



# Millard West Boys Basketball

## Wildcat Report

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### Wildcats Take on Three Top Ten Teams This Week

#### Eagles Beat Wildcats From the Line

#4 Omaha Central made 17-20 free throws in the 4th quarter to hold onto their lead and beat Millard West 70-73.

Latrell Wrightsell scored 27 points, including 15-17 free throws, to lead the Eagles. Max Polk scored 17 points on five field goals and 7 of 7 free throws.

Four Wildcats scored in double digits. Dom Humm led the team with 17 points and 7 assists. Dalys Beanum had 16 points and eight rebounds. Evan Meyersick and James Conway scored 14 and 12 points respectively.

Millard West was able to control the tempo early by playing zone and slowing Central's offense down.

Central scored the first points of the game with 5:50 left in the first quarter. West was able to put together a 6-0 run to take an early lead. The two teams exchanged baskets and West led 11-10 before

#### Monarchs Shoot Their Way Past the Wildcats

#9 Papillion LaVista shot 11/16 from behind the arc and 12/22 2-point field goals to beat Millard West 65-57.

Dom Humm and Evan Meyersick led the Wildcats with 14 points each.

Kyle Ingwerson led the Monarchs with 18 points and Peston Kellogg scored 11 to lead Papio.

Millard West started the game off with two 3-pointers of their own and took an early 6-2 lead. Papio's Jackson Slizinski answered with two three's to tie the score at 8-8 with 6:09 left in the game.

West held an 11-10 lead with 2:32 left in the first quarter before two Monarch free throws and a 3-pointer by Kyle Ingwerson gave PLV a 15-11 lead.

Papillion held their lead throughout the 2nd quarter. West was able to stay close by making some outside shots of their own. Jacob Jones made two of three 3's in the quarter.

#### Navigators Sail by Wildcats in 3rd Quarter

#10 Lincoln North Star used a strong 3rd quarter performance to pull away from Millard West and earn a 67-56 victory in Lincoln.

Three Navigators scored in double digits. Kwat Abdelkarim scored 20 points. Donovan Williams and Josh Brown added 17 and 16 points respectively.

Dom Humm was the only Wildcat in double digits with 17 points. James Conway led the team with six rebounds.

A slow paced first quarter kept the two teams close to open the game. North Star used their long range game to build an 12-9 lead.

West held the ball for the last shot of the quarter. North Star was able to grab the rebound and travel the length of the court to lead 14-9 at the break.

In the 2nd quarter, the Navigators used their transition game to build a 24-13 lead with 4:57 left in the half.

### Scores

Freshman A (13-4)		Freshman B (11-4)		Reserves (6-10)		Junior Varsity (10-8)		Varsity (7-12)	
Papio LV	W 68-25	Papio LV	W 61-18	Papio LV	L 57-59	Central	W 57-53	Central	L 70-73
Prep	L 43-49	Prep	L 31-71			Papio LV	L 55-58	Papio LV	L 57-65
Burke	W 67-33	Burke	W 50-46			North Star	W 60-45	North Star	L 56-67

## Eagles Keep Wildcat Attack Out of Reach

Wrightsell made two free throws with 3.5 seconds left. The Eagles led 12-11 at the end of the quarter.

The first part of the 2nd quarter stayed close until Central got hot from behind the arc. The Eagles scored 22 points on 9 possessions to take a 36-22 lead.

West scored the last four points of the half and trailed 36-26 at the break.

"We turned it over for lay-ups and they got hot in the 2nd quarter," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We can't have lapses like that against good teams."

The Wildcats came out of the half with an aggressive attitude. Conway made a basket mid-way through the quarter to cut the Eagle lead to 41-34.

Wrightsell scored 5 points to put the lead back to 46-24. But the Wildcats continued to battle and ended the quarter with an 8-0 run and



trailed 42-48 going into the final period.

Another basket by Conway made the score 54-49 in favor of the Eagles with 6:03 left in the game.

West's offense was very efficient in the final 8 minutes. But, they could not stop the Eagles.

