

Estill Beats Lee County at Buzzer, 59-56

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The Estill County Lady Engineers would continue with their winning ways on Friday night as they hosted

their first district game of the year. The Lady Bobcats from Lee County would come to Irvine hoping to hang a first district loss on Estill County.

Hannah Kash, the district's leading scorer, weaved her way through the Lady Engineers Defense in the first quarter, but Estill would match the intensity through-

out the first half and would head to the locker room with a two point edge. Estill would open their lead to as much as 9 points in the second half, but three point

shooting by Lee Co. would keep them in the game. Estill would eventually relinquish the lead with less than a minute to play until K. Treadway's in and out and back in three pointer would knot the score at 56. With what looked like the last possession of the game, Lee Co. would have a side out and a possible last shot to take home a victory. Estill's tough Defense would force a five second call and it would be Estill that would get that last possession. Estill would inbound to Flynn, who along with Brewer had led Estill in scoring on the night. Instead of looking to score, she would pass to an open Taylor Young on the wing and with the clocking winding down, the senior would drain a 3 pointer (her first points of the night) with nothing but net and Estill would find themselves at 2-0 in the District.

Engineers would host Madison Southern and one of the best players in the state, Briana Lanham. She lived up to her billing as she hit shot after shot. Estill's play was nothing to write home about as they struggled with turnovers as has been the story all year. A 69-47 loss would put Estill County back to .500 with a record of 8 wins and 8 losses.

The Lady Engineers will have a few days off to get ready for one of the biggest games of the season on Friday night. The Lady Engineers will "welcome" the Powell Co. Lady Pirates in a girls/boys doubleheader with game times still undecided. Action will begin @6:00 pm and the second game will follow at 7:30pm. Come out and support the Lady Engineers!!! GO BIG BLUE!!

Estill 59, Lee Co. 56

M. Bellamy 10 pts 2 stl, T. Young 3 pts 4 reb 3 ast 2 stl, S. Brewer 13 pts 4 reb 2 ast 3 stl, K. Treadway 12 pts 3 reb, S. Barnes 2 pts 3 reb 2 stl, M. Flynn 13 pts 14 reb, S. Danyeur 6 pts 9 reb.

Morgan 58, Estill 35

M. Bellamy 3 pts, T. Young 8 pts, S. Brewer 5 pts, K. Treadway 8 pts, A. Farmer 2 pts, M. Flynn 2 pts 6 reb, S. Danyeur 6 pts 6 reb.

Southern 69, Estill 47

M. Bellamy 6 pts, K. Treadway 6 pts 3 reb, A. Farmer 3 pts, M. Flynn 14 pts, 8 reb, S. Danyeur 16 pts 7 reb, T. Duechle 2 pts 2 reb.



Lady Engineers senior guard Taylor Young drains a three at the buzzer to give Estill a 59-56 win over district rival Lee County Lady Bobcats.



McKenzie Flynn goes up for two.

Middle School Engineers Sweep Districts

The Estill County Middle School Engineers traveled to Booneville the first weekend of January where all three teams won their respective 56th District championships.

According to former Estill Middle 8th grade coach Jimmy Bonny, this was a first for Estill County, winning all three grades in the tournament.

This is also the first year Estill County Middle School has played as the "Engineers," the mascot of the high school for many years and now the mascot for all Estill County schools.

The 56th District consists of Estill, the Lee County Bobcats, the Owsley County Owls and the Powell County Pirates.

The Estill Middle Engineers were scheduled to play at Farristown on Tuesday, January 12th and will have home games on Thursday, January 14th against Wolfe County and Tuesday, January 19th against Caudill Middle School.



56th District 6th Grade Champions -- Estill Engineers

Left to right, front: Bryant 'Pep Rally' Bryant, Kenny Dell Rose, Landon Coomer, Tyler Hatton, Tyler Brewer, Bryce Willis, Elliott Hardy. Back: coach Mark Chaney, Jamison Miller, Kade Benton, Landon Napier, Keaton Henry, Ty Niece, and Alec Arthur. (Photo courtesy of Rebecca Click)



56th District 7th Grade Champions -- Estill Engineers

Left to right, front: Kade Benton, Dustin Beeler, Andrew Elam, McKeadan Wilburn, Isaac Napier. Back: Dean Tucker, Kamden Powell, Coben Clem, Dyllan Long, Will Isfort and Cobbe Click. The team is coached by Seth Martin and assistants Ryan Powell and John Clem. (Photo courtesy of Rebecca Click)



56th District 8th Grade Middle School Champions -- Estill County Engineers

Left to right, front: manager Hunter Begley, Coty Hatton, Chase Muncie, Matthew Woolery, Cobbe Click, Micah Adams, Kenny Bowling. Back: manager Lance Stevenson, Andrew Chaney, Dyllan Long, Chase Rawlins, Lucas Puckett, Ethan Webb, Micah Swim, Justin Stamper and coach Jordan Whitehead.

(Photo courtesy of Rebecca Click)



Estill centers Robert Tipton (#33) and Andrew Doty (#40) fill up the lane in the 82-56 win over Lee.



Eighth grader Joe Benton goes for two points against the Lee County Bobcats on Friday.