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Dexter, Missouri – The Lady ‘Cats have earned another trip to the Final Four. Who stands in their way of becoming the #1 Class 4 Girls Basketball Team in the State of Missouri? Some of the usual suspects: Incarnate Word Academy, Marshfield High School and the Benton Lady Cardinals.

First the 'Cats have to beat Benton on Friday. The Lady Cardinals are a public school out of St. Joseph, Missouri with a record of 21 – 8. They have won a state title and are ready to earn another one. Game time 2:30 p.m. on Friday, March 21st.

Incarnate Word and Marshfield will battle it out at 4:15 p.m. Marshfield’s record is 25 – 5. Incarnate Word ranked #2 in the country is 29-1 and the 2013 State Champions. They can be beaten. They have been beaten.

They don't have four 1,000 career point players on their team. Can you name one team in the state of Missouri that has had FOUR seniors score 1,000 career points, all to reach their goal in their senior year?

Hannah Noe, Erika Cobb, Alison Jarrell, and Paige Patterson have accomplished something no other high school has ever done, at least to our knowledge. Now

that's a story in itself to remember forever. What these girls will take away from basketball is more than just winning, but a state championship win would be icing on the cake to add to all of their personal accomplishments on and off the court.

These young ladies will have to play better than they have ever played before. They will have to play smart, get the rebounds, block key shots, dive for loose balls and play well defensively.

The offense will have to make the right plays at the right times. Dribble well, don't give up the ball, shoot and score. If they execute each of these actions then they will have played the best game possible.

The Lady Bearcats may not be the biggest, fastest, strongest team, but they have heart. Their fans have seen it. They have shown it to their coaches and their teammates. **THEY ARE LIVING THE DREAM!!**

When YOU take the court on Friday, you've got to lay that heart on the line. From the soles of your feet to the tops of your ponytails put it all on the court.

**YOU cannot lose.**

**YOU cannot be defeated.**

**Believe that!**

**No matter what the scoreboard reads at the end of the game,**

**YOU are winners!**

**This is what YOU have lived for!**

**This is your opportunity to rise and be heard!**

**We believe in YOU!**

**We support YOU 100%**

**We bleed red and black.**

**We are a Bearcat Nation!**

## **Go Bearcats!**

The Lady 'Cats will leave Dexter around 10:00 a.m. from the high school and will drive through each of the other schools as students, teachers, and staff cheer for their favorite Bearcats! If you would like to participate in the parade, be at the pond on One Mile Road and wave to the girls as they travel to the biggest game of their high school careers!

**It's the Final Four for the four seniors!**

**It's your year!!**

**ONE TEAM ONE DREAM!!**

**Now go live the DREAM!**

Championship game will be played at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 22nd in Columbia. You can watch both games on Dexter's channel 21 YHCTV or view it on your computer in a livestream at [yhctv.com](http://yhctv.com). The ShowMe Times will be on the sidelines in the Mizzou Arena updating via Facebook and Twitter.

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