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## Third Time's a Charm for Bloomfield Wildcats!

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**Dexter, Missouri -** For the third time this season the Dexter Bearcats faced the Bloomfield Wildcats in boys basketball. Dexter won the first two games, but #3 Bloomfield upset the #2 seed 60 - 55 in the semifinal game of the SCAA boys basketball tournament.

"They beat us twice already this season. It was a great win," commented Bloomfield head boys basketball coach Jason Karnes. "It's hard to beat a good team three times in a row. We are a good team and they are a good team. We kind of got a hot start at the beginning."

Bloomfield's Austin Bond came out strong in the first quarter hitting three buckets and one trey on his way to an 11 points ball game.

Noah Vandiver #33 recorded a team-high 15 points including three treys for the Wildcats.

"It's hard to beat a good team three times in a row," stated Bloomfield's senior center Noah Vandiver. "And we are a good team."

"We have had some good battles with Bloomfield this year," Dexter head basketball coach Josh Dowdy said. "I wish Coach Karnes and his kids the best of luck tomorrow night. They were just the better team tonight."

"Tonight Bloomfield played a more complete game then we did," continued Dowdy. "They out rebounded us, shot more free throws and overall just played harder."

Senior Bearcat Ethan Flowers had an amazing night with a total of five 3-pointers. He finished with a game-high 25 points. His biggest quarter came in the third when he scored 16 points.

"Ethan Flowers put us on his back tonight," stated Dowdy. "He worked so hard on both ends. You could tell he did not want to play for third tomorrow night."

"We had to foul because of Ethan Flowers. We just had to," Karnes said. "He caught fire the second half and we couldn't give them a chance to set up their play. As good as he was playing and scoring the ball that second half we just had to foul."

Only four Dexter players scored during the game. Gabe Jackson recorded 16 points and was 4/6 at the charity stripe. Jason Jarrell #11 tallied 10 points all on two point buckets. Jacob Pedigo #21 contributed 4 points.

"We showed a lot of heart and determination in the second half to battle back and give ourselves a chance to win," Dowdy stated.

"We had to find a way to stay aggressive on the offensive end," commented Karnes. "We thought the first two times we played them we just weren't very aggressive."

#### Final Score Dexter 55, Bloomfield 60

Dexter 14 7 21 13 - 55 Bloomfield 22 9 16 13 - 60

**Dexter (55) -** Jason Jarrell 10, Jacob Pedigo 4, Ethan Flowers 25, Gabe Jackson 16. FG 22,FT 6/11, F 15. (3-pointers: Ethan Flowers 5, Fouled Out: None).

**Bloomfield (60) -** Tim Hector 7, Peyton Bell 8, Nathan Newell 6, Austin Bond 11, Tyler Battles 7, Noah Vandiver 15. FG 21, FT 12/15, F 13. (3-pointers: Tim Hector 1, Austin Bond 1, Tyler Battles 1, Noah Vandiver 3. Fouled Out: None).

#3 seeded Bloomfield (16-3) moves on to the SCAA Championship game against the #1 seeded Woodland Cardinals on Friday evening. The Cardinals have never won a SCAA championship game. For Bloomfield it's been about 17 years since they took home a trophy and a title. Both want the same thing, but only one can come out with a win! Game time is 8:30 p.m.

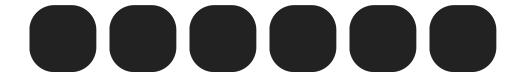
Dexter varsity will play Advance for 3rd place at 5:30 p.m. on Friday.

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# Dexter JV Takes the Sting Out of Advance

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#### Dexter JV Takes the Sting out of Advance

**Dexter, Missouri -** The Dexter junior varsity boys basketball team finally entered the Stoddard County Athletic Association Tournament this evening against the Advance JV Hornets. The Bearcats had a bye in round one in the JV bracket.

It was quite an explosive game, tensions were high for a junior varsity competition, but both teams wanted to compete in the championship game tomorrow night. Unfortunately only one team can remain on top and that was the Bearcats taking the sting out of the Hornets 60 - 45.

They were tied 12 all at the end of the first period. Going into half-time Dexter led by only one point, but the second half all belonged to the Bearcats. Offensively they recorded 34 points. Defensively they held Advance to just 19 points.

