

Millard West Boys Basketball Wildcat Report

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Mustangs Run Away from Wildcats

Millard North was able to use a strong 3rd quarter to pull away from Millard West and win 77-60 in a cross-town rivalry game in boys basketball.

Jake Rueschoff made four 3-pointers in the 3rd quarter and led four Mustangs in double digits. Nick Ferrarini scored 20 points for North, and Bret Porter and Mason Jung add-

Sallis scored two baskets to give North a 19-14 lead after the first quarter.

West scored on their first four possessions of the 2nd quarter, but still trailed 25-23. Chris Connell rebounded his own miss and scored a basket to bring West to within 28-30 with 1:01 left in the period.

Rueschoff scored on the next possession for North. Millard West turned the ball over and the Mustangs held the ball for the last shot. Ferrarini was fouled on a 3 - p o i n t e r with .3 seconds left in the half. Ferrarini made all 3 free throws to give North a 35-28

West's defense was solid to start the 2nd half, but four turnovers on their first five possessions prevented the Wildcats from mounting an early 2nd half run.

Three North players connected on six 3-pointers on their last seven possessions of the quarter to pull away from West. North led 55-40 going into the final period.

West was able to cut the lead to 61-49 with 6:19 left in the game, but was not able to draw any closer through the remainder of the game.

"We played hard and did some good things tonight. I was proud that the guys never quit," Coach Morrison said. "We need to be better for the full 32 minutes and not give up big runs.

MW	14	14	12	20	60
MN	19	16	20	22	77

MW — Harris 19, Buscher 7, Guido 8, Connell 5, Olsen 1, Harmdierks 2, Schnuerle 6, Meyersick 4, Burling 8.

MN — Ferrarini 20, Rueschhoff 21, Marshall 6, Porter 10, Jung 10, Sallis 6, Murrell 4.



ed 10 points apiece.

Austin Harris made four 3-pointers for the Wildcats and scored 19 points in the game.

The two teams exchange baskets in the first quarter. North led 15-14 with 1:30 left in the period. Hunter

lead going into the half.

Coach Bill Morrison commented on his team's first half performance. "We did a lot of good things, but did not finish out the quarters very well," he said. "We gave up 9 points to end the two quarters."

Scores

<u>Freshman A (4-0)</u>	<u>Freshman B (2-1)</u>	<u>Reserves (4-0)</u>	<u>Junior Varsity (5-1)</u>	<u>Varsity (3-4)</u>
Bel East W 85-17	Bel East W 64-26	Bel East W 53-25	Bel East W 64-43	Mil North L 60-77



Lower Levels

Freshmen A

The Millard West Freshman team used a strong second quarter (outscoring Bellevue East 34-5) to pull away for an 85-17 win.

The Wildcats held the Chieftains to just one point in the 2nd half.

The leading scorers were Dustin Hatch with 19, Jacob Jones with 17, Ryan Larsen with 16, and James Conway with 15.

Freshmen B

The Millard West Freshman B team won their 2nd game of the season with a commanding win over Bellevue East, 64-26.

The Wildcats led 14-12 after the 1st quarter. West held the Chieftains scoreless in the 2nd quarter and took a 35-12 lead into the half.

Caleb Lemon led the Wildcats with 12 points.

All of the Wildcats scored in the game. Strong with 11, Bizal and Cole had 10, VanRooyan had 9, Wilson and Twait had 4, Determan with 3 and Wu with 1.

Reserves

Skylar Gessert led the wildcats with 14 points as they traveled to Bellevue East and came home with a 53-25 victory.

The reserve boys put an emphasis on defense keeping East under 10 points in each quarter.

Junior Varsity

The JV Boys basketball team improved to 5-1 with a 64-43 victory.

Ryan David led the Wildcats with 18 points. Nate Glantz and Braeden Wiltse contributed 11 and 10 points respectively.

More Results from the OSA Tournament

6th Grade Green won the Gold Division Tournament!

5th Green, 6th White and 7th White all earned 2nd place in their tournaments.



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HARD WORK * INTEGRITY * TEAMWORK
SPORTSMANSHIP

Weekly Practice / Game Schedule

Winter Moratorium

Athletes can not use a Millard Public Schools' facility for basketball for five days starting December 23 and ending December 27.

They are able to go to a YMCA, Lifetime, or other gym to workout if they wish.

Please make sure your sons do not use any of Millard's facilities over the break.



December 27th to Jan 7th Schedule is included in another email.

Tournament Brackets and Holiday Practice Schedule are posted on our website at:

<http://www.millardwesthoops.com/2017-2018.html>

Practice/Game times are always subject to change.