

Since its founding in 1983, the Big South Conference has matured into a competitive leader in college athletics, actively pursuing excellence on the field of play and in the classroom. The League's growing presence as an NCAA Division I athletic conference is evident by athletic accomplishments on the national stage, innovative marketing and media partnerships, increased television packages, and quality athletic competition while intentionally fostering the academic, personal, social, athletic and leadership development of each student-athlete. This has evolved into the Conference's mission of "Developing Leaders Through Athletics."

The Big South Conference was formed on August 21, 1983, when Charleston Southern (then Baptist College) Athletic Director Howard Bagwell and Augusta President George Christenberry began recruiting members into the Big South, receiving initial commitments from Augusta, Charleston Southern, Campbell, Coastal Carolina and Winthrop. One month later, Dr. Edward M. Singleton was selected as the League's first Commissioner and continued to solicit new members. His efforts led to the additions of Armstrong State, Radford and UNC Asheville, giving the Big South more than the required six members to constitute an official conference. The Big South's first year of competition was in the Fall of 1984, and in September 1986, the Big South Conference was granted full-fledged NCAA Division I status.

During its infancy and prior to securing automatic bids to NCAA Championships, the Big South made early strides in earning at-large berths in several national postseason events, including volleyball, women's basketball and women's golf. In 1989, George F. "Buddy" Sasser replaced the retiring Dr. Singleton as Commissioner, and in 1990, the League received its first automatic bid – receiving an automatic qualifier to the NCAA Baseball Championship. Under Sasser's seven years of leadership, the Conference implemented its public relations and compliance programs, and introduced its first-ever men's basketball television package, featuring the Big South competing among some of the finest teams in the nation.

In August 1996, Kyle B. Kallander replaced Sasser as the League's third Commissioner, and in his 13 years

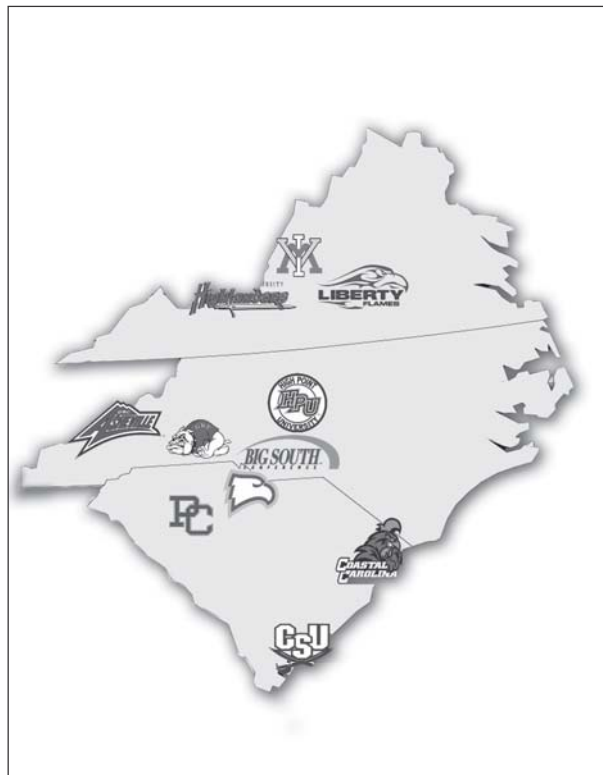
at the helm of the Big South, Kallander has been instrumental in aggressively promoting the Conference to new levels. The Conference has enjoyed record levels in marketing revenue during the past several years, he has brought television coverage to Big South women's basketball, baseball and softball for the first time in Conference history, as well as increased national television exposure to the League as a whole through aggressive and unique television packages.

Under Kallander's leadership, the Big South developed and initiated its first long-range strategic plan, re-affirming the League's vision as a distinctive athletic Conference committed to the quality of institutional life through athletic competition. He also spearheaded the efforts to add football as a championship sport, which came to fruition in 2002, and has solidified Conference membership with the additions of High Point, Gardner-Webb and Presbyterian, and in 2011-12, the return of charter member Campbell University. Kallander's long range vision has also included technological advancements, as the Conference introduced its first live event video streaming in 2005 and has since expanded its video offerings to more than 600 events annually through a partnership with the member institutions, as well as the creation of several online and social media platforms.

