

## Kirkwood splits 2 volleyball matches

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OVERLAND PARK, Kan. - The Kirkwood women's volleyball team split its two matches at the Johnson County tournament in Kansas Friday.

The Eagles swept Johnson County, 25-21, 25-22, 25-20, with Madsy Richards collecting 15 kills.

Kirkwood lost to powerful Iowa Western, 25-16, 25-16, 25-19, in a match against one of the top junior college volleyball programs in the country. Iowa Western is ranked No. 2 in the NJCAA Division I ranks, while Kirkwood is ranked No. 4 in Division II.

The split left the Eagles with a 19-5 record heading into the second day of the tournament Saturday.

Alex Miner had 11 kills in the victory over Johnson County and Morgan Grimm had nine kills. Caiti Peterson contributed 38 assists, Jenna Laxton had 19 digs and Erica Armstrong blocked five shots.

Richards had 12 more kills against Iowa Western. Peterson had 26 assists, Laxton had 17 digs and Miner blocked four shots.