

# Mustangs girls drop to 8<sup>th</sup> in OSAA 2A ranking

The Heppner Mustangs girls' basketball team continued to lead the BMC conference at the beginning of the week, but they suffered their first NON-LEAGUE DEFEAT AGAINST ECHO, DROPPING THEM TO 8TH PLACE in the OSAA 2A rankings.

The Heppner Mustangs defeated the Central Linn Cobras 49-32 in their non-league game on Friday night. The Mustangs were led by Hallee Hisler and Delany Stefani, who scored 15 points and played aggressively on defense. Hisler and Stefani each had three and four fouls respectively, showing their intensity and hustle. The Mustangs also got contributions from Katie Spivey, who added eight points and four fouls, and Hadlie Nation, who chipped in five points and three fouls. Healy Hisler, Morgan Cutsforth, Kadie Henricks, and Ava Gerry also scored for the Mustangs.

## Heppner Mustangs

vs. Central Linn, W: 49-32.

Stats: Hallee Hisler: 15 points, 3 fouls. Hadlie Nation: 5 points, 3 fouls. Healy Hisler: 1 Foul. Delany Stefani: 15 points, 4 fouls. Morgan Cutsforth: 2 points. Katie Spivey: 8 points, 4 fouls. Kadie Henricks: 2 points. Ava Gerry: 2 points, 2 fouls.

Scores: 1Q: 6-5, 2Q: 18-15, 3Q: 30-22, 4Q: 49-32.

The Heppner Mustangs suffered a tough loss against the Echo Cougars on Friday night, falling 12-43 in a game that saw them struggle with fouls and scoring.

The Cougars dominated the Mustangs in a one-sided game that ended with a 31-point gap. The Mustangs started off strong, matching the Cougars' score in the first quarter, but they collapsed in the second quarter, letting the Cougars score 20 unanswered points. The Mustangs failed to recover in the third quarter, where they were shut

out completely, while the Cougars added another 13 points to their lead. The Mustangs showed some fight in the final quarter, holding the Cougars to just 2 points, but it was too little, too late. The final score was 43-12, in the Cougars favor.

The Mustangs' top scorer was Lily Nichols, who had five points, followed by Hallee Hisler with four points. Avree Lathrop had two points, and Delaney Stefanie added one point to the Mustangs' final score.

**Heppner Mustangs vs. Echo Cougars, L 12-43.**

Stats: Avree Lathrop: 2 points. Hallee Hisler: 4 points, 4 fouls. Delaney Stefani: 1 point, 4 fouls. Ava Gerry: 1 foul. Lily Nichols: 5 points. Katie Spivey: 2 fouls. Kadie Henricks: 1 foul.

Scores: 1Q: 5-5, 2Q: 8-28, 3Q: 8-41, 4Q: 12-43.

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