

DMACC - The Kirkwood women's volleyball team gave the top-ranked team in the country a good match Saturday before falling to Johnson County, 3-1, at the DMACC tournament in Boone.

Johnson County won the first set 25-23, but the Eagles tied the match with an impressive 25-16 display in the second set. Johnson County claimed the next two sets, 25-22 and 25-20, for the victory.

Kirkwood broke even for the day with a 25-19, 10-25, 25-23, 25-19 victory over Neosha to finish the tournament with a 3-1 record.

Alexa Aldrich-Ingram had a big day with 27 kills against Johnson County and 18 more against Neosha. The southpaw from Iowa City now has 445 kills for the season to rank second in the country in NJCAA Division II, just one kill behind the national leader.

Haleigh Durnin and Abbi Tunis had eight kills against Johnson County. Sami Johnson contributed seven kills and Maddie Huff had six. Lauren Keane dished out 35 assists. Maddie Lavenz finished with 20 digs, while Johnson and Chloe McNeese had 12 apiece. Ingram and Huff blocked four shots.

Tunis provided 13 kills against Neosha. Huff, Keane and Durnin had six apiece. Keane collected 34 more assists. Keane served three aces. Lavenz had 22 digs, Aldrich-Ingram 15, Lavenz 12 and McNeese 12. Huff blocked seven sots and Tunis blocked six.

Kirkwood left the tournament with a 25-5 record.