

MS Girls Compete at Northern Valley By Amanda Cheney

The GPMS basketball teams traveled to Almena to take on the Northern Valley Huskies in four full games. The A-team girls ended with a 41-11 win and the B-team girls with a 17-27 loss.

The B-team girls played the first game of the night. The girls started out strong in the first quarter leading 7-2, then continued with strong defense going into halftime, making the score 9-2. The Huskies took control in the third quarter, outscoring the Dogs 11-4. Northern Valley continued to dominate the rest of the game, defeating the Lady Bulldogs 17-27 giving them their first loss of the season. Points came from McHaley Carter-7, Sidney Taylor-5, Britton Knowles-2, Jazline Manriquez-2, and Jordyn Fleckenstein-1.

The girls A-team started their game with strong defense, capturing a 9-0 lead by the end of the first. Free throws from Carli Nieman and Breanna Rath helped the girls with scoring, going into halftime 20-5. Going into the third quarter, the Dogs continued to outscore and outwork the Huskies, making the game 31-5 by the end of the quarter.

The girls continued to push the ball up the court as the Huskies added six in the fourth, ending the game with a 41-11 win giving the A-team a 6-0 record so far this season. Kassie Miller was the leading scorer with 19 points, followed by Carli Nieman-9, Morgan Wark-4, Breanna Rath-3, Rayna Taylor-2, Lauren Patmon-2, and McHaley Carter-2.

“We worked hard and were determined to win,” said Morgan Wark. “It was definitely our best game of the year so far. We need to work on both our press defense and offense so we can keep improving on our season.” The GPMS basketball teams will come back to competing after Christmas break at McDonald against the Cheylin Cougars.