In the last 15 years alone, the Big South Conference has experienced monumental growth and success in nearly every sport. During this time, the Conference has had two individual National Champions, more than 200 All-Americans, has reached the "Sweet 16" in men's soccer, women's basketball and baseball, has received national Top 25 rankings in men's soccer, men's basketball, women's basketball, baseball, men's outdoor track & field, and men's golf, had an individual selected to play in the NCAA Singles Championship four times in addition to the first men's tennis doubles at-large selection, had the No. 1 ranked men's golfer in the country, has had the nation's top scoring men's basketball team three consecutive years as well as the national men's basketball scoring leader twice, received an at-large playoff berth in the Football Championship Subdivision in 2006, and had an institution finish fifth in the NCAA Men's Golf Championships – the Conference's highest-ever team finish in an NCAA event.

In 2006-07 alone, the Big South was the only Conference nationwide to have an at-large participant in the football playoffs (Coastal Carolina), a team in the Second Round of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament (Winthrop) and a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Baseball Regionals (Coastal Carolina). In fact, Coastal Carolina's baseball program has been a No. 1 seed three out of the last five years, while its FCS playoff berth in 2006 came in just the fifth-year of the Big South's football existence.

The Conference's tagline, "Developing Leaders Through Athletics" was unveiled in 2008-09 in conjunction with the Conference's 25th Anniversary. The League also honored its heritage with the Top 25 "Best of the Best" moments in League history from 1983-2008, with Liberty University's 10-year women's basketball championship run from 1996-2007 being crowned the No. 1 moment in the Big South's first 25 years. The Conference's on-field accomplishments have been duplicated in the classroom. Annually, more than 40 percent of Conference student-athletes are named to the Big South's Presidential Honor Roll for maintaining a cumulative 3.0 grade-point average, and the League has had more than 95 Academic All-Americans in its quarter-century of existence.



**All-Conference First Team**

Catcher	Sarah Himan	Radford
First Base	Christa Fullwood	Gardner-Webb
Second Base	Amy Trenkamp	Charleston Southern
Shortstop	Kristen Shifflett	Radford
Third Base	Nichole Beall	Radford
Outfield	Lisa Kingsmore	Winthrop
	Tessa Thomas	Winthrop
	Leigh Godfrey	Radford
<b>Pitcher</b>	<b>Tiffani Smith</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
	Chelsea Kelley	Radford
Designated Player	Jamie Wellons	Charleston Southern
	Taylor Wright	Winthrop
Utility	Kelsy Witter	Gardner-Webb

**All-Conference Second Team**

Catcher	Mandy Ward	Gardner-Webb
First Base	Megan Hall	Charleston Southern
Second Base	Kelsey Riffel	Coastal Carolina
	Jenn Everhart	Radford
Third Base	Michelle Evans	Coastal Carolina
<b>Shortstop</b>	<b>Kelly Strickland</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
	Melody Harrell	Gardner-Webb
Outfield	Shannon Keefe	Radford
	Macaela Ballard	Coastal Carolina
	Melissa Adams	Charleston Southern
Pitcher	Cari Wooldridge	Winthrop
	Megan Evans	Winthrop

**Coach of the Year:** Mickey Dean, Radford  
**Player of the Year:** Lisa Kingsmore, Winthrop  
**Pitcher of the Year:** Chelsea Kelley, Radford  
**Freshman of the Year:** Leigh Godfrey, Radford  
**Scholar-Athlete of the Year:** Lisa Kingsmore, Winthrop

**All-Academic Team**

<b>Beth Bennett</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
Christa Fullwood	Gardner-Webb
Lisa Kingsmore	Winthrop
Gail Matsushima	Charleston Southern
Kelsey Riffel	Coastal Carolina
Kellie Snooks	Radford
Erin Stewart	Presbyterian

**All-Tournament Team**

Megan Hall	Charleston Southern
Jamie Wellons	Charleston Southern
Christa Fullwood	Gardner-Webb
Christine Murray	Gardner-Webb
<b>Beth Bennett</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
<b>Keely McMillon</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
<b>Kelly Strickland</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
Jenn Everhart	Radford
Leigh Godfrey	Radford
Chelsea Kelley	Radford
Kristen Shifflett	Radford

