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Mount Mercy Academy Volleyball Wrap-Up

The Mount Mercy volleyball team did not have its most successful season this year, but with eight players, including seven with significant playing experience returning, Coach Andrea Reitz is confident that next year will be different.

“My expectations for next season would be to win way more games than this season. We need to build our mental toughness which was an issue this season. A lot of the girls are playing travel ball in the off-season and will be doing clinics. This should lead to a better season in 2016,” Reitz remarked.

Reitz felt that one of the high points of the season was the performance of the team on Senior Night. “Although we played St. Mary’s who is extremely talented, the girls played tough the whole match and competed. It was great to see,” Reitz said.

Senior Lauren Derwin (Lackawanna) led the team in kills with 57. Sophomore Paige Seibold (West Seneca) led the team in assists with 32. Sophomore Mary Bala (West Seneca) tallied 15 ace serves and sophomore libero Taylor Hoch (East Aurora) had 46 digs.

Reitz felt that her two most improved players were senior Molly Dedloff (Gowanda) and junior Emily Diebold (Lancaster). “Molly has always been a hard worker but she really did well with improving her court awareness. Emily was put into a new position this season and excelled better than I thought she would,” Reitz commented.

Reitz believes her team has the ability to succeed but must strive to communicate more. Reitz stated, “We have the physical ability to play but when it came to communicating on the court we lacked this ability many times throughout the season.”

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