



Millard West Boys Basketball Wildcat Report

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Wildcats Win First Home Game Convincingly

Millard West won their first home game of the season by beating Bellevue East 53-28. On a night that their shooting was off, the Wildcat defense was able to carry the load for the team.

Jaidyn Gaius-Anyaegbu led the team with 16 points and four steals. Max Frohloff and Avery Moore both scored 10 points for West. Cole Kirschner led the team with eight rebounds. Zac Grandgenett dished out four assists for the Wildcats.

Millard West never trailed in the game, but the first quarter was close. West led 8-2 mid-way through the first quarter, but two 3-pointers by East made the score 12-10 at the end of the first quarter.

West forced six turnovers in the 2nd quarter and held the Chieftains to just two points in the quarter. The Wildcats continued to struggle shooting and took a 22-12 lead into the half.

The Wildcats led 26-16 midway through the quarter before they scored on their last five possessions.



East made two 3-pointers late in the quarter to make the score 37-24.

East added another 3-pointer to start the 4th quarter, but they would not make another field goal for the remainder of the game. West held East to just 4 points in the final period.

"I really liked the way we played defense," Coach Bill Morrison said. "In Fremont, our offense carried the load and our defense really wasn't

very good. We have to be good every night on defense to be competitive."

BE	10	2	12	4	28
MW	12	10	15	16	53

BE: Schuyler 6, Connor 2, Lenear 9, Robinson 5, Chan 1, Prokupek 5

MW: Kirschner 7, Frohloff 10, P Moore 4, Gaius 16, Kolar 4, A Moore 10, Thaden 2

Scores



Freshman A (2-0)		Freshman B (1-1)		Reserves (1-1)		Junior Varsity (3-1)		Varsity (2-2)	
Bell East	W 48-26	Bell East	W 48-26	Bell East	W 71-36	Bell East	W 70-36	Bell East	W 53-28
Prep	W 43-42	Prep	L 41-64	Prep	L 34-56	Prep	L 38-55	Prep	L 56-60



The Boys and Girls Basketball Programs had a friendly contest to see which program could bring in more donations.

In total, the Millard West Basketball teams were able to donate 862 items to the LifeHouse Food Pantry.

Not to brag, but the boys won 457- 405.

Comeback Attempt Falls Short at the Cage

After trailing by as many as 19 points, Millard West cut Creighton Prep's lead to just two points late in the 4th quarter. Two free-throws with 9.6 seconds remaining put the game out of reach for the Wildcats.

Creighton Prep made eight 3-pointers in the game and was 16-23 from the line on their way to the victory. Luke Jungers led all scorers with 21 points. Martel Evans added 14, and Joey Rieschl scored 11 for Prep.

Avery Moore scored 17 points on 7-7 shooting and 3-3 free throws. Peyton Moore added 12 points.

Cole Kirschner led the Wildcats with six assists and two steals. Max Frohloff led the team with five rebounds.

Millard West took an early 4-2 lead, but Prep went on a 9-0 run by forcing three Wildcat turnovers. West put together back-to-back baskets, but three more turnovers allowed Prep to take a 14-8 lead at the end of the quarter.

West had trouble finding the hoop

in the 2nd half and committed five turnovers to help Prep extend their lead to 31-16 at the half.

"I thought we played scared," Coach Bill Morrison said of the first half. "Our shots and our passes were really rushed."

After the half, West came out and scored on their first four possessions. Every time West put together a couple baskets, Prep had an answer. Jungers hit two 3's in the quarter to keep the Wildcats from stealing the momentum.

West almost doubled their 1st half score, but were not able to slow down the Jays. Prep led 47-31 going into the 4th quarter.

Prep started the 4th quarter with a 3-point play by Evans and took their biggest lead of the game, 50-31.

West forced three turnovers and put together a 9-0 run to pull within 50-40 with 6:03 left in the game.

The Jays scored their next six points from the line and led 56-42 with 3:42 remaining.

Frohloff and Zac Grandgenett made two 3-pointers to start a 12-2 run for the Wildcats.

Avery Moore scored after an offensive rebound to pull within 58-56 with 11.4 seconds left. Prep was able to inbound the ball to Jungers who made two free throws to end the scoring for the game.

"We learned a lot about ourselves today," Morrison said. "I think we grew up a lot in the 2nd half. We have to continue to build on the things we do well and fix what we didn't do very well."

