



Millard West Boys Basketball Wildcat Report

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Wildcat Basketball Program Has Big Week Five Teams Go 8-0

The Wildcats traveled to Omaha South and came away with a 70-60 victory.

Jaidyn Gaius-Anyegbu led the Wildcats in scoring with 19 points. Zac Grandgenett and Peyton Moore each added 10 points in the win. Max Frohloff recorded six assists, 6 rebounds, and two steals. Cooper Fortune led the team with four steals on the night.

Omaha South only had five players score. Aric Thomas led the Packers with 20 points. Dylan Shear and Keegan Kimble scored 14 and 13 points respectively.

Omaha South built an early 6-2 lead over the Wildcats on two field goals and a pair of free throws. West found their offense and scored on their next seven possessions to complete a 17-3 run and take a 19-9 lead with 3:32 left in the first quarter. The Wildcats led 25-18 at the end of the quarter.

The second quarter was similar to the first in that West put together a 9-0 run to build a 36-22 lead with 4:31 remaining in the half. South was able to cut into the lead and trailed 40-29 going into the break.

“I was pleased with our effort and our offensive execution in the first half,” Coach Bill Morrison said. “We tried to apply full court pressure and it seemed to help. South had 14 turnovers in the first half.”

The scoring slowed down as West led 47-34 midway through the 3rd quarter. Both teams heated up in the last four minutes of the quarter, and the Wildcats built a 61-44 lead going into the final eight minutes.

Millard West won their 2nd game of the week by beating Papillion LaVista 69-51. Four Wildcats scored in double digits as they slowly built a lead throughout the game.

Jaidyn Gaius-Anyegbu led the Wildcats with 16 points, 6 rebounds, 5 assists, 3 steals, and 2 blocks. Cole Kirschner added 15 points and Max Frohloff added 13 for West. Zac Grandgenett scored 10 points, including 7-8 from the line in the 4th quarter. Peyton Moore led the team with 9 rebounds.

Chase Williams paced the Monarchs with 30 points including eight 3-pointers. Eric Ingwerson scored 12 points. The rest of the team only combined for nine points on the night.

West got off to a quick start, 8-2, and forced Papillion to call an early timeout with 6:20 left in the first quarter. The Wildcats took an 18-11 lead after their fourth 3-pointer of the quarter with just under 3 minutes left. The two team remained scoreless until the Monarchs scored on an offensive rebound at the buzzer to cut the Wildcat led to 18-13.

Papillion stayed close early in the 2nd quarter before West went on a quick 6-0 run to extend the Wildcat lead to 30-18 midway through the 2nd quarter. Papillion hit a 3-pointer late in the quarter to make the score 30-23 going into the break.

“We played pretty well in the first half,” Coach Bill Morrison said. “Our defense was locked in through

Scores

<u>Freshman A (13-3)</u>			<u>Freshman B (9-4)</u>			<u>Reserves (10-3)</u>			<u>Junior Varsity (8-6)</u>			<u>Varsity (7-12)</u>		
PLVS	W	81-76 OT	PLVS	W	53-31	PLV	W	69-27	PLV	W	57-50	O South	W	70-60
PLV	W	64-20	PLV	W	73-35							PLV	W	69-51

Wildcats Hold Off Packers in Win

Omaha South would not quit. The Packers put together a 11-4 run to cut the lead to 67-58 with 3:31 left in the game. South would not be able to cut the lead to less than eight points for the remainder of the game.

“This was a good win for us. We wish South wouldn’t have made a comeback in the 4th quarter, but it will give us something to talk about in film sessions next week,” Morrison said.

MW	25	15	21	9	70
OS	18	11	15	16	60

MW – Kirschner 7, Gassen 6, Frohloff 7, Moore 10, Gaius 19, Grandgenett 10, Fortune 9, Butler 2.

OS – Madut 6, Sheard 14, Thomas 20, Kimble 13, Ruon 7



The Millard West basketball teams swept Papillion-LaVista this week.

The Wildcats outscored the Monarchs 332-183 in the five games.



West Extends Lead Over Monarchs in 4th

most of the half. I didn’t think we finished either quarter very well, but it was one of the best halves we’ve played in a while.”

Neither team scored much in the first half of the 3rd quarter. West held a 39-25 lead with 5:11 left in the period. Williams made four 3-pointers to help cut the Wildcat lead to 46-39. West scored on a transition lay-up at the end of the quarter to put the lead back to seven points, 48-39.

The Wildcat offense was very efficient in the 4th quarter. They scored on eight of their first nine possessions to build their lead to 65-46 before winning 69-51.

“This was a pretty complete game for us. Our offense was clicking most of the night and our defense was locked in on the game plan,” Morrison said. “Chase Williams scored 30, but a lot of his shots were contested.”