Central scored on 11 of their last 13 possessions, mostly from the free throw line.

Conway had another big steal and basket to cut the Central lead to 68-65. After Wrightsell was 1 of 2 from the line, Meyersick hit a basket for the Wildcats with 30 seconds left.

Ryan Larsen made a 3 pointer to cut the lead to 71-70 and 18 seconds remaining. West was forced to foul because they were out of time outs. PJ Davis made two free throws to put the lead back to 3 points with 8.8 seconds remaining.

West was able to get a contested shot off from the corner but it did not fall.

"We did a lot of really good things offensively in the fourth quarter. We just could not get a stop," Morrison said.

The Wildcats have no time to worry about their loss. They have two more games this week against top ten teams.

"We are playing pretty good ball right now even though our record does not show it. We have proven that we can play with anyone, Morrison said. "We have to keep working and get better by district time."

Central	12	24	12	25	73
Mil West	11	15	16	28	70

OC — Dawson 4, Tut 3, Wrightsell 27, Hoskins 9, Davis 9, Polk 17, Deng 4

MW — Larson 9, Humm 17, Wickstrom 2, Beanum 16, Meyersick 14, Conway 12





## Monarchs Shoot Past Wildcats

The Monarchs finished the quarter strong with a three by Ingwerson and a basket by Owen McLaughlin to take a 30-26 lead into the half.

"We didn't think our defense was very good in the first half," Coach Bill Morrison said. "They had a lot of uncontested 3's. We challenged our guys to come out with better defense in the 2nd half."

West was not able to hold the Monarchs in the third quarter. Papio scored on their first 8 possession of the 2nd half, including five 3-pointers.

Ingwerson made three of his six 3's in the quarter. The Monarchs led

by as much as 51-35 and held a 14-point lead at the end of the 3rd quarter.

West extended their pressure in the 4th quarter. West got to the free throw line on three consecutive possessions by attacking the rim. 4 of 6 free throws made the score 46-56.

A basket by Meyersick made the score 50-56 and forced a Papillion time-out. Ingwerson answered the run with a 3-pointer to give Papio a 9-point lead.

"I didn't think we played very well mentally and didn't play with enough

energy on defense," Morrison said.

"We were not able to control the tempo of the game," Morrison continued. "We wanted to play a faster game. Papillion did a nice job playing at the speed they wanted."

MW	11	15	11	20	57
PLV	15	15	21	14	65

MW — Larson 6, Olson 5, Humm 14, Jones 6, Beanum 8, Anderson 2, Meyersick 14, Conway 2.

PLV — McLaughlin 8, Hylok 4, Slizinski 6, Lett 6, Ingwerson 18, Lindenmeyer 8, Adamek 4, Kellogg 11



## North Star's Transition Game Too Much for Wildcats

Ryan Larsen made a 3-pointer that started a 13-4 Wildcat run after a timeout. West trailed by two at the half, 26-28.

The Wildcats came out of the half and were unable to put the ball in the basket. North Star took advantage of the misses and built a 37-26 lead by scoring 8 points in transition.

Another time out by the Wildcats with 5:18 left in the 3rd quarter jump started their offense, West fought

their way back to within 10 before North Star scored the last five points of the quarter.

In the 4th quarter, the Navigators attacked the rim and built their lead up to as much as 21 before both teams cleared their bench with just over two minutes remaining.

The Wildcats were able to force some turnovers and score in transition, but could not bridge the gap.

MW	9	17	8	22	56
LNS	14	14	21	18	67

MW — Larsen 6, Olson 2, Humm 17, Jones 7, Polsley 2, Beanum 4, Anderson 5, Meyersick 7, Conway 6

LNS — Brown 16, Abdelkarim 20, Williams 17, Juracek 3, Lopez 9, Piyotem 2

# Lower Levels



## Jr. Varsity

The JV Boys played great defense and finished with a 14-3 run to pull out a 57-53 victory over Omaha Central.

West led 30-26 at half-time but trailed 44-43 going into the final period.

Caleb Lemon led the team with 17 points. Dustin Hatch and Avery Moore contributed 14 points and 12 points respectively.

