

Boys Still Counting To 10

When things start to go wrong, you step back and count to 10. Coach Charlie Mason's Mulvane Wildcats are still counting following a disappointing 61-49 setback at Valley Center Friday night, Jan. 11, in a Chisholm Trail Conference basketball game.

The loss socked the Cats with a 3-4 record heading into Friday's home battle against league-leading Goddard (6-0) and was a personal loss for Mason.

"We played our worst ball game of the year and they played their best," said Mason in somewhat of an over-simplification. "Right now, we're kind of having a rough time. We're not playing like we can play. And it wasn't just one or two of them. It was almost everybody."

The Crusaders, whose only victories prior to Friday night were against Augusta and Central of Burden, peeled off a 19-point second quarter to take the lead. "We just didn't do the things you have to do to win ball games," complained Mason, pointing to a 35 percent shooting mark from the field and a 53 percent mark at the line.

Guard Troy Dossey paced Mulvane with 14 points and Mark Smith chipped in 12. Top scorer Mark Storey was held to only four points.

The Mulvane B-team also lost as Valley rolled to a 59-50 decision. Greg Hamilton led the Wildcat scoring with 13 points and Mark Fox and Kevin Burke each added eight.

Following Friday's game against Goddard, the Wildcats will be idle until a first-round game at 7 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 24, against Pratt in the Roadrunner Classic at Chaparral High School.



Wildcat Cage Stats

MULVANE BOYS (3-4)

Players	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	RB	Pts.
Mark Storey	39	91	21	28	66	99
Mark Smith	37	85	9	15	68	83
Jeff Staska	28	69	13	24	9	69
Troy Dossey	27	72	13	16	10	67
Ed Nelson	16	51	9	14	55	41
Kevin Burke	8	22	3	8	22	19
Greg Hamilton	7	15	3	5	6	17
Troy Phillips	6	22	5	8	5	17
Totals	176	448	80	126	255	432
	(.393)	(.634)	36.4	61.7		
Opponents	161	415	122	178	228	444
	(.388)	(.685)	32.6	63.4		

Boys A-Team

Mulvane 8 16 12 13 -- 49
 Valley Center 8 19 14 20 -- 61
 Mulvane--Kevin Burke 2, Mark Smith 12, Troy Dossey 14, Jeff Staska 9, Mark Storey 4, Gary Fortner 8. FG 20-58, FT 9-18, F 20.
 Valley Center--Randy Elmer 8, Tony Haas 9, Bob Daniels 6, Gary Alford 28, Russell Siemens 2, John Nelson 2, Scott Hinkle 6. FG 23-55, FT 15-23, F 17.

Boys B-Team

Mulvane 8 15 12 15 -- 50
 Valley Center 11 12 19 17 -- 59
 Mulvane--Kevin Burke 8, Darryl Brueggeman 2, Mark Fox 8, Gary Elston 6, Brent Iverson 6, Greg Hamilton 13, Tom Warren 2, Marc Hushig 2, Greg Cox 3. FG 20-60, FT 10-18, F 24.
 Valley Center--Russell Siemens 11, Steve Fitzmaurice 9, Paul Erichkorn 11, David Kingsbury 7, Kenny Hinds 4, Scott Hinkle 13, Bob Daniels 4. FG 21-57, FT 17-25, F 20.