

Schedule announced for Empire 8 volleyball tournament at Alfred University

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ALFRED, NY — Alfred University will host nine Empire 8 Conference volleyball tournament matches on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 21 and 22.

With nine teams in the conference, the Empire 8 rotates a series of “crossover” tournaments each year, allowing each team to play the other eight. The four teams with the best record after the round-robin slate matches earn berths in the conference championship tournament, the winner of which gets the Empire 8’s automatic bid to the NCAA championships.

Following is the schedule for the AU-hosted matches, which will be played on two courts in the McLane Center gymnasium:

Friday, Sept. 21, Court 1: Nazareth College vs. Houghton College, 5 p.m.; Utica College vs. Houghton College, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 21, Court 2: Elmira College vs. St. John Fisher College, 5 p.m.; St. John Fisher College vs. Alfred University, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 22, Court 1: Elmira College vs. Utica College, 10 a.m.; Nazareth College vs. Elmira College, 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 22, Court 2: Nazareth College vs. Alfred University, 10 a.m.; St. John Fisher College vs. Houghton College, 12:30 p.m.; Alfred University vs. Utica College, 3 p.m.

Alfred plays three E8 tournament matches at Stevens Institute of Technology on Oct. 5 and 6. The Saxons play Stevens on Oct. 5 and Ithaca and Hartwick on Oct. 6. Alfred hosts Houghton on Oct. 11 and travels to Elmira on Oct. 18.