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Head coach Nick O'Shea's team already clinched the **Mid-Continent Conference** regular-season championship and will be the top seed in next month's Mid-Con Tournament in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

### SUMMARY

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