

Lady Cats drop pair of games to Spring Hill, Shawnee Mission South



Louisburg junior Brianne Kuhlman drives the lane Wednesday against Spring Hill during the Lady Cats' 40-32 loss to the Broncos.

SPRING HILL – So far in 2022, the Louisburg girls' offense has been unable to find its footing.

However, in the first quarter of Wednesday's road contest against Spring Hill, the Lady Cats appeared to be coming out of their slump with a 15-point opening frame.

Unfortunately, the hot start didn't last as Spring Hill rallied to defeat Louisburg 40-32. The Lady Cats scored just 17 points after that first quarter.

"We are still trying to find our rhythm on offense," Louisburg coach Adrienne Lane said. "The guards shot well in the Spring Hill game and I hope that will help give us some confidence going into this week."

Louisburg got out to a good start as the Lady Cats took a 15-8 lead on the Broncos, but Spring Hill flipped the script in the second quarter and took a one-point halftime lead.

Spring Hill led by four going into the final period, but did just enough offensively to hold off Louisburg.

The Lady Cats provided stingy defense once again as they held Spring Hill to just 31 percent shooting and forced 20 turnovers.

However, the Broncos did their damage on the inside as they outscored Louisburg 26-4 in points in the paint. Louisburg knocked down six 3-pointers, but couldn't get the looks to go inside.

"The girls play so hard, their defense is great and they battle every possession," Lane said. "Their work ethic never fails. Because we play such good defense, we have been able to compete with some really good teams."

Junior Adyson Ross led the Lady Cats in scoring with eight points and fellow junior Ava Baker finished with seven. Junior Emma Prettyman had a team-high five rebounds and junior Emma Lohse finished with four steals.

Spring Hill freshman Sydney Buscher had a big game on the inside as she led the way with 15 points and 11 rebounds. Jenna Weber also had a double-double for Spring Hill with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

The Lady Cats will try and stop their four-game losing skid today as they open play in the Top Gun Tournament at Wellsville High School. Louisburg will face off with Nemaha Central at 6:30 p.m. in a rematch of last year's tournament championship game.

LOU 15 4 5 8 – 32

SH 8 12 8 12 – 40

LOUISBURG (4-5): Adyson Ross 3-11 0-0 8; Ava Baker 2-9 2-2 7; Brianne Kuhlman 2-6 1-2 6; Emma Lohse 1-3 2-2 5; Delanie Tally 1-4 0-0 3; Jordan Mynsted 0-12 3-4 3. Totals: 9-51 8-14 32. 3-point field goals: 6, (Ross 2, Lohse, Kuhlman, Tally, Baker).

Louisburg falls at home to Shawnee Mission South

A slow start haunted Louisburg in its home matchup against Shawnee Mission South on Jan. 17



Louisburg junior Emma Prettyman puts up a shot over Shawnee Mission South defender on Jan. 17 in Louisburg.

The Lady Cats scored eight points in the first half and couldn't stay with the Raiders in a 38-26 loss at Louisburg High School.

Louisburg, which shot 22 percent from the floor, was able to pick things up a little offensively in the second half with 18 points, but were unable to dig out of its early hole.

Senior Jordan Mynsted had six points and six rebounds to lead the Lady Cats, while junior Emma Prettyman had a team-high

seven rebounds.

LOU 4 4 8 10 – 26

SMS 7 12 14 5 – 38

LOUISBURG: Jordan Mynsted 1-8 4-6 6; Emma Lohse 2-5 0-0 4; Brianne Kuhlman 1-4 2-2 4; Emma Prettyman 2-6 0-2 4; Adyson Ross 1-6 0-0 3; Ava Baker 0-1 3-4 3; Delaney Wright 1-3 0-0 2. Totals: 8-36 9-14 26. 3-point field goals: 1, (Ross)