



Millard West Boys Basketball

Wildcat Report

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Wildcats Beat Omaha North in Metro Tourney

Millard West led wire-to-wire in their first round win of the Metro Holiday Tournament over Class A #8 Omaha North.

Dalys Beanum led the Wildcats with 17 points, 7 assists, and 5 rebounds. Ryan Larsen added 9 points, and Kaedyn Odermann led the team with six rebounds.

Wal Chuol led Omaha North with 20 points. Evan Derkr scored 11 points for the Vikings.

Millard West started the game fast by taking an early 7-0 lead. Six different Wildcats scored in a 13-4 run that helped West take a 21-10 lead. Omaha North hit two 3-pointers to end the quarter and closed the lead to 21-16.

"We started off very strong," Coach Bill Morrison said. "I liked how we came out and attacked. We moved well on defense and were communicating very well."

The Millard West defense was able to hold the Viking offense to just two field goals and eight points in the 2nd quarter.

Dalys Beanum led the Wildcats with eight points in the quarter. West led 36-24 at half-time.

Coach Morrison was proud of his team's group effort in the first half. "Everyone played well. We were short handed with Evan (Meyersick) and Chase (Hultman) in foul trouble, but we didn't miss a beat. Especially defensively," he said.



Omaha North came out of the half in attack mode. A basket by John Farmer cut the Wildcat lead to 41-40 with 4:25 left in the 3rd quarter.

The two teams exchanged baskets for the remaining of the quarter. West held a 48-45 lead going into the final period.

West opened the final period with a 3-pointer by Ryan Larsen. On the ensuing defensive possession, Zach Olson blocked a shot. Olson then hit a 3-pointer in transition to give West a 54-45 lead.

The Vikings scored the next three baskets to pull within 54-51. Two free throws by Chuol with 4:37 made the score 56-53.

Omaha North did not score the rest of the game. The Wildcats made 7 of 8 free throws down the stretch to keep the Vikings at bay.

"We did a lot of things well tonight. I thought we did a good job of keeping their offense from getting into any flow," Morrison said. "Josh and Dalys did a great job on Choul, and the rest of the team flew around to contest shots and get rebounds."

MW	21	15	12	17	65
ON	16	8	21	8	53

MW — Larsen 11, Olson 6, Humm 7, Wickstrom 3, Hultman 6, Odermann 6, Beanum 17, Meyersick 9

ON — Chuol 20, Williams 5, Johnson 2, Bennett 6, Derkr 11, Farmer 9

Scores

Freshman A (5-0)		Freshman B (4-0)		Reserves (2=5)		Junior Varsity (5-3)		Varsity (4-3)	
Mil South	W 54-32	Mil South	W 57-47	Westside	W 52-36	Mil North	W 72-64	Om North	W 65-53
Mil North	W 70-48	Mil North	W 70-49	Cr. Prep	L 30-60	Pap South	L 45-62		

Lower Levels

All Four Teams Make Finals of Holiday Tournaments

JV Team Earns 2nd Place

The JV Boys were able to earn a 72-64 victory over Millard North in the first round of the Holiday Tournament with some good team defense in the 2nd half.

A high scoring first half left the Mustangs leading 39-38 at the half.

The Wildcats were able to ice the game by going 8/10 from the line in the 4th quarter.

Jacob Jones led the team with 25 points. Ben Kelley and Collin Schollmeyer each had 11 points.

The JV Boys faced the Titans, who came out with vengeance. The Wildcats couldn't get anything going against the pressure defense of Papio South early in the game.

The Team gave great effort and staged a comeback in the 3rd Quarter, but it was too big of a deficit to overcome.

West lost 45-62. Caleb Lemon led the team with 10 points.

Reserves are Runner-Ups



The Reserve boys had a good opening round game in a 52-36 win over the Warriors of Westside.

The Wildcats won all four quarters, and finished with a 19 point 4th quarter performance in the victory.

Ben Beresh led the way with 10 points and Chase Traubel added 9 points.

