

Kilgore, Moore earn first team all-league honors as Wildcats put four on team



The Louisburg volleyball team saw its postseason run end in the Class 4A sub-state championship, but the Wildcats didn't leave the year without a strong stamp on the Frontier League. Four Louisburg players were selected to the All-Frontier League Team, including two first-team honorees, after helping guide the program to another strong season.

Senior Caileigh Kilgore and junior Adelyn Moore were both named to the league's first team, while senior McKenna Lohse and junior Regan Williams earned honorable mention recognition.

For head coach Rich Brown, the group's league awards were a fitting reflection of their consistency and impact.

"I think we were represented well," Brown said. "It's challenging for us when we have so many hitters and blockers

that we rely on. Other teams have the one standout player, but I think all our seniors make great progress for our team.”

Kilgore wrapped up her Louisburg career as one of the most productive hitters in the league. She finished the season with 320 kills, a team high, while also placing second with 49 aces and adding 21 blocks. She also added 270 digs as a six-rotation play for the Wildcats.

“Caileigh improved her game as the season progressed,” he said. “She has been able to use her power since she was a sophomore, but her other shots—off-speed, line, everything—made her much more consistent.”

Moore, the Wildcats’ steady junior setter, helped orchestrate Louisburg’s offense at a high level all season. She tallied 976 assists, one of the strongest totals in the area, and also chipped in 216 digs and 102 kills.

“It’s been really fun watching Adelyn become a leader on the court,” Brown said. “She is able to distribute the ball effectively and helped our hitters become more effective. Her defense was also a great help in transition.”



Lohse provided firepower and presence at the net throughout her senior campaign. She led the Wildcats with 55 aces, finished second in kills with 198, and posted a team-best 48 blocks, giving Louisburg a physical advantage at the net.

“Another staple in the offense,” Brown said. “Her ability to take the shots necessary to keep the defense honest was a big part of our effectiveness as a team.”

Williams anchored Louisburg’s back row as the team’s libero, finishing with a team-high 315 digs. Her passing and out-of-system setting kept the Wildcats competitive in long rallies and tight moments.

“We’ve had a lot of one-year starters at libero, but it was a huge plus for Regan to get recognized as a junior,” Brown said. “A great passer, a great out-of-system setter, and really, really good at making us an attacking team when we are under pressure.”

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First team

Bailey Hammerschmidt, sr., Eudora; Avery Hemphill, jr., Eudora; Calleigh Kilgore, sr., Louisburg; Kinzley Meinig, jr., Paola; Braydee Miller, so., Eudora; Adelyn Moore, jr., Louisburg; Finley Riecke, sr., Tonganoxie.

Second team

Izzy Brunkow, jr., Eudora; Caylee Crawford, sr., Paola; Avery Gallagher, jr., Spring Hill; Becca Meyer, jr., Ottawa; Dylan Nichols, sr., Ottawa; Addy Schooler, sr., Tonganoxie; Ellie Trachsel, jr., Paola.

Honorable mention

Leah Askins Dietrich, jr., Ottawa; Kalea Baldock, sr., Tonganoxie; Cami Collum, so., Baldwin; Katelyn Dale, sr., Tonganoxie; Kirby Evans, so., Ottawa Vanessa Haas, sr., Paola McKenna Lohse, sr., Louisburg; Kamryn Love, sr., Bonner Springs; Karis Mason, sr., Eudora; Berkley Meinig, fr., Paola Macie Metcalf, sr., Spring Hill; Emme Nigh, jr. Baldwin; Logyn Scoby, so., Baldwin; Hannah Wegner, fr., Eudora; Regan Williams, jr., Louisburg; Shelby Winkel, sr., Spring Hill.