MVC WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL FINISHES WITH FOUR WINS AT INVITATIONAL


After a shaky start in game one against Haskell that saw MVC down by a 4-0 score, the Vikings came back and took over the match in winning 3-0. Leading the way was Senior Libero Diane Dellasalla (Houston, Texas) who finished with 11 digs. The trio of Senior Middle Blocker Jada Hollinshead (Tunnel Hill, Ill.), Freshman Outside Hitter Lauren Eldridge (Kansas City, Mo.) and Senior Opposite Courtney Wallace (Springfield, Mo.) combined for 18 kills. Wallace finished with a hitting percentage of 55-percent.

The Vikings dominated the first two games, but had to come from behind in game three to knock off Stephens College in the finale of the MVC Viking Invitational 3-0. Leading the way for MVC was Sweet who finished with 21 assists. Hollinshead and Eldridge combined for 13 kills, and Dellasalla finished with 10 digs to lead the Vikings.

The MVC Viking Invitational all-Invitational team was released following Saturday’s action and included three Vikings:

**Senior Tarrah Sweet, Setter-Missouri Valley College**
**Freshman Lauren Eldridge, Outside Hitter-Missouri Valley College**
**Senior Diane Dellasala, Libero-Missouri Valley College**

Freshman Kenlea Herndon, Outside Hitter, Lindenwood University-Belleville
Junior Chelsi Hummert, Setter-Lindenwood University-Belleville
Sophomore Danielle Dowdy, Setter-University of Saint Mary
Freshman Allie Massanet, Libero-University of Saint Mary
Sophomore Sarah Loesing, Outside Hitter-Southwestern College
Freshman Raquel Aguino, Defensive Specialist-Haskell Indian Nations University
Freshman Danielle Kaullen, Middle Hitter-Avila University
Freshman Tanya Avington, Libero-Stephens College

In Friday’s action the Vikings defeated University of Saint Mary and Southwestern College both in 3-0 matches. The two victories Saturday moves MVC’s record to 4-0 on the season.

Other Saturday results:
Lindenwood University-Belleville defeated Southwestern College 25-19, 25-18, 25-16
University of Saint Mary defeated Avila University 25-19, 25-21, 25-20
Stephens College defeated Southwestern College 25-14, 25-20, 17-25, 19-25, 15-9
University of Saint Mary defeated Haskell Indian Nations University 22-25, 18-25, 25-20,
25-21, 15-12
Lindenwood University-Belleville def. Avila University 25-21, 25-17, 21-25, 25-22

Up next for the Vikings are matches at the Avila Tournament in Kansas City Sept. 6-7. MVC will play University of Saint Mary and Benedictine-Springfield University Sept. 6, and Stephens College and Oklahoma Wesleyan University Sept. 7.

ABOUT MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE
Known for its dynamic, richly diverse, and friendly educational environment, Missouri Valley College offers many opportunities to grow in mind, body, and spirit. Grounded in the liberal arts, undergraduate studies empower students to master interdisciplinary skills needed to succeed in a knowledge-based global society. MVC offers over 40 academic programs, study abroad program, honors program, extracurricular activities, and 13 sports. The most popular majors include education and business, and some new majors are ag-business, nursing, graphic design, and health information systems (associate degree). Above all, Valley is committed to student success. For more information, call (660) 831-4000 or visit www.moval.edu.