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T S Hill Middle School Season Opener at Home

Dexter Missouri - The 2014 Middle School basketball season got underway at T. S. Hill Middle School as the 7th and 8th grade Lady Bearcats hosted the East Praire Eagles in their season opener. The Lady 'Cats first showing proved that these young basketball players are going to be a fun group of athletes to watch perform this year.

Coach Chad Allen and Coach Eric Sitze had their girls ready for the contest as their team offered an exciting evening of hustle, steals and transition baskets. At the end of the night, both teams added a win to the records by defeating the East Prairie Eagles in both the eight grade game 58 to 16 and in the seventh grade game 40 to 16.

The eight grade team was dominant in their contest over the Eagles, as Cheylee Mosbey lead all scorers with 23 points. Mosbey had the hot hand for the 'Cats in the first half with 17 points of her total. Maycie Martin had 10 points in the game, followed by Natalie Sitze with 8, Keirston Keirse with 7, and Maci McBride with 6. Anna Bishop and Liza King each added 2 points on the night.

A very talented group, these young ladies bring a lot of hustle to the court against their opponents. The quickness of guards Natalie Sitze and Maci McBride, and Liza King created havoc in the back court for the Eagles, creating several turnovers throughout the contest.

Cheylee Mosby is an all-around player for the team, but is complimented on the court with the talents of Rylee Allen, Marcie Martin, Anna Bishop, and Keirston Keirse. Overall, they perform as a team and were simply unstoppable by the East Prairie Eagles.

As a team, these young ladies deliver an aggressive style of play creating many opportunities on the court. Each player compliments the other with their talent. Their unselfish style of play provides the Bearcats quick baskets in transition and the ability to locate the open teammate on the court.

The seventh grade marked an equally impressive win over East Prairie. The first quarter of the contest gave fans the impression that both seventh grade teams were evenly matched with a score of 11 to 7.

The 7th grade Bearcats tightened their defense in the following quarters, only allowing 2 points by the Eagles in both the 2nd and 3rd quarters. The 'Cats outscored the Eagles 21 to 4 in quarters 2 and 3. They finished strong in the fourth quarter with the duo of Slaton girls adding 10 of the 12 fourth quarter points. The 7th grade 'Cats wrapped up the win by a score of 40 to 16.

Annie Slaton was the leading scorer for the 7th grade team with 15 points. Maddie Slaton scored 10 points. Alexa Werneck tallied 8 points. She was followed in scoring by Margo Nea who had 6 points and Madeline Parker with 5 points.

"I thought both teams came out a little nervous which is always to be expected for the first game," noted Coach Chad Allen. "It's good to see where you're at and be able to work on making things better."

"It was great to get a couple of wins tonight," added Allen "Now we've got to get ready for Doniphan Monday night."

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