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The varsity team waves goodbye after winning their final game against Lewisburg. The team celebrated their 3-0 victory. The volleyball teams bring extreme spirit to the game, whether it's leaving the court waving their goodbyes or cheering and chanting after an ace or point block.

Coach Laurie Bishop communicates with the varsity players during a time out.

Ivey Young and Taylor Rogers celebrate a block while the players come together letting out a "OOOOO" after gaining a point.

Maggie Griggs, Mallory Peters and Alissa Hawes were named to the Daily Journal All-Area Team. Griggs and Hawes both have plans to play at the collegiate level.



Alissa Hawes is down and ready to pass the ball to keep the ball in play. Hawes had a 2.15 passing average with 58 digs for the season.



Taylor Rogers passes the ball to Autumn Peters for a hit. During the season Rogers had a 1.69 passing average with 31 digs.



Mallory Peters prepares to pass the ball and send it to one of the hitters. Peters completed 38 digs with 2.00 passing average.



1. Autumn Peters tips the ball over the net while avoiding the blockers hands. Peters completed 99 kills throughout the season. 2. Maggie Griggs makes contact with the ball in mid air. During the season Griggs had 220 kills. 3. Taylor Rogers hits the ball from right court. Rogers finished the season with 16 kills.



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Volleyball team overcomes in difficult season

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Despite dealing with multiple quarantines and an incredibly late start to the season, the volleyball team finished the 2020-2021 season with 20 wins and 3 losses. The team finished the regular season October 8th, 2020 with a 3-0 win over Regents of Oxford. The team missed making the playoff by the narrowest of margins.

"We were greatly affected in the summer, our primary practice/training time. We were not able to hold tryouts until the end of the summer, which put us behind about two months with working on rotations and planning for play," head coach Laurie Bishop said.

The team had to be quarantined several times this year due to COVID protocols. The 9th grade team was quarantined for the two weeks prior to the first game. This delayed selecting the team and working on rotations.

"We had to pull out of a couple tournaments due to COVID" Bishop said.

In addition, the team had less practice time due to the restrictions of COVID and multiple quarantines. This caused less experimentation time for rotations and game preparation.

"We have 6 seniors on Varsity this year. 4 returning and 2 moved up from JV," Bishop said.

According to Bishop, the team plays in one of the strongest districts in the state.

"My level of playing has definitely changed throughout the last few years, because I've become a more competitive athlete," senior Maggie Griggs said. "My favorite game, would have to be the home game against Lewisburg my senior year. We won in 3 straight sets and we all played together as a team."

The serving average for Lady Wave volleyball was 91.2% with 218 aces overall. The team hit 648 kills this season with a hitting average of .333%. Lady Wave Volleyball passed 1.99% of the balls that they received. The team blocked 25 hits with an average of 86%. Finally the team had 309 digs the whole season.

The team also got new jerseys this season with their last name printed on the back. The jerseys were a fun addition to the season when bonding and fun was limited due to the pandemic.

"Our team bonding has taken a hit as well as we haven't been able to have team meals or team get-togethers," Bishop said.



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1. Mallory Peters sets the ball to one of her hitters. Alissa Hawes, Kelsey Burt and Taylor Rogers set up to hit and stay prepared in case the ball comes to them.

2. Alissa Hawes passes the ball to Maggie Griggs to hit after Taylor Rogers made the first pass.

3. Ivey Young, libero, is preparing to hit from the back row.

4. Maggie Griggs makes contact while doing her jump serve in hopes of an ace. Griggs served 49 aces with 88.5% of her serves landing in bounds.

5. Mallory Peters prepares to serve, while focusing on her form. Peters had 53 aces through the season, while serving 96.2% of her serves in bound.

6. Autumn Peters steps into her serve for more power and a better serve. Peters served 95.1% of her serves in bounds and aced 37 of those serves.