After leading by 11 at halftime, the JV boys could not hang on for the win. Papillion LaVista beat the West JV 58-55.

The game was a tale of two halves. West led 36-25 at the half. But the Monarchs outscored west 15-11 in the 3rd quarter and 18-8 in the final period of play.

Dustin Hatch led the team with 12 points.

Millard West was able to beat Lincoln North Star in Lincoln 60-45.

The JV boys were able to pull away by playing solid team defense in the 2nd and 3rd Quarters.

Dustin Hatch led the Wildcats with 13 points. Caleb Lemon and Jacob Jones each contributed 9 points.

## Reserves

The Reserves dropped another close game to Papillion-LaVista, 59-57.

West led 30-27 at the half and 46-54 after 3 quarters, but could not hold on for the win.

Papio shot 37 free throws in the

game to help them earn the victory.

The Wildcat boys couldn't get a last second shot off falling to the Monarchs by 2 points.

Tyler Sprietzer led the reserve boys with 15 points in the game.

## Freshmen A

The Freshmen A team improved to 12-3 on the season with a 68-25 win over Papillion-LaVista.

A slow, sloppy first half made a close game at half with West leading 25-19. The Wildcats came out with some fire after the break and proceeded to outscore Papillion 43-6 in the 2nd half.

Riley Dougherty was the leading scorer with 17 points off of the bench. Masen Rady also came off of the bench to chip in 13 points.

The Freshmen team fell to 12-4 on the season with a 43-49 loss to Creighton Prep.

A slow paced game caused problems for the Wildcats and made it hard for them to get going offensively.

After trailing 21-19 at the half, Prep outscored the Wildcats 13-6 in the 3rd quarter. The 'Cats pushed hard late but ran out of gas.

Peyton Moore finished with 16 points.

The Freshmen A team improve to 13-4 with a 67-33 bounce back win against Burke,

Pace was key to the Wildcats as Burke couldn't keep up. The Wildcats' defense was flying around forcing a lot of turnovers.

22 points from Zac Grandgenett

and 13 from Peyton Moore led the way. Cam Daniels was dishing out dimes left and right!

## Freshmen B

The Wildcats used their defense to earn a 61-18 win at Papillion-LaVista.

The Wildcats won the first quarter 21-0 and did not allow Papio to score in double digits in any quarter.

Ben David led the team with 15 points and Jake Behrens scored four 3-pointers in the game. Everyone had a contributing factor with this win.

The Millard West Boys had a tough game against Creighton Prep as they fell 71-31.

The first five minutes was extremely competitive before the Wildcat shooting went ice cold.

Ben David lead the way with 9 points.

The Millard West Freshmen B team had a great bounce back game by beating Omaha Burke 50-46.

It was a close game throughout the entire game. The Wildcats executed to perfection late in the game to seal the win.

Creighton Scholting led the way with 12 points, and Ben David chipped in 10.



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

Monday, Feb 17

Practice

TBA

**Games**

No Games

Tuesday, Feb 18

Practice

Res 3:30—4:45

**Games**

9A at Bel West 5:45

9B at Bel West 7:15

Bus: 4:15

JV vs Burke 5:30

Var vs Burke 7:15

Wednesday, Feb 19

Practice

JV/V 3:30-5:10

Res No practice

9th 5:10-6:30

**Games**

No Games

Thursday, Feb 20

Practice

Var 3:30-5:15

9th 5:15-6:45

**Games**

JV at Bel West 5:45

Res at Bel West 7:15

Bus: 4:15

Friday, Feb 21

Practice

9th ??? Am or 4:30

**Games**

Var at Bel West 7:30

Bus: 4:45

Saturday, Feb 22

Practice

TBA

**Games**

No Games

5th tourney

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





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## *Nothin' But Net Tournament Results*

### *7th Grade—Batten*



### *4th Grade Green*



### *5th Grade Green*





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*7th Gr. — Sorum*



*7th Grade Green*



*5th Gr. - McNulty*



*6th Grade Green*

