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Millard West Boys Basketball Wildcat Report

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Thunderbolts Strike Early in Opener



Pre-Season #8, Lincoln Pius jumped out to an early 11-2 lead and went on to beat Millard West 68-54 in both teams season opener.

Charlie Easley led Pius with 25 points and 6 rebounds. Austin Jablonski added 12 points and 9 rebounds, while Kolbe Rada scored 11 points.

Zach Olson led the Wildcats with 14 points. Nate Glantz and Evan Meyersick added 11 and 10 points respectively.

Pius opened the game with back to back 3-pointers to start the game. After extending an 11-2 lead in the first 4 minutes, Millard West

settled down and made a run to get back in the game.

Olson and Cam Watson each hit a 3 pointer and Peyton Buscher scored four points to pull the Wildcats to 14-16 at the end of the first quarter.

The 2nd quarter started much like the 1st quarter did for Pius. The Thunderbolts scored on 7 of their first 9 possessions to build a 31-19 lead. West fought

back the rest of the quarter and trailed 27-38 going into the half.

"They killed us on the boards," Coach Morrison said. "We didn't seem to get many rebounds in the first half. Really the whole game." Pius scored nine second chance points in the half.

West was the team that started out fast in the 3rd quarter. Meyersick scored 4 points for the Wildcats as they went on an 8-2 run and pulled within six points 35-41.

After a timeout with 4:05 left in the quarter, Pius ran off

eight straight points and regained their double digit lead. Pius led 49-37 going into the final period.

Pius started out quick again in the 4th quarter. They extended their lead to 20 points on a put-back off an offensive rebound by Rada with just over 5 minutes left in the game.

"We gave up too many runs to stay with them. Our defense wasn't terrible, but they seemed to capitalize on every mistake and loose ball., Morrison said. "And they were relentless on the boards."

Pius outrebounded the Wildcats 36-22 on the night.

Both teams will play at Millard West on Saturday. Pius will play Lincoln East at 1:00 and West will play Fremont at 2:45.

MW — Olson 14, Watson 3, Buscher 6, Glantz 11, Sidiqi 5, Meyersick 10, Conway 5.

LPX — Pelan 3, Sebek 4, Kluthe 9, Jablonski 12, Rada 11, Easley 25, Harman 2, Unger 2.

Scores

Junior Varsity (2-0)

Lin Pius X W 62-41

Fremont W 66-16

Varsity (1-1)

Lin Pius X L 54-68

Fremont W 61-32

Wildcats Get First Win of the Season

Millard West earned their first win of the season with a convincing win over Fremont, 61-32.

All 11 players scored for Millard West, led by Zach Olson with 11 points. Dillon

Dix led the Tigers with 8 points on the night.

Early on, it looked like the Tigers might give West a game. Aidan Queen made a basket with 5:19 left in the opening period to take a 5-4 lead.

But West was able to old Fremont scoreless for the rest of the quarter. Evan Meyersick led the Wildcats with six points in the quarter, including four in an 11-0 run in the last five minutes of the quarter.

"We didn't like the pace of the game early, so we switched to a full court man defense," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We fouled a little

too much in the 2nd quarter, but that sometimes happens when you try to be aggressive."

Fremont was able to score more in the 2nd quarter, but they were not able to slow down the Wildcats. West outscored the Tigers 10 to 19 in the quarter. Six different Wildcats scored in the quarter. Olson hit two of his three 3-pointers to lead the Wildcats with six points.

West continued to apply the pressure in the 3rd quarter and was able to outscore the Tigers 16-4 in the period. Peyton Buscher headed the attack with 6 points in the period.

"I was happy with our effort in the third quarter. We didn't let Fremont think they had a chance for a come back," Morrison said.

Fremont outscore Millard West in the final period 13-11. Six different Tigers scored in the quarter.

Dom Humm led the Wildcats with 5 points.

Morrison was happy with his team's effort in the game. "We really wanted to concentrate on playing harder than we did Thursday night. The only thing I can complain about is our free throw shooting in the 4th quarter." West was 2-8 from the line in the final period.

FHS	5	10	4	13	32
MW	15	19	16	11	61

FHS — Curry 2, Cortave 4, Callahan 2, Keeney 2, Dix 8, A Queen 5, P Queen 7, Soler 2.

MW — Olson 11, Humm 5, Watson 8, Buscher 6, Glantz 4, Harmdierks 4, Sidiqi 3, Beanum 6, Anderson 4, Meyersick 6, Conway 4



Lower Levels

The JV team opened the season with two big wins. They outscored their opponents 128-57 in those games.

On Thursday, they beat Lincoln Pius 62-41. James Conway led the team with 14 points.

Saturday, the Wildcats beat Fremont 66-16. Jacob Jones led the team with 11 points. Dustin Hatch and Joh Wickstrom contributed 10 points apiece.



Weekly Practice / Game Schedule

Monday, Dec 3

Practice

JV/V 3:40—5:40

Games

Res vs LNE 5:45
9A vs LNE 7:30

Tuesday, Dec 4

Practice

JV/V 3:40—5:40

Games

JV vs O South 6:00
9A vs O South 6:00
Res vs O South 7:30

Wednesday, Dec 5

Practice

Res 6 AM
JV/V 3:40—5:10
9th 5:10—6:30

Games

No Games

Thursday, Dec 6

Practice

9th/Res/JV 3:40—5:10

Games

Var at O South 7:15
Bus 5:00

Friday, Dec 7

Practice

Res 6 AM
JV / V 3:40—5:10
9A 5:10—6:30

Games

No Games

Saturday, Dec 8

Practice

Boys 10—11:00

Games

JV vs LSW 2:30
V vs LSW 4:00

Practice/Game times are always subject to change.



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4th Grade White — 2nd Place

6th Grade White — 2nd Place

6th Grade Green — 2nd Place

7th Grade Black — Champions

7th Grade White — Champions

7th Grade Green — 2nd in 8th Gr Div.

