

IOWA FALLS - The 13th-ranked Kirkwood Eagles took care of business Wednesday night and earned the No. 1 seed for the regional volleyball tournament that will begin in two weeks.

Kirkwood swept Ellsworth, 25-17, 25-13, 25-11, to clinch at least a tie for the Iowa Community College Athletic Conference title with one match remaining in the league.

Kirkwood raised its conference record to a perfect 7-0 with the victory. Iowa Central and DMACC are tied for second place at 6-1, but the Eagles have defeated both of those teams and would get the No. 1 seed for the regional if the race ends in a tie. Kirkwood closes out league play at home next Wednesday against Northeast Community College.

Ady Wintermote led Kirkwood with 14 kills and 13 digs in the win over Ellsworth. McKenzie Petersen provided 10 kills and Margaret Micka had seven.

Lauren Keane rolled up 34 assists and 10 digs as Coach Jill Williams and the Eagles raised their overall mark to 19-14.

Ellsworth fell to 9-22 overall and 2-5 in the conference.