# 2017-2018



# Wildcat Basketball

### Millard West High School

### Wildcat Review

### Boys Basketball

2017 - 2018

### Varsity Roster

3	Austin Harris	6'3	12
4	Peyton Buscher	6'0	10
5	Giavonni Guido	6,0	12
10	Cade Cutler	5'8	12
12	Nate Glantz	5'11	10
14	Chris Connell	6'2	12
22	Dalys Beanum	6,0	10
24	Braeden Wiltse	6'3	10
32	Zach Olson	6'5	10
34	Tristan Gomes	6'5	10
40	Jacob Harmdierks	6'4	11
42	Hunter Schnuerle	6'3	12
50	Ryan David	6'4	11
<b>52</b>	Evan Meyersick	6'5	9
<b>54</b>	Brock Burling	6'8	12

### **COACHING STAFF**

<u>Varsity</u> Bill Morrison Dan Hall

<u>Junior Varsity</u> **Dale Gall Matt Starks** 

<u>Reserve</u> Bret Seeker

<u>Freshman</u> Ian Delaet Chris Tauber

<u>Manager</u> Ethan Hupp



### New Faces, Same Goals

The 2017-2018 Millard West Boys Basketball team will have a fresh look this year. Even though they only have four players with varsity playing experience, the team has the same goals as previous years.

"We have been very good over the last five years," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We expect the same out of this group. Our goal is to be playing our best basketball at the end of the season just like every other year."

The Wildcats only have 12 points returning from last year's team. 6'8" center, Brock Burling, scored 6 points a game and grabbed 6 rebounds. Giavonni Guido added 4 points, 3 rebounds and 3

assists a game. Hunter Schnuerle came off of the bench and scored 2.5 points a game and grabbed 2.8 rebounds. Peyton Buscher added 1 point and 1 rebound per game.

West will rely on new faces to support the returning senior players. Peyton Buscher has the most experience of the remaining squad. He played quality minutes early in the season as the team was facing some injury issues.

Chris Connell, Austin Harris, and Cade Cutler are three Seniors that will be playing for the Wildcats this season.

"We have a lot of guys that are going to compete for Varsity playing time," Morrison said. "We had a very good teams at all of our lower levels last year. It may take us a while to find out who will be contributing on the Varsity level."

Last year the four lower level teams were a combined 70-9.

"This will be different than in the past couple of years for us. We are asking the players to come to practice every day and compete for playing time. We have told them that every day is an evaluation day and to enjoy the process," Morrison commented. "It should be a fun year."

Two Juniors, four Sophomores, and a Freshmen round off the pre-season Varsity team for West.



### **Junior Varsity**

Back Row: Coach Starks, Ryan David, Tristan Gomes, Zach Olson, Evan Meyersick, Braeden Wiltse, Coach Gall

Front Row: Tyler Schmidt, Conner McDonnell, Nate Glantz, Dalys Beanum, Jacob Harmdierks

Not Pictured: Jaeson Adams

### Reserve

Back Row: Trey Wilbeck, Baylor Brannen, Nathan Bauermeister, Teryn Morrison

Middle Row: Henry Polsley, Dom Humm, Skyler Gessert, Max Anderson

Front Row: Josh Wickstrom, Sam Meeves, Lucas Ballard Not Pictured: Coach Seeker





### **Freshmen**

Back Row: Ethan Hupp, Coach Tauber, John Cole, Ben Kelley, Jacob Jones, Dustin Hatch, Alex Determan, Jack Mulligan, Coach DeLaet

Middle Row: Caleb Lemon, Spencer Fortune, James Conway, Caden Twait, Eric Wu, Nathan Wilson, Hunter Strong,

Front Row: Connor Burress, Tyler Craft, Ryan Larsen, Ben VanRooyan, Ben Bizal, Kyan Lodice

Not pictured: Cole Andrews

### Varsity (From Page 1)

Back Row: Coach Tauber, Coach Morrison, Cade Cutler, Coach Starks, Giavonni Guido, Brock Burling, Hunter Schnuerle, Coach Gall, Austin Harris, Coach Hall, Coach DeLaet

Middle Row: Evan Meyersick, Ryan David, Zach Olson, Jacob Harmdierks

Front Row: Braeden Wiltse, Peyton Buscher, Nate Glantz, Dalys Beanum

Not Picture: Chris Connell, Coach Seeker

### **Coaches**

lan DeLaet, Dan Hall, Matt Starks, Bill Morrison, Dale Gall Chris Tauber





### Wildcats Start Strong, Get Struck by Pius

The Millard West Boys Basketball team tipped off the season by heading to Lincoln to play pre-season #10 Lincoln Pius X.

The Thunderbolts used a strong 2nd and 3rd quarter performance to beat the Wildcats 67-56 in the season opener.

Charlie Easley led all scorers with a 26 point performance. Joe Burt added 10 points to help lead Pius X.

Peyton Buscher led the Wildcats with 13 points. Brock Burling added 11 points and 8 rebounds for West.

The two teams exchanged baskets early as they were shaking off their first-game jitters. West led 9-8 with 2:50 remaining in the opening period. Jacob Harmdierks came off the bench and scored back-to-back baskets the give West a 13-11 lead.

Buscher scored 5 points in the 1st quarter, including the last basket of the quarter, to give the Wildcats a 15-11 lead.

The Thunderbolts used their defense to go on a 9-0 run to start the 2nd quarter. Pius extended their pressure and force West into turno-

vers on their first 9 possessions of the quarter.

The Wildcats were able to settle down and go on a 8-3 run to lead 23-22 with 3:10 remaining in the half.

Pius led 30-27 going into the half. Coach Bill Morrison commented on his team's first half performance. "We played very well in the 1st quarter, then forgot what color jerseys we were wearing. We were fortunate to only be down 3 after committing 11 turnovers in the 2nd quarter."

Turnovers continued to plague the Wildcats to start the 2nd half. Five turnovers and poor shooting allowed the Thunderbolts to lead by as much as 14 in

the 3rd quarter. Pius led 46-33 going into the final period.

The Wildcats clawed their way back into the game by scoring on six consecutive possessions, making the score 45-54.

Another scoring run with under 3 minutes to play put the Wildcats in striking distance of Pius.

West trailed 55-63 with the ball and 40 seconds remaining. But another turnover prevented the Wildcats from getting any closer.

West outscored Pius 23-21 in the final period. Pius was able to keep the Wildcats out of reach by converting on 11-13 free throws in the final period.

"I was proud that we didn't give up. We put ourselves in a tough situations with turnovers and poor shot selection in the 2nd and 3rd quarters," Morrison said. "This was the first time playing major minutes for a lot of these guys. We will settle down and fix our mistakes."

MW 15 12 6 23 56 LP 11 19 16 21 67

<u>MW</u> — Buscher 13, Burling 11, Harris 8, Schnuerle 8, Connell 7, Meyersick 5, Harmdierks 4.

<u>Pius</u> — Easley 26, Burt 13, Rada 8, Robertson 6, Harman 6, Dworak 3, Pieper 3, Pollack 2.



### Wildcats Win Home Opener

The Millard West Wildcats won their home opener over Fremont 65-49 Saturday afternoon.

Giavonni Guido led the team with 17 points, 9 forced turnovers, and 3 assists. Brock Burling scored 14 points and grabbed 8 rebounds. Hunter Schnuerle added 11 points.

Zach Woehrer led all scorers with 23 points, including five 3-pointers for Fremont.

Fremont jumped out to a 4-0 lead on 2 baskets by Payton Johnson to start the game. Guido stole the ball and scored a lay-up with about 2 minutes left in the opening period to give West a 7-6 lead.

Baskets by Schnuerle and Burling

gave the Wildcats a 12-8 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Both teams had slow starts in the 2nd quarter. West used a 14-6 run late in the quarter to open up a 28-17 lead. A 3-pointer by Woehrer brought the Tigers to 28-20 going into the half.

"We had some trouble scoring in the first half. Their zone really slowed us down early," Coach Bill Morrison said. "Our pressure allowed us to get some easy baskets and build a lead."

West used their outside shooting in the third quarter to lead. Five different Wildcats combined on 5 of 8 from behind the arc. The Wildcats led 51-39 going into the final period.

Fremont was never able to put to-

gether a run in the 4th quarter to threaten the Wildcats. Schnuerle scored two baskets late in the 4th quarter to end the scoring for West.

"After the first four minutes, I thought our energy level was pretty good," Morrison said. "We rebounded well the whole game and shot a lot better than we did against Pius. We still had too many turnovers though."

Fremont 8 12 19 10 49 Mil West 12 16 23 14 65

FHS — Callahan 8, Dix 3, Hansen 3, Harms 4, Woehrer 23, Heineman 4, Johnson 4.

MW — Harris 8, Buscher 4, Guido 17, Connell 7, Beanum 3, Schnuerle 11, Burling 14

### **New Record**

Giavonni Guido tied a school record with 8 steals against Fremont High School.





### Wildcats Hold On To Beat

### Packers

The last minute of the Millard West / Omaha South game kept the fans on the edges of their seats. The Wildcats were able to hold on and win 50-47.

With a minute left in the game, West led 48-43. Jay Saunders scored a basket to pull within 3. Brock Burling converted on two free throws after grabbing an offensive rebound and getting fouled on the put-back.

Taylon Anderson drove to the basket, was fouled and made both free throws to make the score 50-47.

West missed a free throw and had 3 more turnovers in the last 44 seconds of the game. But, Omaha South was not able to take advantage.

"A win is a win, but there were way too many things happening in the last couple minutes," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We need to continue to work on getting better at closing out games."

Brock Burling led the Wildcats with 16 points and 3 blocked shots. Giavonni Guido added 10 points, 9 assists, 6 steals, and 2 blocked shots. Hunter Schnuerle led the team with four rebounds and scored 8 points.

Saunders and Anderson scored 14 and 11 points to lead the Packers.

West started the game strong by jumping out to a 7-3 lead. The Wildcats grabbed 5 offensive rebounds and forced 7 turnovers. Austin Harris scored 7 points in the quarter for West.

The Wildcat defense was able to slow down Omaha South in the 2nd quarter. West built a 29-18 lead before Tyrece Griggs hit a 3-pointer at the end of the quarter. Guido led the Wildcats with 7 points in the quarter.

Coach Morrison was pleased with his team's defense in the 2nd quarter. thought we did a great job of stopping the drive. Peyton did a good job of keeping Crawford from getting into a rhythm."

West started the third quarter with a 4-0 run and forced a Packer timeout with just under 6 minutes left to play in the period.

South made a run at the Wildcats. South outscored West 12-2 over the last 6 minutes of the game.

West committed 6 turnovers in the quarter, and South turned the ball over 5 times. South trailed 35-32 at the end of the quarter.

The Wildcats led the entire 4th quarter but never by more than 6



points. Burling led West with 8 points in the 4th quarter.

MW 18 11 8 15 50 OS 12 9 11 15 47

MW — Harris 8, Guido 10, Connell 10, Connell 4, Schnuerle 8, Meyersick 4, Burling 16.

OS — Crawford 7, Anderson 11, Saunders 14, Griggs 9, McNeal-Lee 2, Thompson 4.

### Silver Hawks Use 3rd Quarter to Fly Past Wildcats

Lincoln Southwest used a 14-0 run in the middle of the 3rd quarter to beat the Millard West Boys Basketball Team 46-54.

With the score tied 30-30 with just over 6 minutes left in the third quarter, the Silver Hawks used their transition offense to score six straight lay ups and take a 44-30 lead.

Jaquaylon Mays and Collin Kohl both led the Silver Hawks with 13 points each. Parker Merwick added 11 for Southwest.

