



Holly Burt, 5'8" guard for the THESA (Texas Home Educators Sports Association) Riders has signed an athletic scholarship to play basketball for Coach Shelly Pond at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma. www.swosu.edu.

Holly was a 3 year starter for the Riders averaging 16.3 points per game while leading the team in rebounding and steals. She was ranked in the top 25 as a scorer in the Dallas Fort Worth metroplex and the #5 three point shooter in north Texas. She was part of a Rider program that produced a three year record of 123-27 playing against some of the top public and private schools in Texas. Holly was selected to 5 all-tournament teams during the 07-08 season. She played under the direction of Coach Alan Burt (dad) with the Riders. (www.thesaridersbball.com)

Holly garnered All-American honors while playing for the HOPE Patriots in the Rio Grande Valley as part of the 2A national champions in 2003. After the families move to Fort Worth she played one year for the Dallas Thunder before becoming a part of the Riders. She was an All-American the past two years as the Riders won back to back 6A national titles. Holly was selected to play in the inaugural All-American game after being named a first team All-American.

Coach Pond had this to say about Holly: *"We are excited to have Holly as part of our program. The schedule she has played the last three years has well prepared her for a college basketball career. I expect Holly to come in as a freshman and get playing time. She is a tremendous shooter and she has the heart and desire to excel at the collegiate level. She is a kid who will give everything she has every day and I am really looking forward to coaching Holly. I think her best basketball is in front of her."*

Holly played in the summer for the Fort Worth Riders and worked with instructor Deon Hunter of Hoop Hunters basketball. While at SWOSU she plans to major in Business