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Jackson-Short Fall in Quarters

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Middle Tennessee's **Kirk**

Jackson and **Trevor Short** dropped an 8-3 decision in the doubles quarterfinals Sunday at the ITA Region III Championships in Memphis, Tenn.

Jackson-Short lost to top-seeded and fourth-ranked Andrew Colombo and Gabor Zoltan Pelva of Auburn. Jackson did not have his usual energy for the match after he and teammate **Kai Schledorn** were both hospitalized Saturday night with a viral infection. Weak and dehydrated, Jackson gutted out the quarterfinal match with partner Short Sunday afternoon.

"Kirk and Trevor played real well in the tournament. It's a shame," Blue Raider head coach Dale Short said. "The illness really weakened Kirk, and once Auburn got ahead, he just didn't have the energy to put up much of a fight."

The Blue Raiders finish the fall season next weekend at the Tulane Invitational in New Orleans, La.

Full results for the ITA Region III Championships may be accessed at tennisinformation.com.

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