Brock Burling led West with 13 points. Chris Connell added 12 for the Wildcats. Hunter Schnuerle led the team with 6 rebounds.

Millard West used their outside shooting in the first quarter to take a 15-13 lead. The Wildcats made four three-pointers in the quarter, including two by Austin Harris.

Lincoln Southwest continued to take away West's inside game and the

Wildcat's cooled off from behind the arc in the 2nd quarter.

Back-to-back baskets by Merwick and Alex Hunzeker gave Southwest a 26-22 lead. The Silver Hawks led 26-24 going into the half.

Coach Morrison was impressed with Southwest's defense in the first half. "We wanted to make a point of getting the ball inside tonight. Their team defense made it very hard for us to get the ball inside."

West started the 3rd quarter by getting the ball to the paint. Burling scored 4 points on the first two possession of the half. A basket by Giavonni Guido tied the score at 30-30.

Southwest mounted a 14-0 run over the next 8 possessions and led 44-30. West was able to cut the lead to 44-34 with four points by Connell to end the guarter.

"We have to learn how to fight

through adversity," Morrison said. "When things go bad, we have to do a better job of getting the momentum back."

West clamped down on defense in the 4th quarter. Southwest was only able to score 5 points in the first seven minutes of the final quarter. A basket by Peyton Buscher brought the Wildcats to within 50-46 with 29.8 seconds left in the game.

West fouled Merwick who made both free throws to keep the Wildcats from coming any closer.

MW 15 9 10 12 46 LSW 13 13 18 10 54

MW — Harris 6, Buscher 3, Guido 4, Connell 12, Harmdierks 1, Schnuerle 5, Meyersick 2, Burling 13

LSW — Mays 13, Frederick 6, Kohl 13, Ahlshwebe 2, Hunzeker 7, Buom 2, Merwick 11.



# 2017-18 Future Wildcat Night

Millard West hosted the Future Wildcats at Friday Night's game at Millard West. Over 75 young athletes attended the game and had a "meet and greet" with the players after the game.

The MBA — Wildcat Hoops Feeder program was designed to develop basketball in the Millard West attendance area. It is one of the few true feeder programs in the Metro area.

The High School players signed autographs and shot around with the future Wildcats after the game. Both high school players and future Wildcats seemed to enjoy the evening.



# Warriors Overtake Wildcats in 4th Quarter

Omaha Westside led 5-3 early in the first quarter, but then would not lead again until the 4:41 mark in the final period. The Warriors took the lead on a 3-pointer by Jaden Booth and never looked back in their 56-53 victory.

Booth led all scorers with 28 points, including 23 in the 2nd half. Chase Thompson added 13 for the Warriors.

Brock Burling scored 15 points in the first half and led the team with 17 in the game. Giavonni Guido added 12 points.

Burling set the tone early for the Wildcats as he connected on 5 of 6 field goals in the 1st quarter for 10 points. West led Westside 15-9 at the end of the first period.

The Wildcat defense continued their strong performance in the first half and outscored Westside 15-11 in the quarter to take a 20-30 lead into the half.

Burling added 5 points to his first half total as Austin Harris made two of his three 3-pointers in the 2nd quarter.

"We really wanted to set the tone by attacking Westside in the paint. We did a great job of that until Brock picked up his 2nd foul midway through the 2nd quarter," Coach Bill Morrison said.

After the half, Booth led the charge for the Warriors by making three 3-pointers in a row and erasing the Wildcat's first half lead.

"The first one was a great shot, the 2nd time we lost him, and the 3rd shot we just didn't play defense on him," Morrison said. "We have to figure out how to play better to start the 2nd half.

Millard West was able to hold on to the lead for the rest of the quarter, but only scored 7 points in the period. Booth ended up scoring 13 for Westside in the 3rd quarter. A Westside free throw brought the Warriors to within 43-42. Thompson tapped out a missed free throw to Booth who connected for a 3-pointer.

The lead was Westside's first lead since early in the first quarter. Millard West did not score on their next four possessions. Two free throws by Burling made the score 49-45 in favor of Westside.

Millard West had a chance to tie the game with a free throw and 16.7 seconds left on the board but were unable to convert.

MW 15 15 7 16 53 OW 9 11 15 21 56

MW — Harris 9, Buscher 6, Guido 12, Connell 4, Schnuerle 3, Meyersick 2, Burling 17.

OW — Booth 28, Mischo 5, Plautz 3, Kohls 7, Thompson 13.

### **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 crosstown 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 added 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 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-pointer with .3 seconds left in the half. Ferrarini made all 3 free throws to give North a 35-28 lead going into the half.

### **Cats D-throne Monarchs**

Millard West used another strong defensive performance in the first half to lead the way to a 59-49 victory over Papillion-LaVista.

The Wildcats held Papio to just 13 points in the first half. Westside was able to cut the lead to 7 in the 4th quarter, but were unable to get any closer.

Six players scored in double digits in the game, three from each team. West was led by Brock Burling with 18 points, Austin Harris scored 16 points, and Hunter Schnuerle added 12.

Peyton Priest led all scorers with 19 points, all in the 2nd half. Hayden Bahl and Jon Carter scored 10 points apiece for the Monarchs.

The two teams had trouble scoring early in the first quarter. Caleb Feekin hit a 3-pointer to make the score 8-7 in favor of Millard West with 2:58 in the first quarter.

West was able to close the quarter on a 8-0 run behind six consecutive points by Brock Burling. The Wildcats led 16-7 at the end of the first guarter.

"We wanted to set the tempo early in the game," Coach Bill Morrison said. "Our half court defense has been really good in the first half of both games this week."

West continued to dominate the Monarchs in the 2nd quarter. Austin Harris scored 5 points in the quarter, including a 3-pointer with 30 seconds left in the half. Har-

ris' basket gave the Wildcats their biggest lead of the half, 31-13.

Harris scored after an offensive rebound midway through the 3rd quarter to give West their biggest lead of the game 42-22.

The Monarchs were more aggressive than they were in the first half. They were able to get to the foul line 15 times in the quarter. Papio was 12/15 from the line in the quarter.

Papio made a couple runs at the Wildcats in the 4th quarter, but West seemed to have the answer every time the Monarchs drew close.

Papio outscored West 18-11 in the final period behind Priest, who scored 13 points in the quarter.

West turned the ball over four times in the 4th quarter, but Papio could not draw any closer than 7 points.

**PLV** 6 18 18 49 MW 16 15 17 11 59

PLV - Carter 10, Priest 19, Feekin 5, Lansman 5, Bahl 49.

MW -Harris 16, Guido 7, Connell 2, Schnuerle 12, Meyersick 4, Burling 18

Coach Bill Morrison commented on sessions of the quarter to pull away MW did a lot of good things, but did not fin- the final period. ish out the quarters very well," he said. "We gave up 9 points to end the two quarters."

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

six 3-pointers on their last seven pos-

his team's first half performance. "We from West. North led 55-40 going into MN

49 with 6:19 left in the game, but was Schnuerle 6, Meyersick 4, Burling 8. not able to draw any closer through the

"We played hard and did some good Murrell 4. things tonight. I was proud that the guys never quit," Coach Morrison said. "We need to be better for the full 32 Three North players connected on minutes and not give up big runs.

14 14 12 20 60 19 16 20 22 77

MW - Harris 19, Buscher 7, Guido 8, West was able to cut the lead to 61- Connell 5, Olsen 1, Harmdierks 2,

> MN — Ferrarini 20, Rueschhoff 21, Marshall 6, Porter 10, Jung 10, Sallis 6,



### 17-18 Metro Tournament

### Wildcats Win 1st Game in OT

Despite trailing for most of the game, Millard West was able to force Papillion La Vista into overtime with a 3-pointer by Austin Harris in the last seconds of their first round game of the Metro Tournament.

After a timeout with 7.6 seconds left in the game. Chris Connell found Harris open in the corner. Harris was able to convert the 3-pointer over the outstretched hands of Peyton Priest.



The Monarchs made 1 of 2 free throws to score first in overtime. Brock Burling scored on an offensive rebound to give the Wildcats a 71-70 lead. West would hold on to the lead for the rest of the game and win the game 78-76.

Burling scored 29 points and grabbed 6 rebounds to lead the Wildcats. Austin Harris added 18 points to

the cause. Hunter Schnuerle scored 12 points for the Wildcats. Giavonni Guido scored 10 points, recorded 10 assists and had five steals.

Caleb Feeken led four players in double digits for the Monarchs with 29 points.

Burling helped the Wildcats get off to a good start in the first quarter by scoring six of their first 9 points. After leading 14-12, Papillion made three 3 -pointers to take a 21-14 lead. Burling was able to convert on a basket to close the Monarch lead to 21-16 after the first quarter.

Fifteen of the Monarch's points in the first quarter came from behind the three point line. "Papillion was hot from long range early. We told our guys we had to extend our defense and make sure we have good weak side help in the 2nd quarter," Coach Bill Morrison said.

The Monarchs were only able to make one 3-pointer in the 2nd quarter. Papillion built their biggest lead of the game, 35-24 on a three-point play by Cole Lansman.

Two baskets by Burling, who scored 7 of West's 12 points in the quarter, brought the Wildcats back to 35-28 at the half.

The Monarchs held onto their seven point lead with 2:55 left in the third quarter as the two teams exchanged baskets throughout the first part of the period. West was able to cut the lead to 46-43 with 2:05 left in the period.

West's defense forced seven turnovers in the 4th quarter. The Wildcats cut the lead to one point several times but were unable to gain the lead throughout the 4th quarter.

Papillion was able to hold onto their lead in the 4th quarter due in part to making 10-11 free throws in the period.

Hayden Bahl made two free throws with 15 seconds left in the game to give Papillion a 69-66 lead. The Wildcat's 3-pointer at the buzzer forced the game into overtime.

Leading 71-70, West's Hunter Schnuerle converted on a 3-point play to give the Wildcats a 74-70 lead. West scored on their next three possessions and led 78-74.

Priest scored on an offensive rebound to draw the Monarchs to 78-76. After a timeout, West turned the ball over on a long inbounds pass.

A final 3-point attempt fell short for Papillion and the offensive rebound fell out of bounds as the game ended.

"This was a great win for our guys," Coach Morrison said. "We could have quit a lot of times, but kept fighting back."

MW 16 12 15 26 9 78 PLV 21 14 13 21 7 76

MW — Harris 18, Guido 10, Connell 4, Schnuerle 12, Meyersick 5, Burling 29

PLV — Carter 6, Priest 14, Feeken 29, Lansman 12, Bahl 15

### Blue Jays Knock Wildcats Out of Metro Tourney

Millard West gave #1 seed Creighton Prep a run in the first 12 minutes of the quarter-final game of the Metro Tournament.

Prep jumped out to a 6-0 lead to start the game, but West got right back into the game and led 7-6. After a 3-pointer by Prep, West scored on their next 3 possessions and led 13-12. Prep scored 5 points to end the quarter and led 17-13.

The Wildcats led 19-17, but six turnovers by West and three 3-pointers by the Blue Jays broke the game open for Prep.

Prep (8-0) turned a three-point

game into a blowout by scoring the last 13 points of the first half and the first seven of the second for a 45-22 lead.

Grant Matthies had the first five points of the outburst, including a 3-pointer. Akol Arop followed with a steal and dunk and Jayden Temme and Kyle Luedtke closed out the half with 3-pointers.

A basket by Arop opened the second half, followed by a 3 and a bucket by Luedtke.

Arop helped shut out Millard West's Brock Burling in the first half. After getting 29 points in the firstround win over Papillion-La Vista, the 6-8 senior saw his only basket end the Junior Jays' 20-0 run.

