

24 THURSDAY

BOYS BASKETBALL
* Lancaster @ Pdc
* Cassville @ River Ridge
* Highland @ Potosi

WRESTLING
WIAA State Meet
6:30 - D3 Preliminaries

25 FRIDAY

GIRLS BASKETBALL
* Regional Semifinals

WRESTLING
WIAA State Meet
11:15 - D3 Quarterfinals
2:45 - D3 Consolation Quarterfinals
7:00 - D3 Semifinals

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GIRLS BASKETBALL
* Regional Finals

WRESTLING
WIAA State Meet
10:00 - D3 Consolation Semifinals
D3 Fifth-place matches
D3 Third-place matches
5:30 - D3 Championships

GYMNASTICS
* Dodgeville Sectional

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@ Wisconsin Rapids

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BOYS BASKETBALL
* Regional Finals

GIRLS BASKETBALL
* Sectional Finals



STANDINGS

BOYS HOOPS

Dodgeville	9-0	20-3
Platteville	5-4	12-11
River Valley	5-4	11-10
Lancaster	3-6	8-15
Pdc	3-6	7-16
Richland Ctr	2-7	8-12

Mineral Pt.	12-1	21-2
Cuba City	11-2	21-2
Darlington	9-4	17-6
Southwestern	9-4	15-7
Fennimore	6-7	10-13
Iowa-Grant	3-10	6-17
Riverdale	1-12	6-16
Boscobel	1-12	3-18

River Ridge	11-0	22-1
Potosi	8-3	13-10
Highland	6-5	14-9
Benton	6-5	13-9
Cassville	5-6	13-9
Belmont	2-10	8-16
Shullsburg	1-10	4-19

GIRLS HOOPS

Pdc	10-0	23-1
Richland Ctr	6-4	15-8
Platteville	6-4	15-9
Lancaster	5-5	17-7
Dodgeville	3-7	7-17
River Valley	0-10	2-21

Mineral Pt.	14-0	24-0
Cuba City	11-3	16-8
Darlington	10-4	15-9
Boscobel	8-6	17-7
Fennimore	6-8	11-12
Riverdale	3-11	6-18
Southwestern	3-11	3-19
Iowa-Grant	1-13	3-21

Highland	9-1	21-3
Belmont	9-1	19-4
Potosi/Cass	5-5	12-11
River Ridge	4-6	11-13
Shullsburg	2-8	6-18
Benton	1-9	6-18

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DIVISION 3 WRESTLING SECTIONAL

Making a "state" ment

Galle & McCartney advance to state tournament

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WESTBY—The Lancaster Flying Arrow wrestling team will be sending two wrestlers to this week's WIAA State Tournament, as juniors Bryce Galle and Ryan McCartney made it out of last Saturday's division 3 Westby Sectional, each with third-place finishes in their respective weight class.

McCartney, the team's only returning state qualifier from last season, will be making a return trip to the Kohl Center, and this time will be joined by one of his best friends and longtime teammates.

At last Saturday's Westby Sectional, Galle started things off with an 8-2 decision over Viroqua's Hadley Gilardi in his quarterfinal match. From there, he suffered a second-period pin to Riley Klar of Aquinas in his semifinal match, after holding an early lead at the time.

Galle made short work of his consolation semifinal match, pinning Mineral Point's Alan James in a time of 29 seconds to earn a spot in the third-place match.

With the top three from each weight class advancing to state, Galle punched his ticket with a come-from-behind 7-5 decision over a familiar foe in Fennimore's Cameron Wolf.

Saturday's sectional shutdown was the third in as many weeks for Galle and Wolf, as Galle has come out on top at the conference meet, the regional meet, and now the sectional meet.

"Anytime you wrestle someone for three weekends in a row at this time of the year, it always seems to get closer," said Lancaster wrestling coach Brad Sturmer.

Assured of at least third place, Galle earned a wrestle-back match against

Jacob Manning of Ithaca/Weston for a chance at second place, which he lost by pin in a time of 2:47.

Galle will take a record of 34-9 into this weekend's state tournament, where he will first match up against Riley Klar (34-8) of Aquinas in Thursday night's preliminary match. Awaiting the winner will be Mitchell Thompson of Kewanee with a record of 32-5.

The top record in the D3 182-pound bracket belongs to Random Lake senior Samuel Schwabe (48-2).

Like Galle, McCartney also

finished third at last Saturday's Westby Sectional, securing a spot at the division 3 state tournament in the 195-pound weight class.

McCartney's sectional tournament began with a pin his quarterfinal match over Grant Chadwick of Marshall, followed by a pin in his semifinal match against Payton Havlik of Brookwood.

As expected, McCartney then met up with Cal Dorota of Iowa-Grant/Highland in the championship match, where Dorota won by technical fall by a score of 16-0.

Already assured of a spot at the state meet, McCartney then lost by pin in his wrestle-back match for second place against Jed Scallon of Ithaca/Weston.

