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Farmington, Missouri – What a come from behind win for the Dexter Lady 'Cats! Third-seeded Dexter upset the #2 seed Jackson Lady Indians Thursday evening in a semifinal to put them in the championship game slated for Friday evening. Final Score 57 – 48.

"I think we wore them down throughout the game," commented head girls basketball coach Chad Allen. "They were hitting a lot of 3's especially in the first half, but down the stretch they weren't hitting them." That gave Dexter an advantage going into the second half.

The Jackson Lady Indians opened the game ready to battle. They hit five of their nine 3-pointers early on and led Dexter 21 – 13 at the end of the first quarter.

It was head-to-head action in the second as each team scored 12 points. Jackson was up by 7 going into the locker room at the half.

Allen said he decided to switch offense in the second half hoping to get the ball in the paint more. "At half-time we talked about getting the ball inside more (either by passing into the post or off dribble penetration) since we were struggling at making shots." Out of the shoot came the 'Cats in the third period and winning was the plan! DaKota Reynolds hit a 3-pointer. The crowd went wild and the 'Cats went on a 22 point run leaving the Indians in their dust. Jackson scored their last bucket with 7 minutes left on the clock.

Dakota Reynolds drained a another 3-pointer to bring the Lady 'Cats ahead with 1:41 remaining. She then completed six free throws to seal the deal for the Bearcats!

"We struggled shooting the ball from the perimeter, but late in the 4th quarter Dakota hit 2 big 3-pointers," continued Allen. "Then we played keep away. They fouled Dakota and she made her FTs!"

Free throws made a difference in this game. Dexter made 20 of 27 while Jackson was 4 of 9 from the charity stripe.

Melanie McKuin tallied a game-high 22 points for the Bearcats. Reynolds finished with 15 points including three treys.

Hannah Thurmon tallied a team-high 10 rebounds. Reynolds also had six assists.

Dexter is slated to square off against #1 seeded Saxony Lutheran tonight at 8:00 p.m. in the championship game at Farmington.

"Saxony has a lot of experience," stated Allen. "They are strong and it's definitely going to be a tough game."

Final Score Dexter 57, Jackson 48

Dexter 13 12 8 24 - 57

Jackson 21 12 11 4 - 48

Dexter (57) – Dakota Reynolds 15, Melanie McKuin 22, Hannah Thurmon 8, Krysten Garrison 2, Harley Allen 2, Karaline Keirsey 8. FG 17, FT 20/27, F 16. (3-pointers: Reynolds 3. Fouled Out: None).

Jackson (48) – Cassidi Tomsu 16, Rachel Crites 11, Autumn Reid 7, Rylee Strafford 5, Kayla Keith 9. FG 18, FT 4/9, F 21. (3-pointers: Tomsu 1, Crites 3, Reid 1, Strafford 1, Keith 2. Fouled Out: None)

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DHS Wrestlers Beat Notre Dame, Suffer Loss to Sikeston

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Cape Girardeau, Missouri – The Dexter Bearcats wrestling team took on the Bulldogs of Notre Dame and the Bulldogs of Sikeston Thursday evening. They split the win defeating Notre Dame and losing to Sikeston.

"In the first match of the season the kids came out and wrestled hard," stated head wrestling coach James Sneed. "Notre Dame has a very young team this

year ans we took advantage of that. Just glad to be wrestling someone other than ourselves!"

The Cats easily defeated Notre Dame 72 – 6.

- 106 lb weight division Double Forfeit
- 113 lb weight division Seth Harris (D) over Nick Earley (ND) (Fall 0:30)
- 120 lb weight division Noah Huff (ND) beat Matt Stone (D) (Fall 0:53)
- 126 lb weight division Gavin White (D) over Andrew Johnson (ND) (Fall 0:34)
- 132 lb weight division Brandon Twomey (D) over Ben Pfau (ND) (Fall 0:46)
- 138 lb weight division Ty Harmon (D) over Hunter Miller (ND) (Fall 0:51)
- 145 lb weight division Austin Adams (D) over Notre Dame (For.)
- 152 lb weight division Storm Massey (D) over Bruce Nguyen (ND) (Fall 3:53)
- 160 lb weight division Nate Weather (D) over Lenorris Hughes (ND) (Fall 0:26)
- 170 lb weight division Ethan Stevens (D) over Notre Dame (For.)
- 182 lb weight division Dylan Bazarian (D) over Stephen Hoffmeister (ND) (Fall 0:29)
- 195 lb weight division Brandon Quertermous (D) over (ND) (For.)
- 220 lb weight division Jared Deal (D) over Collyn Rouggly (Fall 0:37)
- 285 lb weight division Brandon Wick (D) over (ND) (For.)
- "Sikeston has a very solid team," continued Sneed. "I thought we competed with them for the most part. The score was 19 - 18 Sikeston after 8 matches, but then they pulled away in the upper weights."