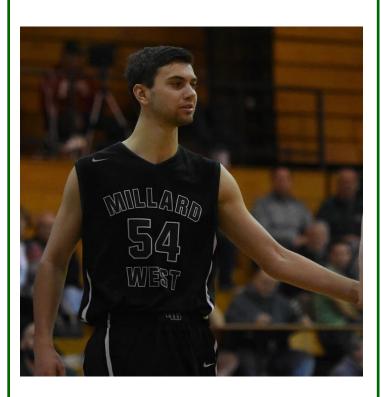
Mil West (4-5) 13 9 8 19 49 Cr Prep (8-0) 17 21 20 7 65

MW: Schnuerle 11, Connell 9, Guido 7, Harmdierks 7, Harris 5, Glantz 4, Wiltse 2, Burling 2, Buscher 1, Cutler 1.

OCP: Arop 18, Luedtke 11, Temme 8, Matthies 7, Sibbernsen 5, Moes 4, Wolfe 3, Schomers 3, Farner 2, Rollins 2, Armstead 2.

### **New Record**

Brock Burling broke a school record by making 13 field goals against Papillion-LaVista in the Metro Tournament.







# Bulldogs Use 2nd Half to Cage Wildcats

The Millard West Boys Basketball Team set out to upset the #4 team in the state. And, for the first half, it looked as if the Wildcats were going to upset Omaha Burke.

West jumped out to an 8-3 lead and never trailed in the first half despite being short handed.

Starters Chris Connell and Austin Harris both picked up two early fouls in did not play the majority of the first half. The Wildcats were also without starting center and leading scorer Brock Burling due to injury.

"I think this game says a lot for the pro-

gress that we have made so far this season," Coach Bill Morrison commented. "We did not have a lot of returning varsity experience. We are working on building our depth and getting the team ready for districts."

Giavonni Guido and the Wildcat defense set the tone early for West. Burke turned the ball over five times in the 1st quarter. A steal and lay-up by Guido gave the Wildcats a 14-5 lead mid-way through the quarter. The Wildcats held an 18-11 lead at the end of the first quarter.

West started the 2nd quarter with a 7-3 run and held their biggest lead of

the game, 25-14, with 5:06 left in the half.

Burke started attacking the basket and finished the half by outscoring the



Wildcats 16-8, including 7-10 from the free throw line. The Bulldogs cut the lead to 33-30 at the half.

West had trouble scoring in the third quarter and the Bulldogs slowly took control of the game. Burke outscored the Wildcats 17-7 in the quarter and led by seven, 47-40 going into the final period.

West outscored the Bulldogs 6-1 to start the 4th quarter and cut the lead to 46-48 with 5:14 left in the game.

Shareef Mitchell made sure the Wildcats did not complete the upset. Mitchell scored 9 points over the next four minutes to help secure the win for the Bulldogs.

"We settled for too many jumpers in the third quarter and lost the lead," Morrison said. "I thought we did a good job of battling back, but they went on another run and we rad out of

time."

Morrison also talked about his team's defensive performance. guys did a great job of executing our game plan defensively. A lot of Burke's scores came in transition. When we were able to set up on defense, we did a pretty good job. We did give up too many o-boards though."

Mitchell led all scorers for Burke with 26 points. Guido scored 22 for the Wildcats.

OB 11 19 17 15 62 MW 18 15 7 10 50

OB — Gunter 5, Watts 8, Mitchell 26, Moreano 10, Hickman 7, Knenedy 2, Honz 4.

MW — Harris 2, Buscher 3, Guido 22, Connell 6, Beanum 3, Harmdierks 2, Schnuerle 3, David 2, Meyersick 7



### Wildcat's Bench Gives Spark in Win Over Omaha North

With the Wildcat's trailing 38-36 with four minutes left in the third quarter, five bench players for Millard West gave the team a spark. The Wildcat reserves outscored the Vikings 9-3 over the remainder of the period.

"I wasn't happy with our effort at the time and though we needed to make a change," Coach Bill Morrison said. "Those guys gave us what we needed to pull off the win."

Brock Burling led the Wildcats with 16 points and 15 rebounds. Austin Harris and Hunter Schnuerle scored 14 and 12 points for West. Gio Guido led the team with eight assists.

West used a strong first quarter to build a 19-9 lead over the Vikings. Harris helped West get started by scoring 7 points in the first quarter.

North game out strong to start the 2nd quarter. Vernon Johnson led the Vikings on a 10-2 run and helped pull the Vikings to within four, 23-19, with 5:31 left in the half.

West turned the ball over 5 times in the quarter as North outscored the Wildcats 17-12 in the period. The Wildcats held a 31-26 lead going into the half.

North scored the first 8 points of the 3rd quarter and tied the game at 34-34 in the first couple minutes of the 2nd half. West turned the ball over seven times in the quarter to help keep the Vikings close.

The Vikings took their first lead of the game on a basket by Darion Murcek with just over 4 minutes remaining in the quarter.

West scored on their first seven possessions of the final period and took their biggest lead of the game, 59-47, on a basket by Burling with 4:16 left in the game. Burling's basket was his third in three possessions for the Wildcats.

"We are working hard on being more consistent and giving more consistent effort," Morrison said of his team.

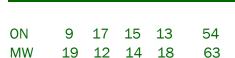
ON — Murcek 9, Jones 3, O'Neal 14, Ellebb 5, Johnson 16, Wright 2, Vinson 5



## Wildcats Sweep Omaha North

Millard West was able to pull off the sweep over the Omaha North basketball program by beating the Vikings in all five games.

Varsity	63-54
Jr. Varsity	50-29
Reserves	61-23
9th A	67-26
9th B	47-28











### Millard South Pulls Off Victory in Packed House

In front of packed house at Millard West, Millard South beat Millard West 66-63 in an exciting rivalry game.

South jumped out to an early 10 point lead, but the game came down to a 3-point attempt at the buzzer before the Patriots could claim the victory.

Kyle Perry led all scorers with 29 points for South. Six guys scored in double digits in the game. Ronny DeArmond helped the Patriots with 17 points.

Gio Guido led the Wildcats with 19 points. Chris Connell added 15, while Hunter Schnuerle and Evan Meyersick scored 12 and 10 points respectively.

Both teams relied on their starting line ups in the game. Only two non-starters combined for seven points in the game.

Guido started the scoring with a 3-pointer from the corner for the Wildcats. Perry answered with four free throws on the next two possessions to take 1 4-3 lead.

The teams were tied 6-6 before South made a 11-2 run and take a 17-8 lead with 3:34 left in the game.

DeArmond, who started in place of the injured Tyrell Carroll, scored 10 points in the first quarter for South.

DeArmond's two 3-pointers at the end of the quarter gave the Patriots a 23-13 lead.

"I thought our guys were a little too excited to start the game. We didn't

control our emotions real well." Coach Bill Morrison said. "It didn't help that their back-up point guard (DeArmond) scored 10 points in the first quarter. I think he had 18 points total before tonight."

The Wildcats slowed down the scoring of the Patriots in the 2nd quarter. Perry added 10 more points for South in quarter. Perry and DeArmond combined for all 12 of the Patriots' points in the quarter.

Schnuerle made two 3-pointers and scored 8 points for the Wildcats in the 2nd quarter. West cut the lead to 35-27 going into the half.

Perry continued his assault on the Wildcat Defense in the 3rd quarter by scoring eight points in the quarter.

"We played better in the 2nd quarter. Being down 8 with Gio sitting most of the first half, we felt like the game was within reach," Morrison said.

Guido came alive after sitting much of the first half due to foul trouble. He scored 10 points on four field goals for the Wildcats.

Chris Connell cut the lead to 43-41 with a 3-pointer midway through the 3rd quarter. South scored 3 points after a foul on a drive by Perry and an ensuing technical foul on West.

Guido hit a 3 pointer to bring the Wildcats back within two 44-46. The Patriots made another run to close the quarter and let 53-46 at the end of the period.

The two teams continued to battle through the first part of the 4th quarter. West tied the game, 59-59, for the first time since the first quarter

when Austin Harris got an offensive rebound off of his own missed 3pointer.

West forced a turnover, but gave the ball back to South after an illegal screen by the Wildcats. South answered with a three-pointer by Drew Gilin from the top of the key off of a set play to make the score 62-59.

Chris Connell scored a basket for West after an offensive rebound off of a missed free throw to make the score 62-61. Perry made 1 of 2 free throws for South. Burling tied the game 63-63 after making two free throws with 1:14 left in the game.

West had a chance to take the lead after Guido got a steal. But the Wildcats could not convert in transition.

Guido fouled out after committing a foul on a loose ball as South tried to advance the ball down the court.

"I had the same view as the ref, and it was hard to tell whether or not Austin got fouled," Morrison said. "It would have been a huge advantage if we could have got the lead there."

Drew Wagner made both free throws to give the Patriots a 65-63 lead. The last 20 seconds of the

### **Bears Shoot Down Wildcats**

Omaha Bryan made six of eight three pointers in the first quarter to build an early 26-13 lead. Bryan outscored West in all four quarters and moved their record to 12-3 with an 82 -57 victory.

Trevion Crawford and Jerome Wallce scored 20 and 18 points respectively to lead the Bears. Chris Connel scored 15 points for West and Brock Burling added 12 points.



Wallace scored 9 of his 18 points in the first quarter by hitting three 3pointers. West had trouble shooting early on. They were 4 of 13 from the field in the first quarter.

After two free throws by Connell to start the 2nd quarter, Bryan went on a 8-0 run to lead 34-17. The Bears took a 44-27 lead into the half.

West's defense was able to hold Bryan to just seven points in the first six minutes of the 3rd quarter, but continued to have a hard time scoring.

Connell scored nine points in the 3rd quarter for West, including seven points in the last two minutes. But, back to back 3's by Bryan helped them keep the Wildcats out of reach.

Bryan scored on seven of their first eight possessions of the 4th quarter for their biggest lead of the game, 72-43.

"Bryan shot very well early. They moved the ball quickly, and we didn't play with enough energy," Coach Bill Morrison said.

"They really exposed some of our weaknesses," Morrison continued. "We have to go back to work in practice this week and try to get them fixed."

MW 57 13 14 14 16 OB 26 18 15 23 82

MW - Harris 8, Buscher 2, Guido 3, Glantz 2, Connell 15, Olson 2, Schnuerle 4, David 5, Meyersick 4, Burling 12.

OB — Grixby 5, Worthington 6, Wallace 18, Wiyval 2, Moses 9, Montalvo 6, Smith 2, Udofia 9, Curtis 5, Crawford 20

### Millard Battle Continued

fans.

Connell missed a 3-pointer from the left wing. South gained possession as a jump guys. We did a lot of good things. We just ball was called on the rebound with 18.4 gave them too big of a lead to start the seconds left.

West was not done. They forced on turnover on the inbounds play. Austin Harris MS missed an 18-foot shot from the top of the MW key before a foul was called on West with 4.2 seconds left.

Gilin made 1 of 2 free throws. West inbounded to Chris Connell who took the ball

game still had plenty of excitement for the down the floor and missed a shot from 25 feet to give South the victory.

> "This would have been a great win for the game," Morrison said. "We didn't quit, and we had our chances."

12 66 18 14 19 63

MS - Benak 5, DeArmond 17, Gilin 7, Wagner 8, Perry 29..

MW - Harris 5, Guido 19, Connell 15, Schnuerle 12, Meyersick 2, Burling 10.





### Forecasters Miscalculate Storm's Affect on Millard

After trailing most of the game, Elkhorn South tied Friday night's match up with Millard west 52-52 with 4:43 left in the game.

