

Bellevue vs. Lake Washington - 10/25

Bellevue played their last home match for the season on Monday night against the Lake Washington Kangs. It was senior night and they celebrated the 5 Varsity seniors and 1 JV senior with heartfelt speeches, flowers and gifts. There were also 5 seniors on the LW team, many of whom are teammates and friends of Bellevue players, that received flowers. Three Wolverine players, Ziel Guevarra, Maile Sugamura and Kaitlyn Watson, sang the National Anthem in harmony. The Wolverines won in 3 sets. The JV team won 2-1 and the JVC team lost 0-3.

Set 1: The Kangs launched the night with a serve. Junior Maile Sugamura hooked a pass up to Senior/Captain Izzy Koo who set to Senior Anastasiya Polyakova who hit a kill from the right side. The Kangs proceeded to fall behind with 3 errors. Junior/Captain Brooke Huard hit a kill deep into the court and then another into their block that bounced out. Right side hitter and Senior Nataysia Koehler grabbed a low dig near the net. Senior/Captain Kaitlyn Watson and Koo both served aces. Koo grabbed a dig back to Sugamura who set to Huard for a swift kill. Then Junior Nyah Taylor got a pass up to Koo and Huard for another kill. Taylor served two aces, one of which hit the net and rolled over. Senior Jada Cho hit a high kill that brushed a Kangs' fingertip and went out. As both teams were getting used to each other, they began to volley more. Sugamura served an ace. Taylor caught a pass up to Koo and then Watson who hit into the far corner for a point. Taylor returned a ball from the other side for a speedy kill. Sugamura dug to Polyakova for the set to Taylor who hit into the block and ricocheted out. The final point came from Huard, Polyakova and Taylor with a tip over the block for a point. Score, 25-11.

Set 2: Bellevue began the set with a serve and immediately fell behind with 5 errors. Then Sugamura stepped up to serve and aced twice. Watson blocked for a point. The Kangs tried to tip over the block, but Watson turned to pick up the dig to Koo who set back to Watson for a tapped over kill. Taylor seized the next dig to Polyakova and then Watson hung high for a kill. Huard had a long run of serves, acing 3 three times, and getting 2 digs to Polyakova and Watson for points. The teams were battling and Bellevue's entire defense was having a great night. Taylor popped up a pass to the net that Watson put away at the Kangs' back line. Sugamura grabbed a pass to Polyakova who set to Watson on the right side for another kill. During a volley Sugamura dug a ball to Taylor who got it up to the net and Koo dumped it over for a point. Taylor hit a kill from the back court. Polyakova sent a dig to Koo and Huard for an unstoppable kill. Sugamura was on fire with her passes and digs with nary an error. She nabbed a ball up to Koo then Polyakova hit a kill. Sugamura served an ace. Watson got a block and then hit a kill into a block that dropped inside for a point. Sugamura served her last ace of the set. The set ended with an error from the Kangs. Score, 25-16.

Set 3: The Kangs served out for the first play at the start of the set. Sugamura stepped up and served an ace. Jordan Condie hit an overpass back into play. Huard dug the ball to Koo who set back to Huard for a kill down the line. Sugamura dug to Polyakova who set to Huard on the right side and hit a cross court kill. Bellevue's setters, Koo and Polyakova were keeping up with all the passes and getting amazing sets to the front line. Koo served an ace and got a set up to Cho for a kill. Taylor's turn at serving resulted in more aces. There was a scramble for a ball return that Sugamura dug to Huard and then to Taylor for a back court kill. The volleys were impressive and despite the score, it never felt like LW was far behind, but Bellevue continued to play as if they were neck and neck, they stayed focused and worked well as a team. Polyakova hooked a pass to Sugamura for the set to Huard who hit into the block and out for a point. For their final plays on their home court, Watson and Cho both got blocks and Koo finished the night with an ace. Score, 25-15.