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COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa – Over 500 miles from home, the regular season came to an unmerciful end for the Three Rivers Lady Raiders.

Beset by injuries that prematurely ended the year for two starters and sidelined players for over 100 games this year, the Lady Raiders got in an early hole and never recovered, losing 90-51 to the Iowa Western Lady Reivers here Saturday in a Region XVI contest.

Three Rivers (9-21, 2-10 XVI) trailed just 9-8 after Candace Miller's bucket five minutes into the game, but the Lady Reivers (19-11, 6-6) ran off 14 straight points and never looked back, taking a 23-8 lead on Lanita Calloway's basket with 9:18 left in the first half.

Calloway's field goal with 48 seconds left in the first half extended the Iowa Western lead to 44-23 and her field goal with 13:32 left in the game made it 63-31. The Lady Raiders never came any closer than 20 points after halftime not got within 30 the final 13 minutes.

Taylor Turgeon paced the Lady Reivers with 21 points, while Calloway and Amber McCann added 12 apiece and Shaw-nee Winningham tossed in 10.

Abbie Warren led Three Rivers with 12 points, while Tazonda Gibbs added 11.

The Lady Raiders begin play in the Region XVI Tournament Thursday at Jefferson City when they take on Crowder. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. at Lincoln University.

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