



## Minnesota Crookston Volleyball Announces Signing of Klimek from Oakdale

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**CROOKSTON, Minn.** – The University of Minnesota Crookston volleyball program announced the signing of Madison Klimek (DS, 5-5, Oakdale, Minn./Tartan H.S.) to a National Letter of Intent. Klimek joins Golden Eagle volleyball early signees [Kenzee Langlie](#) (S, 5-6, Fargo, N.D./Fargo Davies H.S.), [Charlee Krieg](#) (MH/OH, 5-9, Cavalier, N.D./Cavalier H.S.), and [Mara Weisense](#) (MH, 6-0, New Ulm, Minn./Minnesota Valley Lutheran H.S.).

"We are thrilled to add Madi to our Golden Eagle volleyball family," Head Coach [Sarah Rauwen](#) said. "Madi will continue to build on our foundation of strong defensive players, and she has high level volleyball experience that will help her compete in our tough conference. She is also very strong academically, and we can't wait to see her compete on the court and in the classroom."

Klimek joins a defensive specialist group that returns [Katie Lienemann](#) (Sr., DS, Rosemount, Minn.), and [Bailey Mulcahy](#) (R-Fr., DS, Fertile, Minn.). Lienemann led the group in 2019 with 3.59 digs per set. Mulcahy redshirted the 2019 season for Minnesota Crookston.

Klimek aids the Golden Eagles efforts to help replace five seniors that the program lost at the conclusion of the 2019 season in [Kaitlin Sikkink](#) (Sr., MH, St. Charles, Minn.), [Sabrina Leuer](#) (R-Sr., OH/RS, Hamel, Minn.), [Ali Schueler](#) (R-Sr., DS, Howards Grove, Wis.), [Alyssa Thomas](#) (Sr., OH/DS, Marion, Iowa), and [Meli Rodriguez](#) (Sr., MH, Sarchi, Costa Rica).

Minnesota Crookston posted a 4-24 (2-18 NSIC) mark, but the record was not indicative of the improvement that was shown by the Golden Eagles as they were highly competitive in many matches. Minnesota Crookston took a set apiece from two historically strong NSIC programs in Minnesota State University and Southwest Minnesota State University. Minnesota Crookston is currently entering their fourth season under Head Coach [Sarah Rauwen](#).

The student-athlete listed as having signed a National Letter of Intent or Offer of Admission to play volleyball at the University of Minnesota Crookston have been verified by the Minnesota Crookston compliance office once they sign the National Letter of Intent or once the student-athlete has accepted an Offer of Admission for Minnesota Crookston.

**Madison Klimek (DS, 5-5, Oakdale, Minn.,/Tartan H.S.)**  
Klimek played club volleyball for Kokoro Volleyball and competed as a prep at Tartan High School. She had 130 digs and 27 service aces as a senior at Tartan High School. Klimek had 15 digs against Roseville High School Aug. 29, 2019. She notched 11 digs in a 3-1 win over Mounds View High School Sept. 10, 2019, and had 10 digs at New Life Academy Sept. 7, 2019. As a junior, Klimek notched 106 digs and tallied 25 service aces for the Titans. She competed on varsity for Tartan High School as a sophomore, junior, and senior. Klimek competed for the Kokoro 18-1 squad in 2019-20.

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