

Brady scratches Maxwell in three

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The Brady Eagles were tested by Maxwell in the second round of the D1-11 subdistrict tournament but swept the Wildcats 26-24, 25-16, 26-24. The Eagles advanced to the championship game Tuesday against No. 4-seed Sutherland Sailors.

Brady started the first set with a lead but it slowly dwindled as the Wildcats rallied back before the Eagles closed the door, 26-24.

Head coach Lynne Johnson said the girls used last week to prepare and talk some frustration out and that allowed them to sync.

“We clicked better this match than we had the last couple games,” Johnson said.

Brady dominated the second set winning 25-16 and were on their way to clinching a spot in the subdistrict final.

“We played together after getting rid of some issues,” Johnson said.

Brady lost to Maxwell in the first match of the season but changed the rotation the Wildcats saw in the first matchup.

“We were comfortable which allowed our serve receive and passing to be better this time around,” Johnson said. “Our defense matched up well with the Wildcats’ offense.”

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Brady was again challenged in the third set as the Wildcats wouldn't go away without a fight.

Maxwell again played the Eagles tough before Brady ended the match with a 26-24 third set win.

Brady's attack was led by senior Valerie Most with 14 kills. Freshman Tara Callahan contributed seven kills and five blocks.



Johnson added all the girls played well and contributed to the win.

Heading into the championship match Johnson said the focus hasn't shifted.

"Everyone has to play solid ball and zone in when it's game time."

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