

## 2A COLUMBIA BASIN CONFERENCE

The Columbia Basin Conference was a three-horse race last year between Pilot Rock, Weston-McEwen and Culver and in the final year of the conference, it appears it could be a three-horse race again battling for the two playoff berths. However, Heppner returns a lot of experience including do-it-all players Morgan Correa and Jacee Currin and could look to spoil the party throughout the season.

### PROJECTED FINISH

- Pilot Rock Rockets
- Culver Bulldogs
- Weston-McEwen TigerScots
- Heppner Mustangs
- Stanfield Tigers

(Rankings based on coach and media votes)

### 2016-17 FINAL STANDINGS

	League	Overall
Pilot Rock	6-2	18-5
Weston-McEwen	6-2	17-10
Culver	5-3	13-8
Heppner	2-6	7-11
Stanfield	1-7	4-16

### RETURNING ALL-LEAGUE

**Culver** — Irma Retano, jr.; Mia Gamboa, jr.  
**Weston-McEwen** — Chelsea Quaepts, sr.; Katie Vescio, jr.  
**Pilot Rock** — Kayla Deist, sr.; Sara Weinke, sr.  
**Heppner** — Morgan Correa, sr.; Jacee Currin jr.  
**Stanfield** — Kendra Hart, so.

## Pilot Rock

**Head coach:** Dan Deist, 1st season  
**Assistant coaches:** AmyLee Perrine, Butch Wilson, Britteny Taylor, Elizabeth Willingham, Ginni Harrison



**Returning starters:** Kayla Deist, G, sr.; Sara Weinke, F, sr.; Rhyanne Oates, G, sr.  
**Other returners:** Grace Austin, F, jr.; Kaitelyn Evans, F, jr.; Marissa Sutherland, G, sr.  
**Impact newcomers:** Brielle Howland, G, so.; Ayana Aguilar, W, so.; L. Brewer, F, jr.; Breann Baleztna, G, jr.

### 2017-18 SCHEDULE

Dec. 1	vs. Echo (at Fossil)	W 54-26
Dec. 2	vs. Mon./Dayville (at Fossil)	W 44-26
Dec. 5	vs. Helix	6 p.m.
Dec. 7	vs. Riverside (at Umatilla)	2 p.m.
Dec. 12	at Nixyaawii	6 p.m.
Dec. 15	vs. Enterprise	6 p.m.
Dec. 16	vs. Condon/Wheeler	4 p.m.
Dec. 19	at Umatilla	6 p.m.
Dec. 22	at Enterprise	6 p.m.
Dec. 28	vs. Mac-Hi (at Irrigon)	12 p.m.
Dec. 29	at Irrigon	6 p.m.
Jan. 2	at Riverside	6 p.m.
Jan. 5	vs. Imbler	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	vs. Union	4 p.m.
Jan. 12	at Culver*	6 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Weston-McEwen*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 20	vs. Heppner*	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	vs. Stanfield*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 27	vs. Culver*	4 p.m.
Feb. 3	vs. Weston-McEwen*	4 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Heppner*	3 p.m.
Feb. 10	at Stanfield*	4 p.m.

\*league game  
 %-played at Irrigon High School

## Heppner Mustangs

**Head coach:** Robert Wilson, 3rd season  
**Assistant coach:** Russ Nichols, 2nd season  
**2016-17 season:** 7-11 overall, 2-6 CBC (4th)  
**Returning starters:** Morgan Correa, F, sr.; Jacee Currin, G, jr.; Madison Combe, C, jr.  
**Other returners:** Kacie Gray, G/F, sr.; Jaiden Mahoney, G/F, jr.; Jenna McCullough, F, jr.; Makayla Silvia, G, soph.  
**Other seniors:** Sophie Grant, G/F  
**Impact newcomers:** Sydney Wilson, fr.  
**Wilson's expectations:** "Continue to build off our progress from last year. Grow as a team! Compete at a high level."



### 2017-18 SCHEDULE

12/1	vs. Chemawa (at W. Mennonite)	W 66-43
12/2	at Western Mennonite	W 49-44
12/8	vs. McLoughlin	6 p.m.
12/9	vs. Imbler	4 p.m.
12/12	at Irrigon	6 p.m.
12/15	at Imbler	3 p.m.
12/16	vs. Grant Union	4 p.m.
12/18	vs. Umatilla	4 p.m.
12/19	@ Echo	6 p.m.
12/28	vs. Liberty Christian (WA)#	3 p.m.
12/29	vs. Waitsburg (WA)#	12 p.m.
1/5	@ Union	5:30 p.m.
1/6	vs. Elgin	4 p.m.
1/12	vs. Stanfield*	7:30 p.m.
1/13	vs. Weston-McEwen*	5:30 p.m.
1/18	@ Culver*	6 p.m.
1/20	@ Pilot Rock*	5:30 p.m.
1/27	@ Stanfield*	4 p.m.
2/2	@ Weston-McEwen*	6 p.m.
2/3	vs. Culver*	2:30 p.m.
2/10	vs. Pilot Rock*	6 p.m.

