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Georgia Southern opens a three-match series at Coastal Carolina next Thursday.
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STATESBORO – Leah Wilcox tallied a match-high 13 kills to lead Georgia State to a 3-1 (11-25, 25-19, 25-22, 25-23) Sun Belt Conference volleyball victory over Georgia Southern Saturday afternoon in Hanner Fieldhouse.

The win gives the Panthers a split in the season series with each team winning two matches.

Eagles of the Match

[Mya Wilson](#) tallied 12 kills and a block for the Eagles (2-5, 2-5), and [Chamblee Russell](#) collected 12 kills and eight digs. [Landon Jones](#) finished with nine digs and five aces, and [Madison Brown](#) tallied 39 assists, 13 digs and three aces.

Key Stats

Georgia Southern tallied a season-high 12 aces and outhit the Panthers .283 to .265, but Georgia State had 11 more kills than the Eagles.

Key Moments

With the match tied 1-1, the Eagles led 22-20, but Georgia State (5-10, 4-9) rallied to win five straight points to win the set. Emma Clark was in on a block and posted a kill during the run that gave the Panthers a 2-1 advantage in the match. The Eagles trailed 23-17 in the fourth but battled back to trim the margin to 23-22 following a block by Brown and [Lauren Hager](#). The teams traded points and trailing 24-23, the Eagles had a chance but hit a ball into the net.

Quotables from Coach [Chad Willis](#)

"It was a frustrating outcome today, especially considering how well we executed offensively. As we look back on today's match, I think what we're going to see are a few key moments late in sets 3 and 4 where we had opportunities to either extend or cut into a reasonable lead late and just couldn't find a way. I believe a lot of that right now for us is just lack of playing and reduced training opportunities. Looking at the weekend as a whole, we did a lot of really nice things we can continue to build on moving forward."

Next Up

The Eagles open a three-match set at Coastal Carolina Thursday with first serve set for 5 p.m.

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