



CU spikers fall to Baylor

Bufs have dropped two since beating Huskers

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The Colorado volleyball team fell 25-21, 25-19, 25-23 to Baylor in a Big 12 showdown Saturday at the Coors Events Center.

The loss dropped the Buffs to 12-11 overall and 6-8 in Big 12.

Senior Alex Buth led the Buffaloes with seven kills, but it wasn't enough as the team dropped their second straight match after knocking off powerhouse Nebraska.

"We just need to work harder," Buth said. "I think that in the gym we need to go at every point as hard as we can."

Amber Sutherland, a senior leader along with Buth, agreed.

"We need to work our butt off. I'm not going to take it lightly in practice anymore," Sutherland said. "Losing on our home court 3-0 is not OK. When we get back in the gym Monday we need to leave it all out on the court."

The Buffs were competitive against the Bears, but could not hang on late in the sets. In the third and final set, the Buffs led early but their momentum was quickly halted.

Briana Tolbert led Baylor (15-10, 7-8) with 11 kills on the day.

"We had a really nice practice yesterday. I thought we were ready to play," Colorado head coach Pi'i Aiu said. "We came out today really flat. They need to come out here and just love the competition. I think we're training well. They need to find some competitive spirit on the court."

Colorado still leads the all-time series against Baylor 21-6, but Saturday's loss marks the fourth consecutive loss to the Bears.

The Buffs will have to forget about this loss in a hurry as they prepare to face No. 15 Kansas State at home on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Aiu will again be looking for his 199th win in his career with the Buffs.



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