



Cougar News

1/8/2024



Hopefully everyone had a good break and appreciated their time away from school. While everyone else had time away, the Cougar basketball teams were working hard and playing in several games.

Both our high school teams competed in the Pat Paterson Holiday basketball tournament over break. Our boys played their first game against the Waldron Spartans and came up a bit short, but returned the next day against the Camden-Frontier Redskins and took care of business. Tyler Slade played an especially great game and was named to the all-tournament team. On Friday the boys traveled to Tekonsha to take on the Indians in both a JV and Varsity game. The JV played tough, but ultimately lost, but our varsity came out very strong and built a 30 point lead before Tekonsha pulled a little closer in the fourth quarter. The Cougars still came out on top, though. Thomas Maier led the way with 18 points and some really pesky defense leading to lots of steals and fast break points. Tyler Slade and Tyler Barnes also contributed with double digits adding 13 and 10 points respectively.

Our high school girls' basketball team also played against Waldron and Camden-Frontier in the Pat Paterson Holiday tournament. They hung tough in both games, but the opponents proved too much and our girls lost. Congratulations are in order for Brilynn Padget for making the tournament team. The Lady Cougars also traveled to Tekonsha and played a tough game against the Indians. The girls came up short again, but it is fun to watch Kristen and Madison Recob as they continue to pile up steals and rebounds and move up the all-time list in those categories.

Speaking of Lady Cougars, our middle school girls' basketball season kicks off practices today. Please make sure that a physical is on file in the office to participate. Games will be upon us before we know it! Good luck in the upcoming season.

We continue to look for good pictures of our athletic contests. If you have any great pictures, please send them to wca.athletics@wcak12.org

A reminder that all our home basketball games (and several of the away ones) can be streamed on the NFHS website by searching for Will Carleton Academy. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to reach out.

The Cougar Strength Program continues to meet an hour after school every Monday and Friday for any high schooler interested in attending.

Our boys' Jr Pro basketball program (3rd-5th grade) is up and running, but we are still looking for someone to coach the girls. If you are interested please reach out!

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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This week in Cougar sports:

Tuesday 1/9

Varsity Girls' basketball home vs Factoryville Christian at 5:30

Varsity Boys' basketball home vs Factoryville Christian at 7:00

Friday 1/12

Varsity Girls' basketball @ Marshall Academy at 5:30

Varsity Boys' basketball @ Marshall Academy at 7:00

Crossroads Athletic Conference Boys' Basketball Standings

	Conference Record	Overall Record
JPEC	5-0	5-1
Battle Creek Academy	2-1	4-3
Marshall Academy	1-1	1-2
Factoryville Christian	1-2	1-2
Will Carleton Academy	0-2	3-6
Pansophia Academy	0-3	0-4

Crossroads Athletic Conference Girls' Basketball Standings

	Conference Record	Overall Record
Factoryville Christian	2-0	3-0
Battle Creek Academy	2-0	4-1
Will Carleton Academy	0-1	0-8
Marshall Academy	0-1	0-1
Pansophia Academy	0-2	0-4