The Sikeston Bulldogs defeated Dexter 49 – 21.

- 106 lb weight division Seth Harris (D) over Ty Fowler (S) (Dec 5-4)
- 113 lb weight division Richard Garcia (S) over Dexter (For.)
- 120 lb weight division Javeon Bonner (S) over Matt Stone (D) (Fall 0:00)

126 lb weight division - Garrett Middleton (S) over Gavin White (D) (Dec 8-2)

132 lb weight division - Luis Valdez (S) over Brandon Twomey (D) (MD 16-3)

138 lb weight division - Courtney Hawkins (S) over James Mullins (D) (Fall 2:00)

145 lb weight division - Justice Faulkner (S) over Austin Adams (D) (Fall 0:57)

152 lb weight division - Storm Massey (D) over Luke Blanton (S) (Fall 0:00)

160 lb weight division - Nate Weathers (D) over Michael Porter (S) (Dec 4 -3)

170 lb weight division - Ethan Stevens (D) over Christian Crumpecker (S) (Fall 2:00)

182 lb weight division - Dylan Bazarian (D) over Devin Cochran (S) (Dec 11-4)

195 lb weight division - Joshua Stinnett (S) over Brandon Quertermous (D) (Fall 0:00)

220 lb weight division - Gage Barber (S) over Jared Deal (D) (Fall 2:00)

285 lb weight division – Mitchell Garner (S) over Brandon Wick (D) (Fall 0:00)

Storm Massey, Ethan Stevens, and Dylan Bazarian all moved to 2 - 0 on the season. "I expected all three to have a good year."

"We will be wrestling this Saturday in the Sikeston Duals. It will be a dual style tournament with 10 teams," commented Sneed.

Dexter will travel to Sikeston on Saturday to compete in the Sikeston Tournament. Match time is 10:00 p.m. Teams competing from Missouri are Cape Central, Dexter, Kennett, and Sikeston. Marion, Illinois and Paducah Tilghman, Caldwell County, Calloway County, Hopkinsville, and McCracken County, Kentucky will represent as well.

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Lady 'Cats Take Down Bulldogs in Farmington Tournament

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Lady 'Cats Take Down Bulldogs in Farmington Tournament

Farmington, Missouri - The Lady 'Cats of Dexter gave Notre Dame quite a licking on Wednesday evening at the Farmington Tournament. It didn't take them long to jump out to an 18 – 4 lead in the first few minutes of their first game of the season.

Dexter seeded #3 in the Farmington Tournament constructed an impressive 54 – 23 lead by half-time. Dexter outscored Notre Dame 28 – 7 in the second period on their way to a convincing 82 – 51 victory over Notre Dame.

Hannah Thurmon, a freshman, and Melanie McKuin, a junior, led the Bearcats with a game-high 21 points each. Thurmon and McKuin both hit one trey. Freshman Krysten Garrison tallied 16 more points. Harley Allen (sophomore) and Dakota Reynolds (junior) each hit one 3 pointer.

