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Cortland Volleyball Wins 14th SUNYAC Conference Title

Red Dragons Earn Automatic Berth into NCAA Division III Tournament

CORTLAND, N.Y. – The Cortland Red Dragons captured their third straight SUNYAC title and 14th overall, defeating Potsdam in the semifinals, 3-0, and Brockport in the finals, 3-0, on Saturday. The Red Dragons earn the automatic berth into the NCAA Tournament making their 19th appearance at the national tournament.

In the championship match, Cortland defeated Brockport 30-22 in all three games. Tournament MVP **Danielle Turner (Farmingville/Sachem)** led the Red Dragons in the title match with 10 kills and 10 digs. First year **Tiffany Chatman (Watertown)** finished with nine kills and three blocks, **Lizz Rakita (Lake Grove/Sachem)** dished out 33 assists and added nine digs. **Daina Marsh (North Syracuse/Cicero-North Syracuse)** recorded nine kills and seven digs for Cortland.

Kaitlin Driscoll (Peru) led Brockport with 12 kills and **Kaylen Fessette (Plattsburgh/Beekmantown)** handed out 28 assists and totaled eight digs. **Katie Feldmann (Tonawanda/Sweet Home)** recorded nine kills for the Golden Eagles while **Shea Gilmore (Merrill/Northern Adirondack)** finished with seven kills and nine digs in the title match.

The Red Dragons will be the #3 seed in an eight-team NCAA Division III tournament regional hosted by New York University Nov. 10-12. The Red Dragons will face Eastern Connecticut State on Thursday at 3:30 p.m.

2005 SUNYAC Women's Volleyball All-Tournament Team

Danielle Turner, Cortland (Tournament MVP)

Lizz Rakita, Cortland

Tiffany Chatman, Cortland

Kaylen Fessette, Brockport

Kaitlin Driscoll, Brockport

Lynn Sorel, Potsdam

Andrea Kaiser, New Paltz