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THE MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE: A BRIEF OVERVIEW

About the Conference

The Missouri Valley Conference (MVC) formed in 1907, making it the second-oldest NCAA Division 1 conference in the nation. The first competitive sport sponsored by the Missouri Valley Conference was basketball. The conference has expanded since its inception to sponsor a total of 12 sports. The Missouri Valley Conference dropped football from its roster in 1985. However, six MVC teams continue to play competitive football in the Missouri Valley Football Conference.

Recent Success

- Missouri Valley Conference teams made appearances have appeared in the NCAA Sweet 16 men's basketball tournament since 2006.

- MVC women's basketball teams received three post-season bids in 2010, making it the 11th consecutive year of at least three post-season bids for the conference.

- The Valley has sent multiple softball teams to the NCAA tournament for seven out of eight seasons since 2002.

Members

--Bradley University Braves
--University of Evansville Aces
--Indiana State University Sycamores
--University of Northern Iowa Panthers
--Drake University Bulldogs
--Creighton University Jays
--Illinois State University Redbirds
--Missouri State University Bears
--Southern Illinois University Salukis
--Wichita State University Shockers

To receive more information on the Missouri Valley Conference and its recent successes, contact Ciara Pearce at pearcec@uni.edu.