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# Panther Sports News

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LS-VOLLEYBALL

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's volleyball team will face nearly a must-win situation this weekend (Nov. 11-12) when two Gateway Collegiate Athletic Conference rivals visit Lantz Gym.

Although Eastern has already clinched at least a tie for the No. 4 seed in the GCAC's final-four playoff, the Lady Panthers need one win this weekend to guarantee themselves a playoff berth and prevent a possible tie for the league tournament's final opening.

Illinois State University and Indiana State University stand in the way of Eastern's bid to clinch the No. 4 seed for the league playoff. Eastern will host the Redbirds at 7:30 p.m. Friday and conclude the regular season with a 7:30 p.m. Saturday match with Indiana State.

"Illinois State is an outstanding team and we will have to play up to our potential to beat them," EIU coach Betty Ralston said. "We're going to have to make a complete turnaround from the way we played against Indiana if we want to have a shot at ISU."

The Panthers turned in one of their most lackluster performances of the season in the 8-15, 15-13, 5-15, 10-15 loss at Indiana Tuesday (Nov. 8) as their record dropped to 25-9 overall. Eastern buried itself by committing 22 reception errors, virtually giving the Hoosiers more than one third of their 58 total points in the match.

"We committed far too many errors simply because we didn't move our feet," Ralston said. "We never seemed to have our heads in the match and we can't afford that kind of performance this weekend."

While Eastern erred itself to defeat at Indiana, two starters for most of the season watched from the sidelines as they nursed hand injuries. Junior Donna Uhler (Glen Ellyn-Benet Academy) and sophomore Judy Planos (Evanston-Township) were forced to sit out the IU match, but should be ready for GCAC matches this weekend.

"We really missed the spark that Donna and Judy give us," Ralston said. "Our reserves did not play badly, but the young people just don't take charge the way the more experienced players do."

"We'll need both of them this weekend and if we play together as a team, I think we can clinch that spot in the conference playoff."

33-MATCH EASTERN ILLINOIS WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL STATISTICS: (25-8) (Home: 5-1) (Away: 8-4) (Neutral: 11-3)

No.	Name	G	K (/G)	E	TA	Pct.	SA(/G)	BS	BA(B/G)	DG(/G)	AS(/G)	RE	BE	SE	BHE
8	Bonnie Fisk, Sr., Hitter.....	111	323(2.91)	101	722	.307	56(.504)	57	58(1.55)	270(2.43)	50(0.45)	49	31	36	14
10	Stacy Cook, Sr., Hitter.....	111	343(3.09)	122	800	.276	42(.378)	51	47(1.34)	338(3.05)	39(0.35)	33	37	33	7
13	Kathy Briggs, Sr., Hitter.....	111	298(2.68)	104	810	.240	30(.270)	3	22(0.25)	367(3.31)	29(0.26)	36	3	12	8
18	Judy Planos, So., Hitter.....	102	252(2.47)	100	678	.224	40(.392)	3	13(0.19)	252(2.47)	18(0.18)	25	4	15	6
20	Donna Uhler, Jr., Set/Hitter....	88	74(0.84)	29	232	.194	15(.170)	10	12(0.36)	180(2.05)	462(5.25)	10	8	12	21
25	Gretchen Braker, Sr., Setter....	81	52(0.64)	23	182	.159	7(.086)	5	20(0.37)	150(1.85)	644(7.95)	0	9	14	24
30	Misty Buckhold, So., Hitter.....	81	49(0.61)	30	191	.099	14(.173)	4	19(0.33)	118(1.46)	48(0.59)	20	3	6	4
7	Ellen Karcher, Fr., Defense.....	70	9(0.12)	7	26	.077	19(.271)	0	1(0.01)	80(1.14)	5(0.07)	15	0	17	5
9	Maura LeFevour, Fr., Hitter.....	67	62(0.93)	22	206	.194	0(.000)	0	19(0.28)	33(0.49)	8(0.12)	4	3	1	5
3/14	Debra Buesking, So., Hitter.....	13	10(0.77)	3	22	.318	2(.154)	3	1(0.54)	2(0.15)	1(0.08)	1	1	1	0
12	Krista Embry, Fr., Hitter.....	6	8(1.33)	6	23	.087	1(.167)	0	0(0.00)	4(0.67)	2(0.33)	0	0	2	0

EIU TOTALS: 112 1,480 547 3,892 .240 226 136 212 1,794 1,306 193 99 149 94

EIU TEAM AVERAGES: 13.21 kills, 2.02 aces, 4.32 blocks, 16.02 digs and 11.66 assists per game

SEASON MARKS:

TEAM

Most Kills: 82 v. Ferris State  
 Most Errors: 40 v. Cincinnati  
 Most Attempts: 217 v. Illinois #1  
 Best Percentage: .474 v. Wisconsin-Oshkosh  
 Most Service Aces: 15 v. Cincinnati  
 Most Solo Blocks: 10 v. Iowa #2  
 Most Block Assists: 20 v. Illinois #2  
 Most Digs: 104 v. Iowa #1  
 Most Assists: 72 v. Ferris State, Illinois #1  
 Most Reception Errors: 14 v. Illinois-Chicago  
 Most Blocking Errors: 9 v. Ferris State  
 Most Service Errors: 10 v. Wisconsin, Iowa#1  
 Most Ball Handling Errors: 10 v. Cincinnati

INDIVIDUAL

Most K: 25, Cook v. Ferris State  
 Most E: 12, Cook v. Wisconsin, Cincinnati  
 Most TA: 59, Cook v. Drake #2  
 Best Pct.: .800, Cook v. Wisconsin-Oshkosh (min. 10 TA)  
 Most SA: 7, Fisk v. Illinois-Chicago  
 Most BS: 5, Fisk v. Iowa #2  
 Most BA: 7, Fisk v. Illinois #2  
 Most DG: 25, Briggs v. Ferris State  
 Most AS: 62, Uhler v. Ferris State  
 Braker v. Illinois #1  
 Most RE: 7, Fisk v. Wisconsin  
 Most BE: 5, Cook v. Ferris State  
 Most SE: 4, Karcher v. Wisconsin  
 Fisk v. Illinois #1  
 Most BHE: 3, Uhler v. Ferris State, Iowa #2  
 Braker v. Eastern Kentucky, Cincinnati  
 Southwest Missouri, Illinois #2