Lady Chiefs win thriller in five set over Northwood-Shreveport

SHREVEPORT, La. - The Natchitoches Central Lady Chiefs' volleyball team edged the Northwood-Shreveport Falcons Tuesday night on the road in a five-set thriller 26-24, 25-20, 8-25, 16-25 and 15-13.

The Lady Chiefs (14-2, 5-0 in district 1, division II) have now won 13 straight games dating back to Sept. 7.

It was anything but easy for the Lady Chiefs. Despite jumping ahead two sets to none, Northwood-Shreveport (17-8, 4-1 in district 1, division II) rallied back to take the third and fourth fairly easily.

But in the fifth set, the Lady Chiefs showed their toughness. With the game tied at 13-13 and the game on the line, Ehren Guidroz slammed the kill to give NCHS a 14-13 lead. Then on matchup point, Northwood returned the ball out of bounds as the Lady Chiefs won in breath-taking fashion.

An excited but exhausted Lady Chiefs' head coach Kerri Kiracofe gave her thoughts on the thrilling result.

"It was such a battle," said Kiracofe. "I'm not sure that I could ever describe this one. Northwood has been the toughest competitor we have faced all year and they gave us a run for our money. But thankfully we turned it around after the third and fourth sets and found a way to win. I couldn't be prouder of the whole team."

Next up, NCHS will take on Many (6-4) Thursday night at 6 p.m. on the road.