Final Score Dexter 82, Notre Dame 51

Notre Dame 17 7 19 8 - 51

Dexter 26 28 13 15 - 82

Notre Dame (51) – Sam Brennan 13, Maddie Urhahn 7, Abbie McCallister 5, Allie Ziegler 3, Hayli Chapman 11, Brooke Blankenship 1, Cheyenne Sander 11. FG 18, FT 10/20, F 19. (3-pointers Chapman 3, Urhahn 1, McCallister 1. Fouled Out: None)

Dexter (82) – Dakota Reynolds 7, Melanie McKuin 21, Sydney Rogers 4, Cheyenne Mosby 2, Hannah Thurmon 21, Katie Reiker 4, Krysten Garrison 16, Harley Allen 3, Karaline Keirsey 4. FG 31, FT 16/26, F 21. (3-pointers Reynolds 1, McKuin 1, Thurmon 1, Allen 1. Fouled Out: None)

Dexter will take on #2 seed Jackson tonight at 6:30 p.m. in a semifinal game. The other semifinal game is #1 seeded Saxony Lutheran and #5 seeded Miller Career Academy at 8:00 p.m. The winners will play in the championship game on Friday at 8:00 p.m. at Farmington.

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2014-2015 Wrestling Team Schedule, State Qualifiers Return

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2014-2015 Wrestling Team Schedule, State Qualifiers Return

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter High School Wrestling team will open their season at Notre Dame tonight. They will compete against Notre Dame and Sikeston. Match time is 5:00 p.m.

The Bearcats will return several state qualifiers to the 2014 – 2015 rosters. Dylan Bazarian is a three-time state qualifier and a two-time district champion for the Bearcats. Cameron Craft is a two-time state qualifier. Ethan Stevens is a two-time district champion and a state qualifier. Storm Massey is a two-time state qualifier as well. Jared Deal and Michael Hurst are both returning state qualifiers along with Brandon Twomey. James Mullins was a state qualifier as a freshman and sat out last year with an injury.

Senior wrestling team athletes are Dylan Bazarian, Cameron Craft, Ty Harmon, Chance Jarrell, Brandon Quertermous, Aaron Sandlin, Dalton Twomey, and Brandon Wick. Each of these athletes have been in the wrestling program all four years.

Junior wrestling team athletes are Houston Burnett, Jared Deal, Michael Hurst, Corey Martinez, Troy Martinez, Storm Massey, James Mullins, Jon Rodgers, Matt Stone, Brandon Twomey, Nate Weathers, Gaven White, and Jordan Wood.

Sophomore wrestling team members are Ethan Gillum, Cory Holland, and Jakob Sauvage.

Freshman wrestling team members are Austin Adams, Blake Bolin, Logan Elder, Tres Hampton, Seth Harris, Devan Helm, Dason Milam, Seth Rush, Matt Stone, and Christian Yarber.

Dexter will host two home meets this season, New Madrid County Central and Carterville on December 9th at 5 p.m. and Cape Central, Poplar Bluff, and Kennett on February 5th at 5 p.m.

On Saturday, December 6th the Bearcats will travel to compete in the Sikeston Invitational. They will also compete in the Harrisonville Holiday Tournament December 19th and 20th, Ste. Genevieve Tournament on January 10th, Owensville Tournament on January 17th, SEMO Conference Tournament on January 23rd and 24th, and the Priory Tournament on January 31st.

Dexter is scheduled to compete in the Class 2, District 1 tournament against Affton, Kennett, Lutheran South, Park Hills Central, Miller Career Academy, Potosi, Notre Dame, Owensville, St. Clair, St. Francis Borgia, Roosevelt, Ste. Genevieve, Sullivan, and Sumner on February 13th and 14th.

Below is the 2014 – 2015 Dexter Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent	Level	Location	Time
12/4	Sikeston/Notre Dame	Varsity/JV	Away	5 p.m.
12/6	Sikeston Invitational	Varsity	Away	10 a.m.
12/9	NMCC/Carterville	Varsity/JV	Home	5 p.m.
12/11	Poplar Bluff/Notre Dame	Varsity/JV	Away	5 p.m.
12/13	McCluer South-Berkeley	Varsity	Away	9 a.m.
12/19-20	Harrisonville Trn.	Varsity	Away	TBA
12/22	Cape Central JV Trn.	JV	Away	10 a.m.
1/10	Ste. Genevieve Trn.	Varsity	Away	9 a.m.
1/10	Jackson JV Trn.	JV	Away	10 a.m.
1/15	Kennett	Varsity/JV	Away	6 p.m.
1/17	Owensville Trn.	Varsity	Away	9 a.m.
1/20	North County/Potosi	Varsity/JV	Away	5 p.m.
1/23-24	SEMO Conf. Trn.	Varsity	Away	TBA
1/29	Poplar Bluff/Jackson	Varsity/JV	Away	5 p.m.
1/31	Priory Tournament	Varsity	Away	9 a.m.

