

Denison 3, Carroll 1  
Denison improves to 3-7 this season  
Denison wins the 2022 Denison Girls Soccer Tournament!

Shots: Denison 19, Carroll 7  
Shots on goal: Denison 12, Carroll 4  
Saves: Amy Estrada had 3 saves in goal for the Lady Monarchs  
Halftime score: Tied 0-0

Goals: 1) Dehisy Merida scored her 2nd goal of the season on a 32 yard shot, assisted by Paulina Baeza (5th assist of season). Baeza stole a pass from a Carroll defender and dropped the ball back to Merida, who lobbed the shot just under the crossbar.

2) Paulina Baeza scored her 6th goal of the season, assisted by Bailey Gibbons (4th assist of season). Gibbons played a corner kick to the middle of the box, where Baeza ran to the ball and touched it into the net with her shoulder from 5 yards out.

Carroll scored after their striker stole a goal kick taken by the Lady Monarchs and had a 1 on 1 with the keeper which she finished from 20 yards out.

3) Dehisy Merida scored her 3rd goal of the season with just under 10 minutes remaining. Bailey Gibbons took a corner kick and Paulina Baeza put a shot on goal that Carroll's keeper deflected. Merida crashed the back post, rebounded the shot and put it in from 2 yards out.

Comments by Coach Eller: "Congratulations to the Lady Monarchs on their 2nd win of the day to be the champions of our host soccer tournament! Defensively, we were solid shutting down the middle. Kyra Hawn stood out defensively marking their leading scorer and really limiting her chances. We did a much better job of getting back more quickly when Carroll countered, so we really limited their good chances to score. Offensively, we did a good job of controlling possession with a short passing game. We could have created some more shots, but some of our passes were off the mark to players running open when we did switch or swing the ball side to side. Also, we didn't receive and control some good passes, so we let those opportunities slip by. However, we put some strong shots on goal and Carroll's keeper had some nice saves to keep them in the game. Our short passing game led to us earning 2 corner kicks that we scored on. Bailey placed 2 nice corner kicks and Paulina did a good job winning the ball in the air both times. Dehisy's 2nd goal was a hustle play as she was defended tightly the entire kick, but she outworked her defender to get to the ball. We had a big improvement offensively in the 2nd half compared to the 1st half which led to many more scoring chances. This was a complete team win and a great day for the Lady Monarchs as all of the girls played well".