MS 'Dogs Win at Home By Amber Erwin

The Golden Plains Middle School Bulldogs defeated the Healy Eagles on January 22 on their home court in Rexford. The 'Dogs started off in the first with a 6-11 score with baskets from Austin Patmon and Miguel Monge. Caleb Korte was determined under the basket in the second and put in 6 points. Nolan Ritter added a 3 as the Bulldogs defense held the Eagles to 7 points closing in on the lead but still trailing 15-18 at the half.

The Bulldogs were not ready to give up as they began the second half. Wade Rush had 10 points in the third quarter including two three-pointer and two baskets. Korte added two more baskets and Ritter hit two free shots to outscore the Eagles 18-6 in the third quarter and gain the lead 33-25.

The 'Dogs continued to control the game in the fourth as Korte his four more open shots and Rush added two shots. A basket from Jacob Ritter rounded out the fourth quarter scores for the Bulldogs. The defense, led by Dylan Spresser, played tough and the Eagles did not make an open shot, just one free throw during the fourth to give the Bulldogs a 47-25 win for their final home game of the season.

"The team played well," said Jacob Ritter, "but they could have been better." Caleb Korte finished with 18 points followed by Wade Rush-14, Nolan Ritter-5, Austin Patmon-4, Jacob Ritter-4, and Miguel Monge-2. The Bulldogs, who now have a 5-4 record, are on the road to Grinnell/Wheatland on January 29.