

No. 4 KCC women sail in regional opener

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The fourth-ranked Kirkwood women's basketball team crushed DMACC, 74-33, in the quarterfinals of the regional tournament at Johnson Hall Wednesday night.

Kirkwood (28-3) will face Southeastern (19-12) in the semifinals Saturday at 3 p.m. in Mason City. Top-ranked NIACC (30-1) will play Iowa Lakes (19-10) in the other semifinal, with the regional finals Sunday at 1 p.m. in Mason City.

Paige Bradford collected 14 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two blocks for Kirkwood. Kemara Watson chipped in with 12 points.

Jada Powell scored 11 points for DMACC (10-20).

DMACC (33): Riley Gatton 1-7 0-1 2, Asia Mena 1-4 0-0 2, Hannah McKinney 2-6 0-0 5, Taelor Lessmeier 0-3 0-0 0, Katelyn Courtney 2-4 0-0 4, Bethany Evans 2-3 0-0 6, Shamir Brown 1-6 1-2 3, Jada Powell 5-10 0-0 11, Cailey Schaa 0-2 0-0 0, Katie Scott 0-3 0-2 0, Shelbi Raymond 0-1 0-0 0, Emma Mace 0-3 0-0 0, Reganne Brewster 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 14-52 1-5 33.

KIRKWOOD (74): Paige Bradford 7-9 0-0 14, Tatiana Hodges-Johnson 4-6 0-0 9, Ju Gaston 2-5 2-2 6, Amara Lipsey 2-9 0-0 6, Marissa Metz 1-4 0-0 3, Delani Harris 3-6 0-0 6, Jheda Kennedy 0-4 0-0 0, Kortney Drake 3-9 0-0 7, Addison Rath 2-2 0-0 5, Natalie Tomaszewski 2-4 0-0 6, Kemara Watson 5-11 2-2 12. Totals 31-69 4-4 74.

Halftime - Kirkwood 39, DMACC 12. 3-point goals - DMACC 4-24 (Gatton 0-4, Mena 0-2, McKinney 1-3, Lessmeier 0-2, Evans 2-3, Brown 0-2, Powell 1-4, Schaa 0-2, Raymond 0-1, Mace 0-1), Kirkwood 8-33 (Bradford 0-1, Hodges-Johnson 1-3, Gaston 0-2, Lipsey 2-7, Metz 1-3, Harris 0-2, Kennedy 0-3, Drake 1-7, Rath 1-1, Tomaszewski 2-4).