NCHS rolls past West Ouachita into second round

NATCHITOCHES, La. – The fifth-ranked Natchitoches Central Lady Chiefs' volleyball team cruised past the 28th-ranked West Ouachita Lady Chiefs 3-0 in the first round of the Division II playoffs Tuesday night at NCHS

NCHS (31-3) had to battle in the first set before senior Ehren Guidroz's kill secured the first set 25-21. In the second set, Natchitoches Central was in control from the outset taking a 9-3 lead before rolling to a 25-16 win. Then in set three, senior Tatum Kay put the final haymaker in for NCHS to close out the match. Kay drilled the kill sending the Lady Chiefs to the second round for the fourth straight year.

The Lady Chiefs were led by Guidroz with 12 kills, two blocks and an ace. Brooklyn Smith added seven kills and two blocks. Alison Key had seven kills along with three aces and a block. Freshman Kynlee Harrell had three kills and two aces.

The win was the third of the year over WOHS (11-16) for NCHS as they also defeated West Ouachita 3-0 on Sept. 25 and Oct. 27.

Next up, Natchitoches Central will take on the winner of Wednesday's match between 12th-ranked Brusly and 21st-ranked Warren Easton in the second round Friday or Saturday.