Dexter's Kole Kelley #3 was hot tonight recording a game-high 18 points all on 3-pointers. Seth Rogers #10 another powerhouse for the JV Bearcats tallied 15 points including two treys. Dawson Kasting #24 helped propel Dexter to a win contributing five buckets for 10 total points.

Carson Miles #20 for Advance tallied 17 points and was 5/8 at the charity stripe. He was the only Hornet to hit double digits. Michael Hood #3, Braiden Brown #10, and Drew Fowler #14 each recorded one trey.

## Final Score Dexter JV 60, Advance JV 46

Dexter 12 14 15 19 - 60

Advance 12 15 10 9 - 46

**Dexter (60)** - Kole Kelley 18, Marcus Woodson 1, Seth Rogers 15, Nate Gargas 8, Ben Sindle 5, Dawson Kasting 10, Braxton Foster 3. FG 23, FT 6/11, F 14. (3-pointers: Kole Kelley 6, Seth Rogers 2. Fouled Out: Ben Sindle).

**Advance** (46) - Michael Hood 9, Braiden Brown 7, Drew Fowler 5, Carson Miles 17, Morgan roper 2, Dylan Welty 4, Ian Eggimann 2. FG 17, FT 9/16, F 14. (3-pointers: Michael Hood 1, Braiden Brown 1, Drew Fowler 1. Fouled Out: None).

Dexter JV Bearcats will play the #3 seeded Bernie JV Mules in the Championship game of the SCAA JV Tournament on Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. The Advance JV Hornets will play the Bloomfield JV Wildcats for 3rd place at 4:00 p.m. on Friday.

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# Bernie JV Mules Stop Wildcats

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Bernie JV Mules Stop Wildcats

**Dexter, Missouri -** The #3 seeded Bernie junior varsity Mules upset the #2 seeded Bloomfield JV Wildcats on Thursday evening at the SCAA JV Tournament in the Bearcat Event Center by a score of 41-37.

Bloomfield's Matt Gibbs was the star performer recording a game-high 14 points. He hit five buckets and 100% from the free-throw line for an extra two.

#### Final Score Bernie 41, Bloomfield 37

Bernie 7 9 13 12 - 41

Bloomfield 7 2 12 16 - 37

**Bernie** (41) - Weston Zoll 8, Ridge Littleton 7, Weston Comstock 8, Alan Pippins 8, Hunter Slavings 7, Josh Ellenburg 4. FG 18, FT 3/6, F 11. (3-pointers: Weston Zoll 2, Ridge Littleton 1, Alan Pippins 2, Hunter Slavings 1. Fouled out: None).

**Bloomfield (37) -** Dalton Phillips 7, Holden Duckworth 4, Carson Blair 9, Wes Schuhart 3, Matt Gibbs 14. FG 14, FT 5/8, F 11. (3-pointers: Dalton Phillips 2, Carson Blair 1, Wes Schuhart 1. Fouled Out: None).

Bernie will return Friday night and play #1 seeded Dexter JV Bearcats at 7:00 p.m. for the SCAA JV Championship game. Bloomfield JV Wildcats will play the Advance JV Hornets for 3rd place at 4:00 p.m. on Friday.

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# Advance Takes Out Bell City 96-82

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Advance Takes Out Bell City 96-82 in the SCAA Tournament

**Dexter, Missouri -** The final game of the night between #4 seeded Advance and #5 seeded Bell City proved to be the most exciting of the evening and was also the highest scoring game so far in the SCAA Tournament.

The Advance Hornets came out on top 96-82 in what was a very close game until the third quarter. Bell City lost momentum calculating only 12 points while Advance's offense ran up the scoreboard with three treys and 9 buckets giving them the lead by 13. The Cubs had held lead at the end of the first 23-22 and at the half 47-42.

Cole Nichols recorded a team-high 31 points. He got the motion going for the Cubs in the first quarter hitting 2 treys, 2 buckets and 2 from the charity stripe. Dawson Mayo #50 answered for the Hornets recoding a game-high 33 points on 11 buckets and was 11/14 at the charity stripe.

Bell City hung in there with their 3-pointers hitting 15 total treys against the Hornets.

Bobby Wright #35 recorded 18 points for Bell City including 5 treys. Kolten Siebert #3 hit all of his points on treys finishing with 12 points.