1/31 JV SEMO Trn. JV Away 10 a.m.

2/5 Cape Cen./P.B./Kenn. Varsity Home 5 p.m.

2/13/-14 District Varsity TBA TBA

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Bluejays Fly Away with Win Over the Bearcats

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Bluejays Fly Away with Win Over the Bearcats

Dexter, Missouri – The Dexter Bearcats varsity boys basketball program battled hard against the Charleston Bluejays after falling behind 12 – 0 in the first quarter. The Bluejays powerhouse Delfincko Bogan rallied them to victory with a final

score of 76 - 47.

"We played vey soft man-to-man. Our goal was to keep them in front of us and make them shoot perimeter shots," stated Dexter's head basketball coach Josh Dowdy. "They just happen to make the first six. You have to make the decision to go out and pressure them or play soft. We thought it would be better to keep them in front of us. That is not what beat us in the end. Our lack of composure on offense was the factor in the game which allowed them to score in transition."

Bogan came out strong for the Bluejays scoring a game-high 27 points including 4 treys. Charleston lead at the end of each period and at the half Charleston was still in the lead, up by nine.

"I thought we dug ourselves too big of a hole early on. We did battle back," stated Dowdy. "We played them within six points after the first bucket in the second half and then we played way to quick on offense. Against a team with that much quickness and ability to score, you have to limit possessions and we did not do that very well tonight. We will improve and I was proud of our effort!"

"Our defense will take some time. It will look better in February. They scored half of their points in transition because of our lack of composer on offense," continued Dowdy. "It was our first game and I believe in these kids."

Ethan Flowers opened the second half with a 3-pointer putting Dexter within six. Only 3 more buckets would be put on the board by the Bearcats during the 3rd period. Charleston stood strong scoring and simple outscored them adding 22 points in the third period to secure their victory over Dexter. The Bluejays scored double digits in each of the four quarters.

"I was real proud of Ethan Flowers. He is a very heady player," continued Dowdy. "I am also real proud of Austin Chesser. He plays without any fear and we will need both of them to continue our efforts each night."

Austin Chesser recorded seven of the Bearcat's first 10 points of the game tallying a team-high 19 points while Ethan Flowers scored 15 points including three 3-pointers.

Charleston's Kelvondre Moore finished with 13 points. Demarcus Sharp tallied 10 points. Charleston now 2-1 on the season will return to the court on Friday when they host Notre Dame for their season home opener.

Dexter has its first road game traveling to Sikeston to take on the Bulldogs.

"Sikeston is a different team than Charleston in that they will pick you up in a full court zone defense that will look like a man because of their speed and athleticism," continued Dowdy. "We will have to play with much better poise on offense to be competitive. We will work on it Wednesday and Thursday and go over there and give it a shot Friday night."

Final score Varsity Charleston 76, Dexter 47

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Charleston 12 11 22 20 - 76

Dexter 13 12 9 13 - 47

Charleston (76) – Kelvondre Moore 13, Dontarius Sharp 7, Delfincko Bogan 27, Deonte Clemons 2, Demarcus Sharp 10, Mardareyon Clark 5, Jeremy Tucker 6, Tenerrious Ewing 4, Darron Howard 2. FG 32, FT ¾, F 14. (3-pointers: Bogan 4, Demarcus Sharp 2, Moore 2, Donarius Sharp 1. Fouled Out None)

Dexter (47) – Noah Kronk 2, Jason Jarrell 2, Peyton Pollock 7, Austin Chesser 19, Ethan Flowers 15, Addison Moore 2. FG 19, FT 6/10, F 11 (3-pointers: Flowers 3. Fouled Out None)

"We would like to thank all of the community members for coming out tonight. It made the kids happy!"

Next game is slated for Friday, December 5th game time 6 p.m. at Sikeston. Come out and show your support for the Bearcats!

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