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# Millard West Boys Basketball

## Wildcat Report

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### Wildcat Teams Combine for Undefeated Week

#### Wildcats Pull Away From Chieftains in the 4th Quarter

Bellevue East's Hunter Mengel scored 16 points in the first half to give the Chieftain's a chance to beat the Millard West. The Wildcats outscored East 25-16 in the final period to help seal a 72-58 victory.

Three Seniors scored in double digits for West. Brock Burling led the way with 25 points. Chris Connell and Gio Guido scored 14 points each.

Mengel finished with 22 points for the Chieftains. Fred Knotts added 12 for East.

Millard West took an early lead in the first quarter with balanced scoring. Four Wildcats scored while building a 11-7 lead. East finished the quarter with a with a 12-4 run, including eight points by Mengel. The Chieftains held a 19-15 lead after the first eight minutes of play.

West's offense got on track in the 2nd quarter, scoring on 8 of their first 11 possessions. Burling led the Wildcats with 12 points in the first half. West led 33-29 at the half.

"I thought this game was a well played game by both teams," Coach Bill

#### Rabbits Can't Outrun Wildcats

Millard West put the pressure on Omaha Benson early in the game and took a commanding lead in the first half. Eleven different players scored in the 71-43 victory.

Freshman Evan Meyersick scored 11 points in the 4th quarter and led the Wildcat scoring with 14. Brock Burling and Hunter Schnuerle added 12 and 11 points respectively. Dylan Holston led Benson with 22 points.

Midway through the first quarter, the two teams were tied 7-7. Millard West's offense got on track and scored on five of their last six possessions of the quarter and led 14-7 at the end of the first quarter.

West's defense kept Benson from getting any easy baskets in the 2nd quarter. The Wildcats outscored the Rabbits 15-5 in the quarter and led 29-12 at the half.

"I was happy with our team defense in the first half," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We extended our bench in this game, and everyone

#### Wildcats Hold On in 4th Quarter for 11th Win of Season

Millard West got off to a fast start again in the first half of a 64-58 victory against Papillion South. The Wildcats built a 20 point lead in the 3rd quarter, but Papio South would get as close as five points in the final period.

Brock Burling led West with 14 points as Austin Harris and Chris Connell added 11 and 10 points respectively.

Lok Wur led three Titans in double digits with 19 points. Ryan Winkler scored 12 points, and Jared Mattley added 10.

In the first quarter, the two teams traded baskets as each team had trouble stopping the other team. Jacob Harmdierks dove onto the floor and, from his back, found Austin Harris for a 3-pointer to give the Wildcats a 17-13 lead with 20.6 seconds remaining in the period.

Evan Meyersick made a basket with 6:04 left in the quarter to give West a 21-16 lead. The Wildcats would outscore Papio South 17-4 over the last six minutes of the quar-

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## Scores

Freshman A 10-3		Freshman B 10-3		Reserves 15-1		Junior Varsity 17-1		Varsity 11-9	
O Burke	W 52-34	O Burke	W 31-30	O Burke	W 74-45	O Burke	W 49-41	Bel East	W 72-58
				Bennigton	W 63-61			O Benson	W 71-43
				Elk South	W 81-54			Pap South	W 64-58

## East vs West (Cont.)

Morrison said. "Both teams played good defense and took good shots in the first half."

The two teams stayed virtually even in the 3rd quarter. East tied the score 37-37 on a basket by Xavier Hudson with 5:09 left in the quarter.

West answered with a 6-0 run behind two baskets by Guido. The Wildcats held a 47-42 lead going into the final period.

Millard West's offense was very efficient in the 4th quarter by attacking the basket and getting the ball in the paint. Burling led the Wildcats with eight points in the final period.

East was able to score enough to stay within striking distance. A free throw by Austin Harris gave West a 64-54 lead with 2:16 left in the game. The Chieftains were not able to get any closer.

BE	19	10	13	16	58
MW	15	18	14	25	72

BE — Slie 7, Knotts 12, Hudson 4, Skoff 7, Mengel 22, Dengel 6

MW — Harris 9, Guido 14, Cutler 2, Connell 14, Wiltse 2, Olson 2, Schnuerle 2, Meyersick 2, Burling 25.



## Benson (Cont.)

gave great effort on the defensive end."

Holston and Anthony Ignowski helped Benson outscore the Wildcats 20-16 in the third quarter. Holston scored nine points in the quarter, and Ignowski made two 3-pointers.

"We stopped paying attention to detail in the third quarter. We had 5 turnovers and didn't play team basketball," Morrison said about the 3rd quarter. Holston made two basket to start the 4th quarter and cut the lead to twelve, 48-36. West got back on track on outscored Benson 23-7 to finish the game.

MW	14	15	16	26	71
OB	7	5	20	11	43

MW — Harris 8, Guido 3, Cutler 2, Glantz 2, Connell 7, Beanum 2, Gomes 8, Harmdierks 4, Schnuerle 11, Meyersick 14, Burling 10.

OB — Ignowski 8, Parmar-Watson 1, Adkins 2, Tealer 5, Black 2, Mays 3, Holston 22

## Wildcats Conquer Titans (Cont.)

ter. Millard West took a 36-20 lead into the half.

