

Lady Chiefs fall in second round 3-1 to Kenner-DHSA

KENNER, La. - The 10th-ranked Natchitoches Central Lady Chiefs' volleyball team lost in four sets to the seventh-ranked Kenner Discovery Health Science Academy Swamp Owls Saturday in the second round of the Division II playoffs.

The Lady Chiefs (27-9) won the first set 25-19 as they stormed out to a 19-10 advantage before hanging to take the opening frame.

The Swamp Owls (28-7) came out on fire in the second set as they took a 15-4 lead and went on to win 25-14.

NCHS scored the first two points of the third set but once again the Swamp Owls went on a big run taking a 15-6 lead. The Lady Chiefs mounted a comeback to trim the lead to 22-20 late in the set. However, the Swamp Owls scored the final three points of the set to take a 2-1 lead.

In the fourth set, the Lady Chiefs got behind 16-8 but refused to quit as they rallied to trim the lead to 23-21. The Swamp Owls scored two of the final three points to clinch the match and end the Lady Chiefs' season.

NCHS had eight seniors play their final game this afternoon including Campbell Morrow, Cambree Jimmerson, Ayla Smith, Ayla Payne, Ellie Wilson, Kat Phelps, Maddie Dupuy and Ainsley Weeks.

Kenner advances to the quarterfinals where they face the winner of second-ranked Sam Houston and 15th-ranked Assumption.