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Farmington, Missouri – The Dexter Lady Cats fought a good battle with Saxony Lutheran Crusaders on Friday evening, but were unable to come from behind and win the championship.

The Lady crusaders ranked #1 in the Farmington Invitational jumped out to an early lead, which continued throughout the game for a 65 – 58 victory over the Dexter Bearcats.

The #3 ranked Dexter Bearcats upset #2 ranked Jackson Indians 57 - 48 in the semifinal thriller of the 7 team Farmington Invitational.

Melanie McKuin paced the Bearcats with a team-high 19 points including 2 treys. Hannah Thurmon finished with 16 points also with 2 3-pointers. Dakota Reynolds, Harley Allen, and Karaline Keirseay each contributed a trey. The Lady Cats had a total of 7 treys during the game.

Dexter kept pace with Saxony scoring double digits in each period. Saxony just jumped out ahead in the first period 22 – 14. They matched evenly in the second with 10 points and Dexter actually scored more points in the 3rd quarter than Saxony, but it was still not enough to win. Dexter has a very young team and they held their own with Saxony Luther to make for a great game for the fans!

Dexter (2-1) will be back in action on Thursday when they play Valley View, AR in the first round of the Paragould McDonald's Tournament. Game time is 5:30 p.m. at Paragould High School.

Final Score #1 Saxony Lutheran 65, #3 Dexter 58

Dexter 14 10 15 19 - 58

Saxony 22 10 13 20 - 65

Dexter (58) – Dakota Reynold 7, Melanie McKuin 19, Hannah Thurmon 16, Krysten Garrison 6, Harley Allen 3, Karaline Keirse 7. FG 24, FT 3/11, F 16 (3-pointers – Reynolds 1, McKuin 2, Thurmon 2, Allen 1, Keirse 1. Fouled Out: Reynolds)

Saxony (65) – Grace Mirly 13, Ali Galemme 4, Brianna Mueller 28, Maysn McWilliams 4, Reagan Wieser 16. FG 23, FT 14/18, F 12. (3-pointers: Mueller 5. Fouled Out: Galemme)

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