The Wildcat defense, led by Giavonni Guido, forced four consecutive turnovers and went on an 8-0 run to put the Storm out of reach.

Four Wildcats scored in double digits. Austin Harris and Brock Burling both scored 16 points. Guido and Chris Connell added 12 points to the effort.

Ben Liable led all scorers with 25 points, and Mick Williams added 17 points for Elkhorn South.

"This was a good game for us in a great environment. I think the people that came out for the game got their money's worth," Coach Bill Morrison said.

Millard West jumped out to an early 7-2 lead by scoring on their first three possessions. Elkhorn South responded with back-to-back three's and took their only lead of the game, 8-7.

West answered with a10-0 run only to be followed by the Storm's 12-2 run to finish the quarter. The two teams were tied 20-20 after the first period.

Connell lifted the Wildcats to a 25-20 lead by scoring five points in the first minute of the second quarter.

West's offense continue to click in the 2nd quarter as their defense held the Storm to 11 points in the quarter. West led 40-31 at half-time. "I thought we moved the ball really well and moved without the ball as good as we have all year," Morrison said. "We had 21 assists tonight. Six of them in the 2nd quarter."

Williams and Laible would not let Elkhorn South go down without a fight. The two scored all 14 of the team's points in the 2nd quarter as Elkhorn South

cut the lead to 49-45 after the 3rd quarter.

Harris hit a 3-pointer to start the 4th quarter for the Wildcats. But, West would not score in their next six possessions, allowing Elkhorn South to tie the score 52-52.

"I thought we were trying to do too much to start the 4th quarter," Morrison said. "It felt like we were trying to make big plays instead of doing what we did tin the first three quarter."

Guido sparked the Wildcats by scoring five points on 2 steals and got a deflection that led to another steal.

With a 60-52 lead and under 3 minutes left in the game, West slowed the game down and finished the game out at the free-throw line..



Williams hit a 3-pointer for the Storm to draw Elkhorn South to 62-59, but could not get any closer.

MW 20 20 9 16 65 ES 20 11 14 14 59

MW — Harris 16, Buscher 4, Guido 12, Connell 12, Harmdierks 2, Schnuerle 2, Meyersick 1, Burling 16

ES — Williams 17, Laible 25, Piatkowski 7, Berendes 6, Nelson 4



### Millard West Uses First Half To Beat Fremont

After a slow first quarter, Millard West used a 14-0 run to take control of the game and beat Fremont 60-46.

Giavonni Guido led the Wildcats with an impressive performance. He recorded 22 points, 7 steals, 7 rebounds, and 6 assists on the night.

Riley Harms and Zach Woehrer led the Tigers with 23 and 13 points respectively.

Fremont controlled the tempo early and took a 4-0 lead. West scored on seven consecutive possessions, including 9 points by Guido, and led 15-9 at the end of the period.

The Tigers cut the lead to 19-16 on a basket by Harms with 5:20 left in the quarter..

West went on their 14-0 run and led 33-16 with 1:50 left in the half. Fremont ended the quarter by forcing four turnovers and going on a 4-0 run

to trail 33-20 at the break.

"Gio really set the tempo for us on defense in the first half," Coach Bill Morrison said. "Once we took a little control over the tempo, we started to play pretty well."

Fremont outscored West 16-11 in the 2nd quarter. They got as close as 42-36 after a 3-pointer by Woehrer. Harms and Woehrer scored all of the Tiger points in the 3rd quarter.

Millard West did just enough in the final period to keep the Tigers from mounting a comeback. A 3-pointer by Austin Callahan with 2:55 left made the score 54-46. Fremont would not score the rest of the game.

"I didn't think we played with much intensity in the 2nd half," Morrison said. "We wanted to get some traps to force the tempo, and we weren't aggressive enough to get that done."

FHS 9 11 16 10 46 MW 15 18 11 16 60

FHS — Callahan 3, Heineman 5, Keeney 2, Harms 23, Woehrer 13,

MW — Harris 9, Buscher 2, Guido 22, Connell 9, Beanum 1, Harmdierks 3, Schnuerle 2, Meyersick 4, Burling 8



### Worth Mentioning

Gio Guido led the Wildcats to two victories this weekend. He scored 34 points, grabbed 12 rebounds, dished out 14 assists, blocked 3 shots, and had 11 steals in the two games.









### Wildcats Fall Short in Upset Bid Against Blue Jays

Class A #1 Creighton Prep came to Millard West Friday night hoping to keep their nine game winning streak in tact. West had a different idea.

The Wildcats used a strong 2nd and 3rd quarter to go into the final period tied 53-53. Prep was able to get, and hold onto, the lead to record a 74-63 victory.

West was led by Giavonni Guido with 20 points and Brock Burling with 18.

Prep had three players score in double digits. Akol Arop led the Blue jays with 20 points. Grant Matthies and Jaylin Hunter scored 16 points each.

The two teams played evenly early in the game.
Two free throws by Jaylin Hunter tied the score at 9-9.

West turned the ball over on two consecutive possessions which started a 14-5 run to end the first quarter.

"We had a couple turnovers that led to baskets in the first quarter, and they go out to their lead early," Coach Bill Morrison said.

Prep built a 29-18 lead in the 2nd quarter after another basket by J. Hunter.

West would settle down and score on seven of their last nine possession of the quarter including. Prep was



able to keep the Wildcats at bay by scoring on five of their last seven possessions.

Prep took a 42-35 lead into the half. Morrison was happy with his team's first half effort. "We played hard. We always do against Prep. I know they are rally good offensively, but I think our defense could have been better," he said.

In the 2nd half, Prep led 46-40 at the 5:30 mark of the 3rd quarter. West went on another run, scoring on five of six possessions and taking a 50-46 lead.

A 3-pointer by Matthies and a basket by Arop got the Blue jays the lead back at 51-50. The Wildcats outscored Prep 18-11 in the period. The two teams were tied 53-53 going into the last period.

The teams exchanged baskets to start the final period. Another thee pointer by Matthies gave the Blue jays a 58-55 lead.

Prep would score on four consecutive baskets to build a 67-57 lead with 3:30 left in the game. Prep made 5 of 6 free throws down the stretch to keep the Wildcats from making a come back.

"We spent so much energy in the 2nd and 3rd quarter that we didn't have much

left in the 4th quarter," Morrison said. "We need to start these "big" games better and control our emotions better."

CP 23 19 11 21 74 MW 14 21 18 10 63

CP — Arop 20, Moes 1, Luedtke 7, Matthies 16, Faber 5, Temme 9, Hunter 16

MW — Harris 7, Guido 20, Cutler 5, Connell 5, Schnuerle 1, Meyersick 7, Burling 18.

### Wildcats Escape With a Victory over Lincoln Northeast

Millard West had to get a defensive stop on the last possession of the game to seal the victory over Lincoln Northeast.

The Rockets trailed 64-61 with 16

seconds left and the ball under West's basket. Bradley got a wide open look from 25 feet. The shot was long. Vacasek grabbed the offensive rebound and gave it to Jake Bard, who missed an off balanced shot at the buzzer.

The win moved the Wildcats to 8-9 on the season, while the Rockets remain winless at 0-20 for the year.

Brock Burling and Giavonni Guido scored 13-11 points to pace the Wildcats.

Northeast had four players score in double digits. Aiden Glenn led the way with 16 points. Carson Busch score 14 points. Yashua Bradley and Tobin Vacasek added 11 and 10 points each.

The scoring started off slow for both teams. Northeast held an early 7-4 lead before West went on an 8-0 run the take a 12-4 lead. Back to back baskets by Hunter Schnuerle helped give the Wildcats a 17-9 lead.

Lincoln Northeast attacked the Wildcat defense and outscored West 17-16 in the 2nd quarter. Glenn led the way for the Rockets with 8 points.

After the half, Northeast wasted no time getting back into the game. The Rockets started the half with a 10-3 run and tied the score at 36-36 in the first three minutes of the quarter.



The two teams were even the rest of the quarter and went into the final period tied 46-46.

"Northeast didn't play like an 0-19 team tonight," Coach Bill Morrison said. "They were aggressive. They were physical. They really put us on our heals."

West forced three turnovers to start the 4th quarter and built a 51-46 lead. But Northeast would score on their next three possessions to tie the score 53-53 with 5:19 left in the game.

Northeast seamed to have an answer every time West scored. The Wildcats were able to get to the free throw line in the 4th quarter, but had trouble converting. West was only 10-17 from the line, which allowed the Rockets to stay close.

Two free throws by Guido gave

West a 63-58 lead, but Busch made a 3-pointer for Northeast with 25 seconds left.

Chris Connell made 1 of 2 free throws with 16 seconds left to make

the lead 64-61 going into the last possession.

"We just didn't play hard enough tonight. Our defense has to be better," Morrison said. "We have 5 games in the next two weeks. If we play solid defense we can win all five of the games.

Gio Guido had 4 steals in the game and broke the single season steals record. He currently has 55 steals on the season. The record was held by Colton Johnson (06-07) and Shae

Wyatt (16-17).

MW 17 16 13 18 64 LNE 9 17 20 15 15

MW — Harris 9, Guido 11, Connell 7, Beanum 5, Harmdierks 7, Schnuerle 6, Meyersick 6, Burling 13.

LNE — Bradley 11, Busch 14, Vacasek 10, Rose 7, Glenn 16, Fuchs 3.





### 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.



### 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 gave great effort on the defensive end."

> Holston and Anthony Ignowski helped Benson outscore the Wildcats 20-16 in the third quarter. Holston

### Wildcats Hold On in 4th Ouarter 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 quarter. 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

### East vs West (Cont.)

cats held a 47-42 lead going into the

final period.

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

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.)

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.)

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





# Navigators Knock Wildcats Off Course

The Lincoln North Star and Millard West boys basketball teams were headed in different directions coming into their game Thursday night at The Swamp.

The Navigators showed they might be turning things around at just the right time with a 61-45 home victory in their next-to-last regular-season game before districts.

Both teams played zone defense in the first half and was played at a slow, deliberate pace.

West got off to an early 8-3 lead behind three-pointers by Chris Connell and Austin Harris. Another 3-pointer by Brock Burling at the buzzer gave the Wildcats a 16-12 lead at the end of the first quarter.

North Star converted on 6 of their first 8 possessions of the 2nd quarter. Back-to-back 3-pointers gave the Navi-

gators a 27-23 lead with 2:43 left in the half. A basket off of an offensive rebound at the buzzer gave North Star a 29-25 lead at the half.

"We didn't seem to have much energy on defense in the first half," Coach Bill Morrison said. "And, for some reason, their zone gave us a lot of trouble in the first half."

North Star outscore West 15-12 in the third quarter. The Navigators built a 36-29 lead early in the 2nd half. West was able to score, but was not able to keep the Navigators from scoring.

West switched to a man-to-man defense in the final period, and the Navigators started to attack the basket. Donny William was 9 of 15 from the line in the 4th quarter as he scored 13 points in the period to help the Navigators pull away from the Wildcats.

Williams finished with 31 for North Star and Alex Goll added 12.

"We didn't do a very good job on Williams when we switched to man. We didn't help soon enough and ended up fouling him," Coach Morrison said.

Brock Burling was the only Wildcat in double digits with 13 points.

MW 16 9 12 8 45 LNS 12 17 15 17 61

MW — Harris 5, Guido 3, Connell 8, Beanum 2, Gomes 5, Harmdierks 7, Meyersick 2, Burling 13

LNS — Williams 31, Juracek 3, Goll 12, Allick 4, Johnson 3, Lopez 2, Brandt 6





### **Bearcats Spoil Senior Night**

Kearney used a 23-14 3rd quarter to build a comfortable lead on Senior Night at Millard West.

