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## The volleyball team takes home a huge win at Somerset

Taylor Berg, class of 2019 and Grace Gardill, class of 2021 March 27, 2018

October 19th. For some it was just another Thursday night. For others, it was just another volleyball game. But for the volleyball players, it was so much more.

"It was such a big game because they had already beaten us once this year. It was their senior night and they thought from the beginning they were gonna win. We also needed to win this game to have a higher seed in playoffs," sophomore Abbie Bortz said.

The team realized how big of a game this was and came together to figure out what they needed to do in order to come out with a win.

"Going into the game, I was very hopeful and excited to play in this big game. The seniors had never beaten Somerset at all in the four years that we had been on the team, so I think everyone felt excited and ready to play, especially with this group of girls because we believed this year was our most promising year to beat them," senior Hannah Davis said.

As the game progressed, the team got down on themselves. When the third set came around the players hung their heads in defeat with Somerset's 2-0 lead, but all of sudden things changed.

"After the second set, our team felt defeated, but we just



Senior Sarah Polacek skillfully tips the ball over the net in hopes for another point.

Source: Taylor Berg



The girls volleyball team happily comes together as they cheer each other on after scoring another point.

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came together in the middle and said, 'We aren't losing this game. We are gonna fight for each set, one at a time," junior Maddi Brant said.

Going into the fifth and final set, Westmont had tied the match 2-2. They knew they had to push through this final set to win this game.

"I remember my mind was filled with so much excitement, and I just kept thinking that we were about to win. I had so many emotions running through me in the last set," senior Gillian Ambroe said.

They did it. They overcame the odds. They beat Somerset on their court and on their senior night.

"After the game we were all just so happy. Not only was it a big night for the team as a whole because we came back from a two set deficit to beat one of the best teams in the state in their home gym on their senior night, but it was also a big night because Sarah [Polacek] got her 1,000th kill that night. That was something that we were all so happy we were able to share with her because she deserved it so much and had been working for it since we were pulled up freshman year," senior Jenna Zatsick said. •

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