

## MCHS Tigerettes Drop First Game of Season

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The MCHS Tigerettes dropped their first game of the season this week while the Tigers split a pair of 9-AA contests. On Friday the 25th MCHS traveled to Goodpasture and on the 26th they made up an away game at White House.

Both teams came out cold in the first quarter. Even with the slow start, the Tigerettes led after one 14-12. The poor shooting would continue, as Macon went 11 of 29 from the field in the first half. The Lady Cougars began heating up and led 31-27 at the half.

The trouble continued for the Tigerettes and they let the game get away from them. Goodpasture converted more baskets on fewer shots and pulled away. At the end of the third they led 51-41. Macon goes 12 of 37 from the field in the second half while their opponents shoot 12 of 23. Both benches eventually got into action as the Macon defense gives up a season high in the losing effort. Final score MCHS 58 Goodpasture 73.

Scoring was: Kelsey Gregory 11, Kailyn Brooks 15, Terra Pryor 12, Briley Driver 11, and Leah Anderson 9. Reese Shrum, Whitney Wilburn, Lyndsey Belton, Marisa Owens, Jade Ellis, and Kassidy Brooks all played but did not score.

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The Tigers would suffer a similar fate but weren't able to keep it as close. The Cougars jumped on the Tigers early and led 23-14 after one. On the night when you shoot 8 of 29 from the field you better play some good defense. Goodpasture was able to shoot 17 of 33 and this contest was all but decided at the half with Goodpasture leading 41-20.

Singular play from five individuals let the game get a little farther out of hand. Not much can be said other than Goodpasture thrashed the Tigers. Final score MCHS 57 Goodpasture 77.

Scoring was: Trey McPherson (season high) 26, Peyton Clark 3, Dalton Shrum 12, Tyler Clark 8, Dillon McCormick 4, and Justin Tucker 4. Aaron Carter, Austin McClard, Daniel Gregory, Mayson Shrum, Evan Perrigo, and Tyler Carlisle all played but did not score.

On Saturday the 26th, MCHS traveled to White House to make-up a 9-AA game cancelled on January 15th. Don't quite know what went on in the locker room following the previous evening's game but the Tigerettes were ready to play. All five starters scored in the first and Macon led 27-2. Coach Beam would empty the bench early to try and get as many minutes for them as possible. At the half Macon led 39 -20. The starters saw very limited action in the second half. The Tigerettes go on to grab a decisive victory by a final score 68-40.

Scoring was: Gregory 18, Kailyn Brooks 9, Pryor 14, Driver 2, Anderson 9, Shrum 4, Wilburn 2, Owens 6, and Ellis 4. Belton and Cassidy Brooks played but did not score.

The Tigers seemed to have a little different focus. The emphasis on converting offensive possessions into points by Coach Welch seemed to have been heard. The Tigers go 9 of 14 from the field in the first quarter and after one the game is knotted at 18 all. The scoring for both teams would slow in the second and at the half the Blue Devils would lead 33-31.

White House came out in the third playing hard, converting more baskets while getting twice as many shots on the bucket as the Tigers. After three, White House led 50-44. On this night, the Tigers may have finally decided to come together a bit as a team. While all five starters scored in the period they held the Blue Devils to only two baskets made and made clutch shots when it counted. The Tigers capture the victory by a final score of MCHS 66 White House 64.

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This week Macon will host Greenbrier on Tuesday the 29th and travel to Sycamore on Friday February 1st.