The Wildcats would not be able to narrow the Bearcat lead in the 4th quarter as Kearney won 66-54.

Kanon Koster led three Bearcats in double digits with 23 points. Seth Stroh and Carson Schwarz added 18 and 12 for KHS.

Brock Burling led the Wildcats with 20 points. Chris Connell also scored 13 points.

Scoring was hard to come by early in the game. Two free throws by Schwarz gave Kearney a 6-4 lead with 4:33 left in the 1st quarter. The Bearcats led 13-7 before Burling scored 4 points to end the quarter and close the lead to 13-11.

West battled to take a lead in the 2nd quarter. Another basket by Burl-

ing tied the score at 23-23 with 2:10 left in the period. A three pointer by Giavonni Guido gave West a 27-23 lead going into the half.

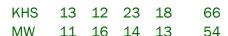
"I think our Seniors were a little emotional early and did not play relaxed in the first quarter," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We relaxed in the 2nd quarter and did a good job of battling back."

Kearney came out of the half scoring 13 points in their first five possessions while holding the Wildcats scoreless. The Bearcats led 38-27 after just two minutes of the 2nd half.

"The 3rd quarter has been a problem for us all season. We need to figure that out for districts," Coach Morrison said.

West battled back again and cut the score to 43-41 with 1:05 left in the guarter. Kearney scored 5 points in the last minute to gain a 48-41 lead going into the 4th quarter.

West was not able to get any closer than six points in the final period. Koster took control of the game and scored 10 points in the 4th quarter.



KHS — Schwarz 12, Stute 3, Stroh 18, Obermiller 4, Goree 3, Straka 3, Koster 23.

MW — Harris 4, Guido 9, Connell 13, Gomes 2, Schnuerle 6, Burling 20









### Wildcats Beat #5 Burke, Advance to District Finals

Shereef Mitchell wept on the Omaha Burke bench following a seasonand high school career-ending 61-59 loss to Millard West in the District A-2 semifinals Saturday.

The high-scoring senior guard poured in 29 points with an 11-of-17 shooting performance, but in the final

32 seconds was called for a traveling violation on an inbounds pass while the Bulldogs were trying to protect a one-point lead.

The Wildcats took advantage of the turnover when 6-foot-8 senior Brock Burling knocked down a pair of free throws after being fouled during a scrum in the paint.

Burke had two chances to win the game, but missed on both possessions — including a Mitchell heave in heavy traffic from the top of the key as the clock expired.

With the wild win — in a game in which each team led by more than a dozen points — Millard West (12-11) will face No. 1 Omaha Creighton Prep on Monday night with a trip to the Class A state tournament on the line.

"We've played them twice and I think they are the best team in the state," Millard West coach Bill Morrison said. "We're going to have to beat them some time if we want to reach our goal."

The same could have been said about Millard West beating Burke. They met in early January and the Bulldogs had little trouble going on the road to beat the Wildcats.

When Mitchell came out blazing — he knocked down a 3 on the first possession of the game and finished the first quarter with 12 points — it looked like Burke would make short work of the Wildcats.

"Shereef was in a zone from the start." Millard West senior guard



Giavonni Guido said. "He's tough to guard any time, but especially when he is in attack mode. He's tough to guard. I know, I was guarding him and he was going by me. I was like, 'When's this going to be over?'"

Neither Guido nor the Wildcats were giving up — even with Burke jumping to a 19-7 lead after one quarter.

Things changed quickly — the crazy swings were a theme for this contest — as Millard West opened the second quarter with a 9-0 run that shrunk most of its deficit and gave the Wildcats reason to believe.

"We came out flat," Burling said. "We came out soft and wanted to redeem ourselves. It could have been our last game of the year and we didn't want it to end that way."

It didn't. When Hunter Schnuerle hit a runner with less than a minute to play in the first half, the Wildcats had the lead — 29-28 — for the first time

and they were just getting started.

If they were shaky and flat in the first quarter, the third quarter was just the opposite for the Wildcats, who might have played their best eight minutes of the season in growing the lead to as many as 12 points.

West made 9 of 10 shots, including all four of its attempts from beyond the 3-point arc — two of them from Schnuerle — while turning over the ball just once and forcing the Bulldogs to play on their heels.

"We caught fire and that was a big boost," said Guido, who finished with 12 points. "They didn't ever really recover from that."

That's not entirely true. The Bull-dogs trailed by 11 heading into the fourth quarter, but they were far from dead in the water. They went on a 5-0 run to start the final period. A David Moreano 3 from the right side cut the lead to six points and seemed to spark Burke.

Mitchell made it a one-possession game with two straight baskets midway through the period and the teams spent the next three minutes trading buckets before a Mitchell jumper gave

Burke a 59-58 lead with 42 seconds to play.

Burke (12-13) got a stop and took possession with a chance to run down the clock. The ball was deflected out of bounds, forcing Burke to inbound the ball with 32 seconds to play.

The plan was simple: Deny the ball going to Mitchell. "I was going to try to steal it or get a quick foul - something," Guido said.

The Bulldogs threw it deep into their backcourt. Mitchell beat Guido to the ball and took possession by leaping for it. He came down with a hop and a whistle signaled he had traveled.

"I just got lucky," Guido said. "He walked with the ball."

MW (12-13)......19 8 12 20-59 OB

MW: Austin Harris 4-6 0-0 10, Giavonni Guido 4-8 1-5 12, Chris Connell 4-7 3-4 11, Tristan Gomes 1-2 0-0 2, Hunter Schnuerle 4-6 0-0 10, Evan Meyersick 1-3 0-0 2, Brock Burling 5-12 2-2 12. Totals 23-44 8-13 61.

OB: Xavier Watts 0-5 0-0 0, Shereef Mitchell 11-17 6-8 29, David Moreano

3-7 4-4 13, Jordan Jones 0-1 0-0 0, Isaac Lawrence 2-3 0-0 4, Chris Hickman 3-4 1-2 7, Chris Hanz 3-3 0-2 6. Totals 22-40 11-16 59.

**3-point shooting:** Millard West 7-12 (Harris 2, Guido 3, Schnuerle 2), Omaha Burke 4-15 (Moreano 3, Mitchell). Total Fouls: Millard West 15, Omaha Burke 12. Fouled out: none.

Wildcats Earn 8th Straight Trip to **District Finals** 

### Prep Attacks Early, Eliminates Wildcats

Top-ranked Creighton Prep heeded focus early in the game." its coach's pregame message entering Monday's district championship game.

needed to be like sharks in the water had 14 points in the opening quarter. At Cr Prep with that red meat around," Creighton Temme, who entered the night averag-Prep coach Josh Luedtke said. "We had ing 11.6 points per game, finished 6 of to be the aggressor, the more attacking 11 from behind the arc and scored a team."

The Junior Jays were that right from the tip as they opened a 24-point in the first half to build a 47-23 O, Harmdierks 1-1 O-2 2. Totals 21-50 halftime lead in rolling to an 81-56 win halftime lead. The Junior Jays led by at 7-13 56. over Millard West.

Defense set the tone. Prep led 6-0 50 seconds into the game as Akol Arop an alley-oop dunk. Temme threw the 5, Matthies 2-5 0-1 5, Temme 10-16 4scored a layin on the opening possession, then Jaylin Hunter had back-to- Arop grabbed it with his right hand and 0-2 6, Farner 0-1 0-0 0, Wolfe 1-1 0-0 back layups after steals.

By the midway point of the first quarter, Prep had forced six turnovers, games to heal an injury, and Hunter Guido 2-4, Harris 1-3, Schnuerle 1-3, scored five baskets in transition and each added 14 points. Prep shot 58 Gomes 0-1, Olson 0-2); CP 12-25 led 15-3.

"The defensive intensity was the most impressive thing to me tonight," players in double figures with 13 Luedtke said. "These guys were unbe-points. lievable tonight with their effort and

After that early burst, 6-foot-7 senior Jayden Temme heated up. The Bene-"We talked before the game that we dictine commit hit four 3-pointers and M West career-high 30 points.

least 20 throughout the second half.

pass from behind the 3-point line and 5 30, Hunter 5-8 3-3 14, Armstead 2-2 threw it down.

Arop, who sat out the previous two percent from the field as a team.

Chris Connell led three Millard West

Prep, which has won 15 straight,

heads to state for the fourth straight year and looks for its first title since 2015.

13 10 14 19-56 24 23 19 15-81

MW: Harris 4-8 2-2 11, Guido 3-10 0 -0 8, Connell 5-9 0-0 13, Schnuerle 2-5 0-0 5, Burling 5-7 0-2 10, Meyersick 0-2 2-2 2, Olson 0-2 0-0 0, Beanum 0-0 2 Prep scored 12 straight points late -2 2, Gomes 1-5 1-3 3, Buscher 0-1 0-0

**CP:** Arop 6-10 2-2 14. Moes 1-3 0-0 Arop punctuated that 12-0 run with 2, Hacker 0-0 2-2 2, Luedtke 1-2 2-2 3. Totals 28-48 13-17 81.

> 3-point goals: MW 7-18 (Connell 3-5, (Temme 6-11, Armstead 2-2, Wolfe 1-1, Luedtke 1-2, Hunter 1-2, Matthies 1-4, Moes 0-1, Arop 0-2). Rebounds: MW 27 (Burling, Gomes 5); CP 22 (Luedtke 7). Turnovers: MW 17, CP 13. Total fouls: MW 16, CP 14. A: 900 (est.).



Jordan Gassen and his 6th Grade MBA teammates were special guests at the Millard West vs. Kearney game Saturday night.





Giavonni Guido broke both the season and career steals records. He had 74 steals this year and 119 in his career.

### Class of 2018

Giavonni Guido, Chris Connell, Brock Burling, Hunter Schnuerle, Austin Harris, Cade Cutler

# MILLARD WEST WILDCATS

### **Final Records:**

Freshmen A 13-4
Freshmen B 11-4
Reserves 16-1
Jr. Varsity 18-2
Varsity 12-12





### 2017-2018 Final Stats



Player	GP	2FGM-A	3FGM-A	FTM-A	REB	AST	BLK	STL	то	СТ	PTS
Harris	24	44-90	32-105	41-58	77	45	2	25	31		225
Buscher	16	9-18	2-19	27-33	24	31	1	8	25		51
Guido	23	49-118	34-80	44-72	70	127	16	74	101	2	244
Cutler	20	2-9	1-9	6-11	9	12		7	11		13
Glantz	12	2-4	0-3	4-5	3	4		1	4		8
Connell	24	52-99	21-59	36-52	63	54	6	20	44		203
Beanum	21	7-10	1-5	7-8	25	12	1	12	11		24
Wiltse	9	2-4			1	1		1			4
Olson	11	2-4	0-7	1-2	8	1		1	2		5
Gomes	10	11-25	0-1	2-5	35	10	6	3	9		24
Harmdierks	21	15-34		7-19	35	8	3	5	7		37
Schnuerle	24	50-88	18-43	14-28	91	39	16	22	25		168
David	7	2-8	1-3	0-1	4	1		2	2		7
Meyersick	24	27-54	3-12	22-38	54	11	8	7	21	1	85
Burling	23	131-212	1-1	60-91	130	27	19	11	42		325
TEAM	24	405-777	114-347	271-423	629	383	78	199	335	3	1423

The world of sports is both a classroom and a laboratory. Through competition we learn from a young age the value of training, practice, and discipline, as well as the meaning of fair play. Sports teach us how to persevere, how to deal with adversity, how to become a part of a single heartbeat that defines a team. Sports teach lessons in leadership, respect and courage.

