

CTL BB Crown Looks Just Great

The Mulvane High School girls put a gift wrap on the school's first-ever Chisholm Trail League Division I championship for girls Tuesday night, Feb. 20, as they pulled away down the stretch in a 47-37 triumph over Wellington.

That victory not only gave Coach Gregg Wolgast's girls the CTL championship with a 10-2 record but it also appears to have

Varsity Girls

Mulvane	4	8	13	22-47
Wellington	5	11	11	10-37

Mulvane—Tricia Turner 6, Kendra Banzet 24, Kerri Taylor 5, Ticia Nicholson 8, Lisa Heersche 2, Nicole Infinger 2. FG 20-39 (0), FT 9-19, F 18.

Wellington—Marti Stayton 2, Anna Heimer 3, DeAnne Hubbard 2, Debbie Nickel 2, Marci Brecheisen 8, Kelly Silcott 6, Heather McAlister 12. FG 13-42 (0), FT 11-23, F 20.

Junior Varsity Girls

Mulvane	6	4	4	8-22
Wellington	6	5	6	4-21

Mulvane—Tammy Withrow 8, Kim Rodriguez 2, Kristen Kuntz 2, Dawn Hicks 2, Denise Wilson 8. FG 11-31 (0), FT 0-2, F 1.

Wellington—Paula Vargas 4, Christie Cole 2, Remi Lynch 4, Lenca Tuttle 2, Andrea Pettigrow 5, Cheryl Supon 4. FG 10-38 (0), FT 1-2, F 5.

Varsity Girls

Buhler	7	15	8	17-47
Mulvane	6	8	18	17-49

Buhler—Colene Darrow 2, Lisa Buller 3, Jody Ropp 22, Kim Fry 6, Lynette Newburn 4, Erin Howerton 10. FG 22-49 (0), FT 3-10, F 10.

Mulvane—Tricia Turner 1, Kendra Banzet 35, Kerri Taylor 4, Ticia Nicholson 3, Lisa Heersche 6. FG 22-36 (0), FT 5-9, F 12.

Mulvane	15	11	14	7-47
Maize	10	6	12	9-37

Mulvane—Tricia Turner 5, Kendra Banzet 14, Kerri Taylor 3, Kim Rodriguez 2, Ticia Nicholson 8, Lisa Heersche 12, Nicole Infinger 1, Denise Wilson 2. FG 19-45 (0), FT 9-20, F 16.

Maize—Steph Hatfield 3, Jenni Stuverson 2, Meredith Wilmer 10, Jody Beggs 10, Melissa Blackwell 1, Leshe Woodward 1, Michelle Marling 10. FG 16-49 (0), FT 5-11, F 19.

Junior Varsity Girls

Buhler	9	14	14	4-41
Mulvane	9	13	7	14-43

Buhler—Jenny Nickel 4, Sheri McComas 4, Leanne Korinek 11, Heather Barnes 5, Trisha Fenwick 4, Melissa Gattin 7, Shannon Casper 4, Kim Fry 2. FG 19-43 (0), FT 3-6, F 21.

Mulvane—Tricia Turner 3, Kim Rodriguez 6, Jenny Ray 3, Dawn Hicks 8, Denise Wilson 18, Lisa Heersche 5. FG 16-48 (0), FT 11-27, F 7.

Mulvane	6	8	0	16-28
Maize	9	9	12	11-41

Mulvane—Tricia Turner 8, Kerri Taylor 2, Kim Rodriguez 1, Kristen Kuntz 1, Dawn Hicks 8, Irene Baca 2, Denise Wilson 6. FG 9-18 (0), FT 10-19, F 13.

Maize—Trini Holms 2, Michelle Becker 3, Jenny Schuster 16, Kim Wishart 4, Leslie Woodward 2, Suzanne Standiford 1, Stephanie Hatfield 7, Meredith Wilmer 6. FG 16-55 (0), FT 9-17, F 16.

given the Cats the No. 1 seed in the Campus 5A Sub-State, which opens Thursday, March 1. Mulvane will tangle with the host Colts in the 7:30 p.m. game with Kapaun meeting El Dorado in the 6 p.m. game.

With center Kendra Banzet scoring 14 points in the final quarter, Mulvane broke away from a 34-34 tie with 4:30 left, going on a 13-3 run the rest of the way.

"Everybody's excited about winning the league for the first time and getting the No. 1 seed," said Wolgast. The win clinched first place over Goddard, which has three CTL defeats and Buhler and Valley Center with four each.

"Wellington did a good job on us early," said Wolgast, whose club improved its record to 10-2 and 14-5. "They were determined to keep Kendra from getting the ball. At halftime, Coach (Scott) Swaney suggested switching Ticia and Kendra and they couldn't cover her on the weak side and still cover the ball on the strong side and that helped us start pulling away."

Mulvane was behind by four at intermission and finally took charge in the last four minutes. Banzet finished with 24 points. Nicholson scored eight points, guard Tricia Turner had six and Kerri Taylor scored four.

A last-second shot by Denise Wilson gave the MHS jayvees a 22-21 verdict over Wellington. Tammy Withrow and Wilson finished with eight points each.

The girls positioned themselves to wrap up the CTL championship Friday night, Feb. 16, with a thrilling 49-47 victory over Buhler at home. It also provided MHS with another milestone: two victories in one season over Buhler for the first time.

Junior Banzet poured in a school record 35 points to spearhead the victory. She connected on 17 of 24 from the field and also grabbed eight rebounds. Lisa Heersche had six points and guard Kerri Taylor scored four.

"It was a giant game for the program," admitted Wolgast. "Getting Buhler two times and getting into position to win the league, those are very big factors."

"Kendra just ran wild. I talked to their coach after the game and they said they were trying to stop Ticia and Lisa because they had hurt them up there. Last time, they helped on Kendra and both Ticia and Lisa had good outings. They were willing to take a chance and it cost them. They put their best defender on Ticia and she did a good job on her, but that opened it up for Kendra."

In a 50-36 victory at Buhler, Nicholson scored 15 points and Heersche had eight.

The Cats stumbled a bit in the second quarter and the Crusaders took a 22-14 half-time lead, but Mulvane out-scored Buhler, 18-8, to get back in the lead.

Two blocked shots by Banzet in the frantic, final moments helped the occasion. Tied at 46-46, guard Tricia Turner scored one of two free throws and Heersche picked off the long rebound and passed to Turner, who was fouled again. She missed the front end, and once at the other end, Banzet blocked a shot from the left side with seven seconds left. She was fouled and made the front end for a two-point lead. A Mulvane foul with two seconds left gave the Crusaders one last gasp but the first freebee was missed and Banzet smothered the Buhler player who got the rebound, blocking another shot as the horn sounded.

The junior varsity also marked up a big "W." Coach Scott Swaney's jayvees came from behind for a 43-41 decision, improving their record to 4-8.

Top scorers were Denise Wilson, who scored 18 points, Dawn Hicks, who scored eight, and Kim Rodriguez with six points.