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Terry, Hannon to play volleyball for Indians

Dakota Terry and Molly Hannon both moved to Brady during their third-grade year of school.

That's also when the girls became friends and teammates, playing volleyball and basketball on youth league teams through elementary school.

Nine years later as they prepare to graduate from Brady High School with state volleyball and state basketball appearances under their belts, Terry and Hannon are grateful for an opportunity to continue studying and playing together.

The girls each signed scholarship letters of intent last week to play volleyball at McCook Community College under coach Natalie Alred.

"I want local kids from winning programs," said Alred, who watched the Eagles at the state volleyball tournament last fall. "They tend to be hungry for wins and that's what we want."

Alred said Terry and Hannon are two of six recruits who will join nine returning players next fall.

Terry, who played both hitter and setter for the Eagles, will be used on the right side, the coach said.

"She has good hands and we want to utilize that," she said.

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Terry, the daughter of Eugene and Toni Terry, plans to study early childhood education at MCC. She said she is glad to be going to a small school where she feels like she will fit in right away.

Hannon is a middle hitter and Alred said she's likely to continue in that position at McCook.

Hannon said she had been hoping to find a school where she could play sports.

While both girls have excelled in volleyball, basketball and track, they agreed volleyball is their favorite.

"Going to college and getting to play volleyball is an answer to my prayers," Hannon said.

Because she hasn't yet decided on a career path, Hannon plans to complete her general studies at McCook. She is the daughter of Gerald and Mary Hannon.