

News release

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## Esports teams compete in playoffs in program's first year

Three Gateway Technical College esports teams finished a solid first season for the college's program by making it to the Eastern College Athletic Conference's playoffs.

Gateway's Valorant esports team held a 4-2 season record and qualified for the playoffs, where it was successful in its first-round playoff competition. It moved on to the second round on Nov. 19, where it fell to Suffolk County Community College. SCCC had only had one loss this season at that point.

Gateway's Smash Brothers esports varsity and junior varsity teams put up a strong fight in the conference's first-round playoff competition Nov. 11 but ultimately fell short of being able to move on to the second round. The varsity team held a stellar 5-2 record, qualifying them for the playoffs. The junior varsity team held a record of 6-2 for the season.

This marks the first year the college has offered esports in sanctioned collegiate play.

Gateway Technical College's mission is to deliver industry-focused education that is flexible, accessible and affordable for our diverse community. The college collaborates with communities in Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties to ensure economic growth and viability by providing education, training, leadership and technological resources to meet the changing needs of students, employers and communities.

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