

# SION

SION STORM BASKETBALL ARCHIVES - 2011/12



**Varsity**

**Front Row:** Kristen Murphy, Sydney Harris, Rachel Fenimore, Jessica Diaz, Jessie Corbin, Julia Balmaceda

**Back Row:** Anna Romano, Grace Keane, Audrey Saracini, Mallory Elder, Katie Andrews

**Not pictured:** Jodie Rellihan



### Junior Varsity

**Front Row:** Abbie Young, Ellie Stingley, Christina Rosasco, Betsy Barnthouse,  
**Middle Row:** Jenna Bolton, Maria Wagner, Anna Daly, Jennie Bolton  
**Back Row:** Mary Kerns, Madison Hummel, Ali Campbell, Moira Quinn



### Freshman

**Front Row:** Kelly Lowndes, Zoey Sweeny, Stephanie Nesslein, Katy Montgomery, Maddie Kroll  
**Middle Row:** Michelle Martinez, Nia Scott, Georgia Evans, Tasha Wyche, Coach O'Dowd  
**Back Row:** Meredith Sanders, Mekam Anya, Sophie Fisher, Mira Scavuzzo

## Basketball News

Congratulations to Kristen Murphy and on being selected to the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association All-State team and to Grace Keane on being selected to the Sportswriter's All-State team.

The Storm beat Lincoln 53-43 for the MSHSAA District 14 Championship but lost to Pleasant Hill 42-46 in the sectional.

Before a frenzied crowd, Sion tops St. Teresa's

Rooting sections for the Storm and St. Teresa's provide passionate milieu.

BY TOD PALMER

The Kansas City Star

The spectacle in the stands dwarfed the basketball game in oh-so-many ways Thursday between visiting St. Teresa's Academy and Notre Dame de Sion, two of Kansas City's most prominent all-girls parochial schools. The atmosphere in the Storm's gym might best be described as a costume-coordinated Justin Bieber concert: The Sion faithful dressed 'incognito' wearing trench coats and the familiar Groucho glasses, and the Stars' rowdy rooting section decked out in hunting garb, an underhanded homage to the Storm's preseason team poster. But instead of adoring fans with hearts atwitter screeching pop tunes, the opposing fan bases lobbed campy cheers back and forth relentlessly for four quarters. Of course, far from detracting from the game, which Sion dominated 50-36 behind sophomore Kristen Murphy, the raucous room only made the battle for Catholic-school dominance that much more exciting. It's absolutely crazy, like nothing I've ever played in before, St. Teresa's junior Grace Keane said. "You come to other games and there's probably only 20 fans. Here, there's 100 on each side and there's constant screaming. You have to be really focused, because it's easy to get too hyped up." Nerves played a central role in a low-scoring first half by both sides. "The first couple minutes, you could see in everyone's eyes they were nervous and felt the jitters in their stomachs because of the crowd and the rivalry," Murphy said. The Storm, 10-9, hit the locker room with a 21-15 lead, but the game remained very much in doubt - at least until Murphy and Keane went to work. The duo combined for 11 points in a 13-1 run to open the third quarter that buried the Stars, who never drew closer than 13 points in the final quarter and a half. Murphy got her Dwight Howard on, finishing with 20 points and 20 rebounds, according to Storm coach Jared Pitts. "At first, it was hard to get her to take some shots and take over a game, but we've finally got her to really be aggressive especially on the glass," Pitts said. "She did a great job today, and she's as good as any when she gets the ball around the glass." The game didn't count for the Fourth Annual Irish Cup, which is an annual contest between the two to benefit Children for Peace in Ireland, so rest assured the gym will be rocking again when Sion, which has won 10 of 14 games after an 0-5 start, makes the return visit to St. Teresa's on Valentine's Day. "This is by far the greatest atmosphere in high school girls basketball that I've ever been a part of or seen," Pitts said. "It's natural to be a little anxious. I'm nervous, so I'm sure the girls are too, but especially with it being Senior Day and having the crowd and the rival, it's the one game of any they will remember the most."

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## Notre Dame de Sion 2011-12 Basketball Roster

### Varsity

Number	Name	Grade	Height	Position
10	Kristen Murphy	10	5'10	G/F
11	Jodie Rellihan	11	5'8	G
13	Anna Romano	9	5'6	G
15	Jessica Diaz	12	5'7	G
20	Julia Balmaceda	10	5'8	G/F
23	Mallory Elder	11	5'10	G/F
25	Jessie Corbin	11	5'10	F
30	Audrey Saracini	11	5'7	G
31	Rachel Fenimore	12	5'9	F
33	Grace Keane	11	5'10	G
52	Sydney Harris	11	6'1	F
54	Katie Andrews	9	5'11	F

### Junior Varsity

Number	Name	Grade	Height	Position
10	Jenna Bolton	9	5'8	G/F
11	Ellie Stingley	9	5'10	G/F
12	Madison Hummel	10	5'9	G/F
15	Abbie Young	9	5'7	G
21	Anna Daly	10	5'10	F
22	Betsy Barnthouse	10	5'9	G
33	Maria Wagner	9	5'7	G
35	Ali Campbell	10	5'9	F
41	Moira Quinn	10	5'7	G/F
42	Christina Rosasco	10	5'9	F
44	Jennifer Bolton	10	5'7	G/F
50	Mary Kerns	10	5'10	F