**Tournament MVP** – Kristen Shifflett, Radford

**Big South Tournament Champions**

1987	Winthrop
1988	Charleston Southern
1989	Winthrop
1990	Winthrop
1991	Winthrop
1992	Coastal Carolina
1993	Campbell
1994	UNC Greensboro
1995	UNC Greensboro
1996	UNC Greensboro
1997	UNC Greensboro
1998	Coastal Carolina
1999	East Carolina
2000	Coastal Carolina
2001	Coastal Carolina
<b>2002</b>	<b>Liberty</b>
2003	Texas A&M CC
2004	Texas A&M CC
2005	Texas A&M CC
2006	Coastal Carolina
2007	Winthrop
2008	Winthrop
2009	Radford

**Big South Conference Players/Pitchers of the Week**

Date	Player of the Week	Pitcher of the Week
2/10	Gail Matsushima, CSU	Sondra Vetter, CSU
2/17	Amanda Miller, Presbyterian	Megan Evans, Winthrop
2/24	Christa Fullwood, G-W	Leslie Hensley, Presbyterian
<b>3/3</b>	<b>Ashlee Revell, Winthrop</b>	<b>Tiffani Smith, Liberty</b>
3/10	Kristen Shifflett, Radford	Kellie Snooks, Radford
<b>3/17</b>	<b>Sarah Himan, Radford</b>	<b>Sarah Ellis, Liberty</b>
3/23	Kristen Shifflett, Radford	Mary Gordon, Presbyterian
3/30	Leigh Godfrey, Radford	Sondra Vetter, CSU
4/6	Nichole Beall, Radford	Christine Murray, G-W
<b>4/13</b>	<b>Lisa Kingsmore, Winthrop</b>	<b>Tiffani Smith, Liberty</b>
4/20	Michelle Beall, Radford	Christine Murray, G-W
4/27	Shannon Keefe, Radford	Cari Wooldridge, Winthrop
<b>5/4</b>	<b>Kelly Strickland, Liberty</b>	Chelsea Kelley, Radford



Beth Bennett



INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

<b>Batting Avg.</b>	
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	.469
FULLWOOD, Christa, GARDNER-WEBB	.460
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	.458
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	.381
BEALL, Nichole, RADFORD	.360
<b>Slugging Pct.</b>	
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	.749
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	.735
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	.725
FULLWOOD, Christa, GARDNER-WEBB	.719
BEALL, Nichole, RADFORD	.683
<b>On Base Pct.</b>	
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	.520
FULLWOOD, Christa, GARDNER-WEBB	.519
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	.503
SNELLINGS, Stacy, COASTAL	.460
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	.441
<b>Runs Scored</b>	
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	58
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	53
THOMAS, Tessa, WINTHROP	40
HALL, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	38
2 others tied at	37
<b>Hits</b>	
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	84
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	70
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	69
FULLWOOD, Christa, GARDNER-WEBB	64
HIMAN, Sarah, RADFORD	63
<b>Runs Batted In</b>	
BEALL, Nichole, RADFORD	46
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	41
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	37
FULLWOOD, Christa, GARDNER-WEBB	36
MATSUSHIMA, Gail, CHARLESTON SO.	36
<b>Doubles</b>	
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	18
MATSUSHIMA, Gail, CHARLESTON SO.	18
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	14
EVERHART, Jenn, RADFORD	14
TRENKAMP, Amy, CHARLESTON SO.	13
<b>Triples</b>	
BEALL, Nichole, RADFORD	5
TRENKAMP, Amy, CHARLESTON SO.	4
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	4
THOMAS, Tessa, WINTHROP	4
4 others tied at	3
<b>Home Runs</b>	
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	16
<b>BENNETT, Beth, LIBERTY</b>	<b>11</b>
BEALL, Nichole, RADFORD	10
3 others tied at	9
<b>Total Bases</b>	
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	134
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	133
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	111
BEALL, Nichole, RADFORD	110
THOMAS, Tessa, WINTHROP	103
<b>Walks</b>	
SNELLINGS, Stacy, COASTAL	35
<b>BENNETT, Beth, LIBERTY</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>HOWARD, Danielle, LIBERTY</b>	<b>24</b>
PISONE, Ashley, COASTAL	22
KINGSMORE, Lisa, WINTHROP	20
<b>Hit by Pitch</b>	
LOMBARD, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	12
MATSUSHIMA, Gail, CHARLESTON SO.	12
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	11
TRENKAMP, Amy, CHARLESTON SO.	6
4 others tied at	5
<b>SAC Bunts</b>	
BIRNBAUM, Brittany, COASTAL	14
DePASQUALE, Amber, LIBERTY	12
DODD, Morgan, COASTAL	11
3 others tied at	10
<b>At Bats</b>	
LOMBARD, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	183
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	181
HALL, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	180
<b>JEFFERSON, J'nae, LIBERTY</b>	<b>179</b>
GODFREY, Leigh, RADFORD	179

