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Bloomfield, Missouri – The Dexter Bearcats opened their 2015 SCAA Tournament game with a win over the Puxico Indians.

Dexter's defense held the Indians to only 2 points in the first quarter and only 5 points in the second period. The Bearcat offense scored double digits in each of the four quarters.

"We came out and played man to man with a major emphasis on Luttrell and Tucker," commented Dexter coach Josh Dowdy. "I am so proud of how Kronk handled Luttrell all night long. He's a tough matchup for our squad and we are undersized across the board."

Ethan Flowers had an exception night of scoring. He tallied a game-high 24 points for the Bearcats. He hit four 3-pointers!

Jason Jarrell recorded 14 points including a trey. Jacob Pedigo finished with 9 points.

Dexter drew four charges in the first half and the fouls quickly stacked up on the Puxico players.

"Anytime we can draw a charge it turns momentum in your favor," continued Dowdy. "Tyler Heil and Austin Chesser did a great job getting in position to draw those. A charge is one of those unselfish acts. It helps your team's momentum

and energy. I thrive off of them and I love seeing a kid draw a charge. That's some good stuff!"

Puxico's only athlete to record double digits was Zack Tucker. He finished with 10 points.

Final Score Dexter 57, Puxico 34

Dexter will play Woodland on Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m.

"Woodland had their way with us in Game 1 and it would be nice to have another shot at them," stated Dowdy.

Puxico 2 5 9 18 - 34

Dexter 13 13 10 21 -57

Puxico (34) – Levi Woods 7, Cory Pratt 4, Chris Siler 7, Zach McCoy 1, Seth Luttrell 4, Jordan Burch 1, Zack Tucker 10. FG 14, FT 4/14, F 21. (3-pointers: Woods 1, Pratt 1. Fouled Out: Pratt, McCoy).

Dexter (57) - Jason Jarrell 14, Peyton Pollock 2, Jacob Pedigo 9, Austin Chesser 4, Ethan Flowers 24, Addison Moore 2, Matt Sims 2. FG 20, FT 12/18, F 14. (3-pointers: Flowers 4, Jarrell 1. Fouled Out: None)

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Lady Cats Topple Eagles in Stunning Fashion

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Lady Cats Topple Eagles in Stunning Fashion

Dexter, Missouri - The Lady 'Cats took full advantage of Dakota Reynolds this evening giving her the opportunity to hit six 3-pointers against the New Madrid County Central Lady Eagles!

Reynolds and Hannah Thurmon finished with a game-high 24 points each. Thurmon shot ten buckets and four free throws for the Bearcats.

Melanie McKuin tallied 15 points and was 3 for 3 at the charity stripe. She also recorded two 3-pointers.

Cheyenne Mosby scored 9 points including one trey.

Dexter tallied double digits in each of the four quarters.

Keisha Rainer recorded a team-high 17 points including one trey for the Eagles. Shanterra Waters finished with 10 points and was 4 for 4 at the charity stripe.

The Lady Cats improve their record to 9-7.

Final Score Dexter 75, NMCC 30

The Lady 'Cats will be back in action on Thursday when they host undefeated state ranked St. James. Game time is 6:00 p.m. and there will not be a junior varsity game prior to the varsity game.

St. James is currently ranked #2 in Class 3 and has a record of 16 - 0.

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Lady 'Cats Fall to St. Joseph's Academy

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Lady 'Cats Fall to St. Joseph's Academy

Dexter, Missouri – St. Joseph's Academy Angels varsity girls basketball team took home a win Saturday afternoon defeating the Lady 'Cats at the Bearcat Event Center 52-42.

The Lady 'Cats (8-7) were down by only one point at the end of the first period and only three points going into the half.

Hannah Thurmon and Krysten Garrison each tallied 12 points for Dexter. Thurmon contributed one trey.

Dakota Reynolds and Melanie McKuin each recorded 9 points for the Lady 'Cats. Reynolds added one 2-pointer.

It was the Mary Barton who paced the Angels with a game-high 14 points. Barton hit four of St. Joseph's eight 3-pointers.

"I thought we played pretty well the first half," commented Dexter coach Chad Allen. "The second half we struggled in spurts scoring."

The Lady 'Cats will be back in action on Tuesday, January 27th when they host the New Madrid County Central Eagles. The JV game will consist of two quarters followed by the varsity game. Game time is 6:00 p.m.

Final Score St. Joseph's Academy 52, Dexter 42

St. Joseph's Academy 14 9 15 14 - 52

Dexter Lady Cats 13 7 9 13 - 42

St. Joseph's Academy (52) – Zoe Harris 2, Mallory Stock 11, Ellie Mattern 3, Clare Goesslin 1, Mary Barton 14, Nikki Tracy 8, Kelly McLaughlin 13. FG 17, FT 10/20, F 17. (3-pointers: Barton 4, Tracy 2, Stock 1, Mattern 1)

Dexter (42) – Dakota Reynolds 9, Melanie McKuin 9, Hannah Thurmon 12, Krysten Garrison 12. FG 16, FT 8/21, F 14. (3-pointers: Reynolds 1, Thurmon 1. Fouled Out: Garrison).

