

Women's Quarterfinal Game

Foothill 69, Cerritos 49

As the top-seeded team in the North, Foothill College held serve with a 69-49 win over Cerritos College, the #4-seeded team from the South, in a quarterfinal game of the California Community Colleges Athletic Association Women's Basketball Championship at the University of Pacific in Stockton. With the win, the Owls will now advance to the semi-finals and face with winner of the Pasadena City-San Joaquin Delta winner at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.

The Owls (32-2), champions of the Coast Conference North Division, opened up a 14-point first half lead (25-11) after a basket by Ashley Marshall with 7:29 remaining and held a 32-32 advantage at intermission.

In the second half, the Falcons (26-9) were able to close their deficit to eight points (53-45) with 6:24 remaining. With Cerritos on their heels, Foothill's Jessica Montgomery drained a three-pointer from the baseline to put the Owls up, 59-47 and never looked back in recording a 20-point victory.

Looking to shake early-game jitters, in which both teams combined for 34 turnovers, the Owls utilize their height advantage on defense with 6-foot-2 Amanda Tretheway and 6-foot-1 Montgomery. They helped shut down the Falcon inside game and limited them to just 9-of-35 shooting.

Jasmine Lowe led Foothill with 15 points, 10 rebounds and four assists in an athletic effort, while the duo of Claudia Nelson and Marshall each added 10 points. For the Falcons, Genesis Lewis led all scorers with 16 points and pulled down 10 rebounds, while Arielle McClellan (eight rebounds, four assists) and Tiffany Wilson (eight rebounds) each added nine points.