



**UP IN THE AIR FOR ACTION!** Brittney Rothe, 9 moved and pushed her way off the floor in order to slam the volleyball away from her side of the net. The team worked together to pull off key plays, like the play Rothe made.

The highlight of the season was when we played Milford and our team tried so hard. Even though we lost. I know that all the girls tried so hard to come back and win.

> Molly Essell, 9

I don't think our record was a good representation of our season. Even though we didn't always win, we had some great games and a lot of fun. Everyone improved, too.

> Emily Petrocy, 9

# Dig it, Spike It! Bump it

## Freshmen girls volleyball

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**T**HE GIRLS FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL TEAM BEGAN THEIR SEASON BEFORE SCHOOL STARTED AND CONTINUED WAY INTO OCTOBER.

The team competed against teams from Ohio as well as teams from Kentucky. Because of a tough schedule the girls played hard but did not always win. However, the girls played tough and made many memories while doing so.

"My favorite game was against Hamilton. It was the first game I started setting a 5-1 and I think all the girls did great adjusting to the line up and we pulled through and won the game," said Molly Essell, 9.

"During our last game against Princeton, we were down 13-1 but then came back and tied. Even though we still lost, I think it was a great accomplishment," said Emily Petrocy, 9.

The team spent just as much time on the court as off the court. Petrocy hosted a sleepover at her house for the team. Together the girls organized a wedding shower for the coach, Jen Mathie. Essell and Anna Hulett, 9, both had parties for the team as well. All the parties overall helped the girls become closer to each other and more confident in their play.

As much as the girls enjoyed the season they were excited for it to end. On November 11, the girls participated in sports awards and were honored by their peers, parents, and coaches for all their hardwork.



**1. LET ME SEE YOU GET LOW.** Freshman volleyball player, Brittney Rothe bumped the ball away from the team side. Up to the ceiling. Stacy Schutts jumped up to hit the volleyball over the net with high speed. The team practice after school, throughout the season to work on spiking, hitting, and bumping. **2. NOTHING BUT NET!** Emily Petrocy slammed the ball over the net and on to her opponents side of the net. Petrocy hosted a team sleepover at her house after a match.



**Row 1:** Grace Naugle, Brittney Rothe, Laura Reagan, Nina Laybourne, and Molly Essell. **Row 2:** Coach Jen Mathie, Emily Petrocy, Kelly Lebuhr, Anna Hulett, Kristen Hammergren, Holly Phillips, and Rosie Griffen.