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Top row, from left: Lia White, Claire Porep, Morgan Shepherd, Hannah Roberts, Carly Porep, Parker Jones, Katie McCarty, Liza Pressman, Asha Alagappan; bottom row: Devin Grobeck, Rachel Lom, Julia Gay, coach Shannon Lee. Photo Alice Pressman

The Acalanes girls' JV volleyball team took first place in the 16-team Dougherty Valley Tournament on Sept. 28. It was the team's second championship in as many weeks.

The team beat Liberty, Alameda, and Mission San Jose High Schools in the morning, and they defeated host Dougherty Valley and California High in the afternoon.

The championship match was a thriller against Monte Vista. The Dons lost the first game 25-23, the only game they have lost over the past thirteen matches. But Acalanes bounced back with a terrific performance and won the second game 25-20.

The deciding match was tense. With the Dons down to their last point at 13-14, Lia White set up Rachel Lom for a kill to tie it 14-all. The Dons then took the last two points and won 16-14.

The Dons are now 18-4 on the season following a loss to Campo.

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