

Kennedy spikers start season at No. 2

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Kennedy has been to the semifinals of the Class 4A state volleyball tournament each of the last three seasons.

The Cougars will be aiming a little higher this season.

Kennedy begins the season ranked No. 2 in Class 5A. Iowa City High is ranked No. 1 and Iowa City West, the Cougars' semifinal nemesis the last three seasons, is ranked ninth.

Two other Metro teams also are in the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union preseason rankings. Xavier is ranked No. 12 and Marion is 14th in Class 4A.

Sioux City Heelan is ranked No. 1 in Class 4A. The other top-ranked teams are MOC-Floyd Valley in 3A, Dike-New Hartford in 2A and Grundy Center in 1A.

IGHSAU VOLLEYBALL RANKINGS

Preseason

CLASS 5A

1. Iowa City High, 2. CR Kennedy, 3. Ankeny, 4. Cedar Falls, 5. Urbandale, 6. Dubuque Hempstead, 7. Clinton, 8. Pleasant Valley, 9. Iowa City West, 10. West Des Moines Dowling

CLASS 4A

1. Sioux City Heelan, 2. Harlan, 3. Solon, 4. Waverly-Shell Rock, 5. Charles City, 6. Maquoketa, 7. Dubuque Wahlert, 8. West Delaware, 9. North Scott, 10. DeWitt Central, 11. Fairfield, 12. CR Xavier, 13. Lewis Central, 14. Marion, 15. Clear Creek Amana

CLASS 3A

1. MOC-Floyd Valley, 2. Mediapolis, 3. West Liberty, 4. Sioux Center, 5. Union, 6. Nevada, 7. Davenport Assumption, 8. Mount Vernon, 9. Unity Christian, 10. East Sac County, 11. Cascade, 12. South Central Calhoun, 13. Estherville Lincoln Central, 14. Red Oak, 15. Bondurant-Farrar

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CLASS 2A

1. Dike-New Hartford, 2. Western Christian, 3. Carroll Kuemper, 4. Sumner-Fredericksburg, 5. Council Bluffs St. Albert, 6. West Branch, 7. Ridge View, 8. Woodward-Granger, 9. Treynor, 10. Hinton, 11. Durant, 12. IKM-Manning, 13. Iowa City Regin, 14. Lake Mills, 15. Edgewood-Colesburg

CLASS 1A

1. Grundy Center, 2. LeMars Gehlen, 3. Janesville, 4. Fort Madison Holy Trinity, 5. Tripoli, 6. Bellevue Marquette, 7. Stanton, 8. East Union, 9. Bedford, 10. Lisbon, 11. New London, 12. Twin Cedars, 13. Central Lyon, 14. Preston, 15. Winfield-Mount Union