

MEET THE PIRATES



2008-09- Has started four games for Park this season and appeared in 10... averaging 14.2 minutes per game...second on the team in free-throw percentage, shooting 78.6 percent...averaging 2.7 points per game and 2.5 boards a game...second on the team in steals and third for Park in assists.

2007-08 - Appeared in 14 games for the Pirates as a sophomore...scored a season high 14 points against Allen University on February 2...also grabbed seven rebounds against Allen...averaged 1.9 points and 1.3 rebounds a game...logged 105 minutes on the season, averaging 7.5 minutes a game...collected four assists and three steals on the year.

2006-07 - Appeared in all 27 games as a true freshman and started three games in a row against Missouri Baptist (11/14), Lyon College (11/17) and John Brown University (11/18)... scored ten points on Nov. 11 against Langston University and went 4-for-6 (.667) from the field...scored 88 total points, averaged 3.3 a game...had 65 total rebounds, getting six against Missouri Baptist...added 21 assists on the year, averaging 0.8 a game...defensively had two blocks and 16 steals...averaged 17.8 minutes a game...saw over 30 minutes of action on the floor in the John Brown University Classic.

PERSONAL - Traci Oden is the daughter of Marty and Lynda Oden...born on November 13, 1987...attended Richmond High School, where she helped produce the first winning season in Richmond High's women's basketball history...also a 4.0 student and National Honor Society recipient...majoring in Business Marketing...enjoys shopping, vacations and hanging out with friends.

#11 | JUNIOR | GUARD | TRACI ODEN | RICHMOND, MO.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD?

"I would have to say that Crab Legs are my favorite food."

WHAT CD IS PLAYING IN CAR IN YOUR CAR RIGHT NOW?

"Lil Wayne's new CD is in my car, he is probably my favorite artist. I like to listen to him before games and on my ipod."

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE?

"My favorite movie is Pretty Woman."



WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT PARK UNIVERSITY?

"I really like the amount of diversity on campus and how well everyone comes together and supports each other eventhough there are so many different cultures."

WHAT DO YOU AND YOUR TEAMMATES DO FOR FUN OUTSIDE OF BASKETBALL?

"We like to get together as much as we can. At the beginning of the year I got the team together and we had a pool party at my apartment complex and coach Meriweather bought pizza for everyone."

WHO IS THE FUNNIEST PLAYER ON THE TEAM?

"Kiangela Smith and Halima Ramsey are both hilarious. They are always making jokes and making fun of just about anything."

HAVE YOU SET ANY GOALS OR EXPECTATIONS FOR YOURSELF OUT ON THE COURT?

"My goal is to do whatever I can to help the team get back to the national tournament."

WHAT IS IT LIKE TO HAVE SO MANY FRESHMEN ON THE TEAM AND YOU BEING AN UPPERCLASSMEN?

"It's so weird because I was so used to being one of the youngest on the team. Now I have to be a role model and teacher for the younger players, but its good I like how the roles have reversed."

WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE SPORT TO WATCH OTHER THAN BASKETBALL?

"Definitely football, my family has always been big Chiefs fans so I try and catch their games when I can."

HAVE YOU SET ANY GOALS OR EXPECTATIONS FOR YOURSELF THIS SEASON?

"From the beginning of the year I wanted to really work hard in practice and finish out every drill as hard as I could and do everything 100 percent. I also have tried to keep everyone motivated throughout the season and help motivate my teammates to shoot outside of practice and work out after practice."