



Kings Basketball



KNIGHTS

“Striving to be the best.”

FAVC

Reaching the Next Level

**Even as we dream,
we begin to succeed.
As we succeed,
we begin to dream again.**

The “dream” of a Sectional title becomes reality:
Saturday, 3/6 at 5:30 against Springboro.

Reaching the next level...

This season has worked out to be very similar to last year's varsity season. Everything we have accomplished this year, though, has been even one step better than last year. For instance:

Last year we finished the regular season with 3 straight league losses.

This year we closed with 3 straight wins, and were the only FAVC team to beat Lebanon.

Last year, we could not beat Lebanon, Norwood, or Mason.

This year only Mason outlasted us in overtime.

Last season, we finished with 10 wins.

This year we are at 11 wins *and counting*.

Last season, we beat Alter in the first round. Though it was a gigantic breakthrough win for us that was felt around the state, they had a sub-par year by their standards.

This year in the first round, we knocked off the undefeated, #2 team in the state in their best season.

In the second round last year, we crushed Wilmington while their best player sat out with an injury.

In this year's second round, we beat Badin while frustrating their two best players at full strength.

Last season, we lost a close sectional final to Bellbrook.

This season we face undefeated Springboro.

Last year, we were the *only* FAVC team to reach a sectional final.

As I write this, only Norwood is left in this year's tourney besides us. They play Woodward tonight, and then would have to face McNicholas in their sectional final if they win.

Again, we will be the last FAVC team left standing. ***Only this year we will have a sectional title!***

I just laugh when people ask me how we are going to pull off another upset. They don't realize that when you start 0-7, you are an underdog in every game you play. We have been "upsetting" teams the entire second half of the season. We are used to this role. In fact, people outside of our locker room have given us little or no chance of beating Goshen, Norwood, Lebanon, Eaton, or Badin. Each time, we have not only proven ourselves to them. We have also proven more and more to ourselves. As Ronnie was quoted as saying after the Eaton game, we have a great deal of *respect* for our opponents, but we do not *fear* them. All 64 teams left in the state in division II are very good teams that deserve to be where they are. We all have earned this chance. From this point forward, it comes down to who executes their "stuff" the best. Right now, I challenge anybody in the state to say that their team is doing a better job on both ends of the floor than we are. We'll show them again on Saturday.