

## Independent, locally owned and operated!

www.lamorindaweekly.com 925-377-0977

Published April 14th, 2021

## The Campo connection at UCLA

Submitted by Moon Pak and Nadine Smith



Audrey Pak and Sabrina Smith play for UCLA Photo Han Duong

level."

Two Campolindo High School graduates, Audrey Pak and Sabrina Smith, closed out the winning match point for the UCLA women's volleyball team March 29. It was the last home match of the season and senior night for Smith, a middle blocker, who has played for UCLA the past four years. "That was really special," said Smith, on Pak setting her the last point. "It was a full circle moment."

Pak joined the UCLA team this past fall as a freshman and rejoined her former teammate, Smith, once again on the court. "It was really comforting knowing Sabrina was going to be on the team," said Pak. "She was so welcoming." Smith added, "Having her on the team feels like a little piece of home."

Both girls played for Campolindo under coach John Vuong. "I watched most of the games," said Vuong. "I was really proud watching them play at the highest

Both Pak, Pac-12 Freshman of the Week, and team Captain Smith are having a successful season at UCLA. The Bruins will be competing in the first round of the NCAA tournament at 7:30 p.m. April 14, which will air on ESPN3.

As Smith wraps up her final season and prepares for graduate school, she's proud of what she's accomplished in the UCLA volleyball program. "I'm happy to walk away knowing that I have left a positive impact on my teammates as well as the culture of the program," said Smith. Pak added, "Sabrina leads by example by always working her hardest and being a supportive teammate," said Pak. "Something I've learned from her is to just always work hard and be positive and it pays off."

Reach the reporter at: <u>info@lamorindaweekly.com</u>

back

Copyright Copyri