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## Mount Mercy Academy Sports Round-Up

### Cross Country

The Mount Mercy Cross Country team continued to improve as they prepare for the All-Catholic Meet. The team faced Mount Saint Mary and Saint Mary's of Lancaster last week, losing to Mount Saint Mary 38-17 and narrowly dropping the meet to Saint Mary's of Lancaster 30-25. Coach Bob Walsh noted that virtually the entire team lowered their times from the earlier meet at Como Park. Junior Grace Harrington (West Seneca) led the team, finishing in 23:23.76. Next across the line for the Magic were junior Katie Hughes (Orchard Park) with a time of 24:22.00 and sophomore Rheanna Welsh (Lackawanna) who was clocked at 25:01.27. Rounding out the top five were juniors Megan Jobson (Orchard Park) and Bella Morcelle (West Seneca) who finished with times of 26:34.46 and 26:37.90, respectively. The All-Catholic meet will be held November 4<sup>th</sup> at Knox Farm.

### Soccer

The Mount Mercy Soccer team ended its season with a game against Saint Mary's of Lancaster and two games against Sacred Heart. The Magic fought hard against the undefeated Saint Mary's team, but fell 6-1. Freshman Mya Wood (Blasdell) scored and sophomore Gianna Lauciello (Orchard Park) assisted. The Magic concluded the regular season with a 3-1 loss to Sacred Heart. Senior Mariah Rullan (Buffalo) scored on a penalty kick. Mount Mercy faced Sacred Heart in the quarter-finals of the Monsignor Martin League playoffs and lost 3-0. "The team came to our games this week ready to work and fight," Coach Brittany Myers commented. "They have improved since the beginning of the season. We will miss our seniors next year and wish them luck in the future."

### Varsity Volleyball

The Mount Mercy Varsity Volleyball team closed its regular season with a close match against Springville, losing 22-25, 16-26 and 23-25. "Despite the loss, I feel as if we have improved greatly throughout the season, as evidenced by how we played Springville the second time," Coach Brittany Sanscrainte remarked. Junior Brigid Burke (Buffalo) and sophomore Kate Ryan (Buffalo) each had five digs and junior Amanda Songin (Springville) had three aces and a kill.

The Magic faced Mount Saint Mary in the quarterfinals of the Monsignor Martin League playoffs and lost 7-25, 13-25 and 17-25. Ryan had three kills and two blocks and sophomore Hannah Fredo (Buffalo) had three kills and one block.

"I am proud of the improvements the team made this season," Sanscrainte said. "We have no seniors on the team so we can pick up where we left off this season next year."

### JV Volleyball

Although the Mount Mercy JV Volleyball's season ended with a defeat, Coach Shannon Feind was pleased with the progress and improvement that her team has shown throughout the season. The team lost to Springville in its final match, 8-25 and 19-25. Freshman Mara Santana (Buffalo) served perfectly, connecting on all nine attempts, including two aces. Fellow freshman Dara Boyer (West Seneca) also had two aces. With four freshmen returning to the court in 2019, Feind is eager for next season to begin.

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