Advance had four other athletes record double digits besides Mayo. Preston Wuebker #22 recorded 20 points including 7 baskets and two 3-pointers. Austin Ladd #30 tallied 16 points on six buckets and was 4 for 6 at the charity stripe. Brian Whitson #25 and Armani Vermillion #1 each finished with 11 points. Whitson was 100% at the charity strip hitting all four of his baskets. he also recorded one trey.

## Final Score Advance 96, Bell City 82

Advance 22 20 30 24 - 96

Bell City 23 24 12 23 - 82

**Advance (96) -** Armani Vermillion 11, Dakota Welty 5, Preston Wuebker 20, Brian Whitson 11, Austin Ladd 16, Dawson Mayo 33. FG 34, FT 24/34, F 21. (3-pointers: Dakota Welty 1, Brian Whitson 1. Fouled Out: None).

**Bell City (82)** - Taylor Jackson 9, Kolten Siebert 12, Logan Yates 5, Cole Nichols 31, Peyton Maddox 7, Bobby Wright 18. FG 26, FT 15/21, F 22. (3-pointers: Taylor Jackson 2, Kolten Siebert 4, Cole Nichols 4, Bobby Wright 5. Fouled Out: Brandon Abner).

Advance will be back on Thursday night at 8:30 when they take on the #1 seeded Woodland Cardinals!

Photo credit to Dee Loflin, ShowMe Times manager/editor. Cole Nichols #12 goes up for two while defender Dakota Welty #21 tries not to get the foul.

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# Wildcats Eliminate Indians at SCAA Varsity Boys Basketball Tournament

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Wildcats Eliminate Indians at SCAA Varsity Boys Basketball Tournament

**Dexter, Missouri -** The #3 seeded Bloomfield Wildcats eliminated the #6 seeded Puxico Indians in Game #6 of the Stoddard County Athletic Association varsity boys basketball tournament on Tuesday evening at the Bearcat Event Center.

The Wildcats more than doubled their opponents points recording 7 buckets and one from the charity stripe to lead 15-7 at the end of the first period. It was all net for Bloomfield's offense as they continued their scoring run in the second quarter to build a 16 point lead going into the locker room at halftime. The third and fourth quarters proved to be more of the same for Bloomfield, but Puxico seemed to be more evenly matched on offense in the second half. Final score Bloomfield 71, Puxico 51.

Tim Hector hit a trey early in the 3rd quarter to keep the momentum going. Alex Gibbs had his best showing in the 3rd quarter recording 6 of his 8 points for Bloomfield.

There were four Wildcats in double digits. Peyton Bell #11 tallied a team-high 13 points. Nathan Newell #21 recorded 12 points. Tyler Battles #32 contributed 11 points including a 3-pointer and Austin Bond #25 finished with 10 points.

Puxico's Levi Woods #1 could not be stopped tonight; however it was not enough to propel Puxico to a win. He had a game-high 22 points completing 9 of 11 at the charity stripe and one trey. Dalton King #25 finished with 17 points including one 3-pointer.

#### Final Score Bloomfield 71, Puxico 51

Bloomfield 15 19 14 23 - 71

Puxico 7 11 10 23 - 51

**Bloomfield** (71) - Tim Hector 3, Caleb Pulley 2, Peyton Bell 13, Nathan Newell 12, Kyle Anderson 2, Dallas Monroe 2, Joe Clary 3, Austin Bond 10, Tyler Battles 11, Noah Vandiver 5, Alex Gibbs 8. FG 27, FT 14/25, F 17. (3-pointers: Tim Hector 1, Joe Clary 1, Tyler Battles 1, Fouled Out: Caleb Pulley).

**Puxico** (51) - Levi Woods 22, Austin Denny 1, Shayne Haynes 3, Chris Siler 4, Dalton King 17, Jordan Burch 4. FG 17, FT 14/18, F 22. (3-pointers: Levi Woods 1, Shayne Haynes 1, Dalton King 1. Fouled Out: Chris Siler).

Bloomfield (15-3) will face-off with the Dexter Bearcats (8-8) for a third time this season. Do they have what it takes to beat their neighbor? Come out and watch the game on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bearcat Center to find out who wants to go to the Championship round the most!!

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