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Cape Girardeau, Missouri – The Bernie Mules traveled to Notre Dame high school on Friday night to take on the Bulldogs.

“We got an old-fashioned butt whipping tonight. Notre Dame whipped us and made us like it. We had more turn-overs I believe than we did shot attempts, and that isn’t a good recipe for success,” commented head coach Brad Botsch. “Until we value the basketball more than we did and make better decisions, we are going to have a hard time winning against great competition.”

Notre Dame defeated the Mules 69 – 46. Even with this loss, the Bernie Mules have an awesome win/loss record of 19-2 on the season.

“I just felt like we really didn’t compete very well, and we were at their mercy, and that shouldn’t be happening when you have 7 seniors and the district tournament 3 weeks away. The urgency hasn’t hit us yet and hopefully this will help remind us that we need to work harder. I knew this was coming.”

B.J. Jennings and Jake Wagner shared the team-high 12 points. Jennings hit two treys along with Brandon Sparks and Devin Trammell who each added one 3-pointer.

They play Hayti on Tuesday, February 11th in Bernie. Bernie has been recently plagued with a few injuries. Caleb Ellenburg is most likely out for a while. He was injured during the SCAA Tournament. Troy Kirkpatrick has been out since the beginning of the season and Bubby Schwent has missed a few games. Hopefully they will heal soon and be back in action at the barn. Game time is 6 p.m. Come out and cheer for the Mules!

“We play Hayti on Tuesday at home, and it’s a very big game for us against an incredibly athletic team. It will be interesting to see how we respond.”

Final Score Bernie 46 Notre Dame 69

Bernie Mules 7 11 15 13 - 46

Notre Dame 18 15 28 8 - 69

Bernie (46) - Jake Wagner 12, Brandon Sparks 1, B.J. Jennings 12, Justin Stanfield 2, J.R. Pregel 6, Bubby Schwent 4, Devin Trammell 3, Joey Walker 4, Gavin Smith 2. FG 13, FT 14-17, F 20. (3-pointers: Sparks 3, Jennings 2, Trammel 1. Fouled out: none)

Notre Dame (69) - Chase Urhahn 14, Tanner Shively 2, Jordan Williamson 2, Quinn Poythress 18, Grant Ressel 2, Jordan Barber 6, Thomas Himmelberg 8, Derek Hulshof 5, Dean Crippen 6, Bobby Jansen 6. FG 25, FT 16-25, F 18. (3-pointers: Urhahn, Himmelberg 2. Fouled out: none)

Shown in the picture is Jake Wagner #5 of the Bernie Mules with the ball. Photo taken by Michelle Stephens. Thank you Michelle because without great fans of the ShowMe Times we couldn't spotlight all the great students in Stoddard County.

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