PLV	13	10	16	12	51
MW	18	14	16	21	69

PLV – Hylok 1, Williams 30, McDade 4, Ingwerson 12, Maley 4

MW – Kirschner 15, Gassen 5, Frohloff 13, Moore 8, Gaius 16, Carmichael 2, Grandgenett 10

Reserves

Millard West Reserves stretched their winning streak to 8 games in dominating fashion over Papillion-LaVista. The Reserves are now 10-3 on the season after the 69-27 victory.

The Wildcats jumped out to a 17-6 lead and didn't look back. The boys extended the lead to 35-8 at halftime.

Colvin Zimmerman led the scoring attack with 15 points. Nolan Lord scored 12 points and Tyson added 11 for Millard West.

Freshmen A

The Freshman A Team beat Papillion-LaVista South 81-76 in overtime.

From before the game started, it didn't look good for the Wildcats. The bus did not show up to pick the team up. After a few phone calls and rummaging through drawers, Coach Tauber was able to load up 8 players to take the school van. The rest of the team found four parents to get them to the game.

The Titans used their outside shooting to build a lead in the first half. Five different players made a total of 9 3-pointers in the first half. They built a 38-28 lead at the half.

After the half, the Wildcats counter-attacked with an aggressive offense. West scored 24 points in the 3rd quarter. PLVS held a 55-52 lead going into the final period.

The teams exchanged baskets throughout the 4th quarter. West had three big plays down the stretch. They scored on an inbound play after Coach Tauber called a timeout the cut the Titan lead to 2. The Wildcats also grabbed two offensive rebounds for put-backs late in the game. With 2.1 seconds left, Nate Marable made 1 of 2 free throws to tie the game. The Titans inbounded the ball, Rowan Scholting got a steal, and passed it to Josh Fabrikant who just missed a game winning 3-pointer.

West took control in over-

time. Marable made two baskets, Fabrikant made four free throws and Bryson Williams added a free throw to complete the victory.

Papio South made 16 3-pointers in the game, and Millard West made seven 3's for a combined 23 three-pointers in the game.

Scoring for West: Williams 22, Long 22, Marable 13, Fabrikant 12, Scholting 8, Gaius 2, Ingebretson 2.

The Freshmen A team scored in less than five seconds off of a play on the opening tip. West beat Papillion-LaVista 64-20.

The Wildcats set the tone early and continued to increase the lead throughout the first half. West's defense did not allow 10 points in any quarter and only allowed 2 points in both the 2nd and 4th quarter.

Bryson Williams led scoring with 20 points. Vince Long added 16 for the Wildcats. Ten Wildcats scored in the game.

Freshmen B

The Wildcats came out fast on offense and stiffen up the defense as they got back on the winning track. The Wildcats beat the Titans 53-31.

The Wildcats offensively were lead by Ryan Beightol who had 13 points. Other Wildcats scoring were McDonald 9 points, Samson Baker 7 points, Chapp 6 points, Stanton, Semanisin, and White 4 points, Ward, Chevis, Dickmeyer 2 points.

The Wildcats defense was great tonight as they held the Titans to just 31 points. Teager led the team in steals while Morris led in rebounds.

The Wildcats dominated the Monarchs tonight and got their 10th win of the season, 73-35.

Ryan Beightol had a season high 18 points tonight as he led the Wildcats' offense. Other Wildcats scoring were McDonald 12, Semanisin 11,

Stanton 6, Ward, Cooper, White, and Samson Baker each had 4, Teager 3, Chevis and Chapp had 2, Morris 1.

Overall it was a great team effort and the crowd was electric tonight.



Junior Varsity

Millard West beat Papillion-LaVista 57-50. The Wildcats got out to an early lead with some steals and transition buckets. At the end of the 1st quarter it was 18-7, MW.

Papillion-LaVista went on a run in the 2nd quarter to trim the lead to 1, but the Wildcats were able to regroup to extend the lead before halftime.

The 2nd half was almost even as the Wildcats outscored the Monarchs by 2 to win by 7.

Jacob Young led the Wildcats with 15 points and 8 rebounds. Reece Carson chipped in 14 points. Lucas Johnson had a solid all around game with 8 points, 6 rebounds, and 4 assists.

Weekly Practice / Game Schedule

Monday, Feb 6

Practice

V/JV 3:40–5:10
 9B No Practice

Games

9A at ONW 4:00 (2:45)
 Res at Elk South 7:30 (6:00)

Tuesday, Feb 7

Practice

All Boys 3:40-5:10
 (Talk to Lance)

Games

No games

Wednesday, Feb 8

Practice

V/JV 3:40-5:10
 9th 5:10-6:30

Games

Res vs PLVS 5:15
 (Talk to Lance)

Thursday, Feb 9

Practice

JV/V 3:40-5:10
 Res 6:00 AM

Games

9A vs O North 6:00
 9B vs O North 7:30
 JV vs Elk South 7:30

(Talk to 8th Grade)

Friday, Feb 10

Practice

Res 6:00 am
 9/JV No Practice

Games

Var vs Elk South 7:15
 Metro Swim

Saturday, Feb 11

Practice

JV/V 9:00–10:30

Games

No Games
 Metro Swim

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