

# MOUNTAIN Kid Sports NEWS

Highlighting the Athletic Achievements of Loma Prieta & CTE Students

## Girls Volleyball



**Varsity:** The CTE varsity A and B teams have started their seasons and they are working to improve with each match. Both teams suffered big losses in their first matches against Fisher, where one of the few highlights was some good serving from Kimiko Milheim on "A" and Sam Hickok on "B." Things were a little more competitive in their games against Moreland. The A team lost 16-25 and 13-25, but they made a bigger impact on the scoreboard this time thanks to a good run of serves from Kaitlin Maguire, some nice sets from Ella Plautz and Kimiko that led to a few "kills" from Eily Lane, Chloe Barnard and Alexis Korb. Moreland was also too much for the B team, with scores of 12-25 and 14-25, but Hazel Gerwe and Kayleigh Merrick did their best to keep them in the game with several strong service aces. Union was next, and the A team fought very hard and almost won the first game, but ultimately lost 22-25 and 18-24. Eily's setting was solid and Siara Hauck had a couple of nice hits. The B girls were crushed in their first game against Union, 2-25, but then came back and fought really hard in the second game and kept it close until the end, losing only 21-25. In the match against the Monroe Mavericks (A: 11-25, 10-25; B: 5-25 and 18-25) Ella had big games, with nice serves, passes and a solid kill. Alexis, Lizzie Kinsella and Rosie Gomez made points off their serves and Lizzie also made a few good hits in on their opponent's side, doing her best to try to keep them in the game.

**Junior Varsity:** With a huge turnout at tryouts this year, the Cheetah girls were actually able to field four full teams this season, including two JV squads that are filled with players eager to learn the sport. The players are working hard at practice and in the games. The season took off with a very fun start -- in their first game of the year against Fisher, the B team crew kicked it off with a heated game that ultimately ended with a score of 31-33! The Cheetah girls actually hit 25 first on the scoreboard, but you need a two point lead to take the game, and both teams battled back and forth until the finish. Quite an exciting game to watch! The A team also played great against Fisher, with a final score of 18-25. While the teams haven't won a match yet, Ella Rodenbaugh has been consistently strong at serving on the B team, and on the A squad Hailey Anderson, Kaya Junker, Kennedy Connors and McKenzie Beauchamp are all consistently making their serves -- and at this level, making serves is critical for keeping your team in the match.