Prep jumped out on MW early and did not allow the Wildcats to make a comeback attempt. Prep won 60-30 in the Championship game.

Chase Traubel led the Wildcats with 9 points.

Freshmen A Win Championship



The Freshmen A team started the first round game hot to help them beat Millard South.

Great defense in the first half set the tone for the game. The Wildcats led at half, 31-8.

Noah Shrader was causing problems on defense and was a beast on the glass.

Cole Kirschner led all in scoring with 17 points.

The Freshmen A team improves to 5-0 on the season with a tournament championship win against Millard North.

The Wildcats showed a lot of toughness as shots weren't falling in the third quarter.

Brady Brau led all in scoring with 18 points. Another great defensive effort by the team was a big reason for win!

Freshmen B Win Championship



Millard West only had 6 players due to illness, but that did not stop them from playing hard and earning the 57-47 win in the opening round of the Holiday Tournament. The short handed Wildcats jumped out to an early lead and held off every attack the Patriots had to offer.

After building a 14-5 lead after the first quarter, Millard South made several runs at cutting into the lead. The Wildcats were every to hold stop each attempt and re-build their lead.

Three Wildcats scored in double digits. Joey Hartnett led with 18 points. Jake Behrens scored 12, and Cohen Munson added 11.

After a slow start by both teams, a high scoring affair broke out. Four Wildcats scored in their 70-49 victory over Millard North.

Millard North led 5-3 with 3:44 left in the first quarter. The quarter ended with West leading 17-14. A 21-8 2nd quarter gave the Wildcats a 38-22 lead at the half.

Ben David led the Wildcats with 14 points. Peyton Strong, Riley Dougherty, and Jake Behrens added 10 points each.

Lower Levels

Missing Results from Last Week's Newsletter

Freshmen B

The Freshmen B team beat Omaha Northwest 83-35. West won all four quarters of the game. The team made nine 3-pointers in the victory.

All nine players scored in the game, and four scored in double digits. Ben David led the way with 18 points. Peyton Strong scored 14, Ethan Nyffeler 11, and Jake Behrens added 10.

Reserves

After a slow start in the first quarter, the Wildcats cut the Papillion South lead to 22-19 at the half. A low scoring 3rd quarter kept the Wildcats within three going into the final period.

23 points by the Titans put the game out of reach for the Millard West Reserve team as the Titans won 51-36.

Ben Beresh led the Wildcats with 12 points.

Pictures from Metro Tourney



Weekly Practice / Game Schedule

Winter Break Practice/Game Schedules

Monday, December 30th (Boys II, Girls I)

Boys 9th & Reserve 8:30-10:30
Boys JV & Varsity 10:30-12:30

Go to Girls game at 5:15

Wednesday, January 1st (Boys II, Girls I)

Varsity 10:00

Friday, January 3rd (Boys II, Girls I)

Boys 9th & Reserve 8:30-10:30
Boys JV & Varsity 10:30-12:30

Finals 6:15

Tuesday, December 31st (Boys I, Girls II)

Boys 9th & Reserve 8:30-10:30
Boys JV & Varsity 10:30-12:30

Boys Varsity if win 1st round:

Bus 6:30 Game 8:45

Thursday, January 2nd (Boys I, Girls II)

Boys 9th & Reserve 8:30-10:30
Boys JV & Varsity 10:30-12:30

Semi-Finals 8:45

Saturday, January 4th (Boys I, Girls II)

Boys 9th & Reserve 8:30-10:30
Boys JV & Varsity 10:30-12:30

*Bring in the New Year at Ralston Arena
Millard West vs. Millard North
8:45 p.m.*



MBA

MBA Open Gyms/Skills

Monday, Dec 30 1:00 to 3:00

Thursday, Jan 2 1:00 to 3:00

MBA Team Practices

Freeman — Dec 30 5:00

Finlay — Jan 2 6:00

Jan 3 6:00

Frazer — Dec. 30 7:30

Jan. 2 7:30

O'Neill — Jan. 2 3:00

Practice/Game times are always subject to change.