Head Coach: Jared Pitts

Varsity Assistant: Stephen Gray

Junior Varsity Coach: Jamie Collins

Freshman Coach: Meghan O'Dowd

Principal: Michelle Olson

Athletic Directors: Dennis Conaghan, Reynold Middleton

## Notre Dame de Sion 2011-12 Basketball Results

Date	Opponent	JV	Varsity
Nov. 28 (Mon)	<a href="#">Lee's Summit North Tournament (var)</a> - Truman		L 30-42
Nov. 28 (Mon)	<a href="#">Lee's Summit West Tournament (jv)</a> - Blue Springs	L 33-36	
Nov. 29 (Tues)	<a href="#">Lee's Summit West Tournament (jv)</a> - Ray Pec	W 35-31	
Nov. 30 (Wed)	<a href="#">Lee's Summit North Tournament (var)</a> - Lincoln Prep		L 45-48
Dec. 1 (Thurs)	<a href="#">Lee's Summit West Tournament (jv)</a> - William Chrisman	L 23-47	
Dec. 2 (Fri)	<a href="#">Lee's Summit North Tournament (var)</a> - Lee's Summit West		L 49-52 OT
Dec. 16 (Fri)	Hy-Vee Shootout - Bishop Miege		L 41-44
Dec. 20 (Tues)	Penn Valley Tournament (jv) - Northeast	W 52-31	
Dec. 21 (Wed)	Penn Valley Tournament (jv) - Derrick Thomas Academy	W 61-43	
Dec. 22 (Thurs)	Penn Valley Tournament (jv) - East	W 52-31	
Dec. 27 (Tues)	Penn Valley Tournament - Lincoln Prep		L 43-51
Dec. 28 (Wed)	Penn Valley Tournament - Raytown South		W 57-28
Dec. 29 (Thurs)	Penn Valley Tournament - St. Joe Lafayette		W 53-31
Jan. 3 (Tues)	St. Joe Benton	L 23-51	L 38-47
Jan. 6 (Fri)	Jefferson City	L 38-44	W 63-56
Jan. 7 (Sat)	Helias	L 38-41	L 38-45
Jan. 10 (Tues)	Harrisonville	W 27-24	W 57-43
Jan. 12 (Thurs)	Liberty	L 33-42	W 43-29
Jan. 17 (Tues)	O'Hara	W 48-27	W 56-17
Jan. 19 (Thurs)	Truman (jv)	W 48-37	
Jan. 19 (Thurs)	Kickapoo Tournament - Kickapoo		L 32-52
Jan. 20 (Fri)	Kickapoo Tournament - Central (Springfield)		W 59-44
Jan. 21 (Sat)	Kickapoo Tournament - William Chrisman		L 44-48
Jan. 23 (Mon)	Maryville	W 38-20	W 51-43
Jan. 24 (Tues)	Metro Academy (var)		W 52-40
Jan. 26 (Thurs)	St. Teresa's Academy	L 43-45	W 50-36
Jan. 31 (Tues)	Boishop LeBlond	W 36-26	W 63-28
Feb. 2 (Thurs)	St. James	L 29-50	W 50-43
Feb. 10 (Fri)	St. Joseph Academy	L 31-53	L 19-58
Feb. 11 (Fri)	Incarnate Word	L 27-59	L 39-57
Feb. 14 (Tues)	St. Teresa's	L 27-31	L 53-60
Feb. 16 (Thurs)	St. Pius X	L 37-39	W 58-46

Feb. 20 (Mon)	District 14 - East	W 72-9
Feb. 21 (Tues)	District 14 - Southwest	W 63-42
Feb. 23 (Thurs)	District 14 Championship - Lincoln	W 53-43
Feb 29 (Wed)	Sectional - Pleasant Hill	L 42-46

### Sion 2011-12 Freshman Basketball Roster

Number	Athlete	Position
12	Zoey Sweeny	G
13	Stephanie Nesslein	G
20	Meredith Sanders	G
21	Nia Scott	F
22	Gequasha Collins	F
23	Harrison Wilson	G
25	Michelle Martinez	G
30	Mira Scavuzzo	F
31	Mekam Anya	F
35	Sophie Fisher	G/F
41	Kelly Lowndes	F
42	Katy Montgomery	G
44	Amanda Dee	F
50	Georgia Evans	F
52	Maddie Kroll	G/F
54	Tasha Wyche	G

### Notre Dame de Sion 2011-12 Freshman Basketball Results

Date	Opponent	B team	A team
Nov. 28 (Mon)	St. Pius X		L 11-46
Nov. 30 (Wed)	Blue Springs	L 24-25	W 19-16
Dec. 1 (Thurs)	Lee's Summit	W 30-22	
Jan. 3 (Tues)	St. Thomas Aquinas	L 5-25	
Jan. 9 (Mon)	Center		W 26-10
Jan. 10 (Tues)	Harrisonville		W 27-26
Jan. 13 (Fri)	Lee's Summit North		L 20-22
Jan. 17 (Tues)	Blue Springs Tournament - Blue Springs		L 19-28

Jan. 18 (Wed)	Blue Springs Tournament - Lee's Summit	W 26-20
Jan. 20 (Fri)	Blue Springs Tournament - William Chrisman	
Jan. 24 (Tues)	St. Teresa's Academy	

