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Harlan County Schools

With only two points in the first two sets Monday against visiting Harlan, Harlan County's Tyler Smith wasn't having one of her best nights.

She turned it around in the third and final set, just in time to stop Harlan from spoiling Senior Night. Smith helped HCHS race to a 4-0 lead while serving and added two points later as Harlan County capped a district victory with a 25-18 win. "Tyler didn't get a lot done early, but she fought back hard when we needed her," Harlan County coach Donna Vicini said.

Harlan County rolled to a 25-12 win in the first set, but Harlan fought back to win 25-18 in the second set.

Harlan knocked off the Lady Bears last week, but with their seniors leading the way, HCHS evened the series by leading all the way in the third set.

"This is a good group of girls," Vicini said. "I've coached them since the ninth grade, and they've been a big part of this program."

Brooke Bledsoe had nine points for HCHS in the first set. Amanda Tolliver added five points. Katie Whitehead had three. Kendra Robbins added one.

Kelsey Cope led Harlan County in the second set with five points. Smith had two. Tolliver and Bledsoe added one each.

Smith had six points in the third set. Cope added three.

Taylor Hall led Harlan with nine points. Sierra Bowman contributed four. Charleigh Hall added three. Lauren Hogue scored two.

Harlan County (16-1) rolled to a 21-7, 21-11 win in the junior varsity game.

Ashley Shotton and Keisha Mimes each had five points in the first set. Rebecca Eldridge scored four. Cara Middleton and Cheyanna Harris added one each.

Whitney Stevens had six points in the second set. Harris and Breanna Dunson added three each. Middleton had one.

Harlan County (7-6) won 15-3, 15-7 in the freshman game.

Destiny Day had eight points in the first set to lead Harlan County. Stevens and Megan Cornett added two each. Charleigh Mefford had five points in the second set. Chasity Lamb added three. Lauren Lee had two.

Harlan County won

Harlan County (14-6) closes its regular season schedule Oct. 4 at Whitley County. Harlan plays at Leslie County on Tuesday and Bell County on Thursday.