

Clarksville Hits Century Mark

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After flirting with the century mark in scoring on several occasions this season, the number 1 ranked Clarksville Blue Tigers finally reached that mark Tuesday night at home on senior night as Walker Nichols Blue Tigers crushed the James Bowie Pirates 100-29.

The win improves Clarksville's district record to a perfect 7-0 with three road league games remaining. The Tigers are 21-5 overall. James Bowie has a 1-6 district record. Nichols elected to start an all senior line-up for the occasion and that entire group had an exceptional night with four members scoring in double figures, and the final member ending the contest with eight points. Six of the nine players in uniform reached double digits in scoring for Clarksville.

The outcome of the game was evident early as Clarksville held a 25-2 lead at the end of the first quarter. The lead was 51-18 at the intermission and 77-23 as the teams entered the final period.

Clarksville's pressure defense was overpowering as Radonte Edwards, Quinton Beaty, H.B. Rosser and Jordan Alexander were among the players that displayed speed and quickness while forcing an alarming number of Pirate turnovers.

Jarrian Roberts was strong defensively down low as he managed five blocked shots in the game. Roberts also scored 12 points while hauling down several Clarksville rebounds.

When the teams met during the first round of district play the obstacle that stood in a 100 point performance for Clarksville was a rare running game clock that was used in the second half. However, on Tuesday night the Tigers scored 23 fourth quarter points without the running clock in place to reach the mark. With Clarksville moving to a 96-27 lead in the fourth, Rosser who recorded a game high 24 points including a pair of electrifying slam dunks, scored inside then Jordan Alexander made Clarksville's final bucket on an inside shot with just over one minute left.

Edwards added 18 points for the Tigers while Alexander had 15 points, and Lonnie Hobbs scored 11 with three of his baskets coming by way of three point bombs. Tyus Savage had another impressive performance while scoring 10 points. Chris Mitchell canned eight points in the game.

James Bowie was led by Lardon Freeman with 11 points.

Clarksville won the jv game over James Bowie by a 76-16 margin. Kendrick Barksdale led the way with 12 points while Desmond Duckett scored 10 points. Devon Sanders and Teevin Dockins contributed 8 points each.

The Blue Tigers will travel to McLeod on Friday night.

Score By Quarters

James Bowie 2 16 5 6 29

Clarksville 25 26 26 23 100

Scoring: James Bowie-Lardon Freeman 11, Curry 9, Birdwell 3, Dunson 3, Anderson 2, Wilburn 1. Three Pointers: Dunson 1. Free Throws: 4-9 Fouls: 12 Record: 1-6

Scoring: Clarksville: H.B. Rosser 24, Radonte Edwards 18, Jordan Alexander 15, Jarrian Roberts 12, Lonnie Hobbs 11, Tyus Savage 10, Mitchell 8, Woodberry 2. Three

Pointers: (3) Hobbs 3, Alexander 1. Free Throws: 4-12 Fouls: 10 Record: 7-0 21-5.