### New School Records and Leaders

<u>Game</u>	<u>Career</u>

1st 1st	Giavonni Guido Brock Burling	9 13	Steals 2FG Made	<b>1st</b> 3rd	<b>Giavonni Guido</b> Giavonni Guido	<b>119</b> 237	<b>Steals</b> Assists
200	Brook Barmig		2. 444	<i>3T</i>	Brock Burling	74	Games
				4th	Brock Burling	234	D Rebounds
	Cassan Das			4th	Brock Burling	65	Blocks
	<u>Season Rec</u>	<u>oras/Leaa</u>	<u>ers</u>	4th	Brock Burling	251	2 FG's Made
				5th	Giavonni Guido	71	Games
3rd	Team	52.1%	2-Pt %	6th	Giavonni Guido	38.9%	3-Pt %
3rd	Team	114	3FG Made	7th	Brock Burling	318	Rebounds
				7th	Brock Burling	615	Points
1st	Giavonni Guido	74	Steals	9th	Brock Burling	84	O Rebounds
2nd	Giavonni Guido	127	Ass5ists	9th	Hunter Schnuerle	38.2%	3-Pt %
3rd	Peyton Buscher	81.8%	FT	10th	Brock Burling	57.2%	2-Pt %
5th	Giavonni Guido	42.5%	3-Pt %	11th	Austin Harris	70.7	FT %
6th	Brock Burling	61.8%	2-Pt %	11th	Hunter Schnuerle	56.8%	2-Pt %
6th	Hunter Schnuerle	41.9%	3-Pt %	12th	Brock Burling	110	FT's Made
8th	Brock Burling	131	2 FG's Made	15th	Chris Connell	70.4%	FT %
12th	Giavonni Guido	34	3 FG's Made	15th	Giavonni Guido	22	Blocks
T12	Brock Burling	325	Points	15th	Chris Connell	70.4%	FT %
T12	Brock Burling	14.1	Points/Game	16th	Giavonni Guido	44	3FG's Made
T14	Austin Harris	32	3 FG's Made	17th	Chris Connell	51.5%	2-Pt %
T18	Brock Burling	91	Def Rebounds	18th	Brock Burling	8.3	Points Game
T19	Brock Burling	19	Blocks	20th	Giavonni Guido	100	2FG Made
T19	Brock Burling	60	FT's Made	20th	Giavonni Guido	401	Points



### 2017-2018 Wildcat Basketball Stats

Opponent		We	They	Assists	Blocks	Rebounds	Steals	Points	Perf.
Lincoln Pius	L	56	67	2	Burling 2	Burling 8	Schnuerle 4	Buscher 13	Schnuerle 11.20
Fremont	W	65	49	Guido 3	Guido 2	Burling 8	Guido 9	Guido 17	Guido 17.32
Omaha South	W	50	47	Guido 9	Burling 3	Schnuerle 4	Guido 6	Burling 16	Guido 16.42
Lincoln SW	L	46	54	Guido 3	Connell 1	Schnuerle 6	Schnuerle 2	Burling 13	Schnuerle 8.55
Omaha Westside	L	53	56	3	1	Schnuerle 9	Buscher 3	Burling 17	Harriss 11.99
Papillion LaVista	W	59	49	Guido 4	Harris 1	5	2	Burling 18	Harris 15.04
Millard North	L	60	77	Guido 5	Meyersick 2	Guido 6	Guido 3	Harris 19	Harris 9.05
M1: Papio LV	W	78	76	Guido 10	Schnuerle 2	6	Guido 5	Burling 29	Burling 18.15
M2: C Prep	L	49	65	Cutler 3	1	Harris 7		Schnuerle 11	Connell 7.99
Omaha Burke	L	50	62	Buscher 3	Schnuerle 2	Schnuerle 6	Guido 5	Guido 22	Guido 9.24
Omaha North	W	63	54	Guido 8	Schnuerle 2	Burling 5	Beanum 2	Burling 16	Burling 11.40
Millard South	L	63	66	Connell 6	Schnuerle 1	Schnuerle 4	Guido 4	Guido 19	Guido 15.41
Omaha Bryan	L	57	82	Guido 7	Guido 1	4	1	Connell 15	Connell 9.47
Elkhorn South	W	65	59	Guido 8	2	Burling 9	Guido 4	16	Burling 15.4
Fremont	W	60	46	Guido 6	1	Guido 7	Guido 7	Guido 22	Guido 24.02
Creighton Prep	L	63	74	Guido 5	Burling 1	Burling 6	Guido 2	Guido 20	Guido 13.52
Lincoln NE	W	64	61	4	1	Burling 6	Guido 4	Burling 13	Beanum 10.87
Bellevue East	W	72	58	Guido 7	1	Burling 13	Beanum 3	Burling 25	Burling 20.61
Omaha Benson	W	71	43	5	2	Gomes 7	Cutler 2	Meyersick 14	Meyersick 14.5
Papillion South	W	64	58	Guido 7	2	Gomes 6	Guido 4	Burling 14	Burling 15.54
Lincoln NS	L	45	61	Guido 7	Schnuerle 2	Burling 6	1	Burling 13	Burling 12.07
Kearney	L	54	66	Guido 9	Burling 3	Burling 6	Guido 6	Burling 20	Guido 15.99
D1: O Burke	W	61	59	Guido 8	1	Burling 5	1	12	Schnuerle 13.32
D2: C Prep	L	56	81	Guido 6	1	5	Guido 4	Connell 13	Connell 9.43
Team (12-12)		1424	1470	Guido 127	Burling 19	Burling 124	Guido 74	Burling 325	Guido 232.92

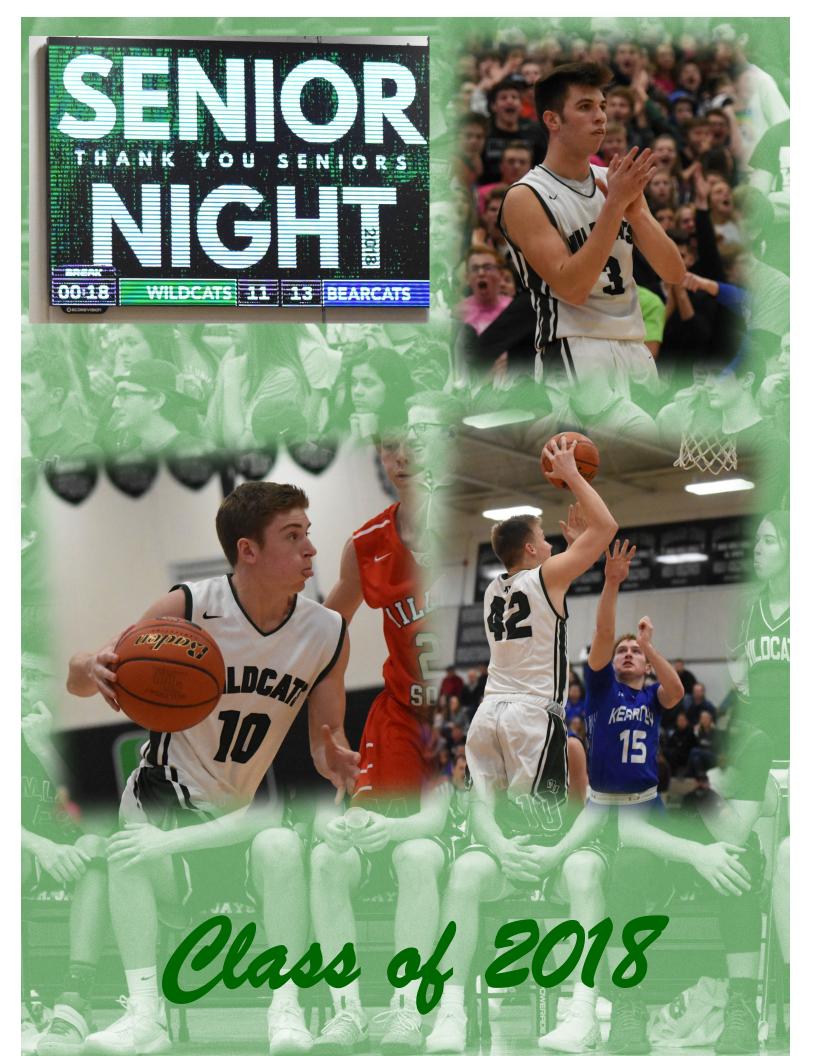






	Season Leader	Stat
Made Free Throws	Burling	60
Free Throw Percentage	Buscher	81.8%
2-Pointers Made	Burling	131
2-Point Percentage	Burling	61.8%
3-Pointers Made	Guido	34
3-Point Percentage	Guido	42.5%











### Omaha-World Herald

### **All-Metro 1st Team**

Shareef Mitchell Burke

Akol Arop Prep

Kyle Perry M South

Roman Behrens Central

Tre'Vion Crawford Bryan

### **All-Metro 2nd Team**

Nick Ferrarini M North

Tyrell Carroll M South

Cedric Johnson Bell West

Kyle Luedtke Prep

Jaylin Hunter Prep

### All-Metro 3rd Team

Jadin Booth Westside

Caleb Feekin Papio LV

Tuach Dol Papio South

Jay Pal Central

Chucky Hepburn Bell West

### 2017-2018 Final Rankings

- 1. Creighton Prep
- 2. Bellevue West
- 3. Omaha Central
- 4. Omaha Bryan
- 5. Lincoln East
- 6. Lincoln Pius X
- 7. Millard South
- 8. Kearney
- 9. Omaha Burke
- 10. Papio LaVista

### Scholar Athlete Awards

### **Lincoln Journal Star**

Chris Connell
Jacob Harmdierks

### **NSAA**

Chris Connell
Jacob Harmdierks

**Metro Conference** 

### Honorable Mention

### All—Metro

Giavonni Guido Brock Burling Chris Connell

Chris Connel

Hunter Schnuerle
Austin Harris

### All—State

Giavonni Guido Brock Burling

### All-Nebraska First Team

Shareef Mitchell Burke

Kanon Koster Kearney

Brady Heiman Platteview

Akol Arop Prep

Sam Griesel Lin East

### State Tournament

#8 Millard South (16-7) 41.8261 Game 1 - Pinnacle Bank Mar 8 - 2:00 PM **CLASS A** Millard South 75-65 (OT) #1 Omaha Central (24-2) Game 5 Mar 9 - 7:00 PM Bellevue West 64-62 #5 Bellevue West (18-6) 42.5000 Pinnacle Bank Game 2 - Pinnacle Bank Bellevue West 59-51 Game 7 Mar 8 - 3:45 PM 6:30 PM #4 Kearney (18-6) 42.6250 Mar 10 Pinnacle Bank #7 Lincoln Pius X (16-8) 42.0833 Creighton Prep 56-46 Champion Game 3 - Pinnacle Bank Mar 8 - 7:00 PM Prep 83-80 (3 OT) #2 Creighton Prep (23-1) 44.6667 Game 6 Prep 63-48 Mar 9 - 8:45 PM #3 Lincoln East (24-1) 44.1600 Pinnacle Bank Game 4 - Pinnacle Bank Bryan 50-48 Mar 8 - 8:45 PM

#6 Omaha Bryan (19-5) 42.4583

### All-Nebraska 2nd Team

Kyle Perry Mil South
Roman Behrens Cnetral
Brady Danielson York
Tre'Vion Crawford Bryan
Tyrell Carroll Mil South

### All Nebraska 3rd Team

Jordan Janssen Lin East
Charlie Easley Pius X

Kyle Luedtke Prep
Cedric Johnson Bell West

Nick Ferrarini Mil North

### Class A 1st Team

Shareef Mitchell Burke

Akol Arop Prep

Kanon Koster Kearney

Sam Griesel Lin East

Tre'Vion Crawford Bryan

### Class A 2nd Team

Kyle PerryMil SouthTyrell CarrollMil SouthRoman BehrensCentralCedric JohnsonBell WestJordan JanssenLin East



# Junior Varsity

The Millard West JV team finished Braeden Wiltse led the team with 11 attitude. the season with an 18-2 record. The points each. West won 67-45. team had an average victory of almost 20 points per game. Their two losses both came in road games in Lincoln.

sity team.

