

## SIUE Volleyball Season Ends With COVID Issue

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EDWARDSVILLE – SIUE volleyball's season has come to an end. Despite earning a spot in the <u>Ohio Valley Conference</u> Championship, the Cougars will be unable to participate.

The program has paused team activities due to a combination of a positive COVID-19 test result(s), contact tracing and subsequent quarantining of individuals within its Tier 1 personnel. Tier 1 personnel consists of student athletes, coaches and support staff. The positive test result(s) was detected as part of the Conference's COVID-19 championships testing protocol.

Under the <u>Ohio Valley Conference</u>'s COVID-19 protocols, SIUE does not meet the requirements to compete in the championship, resulting in elimination from the event.

SIUE finished its season at 10-4, earning its most OVC wins since 2017. The Cougars won their final six matches, sweeping the last four matches and winning 13 straight sets to finish the season.