



Florida Dairy Farmers Sports Awards
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Jessica Yingling Named 2008 Florida Dairy Farmers Miss Volleyball

Gainesville (Dec. 16) --- Orlando Timber Creek senior setter Jessica Yingling was named the 2008 Florida Dairy Farmers Miss Volleyball following a final round of voting by a statewide panel of high school volleyball coaches and media representatives.

Yingling is the 17th winner of the annual award sponsored by Dairy Farmers, Inc. and the Florida Athletic Coaches Association to honor the top high school girls' volleyball player for the 2008 season.

Yingling finished the 2008 season with a school record 514 kills and added 319 digs, 26 blocks and 49 aces, helping her team to a 31-2 record on its way to capturing the Class 6A state title. In her career at Timber Creek, she finished with a school record 1,548 kills plus 1,225 digs, 206 aces and 105 blocks. Yingling was named first-team All-State in 2007 and the *Orlando Sentinel's* 2008 Player-of-the-Year. She plans on attending the University of Tampa next fall.

"Florida's dairy farmers congratulate Jessica for a job well done and we salute her with a milk toast," said Matt Lussier, a Gainesville area dairy farmer and president of Dairy Farmers, Inc. We take a lot of pride in watching winners such as Jessica represent our industry and this award in such a positive manner and we wish her continued success."

Yingling, who was earlier named the 6A Player-of-the-Year, earned 13 first-place votes and a total of 155 points to finish ahead of 3A Player-of-the-Year Krissy Mussenden of Lake Highland Preparatory, who finished with 100 points. Class 5A Player-of-the-Year Danielle Erb of Tampa Plant finished third with 96 points, followed by 4A Player-of-the-Year Jordan Cangelosi of Ponte Vedra Nease (49), 1A Player-of-the-Year Jordan Holcomb of Daytona Warner Christian (44) and 2A Player-of-the-Year Danielle Shipe of Orlando First Academy (42).

The Florida Dairy Farmers Sports Awards program exemplifies Dairy Farmers Inc.'s commitment to the state's youth. While honoring the state's top athletes and coaches in all 24 FHSAA-sanctioned sports, the program also emphasizes to young people the importance of keeping dairy products a primary part of their diet in their overall nutrition plan.

2008 Final Voting

Player	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Jessica Yingling	13	2	1	2	0	0	155
Krissy Mussenden	3	5	3	6	1	0	100
Danielle Erb	2	4	6	6	0	0	96
Jordan Cangelosi	0	1	1	7	7	2	49
Jordan Holcomb	0	0	1	7	8	2	44
Danielle Shipe	0	0	0	9	6	3	42

Point totals based on: 1st place (10), 2nd place (7), 3rd place (5), 4th place (3), 5th place (2) and 6th place (1).

Past Winners:

- 2007 – Kellie Catanach, Tampa Plant
- 2006 – Ruthie King, Winter Park Lake Howell
- 2005 – Janet Okagbaa, Tampa Berkeley Preparatory
- 2004 – Foluke Akinradewo, Ft. Lauderdale St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2003 – Michelle Staulbaum, Gainesville
- 2002 – Marcie Hampton, Gainesville P.K. Yonge
- 2001 – Julia Caner, Boca Raton Olympic Heights
- 2000 – Taylor Williams, Gainesville
- 1999 - Delavane Diaz, Tampa Berkeley Preparatory
- 1998 – Kristen Blatt, Venice
- 1997 – Lauren Westervelt, Boca Raton Olympic Heights
- 1996 – Jennifer Werrick, Lakeland George Jenkins
- 1995 – Sandra Reboucas, Orlando Cypress Creek
- 1994 – Jamie Velentzas, Ft. Lauderdale Cardinal Gibbons
- 1993 – Coleen Crocco, Ft. Lauderdale Cardinal Gibbons
- 1992 – Kelly Flannigan, Tampa Berkeley Preparatory