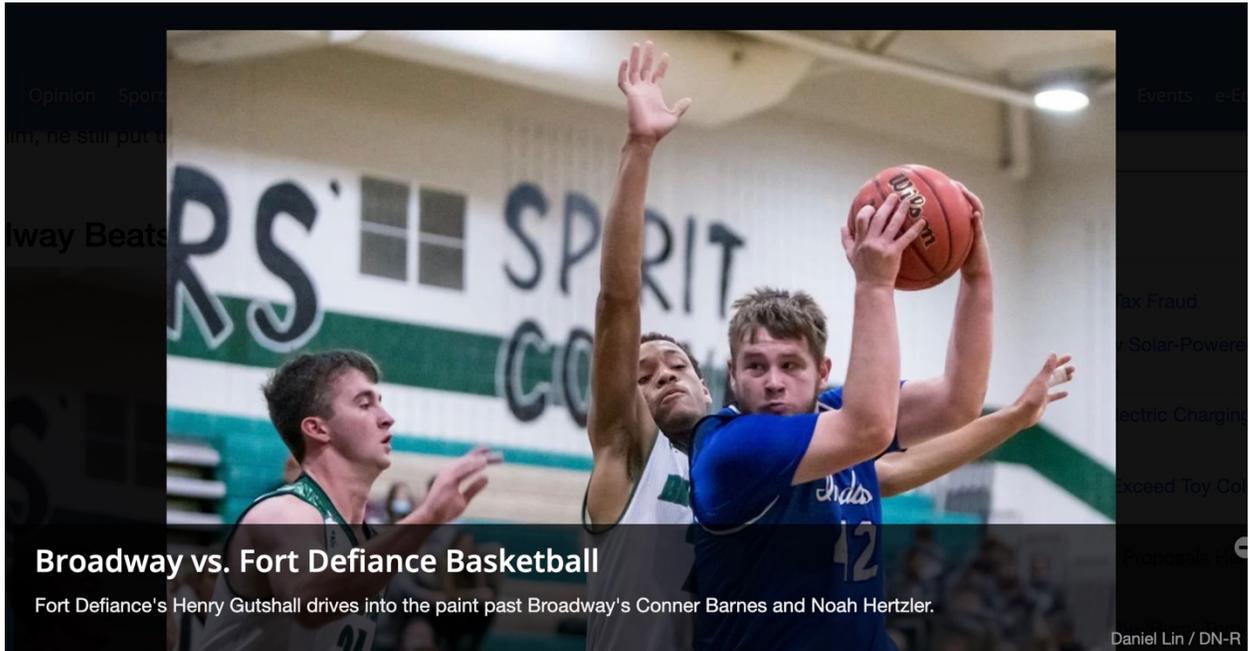


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Gobblers Defeat Indians In Old-School Battle

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Broadway vs. Fort Defiance Basketball

Fort Defiance's Henry Gutshall drives into the paint past Broadway's Conner Barnes and Noah Hertzler.

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BROADWAY — Fort Defiance coach Brandon Fulk crouched down to his knees in the third quarter of his team's matchup at Broadway on Tuesday and watched as senior guard Ben Hutcheson nailed one of his three 3-pointers on the night.

The attentive head coach dropped his head in disappointment.

Those were the emotions during the Indians' 52-45 non-district loss to the Gobblers at BHS.

Despite a 21-21 halftime score, Broadway came out of the locker room hot and scored three 3-pointers to lead 41-30 heading into the final frame and never looked back.

"We were able to come back in the second half and really pick it up," senior forward Conner Barnes said. "They're a hard-fought team. They play hard, they play physical basketball."

Fort made a run at the game in the fourth quarter, cutting the lead to four points at one time. Part of that was because of junior Tyreek Veney, who finished with a game-high 28 points and six 3-pointers.

With a 49-42 lead with under two minutes to go, the Gobblers made the layups when it mattered. Barnes, standing at 6-foot-3 and the biggest presence in the paint, used his height and power to steal the ball, then switch to defense.

Still, Veney hit 3s to keep the Indians in it. Broadway coach Dwight Walton said that Veney was the player to watch and that he even had the Gobblers out of their defensive scheme in the first half.

"[Veney] played a heck of a game tonight," Walton said. "We tried the game plan against him, he still put the ball hard in the hole."

