

Bump, Set, Strike.

PCM Lady Stangs play for the love of the game.

Most people would assume that these girls play for the wins that come with the game of volleyball, but when they don't come out with a winning season, what do they play for? They play because they fell in love with the game. When asked why she plays Jacki Vos, 11, said, "I play volleyball because I use to watch my sister play when I was little and I loved the feeling when you or your teammate did something good. The whole environment of the game excites me. It's an escape from everyday life because when I'm on the court I'm not thinking about homework or school." Chelsea Bird, 10, also said, "I love being a part of a team and after we score a point everyone goes crazy. That's the best feeling. I also want to play in college."



What goes through a player's mind after a game? In the moments right after a game ends many emotions will run through a player's head. "I look back at how I played and see if it compares to my ability that I know I am capable of. I also think about where I'm going to stop to eat on my way home," said Celeste Wagaman, 11.



Get Served

Lady Stangs put up a fight at the net.

1. The team celebrates after scoring a point against South Hamilton at the last home game on Oct. 17, 2019. Although the lady stangs put up a good fight, they lost the last home game of the season. Spirits stayed high after the loss as the team celebrated the senior's last home game.
2. Celeste Wagaman, 11, goes up for a kill at the home game on Oct. 9, 2019.
3. The team lines up after being announced and prepares for the game ahead.
4. Meghan Kinnamon, 12, and Jacki Vos, 11, sub for each other during the game at Roland Story on Oct. 15, 2019.



Order on the Court

Describe the teamwork needed in volleyball.

Chelsea Bird, 10, bumps the ball over in a final attempt to score in the first round game in Nevada on Oct. 23, 2019. The Mustangs were eliminated first round besides giving a good fight. Bella Stone, 11, sets up the ball to Celeste Wagaman, 11, as she attempts to get a kill on the other team and gain a point for her team. Emma Houser, 11, pictured hits the ball for a kill at the home game on Oct. 8, 2019, says, "The biggest thing that you need is communication and positivity because if you're negative it brings down the team, and if you don't talk on the court and call out what's happening then no one is going to know what you are doing."



Queens of the Court

Seniors give advice to underclassmen. Volleyball seniors Meghan Kinnamon, Shelby Voeller, Chloe Inskeep, and Maybelle Smith give their advice to younger classmates.



"Be coachable and work hard in the small things."
- Shelby Voeller



"Take constructive criticism from upper classmen, they've been through it before."
- Chloe Inskeep



"Play your game. You can't control anything but your own attitude so make it positive."
- Meghan Kinnamon



"Play your hearts out and just have fun."
- Maybelle Smith

Striking up a Conversation

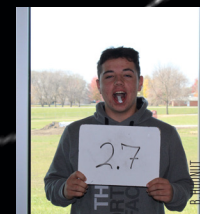
What is your favorite number and why?



"21 because its always been my number."
- Skylar Burns, 9



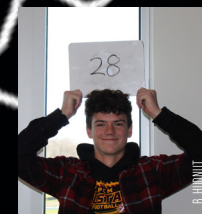
"10 because there is 10% vitamin b12 in vita ice."
- Aidan Anderson, 10



"2.7 because that's how many grams a stick of gum weighs."
- Carver Behun, 10



"7 because that's Celeste's number."
- Trevor Buckingham, 11



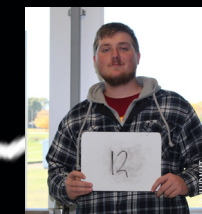
"28 because I support the Germans @FabioSammet."
- Trey Brodersen, 10



"37 because it was my dad's number and it's been passed down."
- Delaney Baird, 10



"25 because it's my least favorite number."
- Kate McClellan, 10



"12 because it was my brother's baseball number in high school."
- Trevor Bistline, 12



"13 because Tori Peterson told me to say that."
- Teegen Giles, 11



"88 because that's TJ Hockenson's number. He's a cutie."
- Riley Johannes, 9