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Liberal Takes On All Comers in Emporia
Quality wins propel the Liberal Redskins closer to Regional seeding opportunities.

The doubles team of Vince Nguyen and Duc Nguyen improved their position by upsetting a quality team from McPherson. The doubles team of Josh Hamilton and Hai Vo upset a team from Wichita East, and Antonio Rodriguez upset Emporia's Nic Hrabik to improve their chances for a good seed going into Regionals next week. Liberal did not place as a team as Washburn Rural continues to dominate followed by McPherson, and Manhattan. Competing teams included Emporia, McPherson, Washburn Rural, Manhattan, Wichita East, and Liberal.

Individual results:

#1 Singles—Larcyn Carter went 0-3 on the day but fought hard and gained valuable experience. He lost to McPherson's Mark Gayer 4-8, lost to Emporia's Chris Reimer 1-8, then lost to Manhattan's Dylan Johnson 2-8.

#2 Singles—Antonio Rodriguez went 1-2 on the day finishing 4th Place. He lost to McPherson'sMax Pyle 1-8, lost to Manhattan's Jake Seaton 2-8, then upset Emporia's Nic Hrabik 8-7 (7-4 tie breaker) to win 4th Place.

#1 Doubles—Duc Nguyen & Vince Nguyen began the day knocking off a McPherson team consisting of a State Champion, Nathan Wehrman, and a quality player in Tyler Singleton. In an exciting match of quality tennis, Liberal won 8-5. They defeated Emporia's Zach Windsor & Saul Trujillo 8-1 to send them to the finals against Washburn Rural. Washburn's 6A State Qualifying Team of Simon Beatty and Jake Long took top honors with an impressive 8-0 win. LHS' team of Nguyen & Nguyen took 2nd Place Honors.

#2 Doubles—Hai Vo & Josh Hamilton went 1-2 on the day finishing 5th Place. They lost to McPherson's Horton/Davidson 4-8, lost to Emporia's Kitchens/Hanson 5-8, then defeated Wichita East's Nola/Nguyen 8-3 to earn 5th Place.

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