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The Eagles host Coastal Carolina and App State next weekend.

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Women's Volleyball

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**LAFAYETTE, La.** – [Chamblee Russell](#) tallied a season-high 18 kills, and Georgia Southern hit .295 en route to a 3-2 (18-25, 25-22, 25-20, 21-25, 15-11) Sun Belt volleyball win over Louisiana Saturday night in Earl K. Long Gym.

## Eagles of the Match

[Mya Wilson](#) tallied 15 kills and three blocks, and [Hannah McGlockton](#) posted 13 kills and a block. [Ashlyn Lovett](#) recorded a match-high 27 digs, and [Grace Slader](#) finished with 54 assists, three digs, three kills, two aces and a block.

## Key Moments

With the score tied 4-4 in the fifth, the Eagles (9-3, 2-0) scored four points in a row to open an 8-4 cushion. [Baylor Bumford](#) ended a long rally with a kill, and Lovett followed it with an ace, prompting the Ragin' Cajuns to call timeout. After Louisiana trimmed the margin to 10-7, the Eagles won another long rally after Louisiana hit the ball out of bounds. The Ragin' Cajuns (6-4, 1-1) fought off two set points, but McGlockton finished off the match with a kill from the left side.

Trailing 1-0 in the match, the Eagles led 21-15 in the second set following a McGlockton kill, but Louisiana scored five straight to trim the lead to 21-20. Slader ended the run with a kill, and two Ragin' Cajun errors made the margin 24-20. Louisiana fought off two set points before Wilson put down a ball for a 25-22 win, tying the match 1-1.

## Stat of the Match

The fourth and fifth sets saw 16 ties and 10 lead changes. The Eagles are 2-0 in the Sun Belt for the first time since joining the league in 2014.

## Quotables from Coach [Chad Willis](#)

"That was just an exciting match to be a part of; I feel blessed to have had a great seat for it. The energy, the fight - felt like a slugfest at times - and we're just so proud of our team for the grit and resiliency we showed all weekend. We knew it was going to take a productive offensive performance to counter Louisiana's tempo, and I thought we held our own in a tough, but fun environment. We pressured on serve when we needed it, and once again, our bench stepped up big—really willed us to that fifth-set win."

## Next up

The Eagles play host to Coastal Carolina next Friday and Appalachian State next Sunday. It's Family Weekend and Alumni Weekend, and Friday's match will feature a Block Party prior to the contest.

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