"I was really proud of our energy on defense. The guys really paid attention to our game plan and took away their best two players," Coach Bill Morrison said. "For us to do well in districts, we will have to play 32 minutes of defense like we did tonight."

West was able to build on their halftime lead and took a 44-24 lead on a basket by Gio Guido with 5:42 left in the period. The Titans turned up their defensive pressure and were able to slow down West's scoring for the rest of the quarter. The Wildcats led 49-32 going into the final period.

"We have not been very good in the 3rd quarter this year. At halftime, we set a goal to win the 3rd quarter," Coach Morrison said. "I think we tried to attack them a little too much and were playing too fast. The effort was great, but we turned it over too much and took a lot of quick shots."

The pace of the game continued to favor the Titans in the 4th quarter. Papio South forced West to turn the ball over six times in the final period.

They also attacked the basket and get to the free throw line. The Titans scored on 11 of their 15 possessions including 8-10 from the free throw line.

A basket and free throw by Wur with 1:08 left in the game drew the Titans to within six, 60-54. West answered with a basket by Harris, but Mattley made a 3-pointer to keep Papio South in the game. West held on to win the game 64-58.

"Papio South is a well coached team. They always play hard and are fundamentally sound. I knew they wouldn't quit," Coach Morrison said. "This was a good win for us. They got physical with us in the 4th quarter. We will learn from this and get better."

MW	17	19	13	15	64
PLVS	13	7	12	26	58

MW — Harris 11, Guido 7, Connell 10, Beanum 4, Gomes 4, Schnuerle 9, Meyersick 5, Burling 14.

PLVS — Glenn 4, Mattley 10, Burger 3, Winkler 12, Spire 8, Norblade 2, Wur 19

## Lower Levels

### Junior Varsity

The JV Boys were able to endure a physical game and come up with some defensive stops in crunch time to Beat Omaha Burke 49-41.

West was leading 32-31 going into the 4th quarter. The difference in the game was at the free throw line. Millard West was 14/17 from the line while Omaha Burke was 5/13.

Evan Meyersick led the team with 11 points.

make the score 44-43 going into the final period. West won 63-61.

Trey Wilbeck led West with 17 points. Dom Humm added 14 points.

Saturday morning, West beat Elkhorn South 81-54. After a 15-15 first quarter, the Wildcats outscored them 34-14 in the 2nd quarter!

Dom Humm led the team with 18 points.

Teryn Morrison had 15 points. Trey Wilbeck added 10 for West.

### Reserves

The Reserve team jumped out early and were ahead of Omaha Burke 46-21. The Wildcats out-ran the Bulldogs in a fast paced game on their way to a 74-45 victory.

Dom Humm brought the energy and defense to lead the Millard West boys against Omaha Burke. He led all scorers with 22 points.

Bennington gave the Reserve boys one of their toughest challenges of the season. The Millard West boys overcame their 8/21 struggles from the free throw line to get the win.

The Wildcats outscored Bennington 18-8 in the 2nd quarter, but the Badgers outscored West 21-11 in the 3rd quarter to



### Freshmen A

The Freshman A Team got a hard fought 52-34 win over Burke Monday night. The Wildcats turned in a stellar 4th quarter, outscoring the Bulldogs 16-2 to finish off the game.

In a game where 10 players scored, James Conway led all scorers with 13 points while Dustin Hatch also had 11 points.

### Freshmen B

Burke seemed to take control of the game in the 3rd quarter after a low scoring first half.

The Wildcats trailed through much of the 4th quarter before Caleb Lemon made a lay up to give West a 31-30 lead with 3.2 seconds remaining in the game.

After a timeout, John Cole deflected the inbounds pass to seal the win.

The Wildcats were lead by Hunter Strong and Kyan Lodice who each had 7. Other Wildcat scoring was Lemon 6, Wilson 4, Andrews 3, Burress and Twait 2.



## ***Weekly Practice / Game Schedule***

### Monday, Feb 12

#### ***Practice***

JV/V/R 3:30

#### ***Games***

9A vs MN 6:00  
9B vs MN 7:30

### Tuesday, Feb 13

#### ***Practice***

JV/V 3:30

#### ***Games***

Res vs Pius 6:00  
9A at Pap South 6:00  
9B at Pap South 7:30

### Wednesday, Feb 14

#### ***Practice***

JV/V 3:30  
9th 5:00

#### ***Games***

No Games

### Thursday, Feb 15

#### ***Practice***

9th 3:30-5:00  
Var Team Brkfst 10 AM  
Var 4:00 Shooting

#### ***Games***

JV at LNS 5:45  
Var at LNS 7:30

### Friday, Feb 16

#### ***Practice***

9th 8:30-10:00 am  
JV/Var 11:00—12:00

#### ***Games***

JV vs Kearney 5:30  
Var vs Kearney 7:00

### Saturday, Feb 17

#### ***Practice***

9th — 9:00—11:00  
Team Meeting 11:00 AM

Check In for Lower Levels

***Practice/Game times are always subject to change.***





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## Tournament Results

4th Green — 2nd Place



3rd Grade — 1st Place    6-0 This Weekend



8th Black — Tourney Champs



7th Green



5th Green

3rd Tourney Championship This Year