Eagles spike NIACC in regional opener

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The Kirkwood Eagles swept NIACC, 25-16, 25-13, 25-13, in the opening round of the regional volleyball tournament at Kirkwood Wednesday night.

The ninth-ranked Eagles (33-8) advanced to the next round Saturday.

Halle Lueck collected 26 assists and nine digs for Kirkwood. Megan Allmandinger had nine kills. Erin Wenzel provided seven kills and five blocks. Heather Poula had seven digs and six kills.

Becca Bell had seven kills, Marissa Stark 13 digs, Nicole Snyder nine digs and Payton Hilton seven blocks.