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Prep Prime Time: Brittany Daulton

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Lawrence North's Brittany Daulton is a spiker with style. The 5-7 senior hitter hopes to power the Class 4A No. 5 Wildcats to the program's second sectional title and first since 1979. After that, she will be heading to Fordham University on a volleyball scholarship. One reason she picked the school is to be in New York, the fashion capital of the United States.

Q: You want to study business but possibly work in the field of fashion merchandising. How did you get interested in that?

A: I've always been big on fashion. I just love clothes, I love shopping, everything like that. But business, I just think it would be fun for me. I would just have a good time doing it for the rest of my life.

Q: Who's the best dressed person on the team and who needs a makeover?

A: I think all of us dress pretty well. None of us dresses bad; I would tell someone if they were.

Who needs a makeover? I would probably say coach (Pat Carlson). But his wife, she's very well dressed, too. I'm sure she could help him out.

Q: Where are your favorite places to shop?

A: I go to the mall a lot. I really like Forever 21 and Charlotte Russe, that's about it. I just go anywhere, randomly.

Q: How long does it take you to pick out an outfit every morning?

A: I try to do it at night so that it doesn't take so long. But at night, it probably takes about 30 minutes. I usually always want to know what I want to wear.

Q: You have a 30-inch vertical jump, which is very impressive for a female. Are opponents ever surprised by your hops?

A: I don't really know if they're surprised or not. I'm pretty sure, just because I'm so little, or short I mean, and I just get up there.

Q: Have you done any plyometric training or is it all natural?

A: Yes. Before season -- I don't do it during season -- but before. I always go to Sports of All Sorts. We'll work out there, the whole team does, and that's like plyometrics and weights, everything like that.

Q: The Wildcats are on pace to have their best season in school history. (Last year's 26-11 team set a school record for wins, and this year's team is already 25-2.) What makes you guys so special this year?

A: I think it's because we've been playing together since, like, seventh grade. We all just know each other so well. We're all really good friends together, so we all just trust each other on and off the court. I think that's what makes us so special, because we just work so well together.

Q: What would it mean for your senior year, for the Wildcats to get out of sectionals?

(Lawrence North was knocked out of the tournament by 4A power Cathedral the past three seasons.)

A: What would it mean? The world. It would be amazing if we could do that.

-- Kristen Leigh Porter