

## **Bellevue played Mercer Island at home on 9/27**

The Wolverines were pumped up to play a home game against Mercer Island. There was free pizza, the amazing drum line, and a big cheering section of students and families. The Varsity Wolverines won in 3 straight sets. They have beat 4 of the 6 teams in their conference without much of a challenge and are looking forward to seeing what the last two teams will be like in the coming week. JV and JVC lost both matches.

Set 1: Junior Maile Sugamura started the match off with two aces serves. Mercer Island had 3 errors in a row, a rotation error. Score, 6-0. Senior/Captain Kaitlyn Watson hit 2 kills and served 3 aces in a row. The crowd was cheering the Wolverines on. Maile Sugamura sent up a dig at the floor to Senior/Captain Izzy Koo who set to Junior Nyah Taylor for 3 kills, one of which was tipped over the block. At 17-7 the Islanders took a time out. Maile Sugamura dug up another low ball to Izzy Koo who set to Junior/Captain Brooke Huard for a deep court kill. Halle Adam got a dig up to Izzy Koo who set Kaitlyn Watson for a clean shot to the middle court. Maile Sugamura served another ace. Brooke Huard hit against a block that ricocheted out for a point. Nyah Taylor hit from the back court for a kill. Senior Anastasiya Polyakova go a shot from an overpass and the crowd roared. The final combination was Nyah Taylor to Izzy Koo to Kaitlyn Watson for the kill. Score 25-12.

Set 2: The Islanders served out and then hit an error. Kaitlyn Watson blocked for a point and followed it with a kill. Both teams stalled with errors. Then Brooke Huard passed up to Izzy Koo who set to Nyah Taylor for a kill. Anastasiya Polyakova served an ace. Maile Sugamura caught another low dig that popped up to the net and Izzy Koo tipped it over for a point. Halle Adam passed up to Izzy Koo who set to Brooke Huard for a swift deep court kill. Maile Sugamura and Izzy Koo each served aces. The crowd was cheering. Mercer Island couldn't get anything going and took another time out. Kaitlyn Watson caught an overpass at the net for a kill. Both teams were making each other scramble with volleys. Brooke Huard and Nyah Taylor had a few more kills. Another volley had the Wolverines shuffled up and Izzy Koo passed up to Anastasiya Polyakova who set to Kaitlyn Watson for a kill. The final point to close the match came from a tipped kill by Kaitlyn Watson. Score 25-10.

Set 3: Bellevue started off with an error but Kaitlyn Watson followed it with a block for a point. Brooke Huard passed the ball up to Izzy Koo who set to Anastasiya Polyakova for a right side kill. Both teams were struggling again with errors and the Islanders started getting rotation errors. Anastasiya Polyakova served an ace. The teams had a nice volley going that ended in Mercer Island's favor. Maile Sugamura caught a dig up to Izzy Koo who set to Nyah Taylor for a cross court kill. The Islanders had another rotation error. Nyah Taylor served an ace. Then during a volley an Islander reached for a ball at the net but came down and slid under the net into a Wolverine, point Bellevue. After a third rotation error, Mercer Island took a time out. When they came back they got off their last 2 kills of the night, 10-10. Nyah Taylor got a kill and Kaitlyn Watson blocked for a point. Brooke Huard served 2 aces and was interrupted between serves for more rotation errors from the Islanders. Maile Sugamura got her last dig of the match up to Izzy Koo who set to Nyah Taylor for a left side kill. Anastasiya Polyakova served 2 aces in a row and Nyah Taylor ended the night with a block. Mercer Island had 7 Rotation errors in third set alone, ten for the entire match. Score, 25-14.