Minster named to all-league basketball team



Louisburg senior Ben Minster averaged 11 points a game this past season for the Wildcats and he was rewarded for his efforts Monday when he was named to the All-Frontier League Boys Basketball Team as an honorable mention selection.

The Louisburg High School boys basketball team didn't find a lot of success on the court this past season as the Wildcats finished with just a pair of wins.

That didn't mean the coaches in the Frontier League didn't take notice of some of the talent on the Wildcat roster and one of those players was able to garner all-league honors.

Ben Minster was named to the All-Frontier League boys basketball team when the list was released Monday. The Louisburg senior was selected to the honorable mention squad after a good season for the Wildcats.

"I think Ben had a really good year for us," Louisburg coach Ty Pfannenstiel said. "Especially toward the end of the year, he was playing to his strengths and was a force on both ends of the court. Ben is an explosive player and a great athlete.

"One thing you can say about Ben is that no matter what the score was, he was still going hard. He made a lot of improvement over the course of the season, and I was glad to see him get recognized by the coaches of the Frontier League."

Minster was the lone Wildcat to average in double figures in scoring with nearly 11 points a game. He also finished the season with 4.5 rebounds and two steals a contest.

Although the Wildcats were only to get one player on the allleague team, Pfannenstiel believes Louisburg could have gotten more, but the Frontier League produced a lot of talent this season.

"I think we had quite a few more kids that could have made the list this year, but this league was so deep, and it was just tough to get the necessary votes that are needed to get recognized," he said. "Individual honors usually break down about how the league standings go, so with us finishing last in the league it made it really tough to get more kids on the list. I do feel like we had quite a few other kids who were deserving, but I think the coaches were very fair with their selections."

De Soto, who won the Frontier League title, tied with Spring Hill, Paola and Eudora with three all-league selections each.

ALL-FRONTIER LEAGUE BOYS BASKETBALL

FIRST TEAM

Brandon Wilkes, Paola, senior Brennen Feeback, Spring Hill, junior Rock Jerome, Eudora, junior Jared Baruth, De Soto, senior Kobe Johnson, Ottawa, sophomore

SECOND TEAM

Jayce Dighans, Baldwin, senior Brannon Bell, De Soto, senior Krys Johnson, Ottawa, senior Jayden Pierce, Eudora, junior Kale Clark, Paola, senior

HONORABLE MENTION

Levi Hansen, De Soto, senior Justin Weber, Spring Hill, senior Ben Minster, Louisburg, senior Noah Katzenmeier, Eudora, senior Brock LaPlante, Spring Hill, senior Kurt Golubski, Paola, senior