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Miramonte Girls' Lacrosse NCS Champions

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The Miramonte girls' lacrosse program accomplished a new goal: After finishing the season in second place in the DFAL, the Miramonte Matadors earned the No. 4 seed in the NCS playoffs. The Mats turned that No. 4 seed into a No. 1 finish, beating S.F. University 13-10 in the final match to win their first-ever NCS championship.

Miramonte traveled to Kezar Stadium in San Francisco to face off against the No. 3 seed on May 21. Senior Caroline Tague led the charge for the Mats, scoring seven goals in the contest. Miramonte took an 8-6 lead into the halftime break, and a quick goal by University cut the lead to one. Tague answered back with a quick goal of her own to put an end to any comeback. The Mats continued to build their lead, stretching the lead to 13-9 with around five minutes to play. Miramonte gave up one more goal but held on to win the title 13-10.

The Mats began the tournament with a first round bye. They faced crosstown rivals, Campolindo, in the second round. The Cougars finished in third place in the DFAL and earned a No. 5 seed. While they split the series during regular season play, the Mats entered the postseason with a renewed focus and a singular goal. They knocked off the Cougars 19-10. In the semifinals, Miramonte took down Piedmont 12-8.

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