Despite finishing third at the Westby Sectional, under a new seeding format at the state meet this year, McCartney is seeded third at the state meet with a record of 37-9, and will not have to wrestle in

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Best friends and longtime teammates, Bryce Galle (left) and Ryan McCartney (right), both juniors at High School, have often thought about going to the WIAA State Tournament together. After Galle finished third in the 182-pound weight class and McCartney third in the 195-pound weight class at last Saturday's division 3 Westby Sectional, that dream has now become a reality.

SIX RIVERS WEST BOYS BASKETBALL

Timberwolves clinch third consecutive conference crown

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PATCH GROVE—Whatever his secret is, coach Tom Neises has made a believer out of not only basketball fans of the River Ridge Timberwolves, but of everyone who follows the Six Rivers West conference.

In his third season as head coach at River Ridge, Neises has led this year's boys' basketball team to the program's third consecutive conference title, and in that time has lost just one conference game.

"We've turned it around with good kids I

think, that's number one," Neises said.

"I can relate to these kids, and I think they can relate to me," Neises added. "I grew up here. I get it here, and I think that familiarity helped, as opposed to somebody who did not know the area and came from outside."

As some may know, prior to coming to River Ridge in 2019, Neises was a 1975 graduate of West Grant High School, and had amassed a resume with 35 years of

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TOM NEISES



River Ridge senior Logan Drone drives around a Belmont defender during last Tuesday night's Six Rivers west conference match up. The Timberwolves clinched the conference crown with a 62-43 victory over the visiting Braves.

GYMNASTICS

Von Glahn dominates SWC gymnastics meet

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PLATTEVILLE—Dodgeville/Mineral Point/Iowa-Grant posted a combined score of 133.675 to edge host Platteville/Belmont/Lancaster (133.25) to win the Southwest Wisconsin Conference Championships title Thursday night at Platteville High School.

Sophomore Brooklyn Murphy finished second on the uneven bars (8.475), balance beam (8.55) and the floor exercise (9.1), and finished second in the all-around (34.45) to lead the Dodgers.

Iowa-Grant senior Savannah Vivian (9.075) and fellow senior Ashlie Baumgartner (8.875) finished one-two on the vault for coach Julia Oellerich's Dodgeville co-op.

Vivian also placed fourth on the floor (8.8), and tied for sixth on both the uneven bars (8.15) and the beam (8.2) to place third in the all-around (35.225).

Platteville junior Brooke Von Glahn dominated the conference meet, winning individual conferences title on the bars (9.0), balance beam (8.750) and floor exercise (9.125) to win the all-around (35.825) title and keep the Hillmen in contention for a team title. Von Glahn also placed sixth on the vault (8.55).

"Brooke continued to lead our team on bars with an high level routine with good execution," said Hillmen head coach Jessica Hill. "Brooke's high level of difficulty and excellent execution on the beam allowed her to win the event even though she struggled with one of her skills."

Belmont senior Hailey Jentz placed third on the beam (8.45), tied for 10th on the floor (8.35), tied for 11th on the vault (8.3) and placed 13th on the bars (7.925) to finish tied for sixth in the all-around (33.125) for the Hillmen.

Platteville junior Mackenzie Champion tied for sixth on the bars (8.15), placed eighth on the floor (8.6), 10th on the beam (8.0), and 20th on the vault (7.975) to finish eighth in the all-around (32.725).

Freshman Macie Galle finished 10th on the bars (8.05), tied for 14th on the vault (8.225), tied for 16th on the floor (8.1), tied for 17th on the beam (7.5) and finished 13th in the all-around at 31.875.

Lancaster junior Paige Oyen placed 14th on the floor exercise (8.2).

Platteville freshman Hailee Wackershauser finished 17th on the bars (7.225).

"Floor was our final event," said Hill. "We were solid but did not have our best routines



MACIE GALLE



PAIGE OYEN

Lancaster ladies fall to Richland Center, 43-40

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LANCASTER - With a 43-40 loss to visiting Richland Center last Thursday night, the Lancaster varsity girls' basketball team closed out the regular season with a Southwest Wisconsin Conference record of 5-5 and overall mark of 17-7.

Coach Mark Uppena's Flying Arrows finished fourth in the conference standings behind Richland Center (6-4) and Platteville (6-4), while Prairie du Chien captured the 2021-22 SWC title with an unblemished record of 10-0.

"We had another 17-win regular season, but obviously there were a couple of games we would like to play again," said Lancaster coach Mark Uppena. "We played a very tough schedule and the girls always played hard."

"I thought the seniors were good leaders throughout, and helped pave the way for the 17 wins," he added.

The Flying Arrows had an uphill climb early in Thursday night's contest, where they trailed the Hornets, 25-11, at halftime.

Coach Uppena's squad managed to outscore their opponent, 29-18, in the second half and nearly completed the comeback before running out of time.

