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Dexter, Missouri - The first six games of the season featured great defense by the Dexter Lady Cats, but the offense was lacking at times. That all changed on Thursday night against the New Madrid County Central Lady Eagles.

The Cats jumped out to an 11-0 lead and really never looked back. Brittany Harris and Paige Patterson, both who had 15 points on the night had 9 of those first 11 points to start the game off right. After a six point run by New Madrid County Central, the Lady Cats came back with another 11 point run of their own featuring free throws by Patterson and baskets by Erica Cobb, Mollie Whitehead and Hannah Noe. A free throw by Noe and another basket by Harris gave the Cats a 25-8 first quarter advantage.

The Dexter girls opened up the second quarter with a 3 pointer by Alison Jarrell, a basket by Makayla Waldner and a basket by Harris to open a huge 32-8 lead. From there the Lady Cats outscored the Lady Eagles 16 - 10 to end the quarter with baskets from Cobb (who had 15 on the night) Jarrell (14 points on the night) free throws by Katelynn Frazier (who led the team with 7 assists) and Patterson. At the half the Cats had a 30 point lead.

It was more of the same in the second half as the outside shooting was showcased. The Lady Cats made 6 three pointers in the second half as Cobb, Jarrell and Noe each hit from long distance. Throw in baskets by Whitehead and Frazier and a big fourth quarter by Paige Patterson on the offensive glass and you get a decisive 82-43 victory.

Scoring that happened on Thursday night doesn't just come by itself. It takes the play of guards who will get the ball to the right player. Coach Allen mentioned the work of Katelynn Frazier in particular on Thursday night. "Katelynn has really come on at the point guard spot. Coach Sitzes and I have really noticed how she has picked up her game recently".

The Lady Cats will be in action again Saturday as they will open the Twin Rivers Christmas Tournament as the number one seeded team and will take on Malden at 9 Saturday morning.

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