## Schedule set for Empire 8 volleyball championships 10/21/03

The Empire 8 athletic conference has announced the schedule for the conference championship tournament's opening round, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 25 and 26, at Nazareth College. Teams from the eastern division of the conference will take on teams from the western division in a round-robin format. Records from the two-day tournament will be used to seed the conference's top four teams for a single-elimination championship tournament to be held Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 8 and 9, at the home of the top-seeded team. Only the top four teams will qualify for the single elimination tournament in November. Those teams will be determined using the combined records for regular season conference matches and the matches played in this weekend's tournament. Alfred, which lost all three of its regular season conference matches, will likely need to win all four matches this weekend to qualify for the championship tournament's final round. In round-robin action this weekend, Alfred University (3-21, 0-3 Empire 8) will take on Elmira at noon on Saturday. AU will then play Utica, also on Saturday, at 4:30 p.m. On Sunday, Alfred will play Ithaca at 12:15 p.m. and Hartwick at 2:30 p.m.