\*league play  
 #-at Irrigon High School

## Stanfield Tigers

**Head coach:** Daniel Sharp, 4th season  
**Assistant coach:** Jessenia Carillo, 1st season  
**2016-17 season:** Stanfield ended last season with a 4-16 overall record, and 1-7 record in CBC.  
**Returning starters:** Allie Griffin, jr.; Kendra Hart, so.



**Other returning players that earned varsity letters:** Jess Wallace, sr.; Amanda Carrillo, sr.; Ciara Neasham, jr.; Savannah Sharp, soph.

**Sharp's expectations:** "We want to make the district tournament. We expect to compete and give effort for our teammates and represent our school positively." Offensively the Tigers try to move the ball and keep the floor spaced, according to Sharp. "Our hope is to get the best shot that we can," he said. Defensively, "we want to be smart and keep our hands off of people, but be annoying enough that people have to work for shots against us," Sharp adds.

### 2017-18 SCHEDULE

Nov. 30	vs. Irrigon	L 61-25
Dec. 1	at Sherman	L 39-35
Dec. 2	vs. Culver (at Sherman)	L 51-27
Dec. 4	vs. Nixyaawii	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 8	at Columbia Clash%	TBD
Dec. 9	at Columbia Clash%	TBD
Dec. 12	vs. Baker	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	Stanfield Tourn.	TBD
Dec. 16	Stanfield Tourn.	TBD
Dec. 19	at Imbler	6 p.m.
Dec. 21	at Irrigon	6 p.m.
Jan. 4	at Umatilla	6 p.m.
Jan. 9	vs. Echo	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	at Heppner*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 13	vs. Culver*	4 p.m.
Jan. 15	at Riverside	6 p.m.
Jan. 20	vs. Weston-McEwen*	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	at Pilot Rock*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 27	vs. Heppner*	4 p.m.
Feb. 2	at Culver*	4:30 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Weston-McEwen*	6 p.m.
Feb. 10	vs. Pilot Rock*	4 p.m.

\*league game  
 %-Played at Umatilla High School

## Weston-McEwen TigerScots

### 2017-18 SCHEDULE

Nov. 29	at DeSales (WA)	L 58-50
Dec. 1	vs. Irrigon (at Ione)	L 54-52
Dec. 2	at Ione	W 52-47
Dec. 5	at Irrigon	6 p.m.
Dec. 8	at Kennedy Classic	TBD
Dec. 9	at Kennedy Classic	TBD
Dec. 12	vs. Riverside	6 p.m.
Dec. 15	at Grant Union	6 p.m.
Dec. 16	at Imbler	4 p.m.
Dec. 21	vs. Waitsburg (WA)	6 p.m.
Dec. 29	vs. Burns%	3 p.m.
Dec. 30	vs. Condon/Wheeler%	6 p.m.
Jan. 4	vs. Grant Union	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	vs. Imbler	4 p.m.
Jan. 9	at Mac-Hi	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 13	at Heppner*	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	at Waitsburg (WA)	7:30 p.m.
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Feb. 3	at Pilot Rock*	4 p.m.
Feb. 9	vs. Stanfield*	6 p.m.
Feb. 10	at Culver*	2:30 p.m.

\*league game  
 %-played at Pendleton Convention Center



**Head coach:** Mike Giusti, 1st season

**Assistant coach:** Crystal Harshman, 1st season

**2016-17 season:** 17-10 overall, 6-2 Columbia Basin Conference (2nd); Lost to Regis in 2A state tournament

**Returning starters:** Chelsea Quaepts, G, sr.; Katie Vescio, G, jr.

**Other returners:** Jordyn Lambert, F, jr.; Amie Coffman, F, jr.; Alyssa Finifrock, F, sr.

**Other seniors:** Hannah McIntyre, P; Lillie Moses, G.

**Impact newcomers:** Tyree Burke, F, jr.; Trinity Hearn, F, so.; Cloe Davis, F, so.

**Giusti's expectations:** "We expect to be very competitive. We want to grow into a team that is extremely tough to play against. I want to add stability to the program as I will be the fourth head coach in the past three seasons. Our players have had to deal with more change than they should have had to."



Staff photo by E.J. Harris  
 Stanfield's Kendra Hart is one of nine all-district returners for the 2017-18 season.

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