

Tigerettes Take Third

Tigerettes fight a hard season to earn a playoff spot

With only two returning varsity players and more than half the team consisting of freshman and sophomores, the Tigerette varsity basketball team had a lot to learn.

"Going straight up to varsity from middle school basketball was a huge transition," Chandee Bachmeyer, 9th, said. "I felt like there was a lot of things we were expected to know from middle school that we didn't, but we put in a lot of work and eventually we knew what we were doing."

It was crucial for the team to spend plenty of time in practice going over inbound plays and offenses making sure everyone was familiar with them.

"It was hard for a while because we had to help teach the younger kids all the plays since they didn't know what they were doing," Ashlyn Holder, 12th, said. "By the end of the season though, everything was running a lot more smoothly."

Coach Ed Vogelphol's Tigerettes ended up in a three-way tie with Thorndale and Milano for second place. After playing two tie-breaker games, the Tigerettes came out third place in district. The team went on to play Iola in the Bi-District round in playoffs.

"Although it was hard losing our last game, we fought hard the whole time," Tyanny Basco, 9th, said. "This season really brought us closer together as a family and a team."

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Tyranny Basco, 10th
Photo by J. Davis



Chandee Bachmeyer, 9th
Photo by M. Byrd



Karlie Knapek, 10th
Photo by G. Turk



Big Box Outs

As she works her feet to get around a Thorndale defender, Kelsey Faykus, 12th, gets in position for the rebound. "Boxing out is key. You get the chance for second opportunities and transition points. We had to remember to 'put our butts in their gut'." The Tigerettes were able to take down the Thorndale Lady Bulldogs by 8 points in their own house. *Photo by Chelsea Seggern*

Front Row: Kyla Green, Brandy Valadez, Ashlyn Holder, Tyranny Basco, Kaci Builta

Middle Row: Morgan Grisham, Shelby Hoffman, Colby Jaeger, Rachel Byrd

Back Row: Ed Vogelphol, Jordyn Vizena, Karlie Knapek, Kelsey Faykus, Katie Stolte, Chandee Bachmeyer, Thomas Umberger





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1. Katie Stolte, 9th, gets in position to box out at Thorndale defender. *Photo by Chelsea Seggern* 2. Keeping the ball high, Ashlyn Holder, 12th, looks to see if she can pass to the low post player. *Photo by Chelsea Seggern* 3. Ashlyn Holder, 12th, and Colby Jaeger, 10th, struggle to get the ball away from a Jarrell defender. *Photo by Megan Byrd* 4. After getting open for the shot, Brandy Valadez, 9th, catches the ball and lets it fly. *Photo by Jacob Davis* 5. Jordyn Vizena, 10th, shows off her shooting form while taking a wide open elbow shot. *Photo by Chelsea Seggern* 6. Powering up through a Bartlett defender, Morgan Grisham, 11th, shoots a right-side window shot. *Photo by Dessiny Turk* 7. As her teammate shoots a free throw, Shelby Hoffman, 10th, works to get her feet around a Milano defender. *Photo by Chelsea Seggern*



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Season Wrap ↑

Preseason

Jarrell	L	21-70
Rodgers	L	33-67
Lago Vista	L	35-54
Rockdale	L	17-55
Taylor	L	38-52
North Zulch	L	33-39
Cameron Tournament	1st bronze bracket	
Moody *Cedar Park Center	W	33-29

District

	1st Round	2nd Round	Tie-Breakers
Milano	L 30-31	W 33-30	W 36-28
Granger	W 48-28	W 51-21	
Bartlett	W 49-13	W 65-21	
Thorndale	L 17-18	W 37-29	L 37-39
Holland	L 23-31	L 33-43	

Playoffs

Bi-District vs. Iola L 30-48

Accolades

District MVP: Kelsey Faykus
1st Team All District: Karlie Knapke
2nd Team All District: Colby Jaeger
Honorable Mention: Ashlyn Holder and Morgan Grisham
Academic All-District: Chandee Bachmeyer, Kelsey Faykus, Morgan Grisham, Shelby Hoffman, Ashlyn Holder, Colby Jaeger, Karlie Knapke, Brandy Valadez, Jordyn Vizena

What's Up?

"Working with the girls and Coach Vogelpohl this season was a very fun and educational experience for my first year coaching."
 -Coach Umberger

