# Millard West Boys Basketball Wol. 10, No. 7 Wildcat Report

# 3rd Quarter Offense Helps Wildcats Win

Millard West used a 17-0 run to start the 3rd quarter to pull away from Omaha Northwest in the Consolation Bracket of the Metro Conference Tournament. West won 61-46.

Kaedyn Odermann led the Wildcats with 17 points in his first career start for West. Evan Meyersick added 12 points to the winning cause. Michael McCroy was the only Husky in double digits with 11 points.

Northwest led 8-7 midway through the first quarter. Cam Watson was fouled on a lay up and converted the three-point

play. Then Jacob Harmdierks added a basket and Odermann made a couple free throws to end the quarter on 7-0 run and take a 14-8 lead into the break.

West extended their lead to 22-13, but Northwest answered with 9 points on 4 possessions to tie the score. Meyersick scored two buckets and Aabid Sidiqi added a couple free

throws to give the Wildcats a 28-22 lead. The half ended with a last second three-pointer by Meyersick on a full court inbound play. West led 31-22 at the half.



"Our main focus was to work harder than did we against South," Coach Bill Morrison said. "We did play harder which caused us to make a few more mistakes."

West had 15 turnovers and was 6-14 from the line in the first half. "If we

could have fixed those two things early, we would have been able to put the game out of reach in the first half," Morrison said.

The Wildcats controlled the boards on both sides of the court in the first half. Northwest was not able to grab a single offensive rebound in the first half, while West scored 9 second chance points in the half.

West came out of the locker room after half with more energy. The Wildcats scored 13 points on their first six possessions of the half. Zach Olson hit back-to-back 3's and Dalys Beanum added a third consecutive free throw to ignite the run. West would score the first 17 points of the half and lead 50-27 at the end of three quarters.

"It really is amazing what energy does to a team. It makes you shoot better, it helps you get loose balls, and it helps you rebound," Morrison said.

West held their biggest lead of the game, 57-33, on a basket by Dom Humm with 5:31 remaining in the game.

MW (4-5) 14 17 19 11 61 ONW (3-6) 8 15 5 19 46

MW — Olson 6, Humm 4, Watson 3, Glantz 2, Harmdierks 6, Odermann 17, Sidiqi 4, Beanum 5, Meyersick 12, Conway 2

ONW — Rickey 4, Bowden-Laxlace 4, Walker 5, Johnson 8, Marion-Adkins 2, McCroy 11, Cooper 6, Lacy 7

Scores

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Freshman A (6-1)

Freshman B (4-1)

Reserves (5-3)

Junior Varsity (10-0)

Varsity (4-5)

No games Np Games

Westside L 40-46

Papio LV W 60-53

Om NW W 61-46

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## **Lower Levels**

#### Jr. Varsity

Millard West started fast and led 18-9 after the first quarter. Papillion bounced back and won both the 2nd and 3rd quarter and tied the game going into the final period.

The Wildcats hit 8 of 11 free throws to secure the win 60-53 and remain undefeated on the season.

Nate Glantz led the team with 21 points. Aabid Sidiqi contributed 11 points to the cause.

#### Reserves

In the Consolation game of the Prep Tournament, Omaha Westside avenged a loss from earlier in the season. The Warriors beat Millard West 40-46. Ben Kelley led the scoring for the Wildcats with 12 points.



The Reserves got back on the winning track by beating Papillion-LaVista 62-43.

After leading 13-4 at the end of the first quarter and 27-20 at the half, the Wildcats dominated the 2nd half for the 19 point win.

Caleb Lemon and Ben Bizal let the Wildcat scoring. Lemon scored 12 points, and Bizal added 9 for Millard West.







# Weekly Practice / Game Schedule

Monday, Jan 7

Tuesday, Jan 8

Wednesday, Jan 9

**Practice** 

*Var* 3:40-5:10

**Practice** 

Res/9th 3:30-5:00

**Practice** 

Res 6:00 a.m. Var/JV 3:30—5:00

9th 5:00–6:30

Games

9A vs Mil South 6:00 9B vs Mil South 7:30 Games

Var at Burke 7:15 Bus — 5:00 Games

No Games

JV at Mil South 6:00 Res at Mil South 7:15

No Bus

Thursday, Jan 10

Friday, Jan 11

Saturday, Jan 12

**Practice** 

Var/JV 3:40—5:10 Res 5:10—6:40 Practice

Res 6:00 a.m. Var/JV 3:40—5:10

5:10-6:40

**Practice** 

No Practices

Games

9A at 0 North 5:45 9B at 0 North 7:00

Bus -4:15

Games

9th

No Games

Games

JV at O North 8:00 am Res at O North 9:15 am

Bus — 6:40 am

Practice/Game times are always subject to change.