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FSU spikers alive in regionals

ORLANDO — The Florida State women's volleyball won its first match of double-elimination play Friday in the AIAW Region III tournament. After defeating Mississippi, 15-8 and 15-8, the Lady Seminoles are scheduled to play Alabama at 10:30 this morning. Miami, a 15-10 and 15-12 loser to Alabama, will play Mississippi at the same hour.

The winner of this tournament will advance to the national championships, set for Dec. 11-13 in Santa Barbara. Calif.

Now only two matches away from the regional crown,

FSU suffered a scare earlier Friday, when Mississippi defeated the Lady Seminoles in the final match of pool play. Seeded number one going into the tournament, FSU lost to the Lady Rebels, 15-1, 7-15 and 14-16. Two years ago, in a regional held in Lakeland, FSU defeated Mississippi in the finals for the title.

On the season, the Lady Seminoles stand 43-12-1.