After a slow start, the Team went on fense with 10 points apiece. a 14-3 run to end the 1st half and only be down by 1 at halftime. The momen-Wildcats won 54-49.

The JV Boys were able to score many transition points due to defensive pressure in the 1st half against focus on defense in their 73-22 win Fremont. The team went on to beat over Westside. Every player gave great their victory over Millard South. Tristan

with a 56-31 win over Omaha South. points followed by Evan Meyersick with This JV team will have to be ready After halftime, the Wildcats played bet- 10 points. Zach Olson and Connor for Varsity action next year as West will ter Team Defense that led to the final McDonnell chipped in 8 points apiece. graduate all five starters from the Var- score. They gave up only 8 points in the Tyler Schmidt and Dalys Beanum had 7 2nd half. Jacob Harmdierks, Nate points. Glantz, and Braeden Wiltse led the of-

After leading by 5 at halftime, the JV Bellevue East. tum stayed with the Wildcats in the Boys suffered their first loss of the sea-2nd half, outscoring Pius 33-27. Ryan son, 54-65. Lincoln Southwest conpoints. David led the team with 19 points. trolled the 2nd half by hitting their Free Wiltse contributed 11 and 10 points Zach Olson chipped in 10 points. The Throws (15/17 in the 2nd Half). Jacob respectively. Harmdierks led MW with 13 points. Max Anderson contributed 10 points.

The JV Boys team came out with a victory over Millard South

All players that played against Westside made it into the scoring col-The JV boys picked up another win umn. Nate Glantz finished with 13

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

> Rvan David led the Wildcats with 18 Nate Glantz and Braeden

> The JV team won the first game of their Holiday Tournament with a 64-20

The team played great defense in the Tigers 67-45. Zach Olson and effort and played with the appropriate Gomes led with 12 points. Nate Glantz

> and Jacob Harmdierks chipped in 11 and 10 points.

> The JV team won their Tournament with a 63-48 win over Millard North.

> Another outstanding effort on the defensive end allowed the team to hold another opponent below 50 points.

Jacob Harmdierks led the squad with 13 points, Zach Olson and Braeden Wiltse contributed 12 and 10 points each.



The JV Boys were able to get a victothis season with a 56-52 win.

Down 6 going into the 4th quarter, points.

29 victory over Omaha North. After a seconds left and Millard North out of JV Boys stepped up their defensive infast start offensively, the team contin-timeouts. ued to play great defense against the the team with 14 points.

The Millard West JV team used a 16against Papillion-LaVista. The Wildcats -43 victory. did not allow the Monarchs to score in the last 7 minutes of the 3rd quarter. 18 point lead in the 3rd Quarter, and West won 61-39.

Tristan Gomes led the Wildcats with Prep. 14 points. Jacob Harmdierks added 12 points.

The JV Boys outscored Central 41- respectively 25 in the 2nd and 3rd quarters. The team executed the defensive plan in the 2nd quarter and attacked Central's week by beating Lincoln Northeast 71press in the 3rd quarter.

points. Ryan David and Nate Glantz able to break open a close game by contributed 10 points each.

On Friday, the JV Boys continued to play team defense and held Elkhorn points. Zach Olson and Braeden Wiltse South to 19 points in the second half of contributed 11 and 10 points. a 60-43 victory.

Evan Meyersick led the team with 13 points. Jacob Harmdierks and Nate physical game and come up with some Glantz also hit double digits with 11 defensive stops in crunch time to Beat and 10 points respectively.

days stretch with a 49-35 victory over game was at the free throw line. Mil-Fremont to improve to 13-1 on the sea- lard West was 14/17 from the line

Ryan David led the team with 15 points.

The Wildcat JV team had an exciting ry over Millard South for the 2nd time overtime victory over Millard North, streak was snapped by Lincoln North West came out on top, 68-67.

With under 10 seconds left in reguthe team was able to force some turno- lation, Jacob Harmdierks got a steal the score in the last seconds of the vers and hold Millard South to 7 points. and passed the ball ahead to Nate game but could not convert. Jacob Harmdierks led the team with 17 Glantz. Nate made the layup to force overtime.

Dalys Beanum clinched the victory in The JV team moved to 9-1 with a 50- overtime by making a free throw with 9

Nate Glantz, Jacob Harmdierks, in the 2nd half. previous 6-2 Vikings. Nate Glantz led Evan Meyersick, and Dalys Beanum all scored in double figures.

3 3rd quarter to break the game open first three quarters on their way to a 51 record.

The Wildcats were able to build an was able to withstand a comeback by

Zach Olson led the Wildcats with 13 points. Dalys Beanum and Braeden Wiltse contributed 11 and 10 points

The JV won their 3rd game of the 53. After leading 30-28 at half and 47-Zach Olson led the team with 12 43 after 3 quarters, the JV Boys were making 15/19 free throws in the 4th Ouarter.

Nate Glantz led the team with 21

The JV Boys were able to endure a Omaha Burke 49-41.

West was leading 32-31 going into The JV Boys finished a 3 games in 3 the 4th quarter. The difference in the while Omaha Burke was 5/13.

> Evan Meyersick led the team with 11 points.

The JV Boys Basketball 14 game win Star. The Navigators beat West 50-47.

The Wildcats had two chances to tie

Nate Glantz led the team with 19 points.

After leading at halftime, 30-25, the tensity and held Kearney to 12 points

Nate Glantz and Braeden Wiltse lead the team with 12 points each.

This was the last JV game of the sea-The JV team outscored Prep in the son and the team finished with an 18-2

### Scores

Opponent			
Pius X	W	54	49
Fremont	W	67	45
Omaha South	W	56	31
Lincoln Southwest	L	54	65
Westside	W	73	22
Bellevue East	W	64	43
Millard South	W	64	20
Millard North	W	63	48
Millard South	W	56	52
Omaha North	W	50	29
Papillion LV	W	61	39
Omaha Central	W	63	43
Elkhorn South	W	60	43
Fremont	W	49	35
Millard North	W	68	67
Creighton Prep	W	51	43
Lincoln Northeast	W	71	53
Omaha Burke	W	49	41
Lincoln North Star	L	47	50
Kearney	W	67	37





# Reserves

with a 66-49 victory later in the sea- with 18. son.

With a lot of Sophomores on the JV a lot of promise for the future of the in a high scoring game, 71-61. Millard West Basketball Program.

The Reserve Boys had great start to their season winning by 43 points over Lincoln Northeast. 65-28. They had four players in double figures. Teryn Morrison had 17. Trey Wilbeck had 14, Dom Humm had 13, and Max Anderson had 12.

The Reserves beat Omaha South 65-28 in their 2nd game of the year. The Wildcats came out strong in 2nd half the scoring 25 points the 3rd quarter

The Reserve team had a great sea- for the 2nd night in a row. Defense team with 14 points. son, recording a 16-1 record on the was productive in the 2nd quarter holdseason. Their average win was by over ing the Packers to 2 points. West had 23 points. The Reserves only lost one three players in double figures. Max 14 points as they traveled to Bellevue game to Creighton Prep. They were Anderson had 12, Trey Wilbeck added East and came home with a 53-25 vicable to avenge that loss in big fashion 13 and Teryn Morrison led all scorers tory.

The offense had to carry the team points in each quarter. team, who went 18-2, this class shows tonight as Millard West beat Westside

scored with Teryn Morrison leading the day Tournament with a 62-38 victory.

Skylar Gessert led the Wildcats with

The reserve boys put an emphasis on defense keeping East under 10

The Reserve team handled Omaha All 12 players on Millard West Westside in the first round of the Holi-



Baylor Brannen led the Wildcats man had a "Big Yer" versus the Warri- mance by everyone. ors.

in the championship of the holiday victory. It was a hard fought win. tournament, losing 56-62. Baylor Brannen led all scorers with 14 points.

After trailing 21-16 at halftime, the Reserve team found some offensive against the Eagles of Omaha Central season with a home 63-57 win over production in the 2nd half. trailed 42-41 with 5 minutes left in the serve boys held Central under 10 18-15 after the first quarter. West regame. Josh Wickstrom made 3 3- points each quarter. pointers late in the game to keep the Wildcats in striking distance.

win the game for the Wildcats. The play was set up by a nice drive and pass from Nate Bauermeister. Trey Wilbeck 1st quarter lead, and a 34-16 half-time season with a 16-1 record. led all scorers with 20 points.

It was a good group effort by the Millard West reserve boys team against rival Millard South. The Wildcats won 69-43.

The boys opened up a 23-7 first quarter lead and never looked back. All 11 players scored for the Wildcats with Teryn Morrison leading all scorers with 10 points.

The Reserves beat Omaha North 61 -23 Saturday morning. West's full court pressure made it tough on the Vikings to get any rhythm going on offense.

Teryn Morrison led the Wildcats with 15 points in the game.

The reserve boys avenged their only loss of the season with an inspiring performance at the birdcage.

West jumped out to a 17-1 lead after the first quarter and never looked back. The Bluejays were held without a field goal in the first quarter which helped the Wildcats go into halftime with a 24 point lead. West won 66-49

with a season high 16 points. The big 16 points. It was a great team perfor-

The Wildcats fell short versus Prep out a resilient Papio team in a 53-50 14 in the 2nd quarter!

8 points

A great overall team performance They resulted in a 75-32 victory. The re- Lincoln Pius X. The Thunderbolts led

had 12, Baylor "Big Yer" Brannen had half. Dom Humm hit a 3 at the buzzer to 10, and Josh Wickstrom had 9 points.

> lead over Millard North on their way to a 60-36 victory.

> Trey Wilbeck led the charge against the rival Mustangs of Millard North. He led all scorers with 20 points. Teryn Morrison chipped in 12 as the Reserve Wildcats close out January undefeated.

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

Trey Wilbeck led West with 17

Teryn Morrison led all scorers with points. Dom Humm added 14 points.

Saturday morning, West beat Elkhorn South 81-54. After a 15-15 first guar-The reserve boys struggled closing ter, the Wildcats outscored them 34-

Dom Humm led the team with 18 Henry Polsley led Millard West with points. Teryn Morrison had 15 points. Trey Wilbeck added 10 for West.

The Reserve Boys finished off their gained the lead and went into the half Henry Polsley had 13, Trey Wilbeck up 31-30 before controlling the 2nd

Teryn Morrison led the Wildcats with 22 points. It was a great win to end the Millard West jumped out to a 23-10 season. The Reserve boys finished the

### Scores

Opponent			
Lincoln Northeast	W	74	31
Omaha South	W	65	28
Westside	W	71	61
, Bellevue East	W	53	25
Westside	W	62	38
Creighton Prep	L	56	62
Lincoln East	W	54	52
Millard South	W	69	43
Omaha North	W	61	23
Creighton Prep	W	66	49
Papillion LV	W	53	50
Omaha Central	W	75	32
Millard North	W	60	36
Omaha Burke	W	74	45
Elkhorn South	W	81	54
Bennington	W	63	61
Lincoln Pius X	W	63	57





# Freshmen A

season with a 13-4 record. Their 13 way with 15. wins was by an average of more than 28 points, including four wins by 40 or a total of 17 points.

