

Indiana Fever's coach Christie Sides sparks debate by comparing Caitlin Clark to Diana Taurasi. Her modesty and team-oriented attitude were evident in her response to questions about her historic triple-double. Indiana Fever head coach Christie Sides has weighed in on the WNBA Rookie of the Year discussion, presenting a strong case for her star point guard, Caitlin Clark. Christie Sides supports Caitlin Clark in ROY race. While the Chicago Sky have been vocal in their support for Angel Reese as the frontrunner, Sides believes Clark's exceptional performance this season makes her a top contender for the award. Clark has made an impressive impact in her debut season, securing a spot in the WNBA All-Star Game and setting records along the way. She just wants to win and to me, she's going to be my [WNBA] Rookie of the Year every day – every day. Caitlin Clark vs Angel Reese continues to hold on WNBA discourse. The debate over who should be named Rookie of the Year has gained traction, with both Clark and Reese showing remarkable talent and consistency. Sides praised Clark's competitiveness and work ethic, drawing comparisons to WNBA legend Diana Taurasi. Their performances have drawn significant attention, leading to increased attendance and television ratings for the WNBA. "I'm always going to make a case for my players. First and foremost, she is the most competitive human being I've ever met," Sides stated. I really compare her to Diana Taurasi. Most notably, she became the first rookie in WNBA history to record a triple-double during the Fever's 83–78 victory over the New York Liberty. Clark, 22, has been a standout, leading all WNBA rookies in points per game with 16.1 and assists per game with 7.4. Clark's contributions have helped the Fever improve to a 9–13 record, with Sides noting the team's evolving chemistry and rhythm. Both were named to the 2024 WNBA All-Star team, and their first-time collaboration in the All-Star game on July 20 in Phoenix is highly anticipated. The rivalry between Clark and Reese dates back to their college basketball days, with their high-profile matchups continuing to draw attention at the professional level. "I take a lot of pride in being able to do a lot of different things for this team... Obviously 13 assists, that means my teammates made 13 shots off my passes, so that goes to them. But I mean, I don't know... I don't know what to say. It's great, I don't know." "Honestly, I'm just happy we won," Clark remarked. She's always looking to find ways to get better. 'How can I help the team? What can we do?'... But she just wants to win.