<b>Earned Run Avg.</b>	
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>2.21</b>
KELLEY, Chelsea, RADFORD	2.55
<b>ELLIS, Sarah, LIBERTY</b>	<b>2.64</b>
WELLONS, Jamie, CHARLESTON SO.	2.87
SNOOKS, Kellie, RADFORD	2.93
<b>Opposing Bat Avg.</b>	
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>.226</b>
MURRAY, Christine, GARDNER-WEBB	.243
KELLEY, Chelsea, RADFORD	.248
GORDON, Mary, PRESBYTERIAN	.255
VETTER, Sondra, CHARLESTON SO.	.256
<b>Innings Pitched</b>	
<b>ELLIS, Sarah, LIBERTY</b>	<b>209.2</b>
KELLEY, Chelsea, RADFORD	208.2
WELLONS, Jamie, CHARLESTON SO.	199.2
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>184.0</b>
MURRAY, Christine, GARDNER-WEBB	181.1
<b>Batters Struck Out</b>	
MURRAY, Christine, GARDNER-WEBB	193
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>174</b>
<b>ELLIS, Sarah, LIBERTY</b>	<b>157</b>
EVANS, Megan, WINTHROP	127
VETTER, Sondra, CHARLESTON SO.	113
<b>Batters SO out looking</b>	
<b>ELLIS, Sarah, LIBERTY</b>	<b>63</b>
MURRAY, Christine, GARDNER-WEBB	50
GORDON, Mary, PRESBYTERIAN	49
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>45</b>
WELLONS, Jamie, CHARLESTON SO.	34
<b>Wins</b>	
KELLEY, Chelsea, RADFORD	25
EVANS, Megan, WINTHROP	15
<b>ELLIS, Sarah, LIBERTY</b>	<b>14</b>
WELLONS, Jamie, CHARLESTON SO.	14
2 others tied at	12
<b>Saves</b>	
WOOLDRIDGE, Cari, WINTHROP	5
KELLEY, Chelsea, RADFORD	4
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>2</b>
SNOOKS, Kellie, RADFORD	2
8 others tied at	1
<b>Appearances</b>	
KELLEY, Chelsea, RADFORD	47
<b>ELLIS, Sarah, LIBERTY</b>	<b>43</b>
WELLONS, Jamie, CHARLESTON SO.	42
SNOOKS, Kellie, RADFORD	41
<b>SMITH, Tiffani, LIBERTY</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Fielding Chances</b>	
HALL, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	486
<b>BENNETT, Beth, LIBERTY</b>	<b>393</b>
BIRNBAUM, Brittany, COASTAL	360
<b>MC MILLON, Keely, LIBERTY</b>	<b>351</b>
BEALL, Michele, RADFORD	315
<b>Putouts</b>	
HALL, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	473
<b>BENNETT, Beth, LIBERTY</b>	<b>365</b>
BIRNBAUM, Brittany, COASTAL	339
<b>MC MILLON, Keely, LIBERTY</b>	<b>318</b>
HOGAN, Mallory, WINTHROP	295
<b>Assists</b>	
MATSUSHIMA, Gail, CHARLESTON SO.	149
LOMBARD, Megan, CHARLESTON SO.	141
SHIFFLETT, Kristin, RADFORD	136
MAPLES, Sarah, COASTAL	115
2 others tied at	102

