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# State Ranked Neelyville Battles Lady Cats to the Wire

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**Neelyville, Missouri** – The Lady 'Cats battled it out with the state-ranked Neelyville Lady Tigers Thursday evening. Tied 57-57, the Bearcats took a shot a little too early with just seconds left on the clock giving Shelby Moon enough time to hit a bucket sealing the win for the Lady Tigers.

"The girls played well tonight. We were down by 8 at one point and 5 points etc, but battled back to just two and even tied at times," commented Dexter head girls basketball coach Chad Allen. "We took that shot a little too early and Moon was able to make two at the end."

Neelyville scored the first seven points of the ball game. The Lady Tigers were 16/16 at the free throw line in the first half executing all of their points from the charity stripe.

"We fought back and the girls kept their composure," continued Allen. "It was a big game of runs and a good game for us. We told the girls that we are going to have close games. We just have to execute and we went a little quick there at the end, but we keep getting better."

The Lady Cats led 39-36 before Shelby Moon hit a trey from about 45 feet at the buzzer to tie things up 39-39 going into halftime.

"We gave Moon too many looks in the first half.," stated Allen. "We matched up better in the second half and were more aggressive. We lost to a good team on their home floor."

Shelby Moon paced the Lady Tigers with a game-high 26 points including six 3-pointers. She scored 17 points in the first half.

"We tried to contain Moon from the 3-point line," Allen said. "She didn't get many looks in the second half. Our girls played pretty hard and were very physical in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half."

Dakota Reynolds hit three treys for Dexter and finished with 15 points. Krysten Garrison scored 14 points and Melanie McKuin tallied 13 points.

Harley Allen hit a 3-pointer in the fourth quarter to help close the gap with Neelyville.

Dexter drops to 8-5 and will return to action on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> when they visit state-ranked Park Hills Central.

"We've got some tough teams coming up. Park Hills and St. Joe Academy are both good teams. We will have to work on a few things next week. Park Hills depends a lot on their two sisters where Neelyville is more guard oriented. The Skaggs twins pound it inside for Park Hills and we don't want to give them too many looks on the inside," state Allen.

"Even as a coach you learn from games. A lot is my fault too in some of these games. As long as we are getting better each game and are battle tested by the time play-offs get here we have done our job."

#### Final score Neelyville 59, Dexter 57

Dexter 12 27 10 8 - 57

Neelyville 16 23 15 5 - 59

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# Wildcats Dominate Dexter in Junior Varsity Action

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#### Wildcats Dominate Dexter in Junior Varsity Action

**Dexter, Missouri** – The JV Cats had the edge and were ahead by 10 going into the fourth quarter, but Bloomfield rallied from behind to win 42-38.

It was Dexter leading 16-14 going into the half. They managed to continue their lead in the  $3^{rd}$  quarter 33 - 23 scoring 17 points. The Wildcats came alive in the  $4^{th}$  period scoring 19 points.

Tim Hector scored a team-high14 points including two 3-pointers for Bloomfield's junior varsity team. Austin Phillips finished with 9 points. Joe Clary added two treys.

Jacob Hector hit a field goal with less than one minute of play to put Bloomfield on top 40 – 38.

Dexter's Gabe Jackson tallied a game-high 16 points. Kole Kelley added one trey.

### Final Score Bloomfield 42, Dexter 38

Bloomfield 5 8 10 19 - 42

Dexter 10 6 17 5 - 38

**Bloomfield (42)** – Tim Hector 14, Kyle Anderson 2, Jerry Craft 2, Joe Clary 6, Jacob Hector 6, Austin Philips 9, Matt Gibbs 3. FG 15, FT 8/13, F 18. (3-pointers: Tim Hector 2, Joe Clary 2. Fouled Out: None).

**Dexter (38)** – Kole Kelley 3, Peyton Tinnin 2, Trevor McDonald 3, Ben Sindle 6, Ryan Mayo 5, Bo McMullin 3, Gabe Jackson 16. FG 16, FT 5/10, F 17. (3-pointers: Kelley 1. Fouled Out: None)

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## Bearcats Rebound with Win over Bloomfield!

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Bearcats Rebound with Win over Bloomfield!

**Dexter, Missouri** – The Bearcats rallied from behind earning 40 of their 56 points in the second half to defeat the Bloomfield Wildcats 56 – 46.

"We are just really struggling to find some consistency on both ends right now," commented Bloomfield coach Jason Karnes. "We aren't a very cohesive group and we just aren't competing every possession like we have too. I give a lot of credit to Dexter and Coach Dowdy. They executed a game plan and they deserve a lot of credit."

Ethan Flowers tallied a game-high 19 points for the Bearcats. Flowers also hit three 3-pointers.

Jason Jarrell scored 17 points and Jacob Pedigo finished with 13 points including his two 3-pointers.

"The last few games Jarrell has carried us on offense," stated Dexter coach Josh Dowdy. "It is nice to see Pedigo and Flowers get in double digits. That may be the first time we have had three guys in double digits. That shows we are sharing the ball."

After falling behind in the first half 24-16, Dexter had to change their defense with the Wildcats' powerhouse Noah Vandiver on the court.

"We had to mix up a few defenses to try and take away Vandiver," Dowdy said. "Peyton Pollock and Noah Kronk did an excellent job of taking him away. It is nice to see the kids show some grit and battle back from a deficit."

