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MT. LIONS FALL AT PENDLETON THEN GET WIN OVER POCAHONTAS COUNTY

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FRANKLIN – The Tucker County Boys’ Basketball team traveled to Pendleton County on Tuesday December 17th. The Mt. Lions played well, but Pendleton County pulled away late to get the victory 36-28.

The first quarter was dominated by defense as both teams struggled to score as Pendleton County had a 6-1 lead after one quarter of play. Tucker County found their offense in the second quarter as they outscored the Wildcats 14-7 to take a 15-13 lead into the locker room at the halftime intermission.

The homestanding Wildcats responded in the third as they outshot the Mt. Lions 11-4 to give Pendleton County the 24-19 lead after three quarters. The final quarter was won by the Wildcats 12-9 to make the final score 36-28 Pendleton County.

Holden Young and Trey Key led Tucker County in scoring with 8 points each.

HAMBLETON – The Mt. Lions returned to action on Friday December 20th for a home game against Pocahontas County. Tucker County dominated the second quarter to pick up their first victory of the season by the final score of 41-32. The first quarter went back and forth as Tucker County held a slim 8-7 lead after one quarter of play. The Mt. Lions then pulled away in the second quarter as they outscored the Warriors 8-3 in the second to take a 16-10 lead at the half. Tucker County then dominated the third quarter with a 16-9 advantage to make the score 32-20 after three quarters. Pocahontas County fought back late in the fourth quarter, but the Mt. Lions got the victory by the final score of 41-32. Wyatt Betler led Tucker County with 17 points, 10 rebounds and Zach Colebank added 7 points, 4 rebounds. Rudy Pennington added 8 rebounds for the Mt. Lions in the win.

Tucker County (1-3) will return to action on Friday December 27th at Notre Dame. The Mt. Lions will then host Petersburg for a game on Monday December 30th. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.



Tucker County's Holden Young goes to the basket at Pendleton County on Dec. 17th. Tucker County fell in the contest 36-28. Photo by Kelly Pennington.