TEAM STATISTICS

<b>Batting Avg.</b>	
RADFORD	.315
WINTHROP	.293
GARDNER-WEBB	.271
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	.262
COASTAL CAROLINA	.261
<b>Slugging Pct.</b>	
RADFORD	.535
WINTHROP	.466
GARDNER-WEBB	.376
PRESBYTERIAN	.362
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	.360
<b>On Base Pct.</b>	
RADFORD	.369
WINTHROP	.361
COASTAL CAROLINA	.331
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	.330
GARDNER-WEBB	.317

<b>Runs Scored</b>	
RADFORD	304
WINTHROP	235
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	204
COASTAL CAROLINA	179
GARDNER-WEBB	176
<b>Hits</b>	
RADFORD	481
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	388
WINTHROP	375
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>362</b>
COASTAL CAROLINA	346
<b>Runs Batted In</b>	
RADFORD	264
WINTHROP	209
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	178
GARDNER-WEBB	169
COASTAL CAROLINA	161
<b>Doubles</b>	
RADFORD	90
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	74
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>63</b>
GARDNER-WEBB	57
WINTHROP	55
<b>Triples</b>	
RADFORD	17
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	12
WINTHROP	8
GARDNER-WEBB	8
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Home runs</b>	
RADFORD	71
WINTHROP	50
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>32</b>
PRESBYTERIAN	30
GARDNER-WEBB	19
<b>Total Bases</b>	
RADFORD	818
WINTHROP	596
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>535</b>
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	534
GARDNER-WEBB	465
<b>At Bats</b>	
RADFORD	1528
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>1516</b>
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	1483
COASTAL CAROLINA	1326
WINTHROP	1280
<b>Walks</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>132</b>
COASTAL CAROLINA	132
WINTHROP	126
RADFORD	115
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	111
<b>Hit by Pitch</b>	
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	46
PRESBYTERIAN	30
RADFORD	25
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>20</b>
WINTHROP	15
<b>Strikeouts</b>	
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	315
PRESBYTERIAN	314
COASTAL CAROLINA	294
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>253</b>
GARDNER-WEBB	238
<b>Stolen Bases</b>	
RADFORD	118
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	59
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>48</b>
PRESBYTERIAN	46
COASTAL CAROLINA	29
<b>Earned Run Avg.</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>2.59</b>
RADFORD	2.89
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	3.16
WINTHROP	3.48
PRESBYTERIAN	3.77
<b>Opposing Bat Avg.</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>.255</b>
RADFORD	.261
WINTHROP	.272
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	.275
PRESBYTERIAN	.284

<b>Innings Pitched</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>400.1</b>
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	383.2
RADFORD	380.2
COASTAL CAROLINA	343.0
WINTHROP	305.2
<b>Batters Struck Out</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>334</b>
GARDNER-WEBB	259
COASTAL CAROLINA	240
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	236
WINTHROP	232
<b>Wins</b>	
RADFORD	41
WINTHROP	26
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	26
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>26</b>
GARDNER-WEBB	19
<b>Losses</b>	
COASTAL CAROLINA	38
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>35</b>
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	33
PRESBYTERIAN	27
GARDNER-WEBB	27
<b>Saves</b>	
RADFORD	6
WINTHROP	6
PRESBYTERIAN	3
3 others tied at	2
<b>Hits Allowed</b>	
WINTHROP	328
PRESBYTERIAN	341
GARDNER-WEBB	364
RADFORD	382
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>394</b>
<b>Earned Runs Allowed</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>148</b>
WINTHROP	152
RADFORD	157
PRESBYTERIAN	159
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	173
<b>Walks Allowed</b>	
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	80
WINTHROP	98
PRESBYTERIAN	105
GARDNER-WEBB	133
RADFORD	135
<b>Fielding Pct.</b>	
RADFORD	.966
WINTHROP	.966
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	.963
GARDNER-WEBB	.962
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>.955</b>
<b>Chances</b>	
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	1771
RADFORD	1716
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>1712</b>
COASTAL CAROLINA	1525
PRESBYTERIAN	1320
<b>Putouts</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>1201</b>
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	1151
RADFORD	1142
COASTAL CAROLINA	1029
WINTHROP	917
<b>Assists</b>	
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	554
RADFORD	516
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>434</b>
COASTAL CAROLINA	426
PRESBYTERIAN	369
<b>Errors</b>	
<b>LIBERTY</b>	<b>77</b>
COASTAL CAROLINA	70
PRESBYTERIAN	68
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	66
RADFORD	58