credit to these guys for buckling down because it is not an easy defense to play for 40 minutes. It is a mentality thing, it is a fight thing, and we understand that when we are fighting and have the right mentality and we are playing our type of defense, then we are putting ourselves into a great position to win a ballgame like we did today."

### Jessica Diamond:

On expectations for tomorrow's game: "We know we have to continue to play great defense because that is when we are at our best. We know Drake, we have played them twice, and we know we have to continue to crash the boards and play great defense. That is our game plan."

### Haleigh Lankster:

On not letting up in the second half: "We know that Indiana State is a second-half team, and we wanted to keep doing what we did at the start of the game and keep going at them and not letting up."



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### Coach Teri Moren:

On the game: “I thought they had us on our heels from the beginning of the game and got a couple steals there, and got some easy buckets in transition, and jumped on us pretty quickly and we never recovered from that. We had a couple of spurts where we were able to put together some back-to-back possessions with scores—but not enough. Wichita State was clearly the better team tonight and give them credit. If they continue to play defensively like that, they’re going to go pretty far.”

On the senior class: “When you’re a senior, you never want your season to end. Unfortunately, for Deja (Mattox) and Brittany (Schoen) and Shannon (Thomas), this is it for them. There’s no doubt that they will look back with a lot of disappointment that the team didn’t play their best basketball tonight. But they’ve done a lot of great things. These seniors have each scored 1,000 points in their careers. And Shannon has a load of rebounds and blocked shots, and Brittany is the all-time three-point leader. The three of them have a whole lot of accolades that they can graduate and retire from basketball and be extremely happy about.”

On the season: “It was clearly up and down. We kind of got hit with the unhealthy bug. Taylor Whitley was never herself for the entire season with her knee. We had two other kids go down with ACLs for the year. We had a separated shoulder. We had a concussion. So we had our fair share of things that happened to us that we call challenges. We call them hurdles, we call them adversity. But we had to get through. There were moments that this group played tremendous basketball. And we also had a six-game losing streak. And this group could have thrown in the towel and they chose not to do that. If there’s anything I’m most proud of, it’s that.”