The Millard West Freshmen got off to points each.

their second win of the season Tuesday Millard South in the finals. night with a 73-18 victory over Omaha with 12 points.

Other Wildcat scoring was Burress Hatch each were in double figures. and Cole with 7, Determan 5, Lodice and Strong with 4, Twait 3, Bizal 2 and Wilson with 1.

on Thursday with a 55-27 win over pre- along the way. viously undefeated Westside.

first quarter lead with Jacob Jones scor- had 13 points in the effort. ing 9 first quarter points. Dustin Hatch led all scorers with 12 points,

Jones finished with 10, Spencer Fortune & James Conway also had 8 points apiece

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,

The Freshmen A team finished the Ryan Larsen with 16, and James Con-

more points. Their four losses were by used a 30-9 3rd quarter to run away ter to stretch the lead and never looked with a 67-47 win over Millard North in back. the 9th Grade Holiday Tournament.

a good start to the season with a 65-34 scoring effort with James Conway, and Jack Mulligan pitched in with 10. win at Lincoln Northeast. Jacob Jones Dustin Hatch, Spencer Fortune, and and Dustin Hatch led the way with 19 Jacob Jones all scoring in double digits.

The A Team was able to win the Papillion-La Vista. The Freshman A team picked up Championship Trophy with a win over

South. All 11 players for Millard West battle with Millard South 52-44. Spen-squad in the 4th quarter for the win. scored, Dustin Hatch led all scorers cer Fortune led all scorers with 13 points while James Conway and Dustin points while James Conway had 12,

> The Freshman A Team lost their first game of the season Saturday in a 66-

Millard West was led by James Con-The Wildcats jumped out to a 22-5 way with 19 points while Dustin Hatch 18 points while Dustin Hatch had 16

> The Freshman A Team could not over come a slow start on Monday night in a 57-53 loss at Millard South. The Wildcats used a 7-2 run to start the 4th quarter, but Millard South finished the game making 8 for their last 9 from the free throw line, the Patriots made 20 free throws in the contest to 5 for the Wildcats.

> James Conway, Dustin Hatch, and Jacob Jones all had 10 points to lead the A team in scoring.

The Freshman A team turned in a strong performance Saturday with a 67-26 win over Omaha North. The Wild-The Millard West Freshman A team cats exploded with a 27 point 2nd quar-

Dustin Hatch led all scorers with 17 The Wildcats were led by a balanced points while Jacob Jones had 12 points

> The Freshman A team came off a 10 day break with a strong 57-43 win over

The Wildcats came out of the gates with a 23-6 advantage after the first The Freshman won a hard fought quarter and fought off a tough Monarch

> Dustin Hatch led all scorers with 17 and Jacob Jones had 10 for Millard West.

The A team finished strong in a 67-62 loss at Lincoln East. The Spartans 44 win at Omaha Central Thursday The Millard West Freshman A team outscored the Wildcats 41-28 in the night. After being down at the half, the turned in their best effort of the season second half, using five three pointers Wildcats outscored the Eagles 39-14 in the second half.

> James Conway led all scorers with and Spencer Fortune had 8.

> The Freshman A team lost a tough match up against Creighton Prep Saturday morning, 50-42. The Wildcats rushed out to a 4 point lead at halftime, but could not hold the lead with the Blue Jays strong push in the 3rd quarter.

> James Conway led Millard West with 12 points and Ryan Larsen had 9 points.

> The Freshman A Team got a hard fought 52-34 win over Burke Monday

-2 to finish off the game.

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

The Freshman A team shook off a The Mustangs led 21-18 at half time, in the 3rd quarter and 15-5 in the 4th... but couldn't hold off the Wildcats in the 2nd half.

13 points, including 9 in the 3rd quar- Ryan Larsen all reached double figter. Dustin Hatch also had 10 points ures. for Millard West.

regular season in thrilling fashion in of the Prep Tournament in tough fashwinning a 61-59 game at Papillion ion. South.

night. The Wildcats turned in a stellar Titans. Dustin Hatch had 14 second sive rebound and basket at the buzzer 4th quarter, outscoring the Bulldogs 16 half points to lead the charge while to get the victory. James Conway led all scorers with 24

> The Freshman A team got off to a good start in the Prep Tournament with a 80-37 win over Bryan.

The Wildcats had a 12 point lead at slow start Monday to earn a hard half and came out of the gates in the fought win over Millard North 46-37. second half, outscoring the Bears 21-0

In a game where all 12 players scored, James Conway, Dustin Hatch, James Conway led all scorers with Spencer Fortune, Jacob Jones, and

The Millard West Freshman lost 55-The Freshman A team finished the 56 to Millard North in the Quarterfinals

The Wildcats came back in the 4th After getting down by as many as 18 quarter after trialing 43-36 and took points in the 3rd quarter the Wildcats the lead in the final minutes of the press proved to be too much for the game. But, Millard North got an offen-

Leading scorers for the Wildcats were James Conway with 23 and Jacob Jones with 21 points.

### **Scores**

Opponent			
Lincoln Northeast	W	65	34
Omaha South	W	73	18
Westside	W	55	27
Bellevue East	W	85	17
Millard North	W	67	47
Millard South	W	52	44
Lincoln East	L	62	66
Millard South	L	53	57
Omaha North	W	67	26
Papillion LV	W	57	43
Omaha Central	W	67	44
Creighton Prep	L	42	50
Omaha Burke	W	52	34
Millard North	W	46	37
Papio South	W	61	59
Omaha Bryan	W	80	37
Millard North	L	55	56

# Freshmen B

The Freshmen B went 11-4 this seagames to end the season.

season on the road with a tough loss to and Determan with 4. Elkhorn South, 41-61. The Wildcats scoring was lead by Ryan Larsen with and Strong with 4, Twait 3, Bizal 2 and 64-26. Wilson with 1.

their first game of the season 60-28 35-12 lead into the half. over Omaha Westside.

Ben Bizal lead the Wildcats with a 12 points. son. The had four wins of 20 or more career best 14 points. Ben VanRooyan points. They won seven of their last and Nate Wilson each had career night game. Strong with 11, Bizal and Cole with 9 points.

The Freshmen B opened the 2018 Strong with 6, Burress and Cole had 5, with 1.

8. Other Wildcat scoring was Burress won their 2nd game of the season with to Millard North 63-55. and Cole with 7, Determan 5, Lodice a commanding win over Bellevue East,

The Wildcats led 14-12 after the 1st West held the Chieftains points. quarter. The Millard West Freshmen B won scoreless in the 2nd quarter and took a

Caleb Lemon led the Wildcats with

All of the Wildcats scored in the had 10, VanRooyan had 9, Wilson and Other Wildcat scoring was Twait and Twait had 4, Determan with 3 and Wu

The Freshmen B lost their opening The Millard West Freshmen B team round game of the Holiday Tournament

> Ben Bizal lead the Wildcats with 15 points.

> Wilson and Lemon each had 11

The B team won the consolation game over Bellevue West 69-31.

The Wildcats got back on the win-

ning track with a big win over Bellevue West.

with 17 followed by Twait and Strong Papio. with 12.

great team win today over Elkhorn and Caden Twait with 8 points each. South, 60-38. The Wildcats played great today with a lot of effort on both sides of the court. Caleb Lemon led all nail bitter at Omaha Central 44-42. Wildcat scoring with 17 followed by Twait with 14 and Strong with 10.

The Wildcats' Freshmen B lose a tough one on the road to Millard South 43-44

Caleb Lemon lead all Wildcat scoring with 20 followed by Nate Wilson with 9.

The Freshmen B Wildcats got back on the winning track with a 47-28 win over Omaha North Saturday morning.

The Wildcats scoring was led by Nate Wilson with 12 followed by Kyan Lodice with 11.

The Freshmen B Wildcats got a Burress with 3. Caleb Lemon led all Wildcat scoring commanding win on the road over

The Wildcats won 63 - 42.

Alex Determan lead all scoring with

On Thursday, the Wildcats won a quarters.

seconds left in the game to put the back bid. Wildcats up by two. The Wildcats then played great defense, keeping the Ea- Cole with 10 points. Lodice had 8, gles from scoring in the last 10 sec- Lemon 6, VanRooyan 5, Strong 4, Bizal onds.

Caleb Lemon lead all Wildcat scor- and Determan each had 2. ing with 13, followed by Ben Bizal who had 7.

The Freshmen B Wildcats recorded scoring first half. a great win Saturday against Prep. The Wildcats won by 13, 51-38.

son with 13. Other Wildcats scoring lead with 3.2 seconds remaining in the were Lemon 10, VanRooyan 8, Bizal 5, game.

Lodice, Cole, Wu each had 4, and

The Freshmen B team beat Skutt 47 -41 Saturday morning.

The Wildcats were down by 2 at half. The Freshmen B team earned a 11 points, followed by Caleb Lemon but they came out strong in the third guarter to out score the Skyhawks 22 to 4 and take a 39-23 lead after three

> The Skyhawks fought back in the Caleb Lemon got a steal with 12.4 4th quarter but fell short in their come-

> > Wildcat scoring was lead by John and Twait 3. Andrews, Buress, Wilson,

> > Burke seemed to take control of the game in the 3rd quarter after a low

The Wildcats trailed through much of the 4th quarter before Caleb Lem-The Wildcats were led by Nate Wil- on made a lay up to give West a 31-30



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.

The Wildcats' Freshmen B team moved to 9-4 on the season after a 47-37 lost to Millard North.

Wildcats scoring was lead by Van-Rooyan with 8. Other Wildcat scoring was Determan had 6, Burress and Lemon had 5, Wilson had 4, Strong with 3 and Lodice, Cole and Muligan had 2.

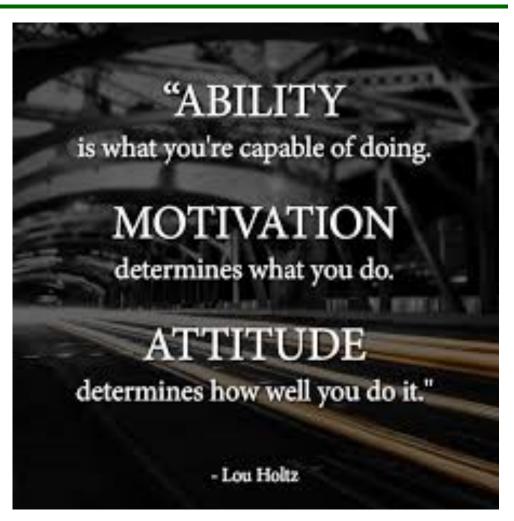
The Millard West Freshmen B team ended their season 10-4 with a 49-26 win over Papio South.

West had a great defensive effort, holding the Titans under 10 points in each of the four quarters. The Wildcats scoring was lead by John Cole with 11.

Other Wildcat scoring was Wilson 7, Lodice and Twait each had 6, Burress and Lemon had 5, Determan and Van-Rooyan 4, and Bizal with 1.

### Scores

<u>Opponent</u>			
Elkhorn South	L	41	61
Westside	W	60	28
Bellevue East	W	64	26
Millard North	L	55	63
Bellevue West	W	69	31
Elkhorn South	W	60	38
Millard South	L	43	44
Omaha North	W	47	28
Papio LV	W	63	42
Omaha Central	W	44	42
Creighton Prep	W	51	38
Omaha Skutt	W	47	41
Omaha Burke	W	31	30
Millard North	L	37	47
Papio South	W	49	26









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