

CORTNEY ELLIS



Cortney Ellis (SHS Class of 1999) – Portrait of an All-Star. Cortney was a model student-athlete who excelled on the volleyball court and track, and in the classroom, at both the high school and collegiate levels. Cortney was a core member on the 1996 state championship volleyball team as a hitter and blocker. On the track, Cortney was second to none in the long jump, winning the state championship in 1999. Cortney was fast, strong, and athletic and, at one time, held an astounding five school records, including the 100, 200, and long jump. Cortney also excelled in the classroom, graduating in 1999 as an honor student, and was named school athlete of the year for 1998 and 1999. Cortney continued her studies and athletic career at the NCAA DI level at Montana State University, where she was named All-Academic and All-Conference. She finished her MSU athletic career with the 2nd best mark in the pole vault, and presently sits at 4th all-time for MSU and 8th all-time for the Big Sky Conference. Cortney always had a great eye for detail, and has continued her pursuit of excellence in the field of photography, developing into a renowned fine art newborn and children’s photographer.



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