For a team that normally thrives off opposing turnovers, the Arrows uncharacteristically committed 24 total turnovers, while forcing Richland Center into 21.

Coach Uppena's squad did shine on the glass, where they pulled down 13 offensive rebounds and 18 defensive, while out-rebounding the Hornets, 31-19.

As a team, the Lancaster ladies made 14-of-46 (30%) shot attempts, including 3-of-23 (13%) from 3-point range.

They were 9-of-14 (64%) from the free throw line, compared to 13-of-20 (65%) for Richland Center.

Senior Briedee Burks led Lancaster with 22 points on 8-of-14 shooting from the floor and 3-of-5 from the free throw line, while also pulling down a team-high nine rebounds to go along with two steals.

The next highest scorer for Lancaster was junior Jenna Wolf with five points, followed by Tatianna Place with four.

As the fourth seed in their division 4 sectional bracket, the Flying Arrows have a first-round bye, and this Friday night will host the winner from this past Tuesday night's regional quarterfinal contest between #5 seed Luther and #12 seed Riverdale.

Richland Center 43,
Lancaster 40
(from Thursday, Feb. 17 at Lancaster)
Richland Center - 29 18-43
Lancaster - 17 29-40
Richland Center - Makenna Peterson 7, K.J. Louis 2, Breanna Sobbe 2, Lexi Mieden 3, Rachel Kaszubski 2, Alyssa Gander 3, Paige Keller 13, Totals - 46-27 18-20 4-3.
Lancaster - Laine Burks 2, Annie Martin 3, Briedee Burks 22, Jenna Wolf 5, Tatianna Place 4, Jessica Morgan 2, Sophie Uppena 2, Totals - 46-46 9-14 4-0.
3-point goals - RC: (2-13) Mieden 1, Kaszubski 1, L. 15; Fouled out - None.



Lancaster's Briedee Burks scored a team-high 22 points to go along with nine rebounds and two steals in last Thursday night's Southwest Wisconsin Conference finale against visiting Richland Center.

Chieftains nearly play spoiler to Cardinals

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HIGHLAND - Potosi/Cassville put a scare into co-league leading Highland in Thursday's regular season finale, but in the end the host Cardinals held on for a 40-34 victory to clinch a share of this year's SRW title with Belmont (19-4, 9-1).

The Cardinals made 11 of their 16 free throws in the second half to keep the Chieftains at arms length.

"It was a defensive battle on both sides and scoring was difficult for both teams," said Potosi/Cassville head coach Brad Bierman. "I think just their overall length is what makes them so difficult to play. They are long at every position and getting a good look against them is difficult. We shot 17 percent inside the arc on Thursday. It is difficult to win no matter how good your defense is when you shoot that poorly. I give our girls a lot of credit for continuing to fight and defend to keep us in the game."

Highland (21-3, 9-1) made just 1 of 7 3-point attempts in the game, but it was a big one, a deep buzzer-beating triple by senior Rachel Miller at the end of the first half that gave the Cardinals a 13-9 lead at intermission. Miller

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River Ridge girls conclude regular season with win over Benton

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PATCH GROVE - The River Ridge varsity girls' basketball team concluded the regular season last Thursday night with a 51-27 victory over the visiting Benton Zephyrs.

With the win, coach Veronica Zinkle's Timberwolves finished fourth in the Six Rivers West conference standings with a league record of 4-6. Highland and Belmont shared this year's conference title, both going 9-1 against conference opponents, while Potosi/Cassville

finished third at 5-5. Against the visiting Zephyrs last Thursday night, the Timberwolves took control of the game early, holding a 30-11 halftime lead before outscoring their opponent, 21-16, in the second half.

Coach Zinkle's squad knocked down 17-of-53 (32%) shot attempts, including 6-of-20 (30%) from 3-point range. They were also 11-of-16 (69%) from the free throw line, compared to 13-of-20 (65%) for the Zephyrs.

Leading River Ridge in their victory over

Benton was freshman guard Mandi Wehrle, who netted a team-high 12 points on 4-of-11 shooting from downtown. Wehrle also pulled down six rebounds in River Ridge's win.

Close behind her was junior Jessica Patterson with 10 points on 3-of-6 shooting from the floor and a perfect 4-of-4 from the free throw line. Patterson also had three steals and three rebounds in the contest.

Adding nine points in the win was freshman Reghan Zinkle, who also had five rebounds and three steals, while fellow freshman Melissa

Sletten chipped in seven points, four rebounds and a team-high six assists.

Sophomore Shayna Graf led River Ridge with seven rebounds and four steals to go along with five points.

As the #7 seed in their division 5 sectional tournament bracket, the Timberwolves played host to #10 seed Benton this past Wednesday night. The winner of that game will face off against the winner between #2 seed Highland and #15 seed North Crawford this Friday night.

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