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Minnesota Crookston Volleyball Announces 2018 Spring Schedule



CROOKSTON, Minn. – The University of Minnesota Crookston volleyball program officially opens up their 2018 spring slate March 24. The Golden Eagles will play three individual games and an all-day tournament.

Minnesota Crookston heads to Minnesota State University Moorhead to open their spring schedule Sat., March 24 at 9:30 a.m. in Moorhead, Minn. The Golden Eagles will then host University of North Dakota at Lysaker Gymnasium Wed., April 4 at 5:30 p.m. Minnesota Crookston will return the trip to UND Wed., April 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center. The Golden Eagles wrap up their 2018 spring schedule Sat., April 21 with an all-day tournament at St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud, Minn.

The Golden Eagles are entering their second season under Head Coach [Sarah Rauen](#) in 2018. Also returning to the fray is assistant coach [Anna Morgan](#), who is back for a second season. Minnesota Crookston returns nine players from the 2017 squad. The Golden Eagles welcome back two players who started over 20 games in [Callie Schapekahn](#) (Sr., MH, Eagan, Minn.) and [Kaitlin Sikking](#) (R-Jr., RS, St. Charles, Minn.). In addition, [Ali Schueler](#) (R-Jr., Lib., Howards Grove, Wis.) and [Deaira Gresham](#) (So., OH, Maplewood, Minn.) also saw time in the starting line-up. [Katie Lienemann](#) (So., Lib.) and [Sydney Kruisselbrink](#) (So., S) both saw time in their inaugural campaigns at Minnesota Crookston and will see more time this spring. [Lauren Wallace](#) (R-Fr., RS, Bloomington, Minn.) and [Alyssa Thomas](#) (R-So., OH, Marion, Iowa) will both see their first game action during the spring season. [Sabrina Leuer](#) (R-Jr., OH, Hamel, Minn.) redshirted last season due to injury and will be a key piece on the outside for the Golden Eagles. Minnesota Crookston posted a 7-21 mark in 2017 and look to improve upon that mark heading into the 2018 season.

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PLAYERS MENTIONED ▾

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| <p>#17 Sabrina Leuer
RS / 5' 11" / Junior</p> | <p>#5 Callie Schapekahn
MH / 6' 0" / Junior</p> |
| <p>#19 Ali Schueler
DS/Lib. / 5' 6" / Redshirt Sophomore</p> | <p>#8 Kaitlin Sikking
MH / 5' 10" / Redshirt Sophomore</p> |
| <p>#10 Alyssa Thomas
OH / 5' 11" / Redshirt Freshman</p> | <p>#3 Katie Lienemann
DS/Lib. / 5' 6" / Freshman</p> |
| <p>#15 Lauren Wallace
OH / 6' 2" / Freshman</p> | <p>#16 Deaira Gresham
OH / 5' 10" / Freshman</p> |
| <p>#20 Sydney Kruisselbrink
S / 5' 9" / Freshman</p> | |

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