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Ethan Stevens Earns SEMO Conference Title in Wrestling

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Sikeston, Missouri – The Dexter varsity wrestling team finished fifth at the SEMO Conference Wrestling Tournament on Saturday. Ethan Steven improved his record 26 – 0 with a victory over Collin Huitt of Farmington in the championship of the 170 lb weight class.

"Ethan Stevens won the 170-pound weight class by medical forfeit after the boy hurt his knee, but it counted as a win," commented Dexter's head wrestling coach Jason Sneed. "Ethan is perfect on the season with a record of 26-0."

Other top finishers for Dexter were Seth Rush who placed 2nd in the 145-pound weight class. Jackson Indian Michah Collier beat Rush by fall in the championship.

Storm Massey placed 3rd in the 152 lb weight class.

Dylan Bazarian placed 3rd in the 160 lb weight class and Seth Harris placed 4th in the 106 lb weight class.

"We wrestled pretty well," stated Sneed. "It was a tough tournament and I felt like we competed up and down the line-up. Five of our eleven wrestlers earned medals in the top 4 and ten of eleven finished 6th or better."

Dexter tallied 179 points with Jackson winning the championship with 332 points. Farmington finished second with 291 points and Ste. Genevieve placed third with

253.5 points. Sikeston came in just ahead of Dexter with 208 points.

SEMO CONFERENCE RESULTS:

106-Seth Harris (26-10) placed 4th and scored 19.00 team points.

132-Brandon Twomey (22-16) placed 6th and scored 10.00 team points.

138-James Mullins (12-7) placed 6th and scored 10.00 team points.

145-Seth Rush (18-10) placed 2nd and scored 27.00 team points.

152-Storm Massey (29-7) placed 3rd and scored 19.00 team points.

160-Dylan Bazarian (22-4) placed 3rd and scored 19.00 team points.

170-Ethan Steven (26-0) placed 1st and scored 32.00 team points.

182-Michael Hurst (23-7) placed 6th and scored 10.00 team points.

195-Brandon Quertermous (15-11) placed 10th and scored 6.00 team points.

220-Jared Deal (27-9) placed 5th and scored 18.00 team points.

285-Brandon Wick (20-17) placed 5th and scored 10.00 team points.

"We will need to continue to get better as we prepare for Districts on February 13 th and 14th," continued Sneed.

Dexter will now compete on Thursday in Jackson against the Poplar Bluff Mules and the Jackson Indians with a 5:00 p.m. start time.

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Bernie Mules Defeat Puxico Improving Record to 15-2

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Bernie Mules Defeat Puxico Improving Record to 15-2

Puxico, Missouri – The Bernie Mules varsity boys basketball team improved their record on the road Friday evening 15-2 by defeated the Puxico Indians 64 – 54.

"It was a grind tonight, but we found a way to get the 'W'," stated Bernie's coach Brad Botsch. "Puxico is always a tough place to play, and we dug just deep enough to get out of there with a win."

Caleb Ellenburg keeps pounding it out for the Mules recording another game-high 26 points including one trey.

"I thought Ellenburg stepped up his play tonight for us and we need him to continue to be a force for us," Botsch stated. "If we can ever get everyone having a good night on the same night we could really be tough. Our seniors realize there isn't a lot of time left in their careers here and they need to start feeling that urgency to take the next step in effort and coachability.

"We have to have the attitude of never being satisfied and keep pushing forward. I look forward to seeing what we can do in the county tournament next week,"

continued Botsch. "We have played most of these teams at least once and I am anxious to see how our kids play in Round 2."

Brandon Sparks recorded 23 points for Bernie hitting four 3-pointers.

Puxico's leading athlete was Zack Tucker who tallied 24 points including a couple of 3-pointers. Seth Luttrell added 18 points.

Bernie and Puxico both begin play on Monday evening at the 2015 SCAA varsity boys basketball tournament. Top-seeded Bernie will play #8 Richland at 6:30 p.m. and #6 seed Puxico Indians play the #3 Dexter Bearcats at 8:00 p.m.

Final score Bernie 64, Puxico 54

Bernie 18 9 19 18 - 64

Puxico 18 7 14 16 - 54

Bernie (64) – Matt Vernon 9, Brandon Sparks 23, Caleb Ellenburg 26, Devin Tramell 3, Gavin Smith 3, FG 20, FT 17/27, F 13. (3-pointers: Brandon Sparks 4, Matt Vernon 1, Caleb Ellenburg 1, Devin Trammell 1. Fouled Out: Trammell).

Puxico (54) – Levi Woods 4, Chris Siler 4, Dalton King 2, Zach McCoy 2, Seth Luttrell 18, Zach Tucker 24. FG 19, FT 14/15, F 18. (3-pointers: Luttrell 2, Fouled Out: Corey Pratt).

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