"We also did a better job reversing the ball quicker against their zone," Dowdy said. "We tried to hit the interior more to play more inside-outside basketball. Jarrell did a good job of tilting the ball to the open shooters and cutters."

Peyton Bell hit two 3-pointers and added another four points for Bloomfield. Tim Hector, Caleb Pulley, Tyler Battles and Nathan Newell each added a trey for the Wildcats.

Dexter (3-9) will travel to Bernie on Friday evening. Bloomfield (8-5) will host Malden on Friday. Game time 6:00 p.m.

#### Final Score Dexter 56, Bloomfield 46

Bloomfield 12 12 11 11 - 46

Dexter 10 6 21 19 - 56

**Bloomfield (46)** - Tim Hector 5, Caleb Pulley 3, Peyton Bell 10, Nathan Newell 7, Austin Bond 2, Alex Gibbs 7, Noah Vandiver 8, Tyler Batles 4. FG 16, FT 8/14, F 18. (3-pointers: Tim Hector 1, Caleb Pulley 1, Tyler Battles 1, Peyton Bell 2, Nathan Newell 1. Fouled Out: Vandiver, Gibbs)

**Dexter (56)** – Jason Jarrell 17, Peyton Pollock 1, Jacob Pedigo 13, Austin Chesser 6, Ethan Flowers 19. FG 18, FT 15/22, F 19. (3-pointers: Ethan Flowers 3, Jacob Pedigo 2. Fouled Out: Austin Chesser)

Dexter improves their record 2-1 in the SCAA regular season play while Bloomfield drops to 1-2 in SCAA regular season play.

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# Dexter JV Bearcats Take Down Woodland for the Win!

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**Dexter, Missouri** – The JV Bearcats have much improved throughout the season increasing their season in the win category by defeating the Woodland JV Cardinals 69 – 48.

Gabe Jackson tallied a game-high 14 points for Dexter scoring all but two in the first half.

Ryan Mayo hit double digits finishing with 10 points.

Kole Kelley excited the crowd hitting three treys in the first half! Ben Sindle and Bo McMullin each added a 3-pointer.

The JV Bearcats scored double digits in each of the four quarters and led by 23 points at the start of the fourth quarter.

#### Final Score JV Dexter 69, JV Woodland 48

Woodland 9 12 9 18 - 48

Dexter 15 21 17 16 - 69

**Woodland (48) -** Bruester Young 3, Keegen Cooper 2, Jamie Wiseman 3, Tyler Womack 10, Tommy Grindstaff 1, Logan Thomsen 6, Landon Thomsen 2, Tyler Massa 5, Levi Green 2, David Ashby 9, Derek Yount 5. F 18, FT 7/11, F 12 (3-pointers: Womack 2, Wiseman 1, Massa 1, Ashby 1. Fouled Out: None)

**Dexter (69)** – Kole Kelley 9, Marcus Woodson 2, Isaiah Hightower 8, Peyton Tinnin 2, Trevor McDonald 5, Ben Sindle 8, Dawson Kasting 6, Rayn Mayo 10, Bo McMullin 1. Fouled Out: None)

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## Dexter Bearcats Drop Homecoming to Woodland

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#### Dexter Bearcats Drop Homecoming to Woodland

**Dexter, Missouri** – The DHS Boys Basketball team under the direction of Josh Dowdy were unable to keep up with the fast paced Woodland Cardinals and dropped their homecoming game 74-54 at the Bearcat Event Center Friday evening.

"Our kids deserved a lot of credit," commented Woodland's coach Logan Nutt. "We know what we are looking for every day whether it is practice or a game. We just want to keep improving and reach our peak in late February and early march. We gave 100% effort and 100% attitude tonight and improved defensively."

Garret Reynolds hit a game-high six 3-pointers for the Cardinals and finished with a game-high 31 points!

Zach Beel recorded 7 buckets and tallied 21 points.

"We know Beel is a monster," Nutt continued. "He brings it every single day and he is mean. You better watch out. He also emphasizes sharing the ball and the more we share the ball the better shots we will be able to take and tonight we were on when we shot it."

Jason Jarrell recorded a team-high 29 points for the Bearcats. Austin Chesser tallied 8 points. Peyton Pollock, Tyler Heil, and Ethan Flowers each recorded a trey.

Dexter (2-9) will host rival Bloomfield on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Game time 6:00 p.m.

#### Final Score Woodland 74, Dexter 54

Woodland 13 15 25 21 - 74

Dexter 12 8 16 18 - 54

**Woodland (74)** – Evan Grindstaff 2, Garret Reynolds 31, Cole Schlief 2, Tyler Womack 3, Zach Beel 21, Devon Gramlisch 4, Landon Johnson 4, Michael McCormick 7. FG 29, FT 7/10, F 16. (3-pointers: Reynolds 6, Beel 2, Womack 1. Fouled Out: None).

**Dexter (54)** – Gabe Jackson 2, Jason Jarrell 29, Peyton Pollock 5, Jacob Pedigo 4, Austin Cheser 8, Tyler Heil 3, Ethan Flowers 3. FG 18, FT 15/17, F 14 (3-pointers: Pollock 1, Heil 1, Flowers 1. Fouled Out: None).

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