MW	8	8	15	25	56
CP	14	17	16	13	60

MW: Kirschner 4, Frohloff 8, P Moore 12, Gaius 6, Grandgenett 5, A Moore 17, Thaden 4.

CP: Jungers 21, Subdeck 3, Hubner 2, Newbill 2, Rieschl 11, Ramschaudron 7, Evans 14

Lower Levels

Junior Varsity

After a sluggish 1st quarter against Bellevue East, the Wildcats picked up their intensity and communication on the defensive end.

The team went on a 12-0 run to start the 2nd quarter and never looked back. Consistent ball movement and great shot selection helped the Wildcats pull away from the Chieftains.

Jacob Young led the team with 20 points. Jaidyn Gaius chipped in 10 points. Jackson Williams and Cole Butler each had 8 points, and Jace Ingebretson contributed 7 points.

The Jr. Jays handed the Wildcats their first loss of the season 38-55. Prep jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first 10 minutes of the game, and West could not overcome the deficit.

The Wildcats cut the lead to single digits in the 4th quarter. But, Prep made 8/11 free throws in the 4th quarter.

Jordan Gassen led the Wildcats in scoring with 10 points.

Reserves

The first game of the year against Bellevue East for the Reserve boys basketball team was a complete team effort. All 11 players on the team were able to contribute to the 35 point win.

After coming out strong in the first quarter, the boys led by 14 points. Foul trouble early forced the Wildcats to call off the press. At the break, the Wildcat led by 18 points.

West's defense held the Chieftains

to single digit scoring in each of the quarters in the 2nd half.

Michael Bartholomew and Nathan Durand each scored 15 points to lead the team.

In a very physical game at the Bird Cage, the Wildcats fell short. West was losing 7-13 at the end of the first quarter and 19-25 at the half.

The Wildcats cut it to one point in the 3rd quarter before the Jr. Jays made a run and never looked back.

Jackson Schulz had a huge 2nd quarter with 8 points going into the break. Michael Bartholomew scored 6 points for West

Freshmen A

Bellevue East led for the first three-and-a-half quarters of the season opener before West was able to get the momentum and pull ahead.

The momentum changed in favor of West after a charge taken by Carter LaBorde. LaBorde also made a basket with 3:49 left in the game to give the Wildcats their first lead of the game, 45-43. West made 4 of 6 free throws down the stretch to clench the victory.

DJ Schiemann led a balanced scoring attack with 15 points.

Against Prep, a low scoring first half had the Cats trailing 18-20.

The second half was back a back and forth battle. West came out with a lot of energy and were making the extra pass to find the open shooters.

Jayden Kozney caught fire and hit two gin 3's in the 4th quarter. The Wildcats were pulling away until 6

Wildcats Sweep Bellevue East, Outscore Chieftains 291-171



missed free throws allowed the Jays to get back in the game. West won 43-42.

Lucas Johnson was the high scorer with 12 points.

Freshmen B

The Wildcats open their season with a win over Bellevue East.

West outscored the Chieftains in all four quarters and did not allow a double digit score by East.

The Wildcats were led by Jayden Fitzke who had 13 pts, 6 rebounds and 4 steals. Other Wildcats scoring were Hughes (10), Zealand (6), Betts (4), Meier (4), Greenlee (4), Snyder (3), Mclver (2) and Mollring (2).

The Wildcats took an early lead over Prep, but they could not hold the lead over the Jays. Prep won 64-41.

West's offense was led by Daniel Greenlee with 14 points and 3 rebounds. Tyson Meier added 9 points and 4 rebounds. Other scoring was Osborne 7, Fitzke 4, Betts, Wilson and Mollring with 2, and Reece Wilson led the team with 7 rebounds.

Weekly Practice / Game Schedule

Monday, Dec 13

Practice

V/JV 3:40-5:40

9/R 5:40-7:10

Games

No games

Tuesday, Dec 14

Practice

V/JV/R 3:40-5:40

9th 5:40-7:10

Games

No games

Wednesday, Dec 15

Practice

JV/V/R 3:40-5:10

9th 5:10-6:30

Games

No games.

Thursday, Dec 16

Practice

V/JV 3:40-5:30

Games

9A vs Skutt 6:00

9B vs Skutt 7:30

Res vs Skutt 7:30

Friday, Dec 17

Practice

V/JV 3:40-5:10

9th 5:10-6:40

Res No practice

Games

No Games

Saturday, Dec 18

Practice

V/JV TBA

9/R TBA

Games

JV at Lin High 5:15

V at Lin High 7:00

Practice/Game times are always subject to change.



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