



Buffs break through with Big 12 victory

Colorado snaps 14-match skid

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The Colorado volleyball team notched its first Big 12 win of the season on Saturday to snap a 14-match losing streak.

The Buffs rallied after dropping the first game for a 32-34, 30-20, 30-15, 30-19 victory at the Coors Events Center against Texas Tech.

Colorado lost its conference opener at Texas Tech on Sept. 12 and then went on to lose 13 more Big 12 matches before Saturday's victory.

"I think we've always had this in us," head coach Pi'i Aiu said. "We've played well at times and today was the first time that we played steady throughout the whole match."

Emilee Sisco led the Buffs with a career-high 27 kills. Kaitlyn Burkett added a career-best 64 assists for CU.

Texas Tech won the first game, a see-saw battle that included five lead changes and 12 ties.

Then CU took control. The Buffs opened the second game with a 6-0 run and never looked back. CU also got off to a quick start in the third game by going up 20-10.

In the fourth game, up 13-11, the Buffs put together a 6-1 to pull away for the win.

The Buffs are 6-17 overall and 1-14 in the Big 12. Texas Tech is also 1-14 in the Big 12, it's lone win the conference opener against CU, and 7-17 overall.

Colorado will try for conference win No. 2 on Wednesday, but it won't be easy. The Buffs travel to Lincoln, Neb., to face the second-ranked Cornhuskers (20-1, 12-1). The match begins at 6 p.m. and will be televised on CSTV.



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