

CCCAA WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL REGIONAL PLAYOFFS, ROUND 1

NORTH REGION RESULTS

1-Sacramento City d. 16-Napa Valley, 3-0 (25-16, 28-26, 25-13)

Records: Sacramento 29-0, Napa Valley 16-8

2nd Round Matchup: Sacramento hosts No. 9 Diablo Valley

RECAP: The undefeated and state top-ranked Panthers nearly had to go extra games against the feisty unranked Storm of Napa Valley, but Sacramento did what it has always done this year when it faced a late-game challenge—win. Sacramento's 28-26 second game triumph propelled it to a sweep and the program's 29th consecutive win. Big 8 Conference MVP Natasha Vinnikova scored 13 kills and 11 digs. Also in double figures in kills were Alex Tkachuk (11) and Breanna Warnock (11). Setter Emmie Moroski added 43 assists.

2-Foothill d. 15-Yuba, 3-0 (25-17, 25-16, 25-10)

Records: Foothill 24-3, Yuba 17-7

2nd Round Matchup: Foothill hosts No. 7 Sierra

RECAP: The state No. 8-ranked Owls won their 15th consecutive match in a sweep over the unranked 49ers. Despite the game scores, Yuba stayed even with Foothill during the front half of the first two games before the Owls put together late scoring runs to finish off the sets. Kristen Hipsher recorded 16 kills and Brittany Anderson totaled 25 digs to lead Foothill.

3-San Joaquin Delta d. 14-Shasta, 3-0 (25-15, 25-18, 25-15)

Records: SJ Delta 19-7, Shasta 14-15

2nd Round Matchup: SJ Delta hosts No. 11 Cabrillo

RECAP: The state No. 9-ranked Mustangs are the hosts to this year's CCCAA Championships and they would love nothing better than to play in front of their Stockton home crowd at the tournament Dec. 4-6. Delta got one step closer by sweeping the unranked Knights behind 11 kills from Lorena Ibarra-Martinez. Also for Delta, Briana Lacy served 5 aces and had 20 digs while Keisha Leggs contributed 7 kills and 4 blocks. For Shasta, Jayme King totaled 26 assists and 19 digs. Sarah Scott had 11 kills and Danielle Nance 10 attack points.

4-Fresno City d. 13-De Anza, 3-0 (25-16, 25-18, 25-13)

Records: Fresno City 23-4, De Anza 14-12

2nd Round Matchup: Fresno City hosts No. 5 Santa Rosa

RECAP: Tasha Greer totaled 11 kills and 22 assists as the state No. 10-ranked Rams extended their winning streak to 18 matches with a sweep over the unranked Dons. Fresno received high level performances from Taylor Lucero (10 kills), Ariana Milla (10 kills), and Arianna Thomas (15 digs). Fresno, the Central Valley Conference champions, have won 45 of its last 46 games.

5-Santa Rosa d. 12-Feather River, 3-0 (25-14, 25-23, 25-15)

Records: Santa Rosa 21-6, Feather River 19-12

2nd Round Matchup: Santa Rosa at No. 4 Fresno City

RECAP: The state No. 11-ranked Bear Cubs rode the clutch hitting of Turea Jones with 15 kills and 13 digs to sweep the No. T25 Golden Eagles. Jones hit .433 while teammate Liz Tomforde tallied 10 kills with a .320 percentage. Feather River stormed back from a 23-15 deficit to tie it 23-23 in the second game, but a Jones kill and Elise Carroll's ace clinched the game as Santa Rosa went on to post the victory. Carroll added 30 assists. For Feather River, Rebecca Pate had 16 kills and Chenoa Rossi-Childress added 12 digs and 6 kills.

11-Cabrillo d. 6-Butte, 3-1 (21-25, 26-24, 25-17, 27-25)

Records: Cabrillo 17-8, Butte 22-8

2nd Round Matchup: Cabrillo at No. 3 San Joaquin Delta

RECAP: In the only true upset of the night in the regional playoffs, the state No. 13-ranked Roadrunners were shocked by the unranked Seahawks in four games. Cabrillo came back from a 1-game deficit to win in extra points in game 2. After taking a 2-1 lead, Cabrillo fell behind 20-11 in the fourth game. However, the Seahawks exploded for 9 straight points and finished off the match at 27-25. For Cabrillo, Coast Conference South MVP Ari Logan put on a blocking exhibition with 10 block kills (8 solos) and 15 attack kills. Marrietta Ranche added 14 kills, 4 aces and was off the charts on passing average at a 2.5 clip. Setter Rachel Farren had 45 assists. For Butte, Sarah Nichols did her part to keep her team in the match with 21 kills and 23 digs. Kayla Wilson added 14 kills and Keli Stanley tallied 20 digs.

7-Sierra d. 10-Porterville, 3-2 (27-25, 23-25, 25-22, 21-25, 15-6)

Records: Sierra 20-9, Porterville 17-6

2nd Round Matchup: Sierra at No. 2 Foothill

RECAP: The state No. 14-ranked Wolverines aren't comfortable it seems unless they play a 5-gamer, and for the eighth time this season they went to the limit in downing a No. T25-rated and up and coming Pirates team. Sierra is 5-3 in those 5-game matches as it was led by Danielle Griffen with 12 kills and 6 blocks, and Larae Saylor with 23 digs and 5 service aces. Porterville was paced by Katrina Goulbourne with 16 kills and setter Laura Lopez with 40 assists.

9-Diablo Valley d. 8-Gavilan, 3-2 (25-19, 24-26, 25-18, 23-25, 15-13)

Records: Diablo Valley 16-8, Gavilan 17-7

2nd Round Matchup: Diablo Valley at No. 1 Sacramento City

RECAP: As banner nights go, this was one that the Big 8 Conference can cherish as the 24th-ranked Vikings made it 5-for-5 for Big 8 playoff teams advancing to the second round with a 5-game thriller over the No. 20-rated Rams. Neither team could break away as Gavilan forced a fifth game with a 25-23 fourth game win. DVC finally put away game 5 to defeat the Rams, the co-champions of the Coast South Conference, to make it 10-0 in non-Big 8 matches this season. For Diablo Valley, Krystal McCoy put on a show with 17 kills, 22 digs and 7 blocks. Jennifer Kawakami added 14 kills and 20 digs and setter Lilia Marcic had 37 assists, 7 kills and made 13 digs. Out of 16 regional matches in the South and North, Diablo Valley and Cabrillo were the only lower seeds to advance.