Coming out of the half tied, Broadway hit its shots left and right. Scoring 20 points by the end of the third quarter, the defense held Fort Defiance to nine points the remainder of the way. Hutcheson hit two 3-pointers in the quarter along with a driving score to score eight points in the third quarter alone.

It wasn't just Hutcheson, though. Barnes scored an additional two points while senior guard Dakota Dove added a 3-pointer and a layup. Barnes said that the team had an inspirational speech in the locker room that led to the energy in the third quarter.

"[Walton] gave us a really inspiring speech at halftime," Barnes said. "He was able to get us really locked back in and play some more. We were just able to find our rhythm."

In the first quarter, the Gobblers played a quick formation, passing fast and constantly moving their feet in the paint, forcing man coverage from the opponent to be tight. Broadway had the 13-9 lead because of its offensive scheme and Barnes, who had six points in the frame.

The second quarter was a storm from the visitors, however. Fort, down four, came back quick. While Broadway couldn't get adjusted, the Indians saw that as their opportunity. Veney had two 3-pointers and made his shots at the line, and cut the lead to one. On another play, Fort Defiance went back to the line, made its shots and even took the lead 19-18.

The two teams went into the half tied and Walton said the Gobblers and Indians play a close game every time they meet.

That's what happened again Tuesday night.

"Us and [Fort Defiance] are always a dogfight," Walton said. "We are like mirrors of each other, they're always well coached."

Hutcheson and Dove both finished with 13 points for the Gobblers (5-1) while Caleb Barnes added six.

For the Indians (1-3), Henry Gutshall and Samuel Garber added five points apiece.

"We just have to keep focusing," Conner Barnes said. "Rest up tonight, get ready for tomorrow and hit the road."

Fort Defiance 9 12 9 15 — 45

Broadway 13 8 20 11 — 52

FORT DEFIANCE (45) — Simmons 0 0-0 0, Johnson 1 0-0 3, Jones 0 0-0 0, Patterson 0 0-0 0, Garber 2 0-0 5, Veney 10 2-5 28, Liskey 1 0-0 3, Bruce 0 0-0 0, Gutshall 2 1-3 5. Totals 16 4-10 45.

BROADWAY (52) — Caleb Barnes 2 2-3 6, Dove 4 1-2 11, Hutcheson 5 0-0 13, Litten 0 0-0 0, Michael 0 0-0 0, Jerichen 0 0-0 0, Hertzler 1 0-0 2, Gonzalez Santiago 1 0-0 2, Witmer 0 0-0 0, Connor Barnes 8 2-4 18, Santiago 0 0-0 0, Hall 0 0-0 0, Miller 0 0-0 0. Totals 21 5-9 52.

3-Point Goals — Fort Defiance 9 (Veney 6, Johnson, Garber, Liskey), Broadway 5 (Hutcheson 3, Dove 2).

From the News-Virginian:

BOYS BASKETBALL

Fort Defiance boys basketball comes up short against Broadway

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BROADWAY — Broadway used a strong third quarter Tuesday night to gain separation from Fort Defiance as the Gobblers came away with a 52-46 victory in nondistrict boys basketball.

The two teams battled to a 21-all stalemate at halftime before the Gobblers hit the Indians with a 20-9 outburst in the third quarter to seize command at 41-30. Fort tried to rally over the final eight minutes, but couldn't overcome the deficit.

Tyreek Veney accounted for more than half of the Indians' points with 28, including six 3-pointers. Sam Garber and Henry Gutshall each finished with five.

Fort (1-3) hosts Turner Ashby on Friday in a varsity doubleheader with the girls. The girls game between the Indians and Knights tips at 5:30 p.m.

FDHS Varsity vs Broadway High School

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At Broadway High School

He lost his dad on Friday night after leading the Fort Defiance boys to their first win of the season at Monticello. Tonight Tyreek Veney scored over half of his team's points, 28, but it wasn't enough to overcome a hot Broadway team that broke open a 21 – 21 tie at halftime with a twenty point third quarter that Fort couldn't overcome. Broadway won 52 – 45.

FDHS had reason to feel better about this game as Josh Jones was in uniform for the first time this year. He played some, but his ankle obviously wasn't 100%.

As it has done three times this season, Fort started off slowly. BHS jumped to a 5 – 0 lead before Henry took a pass at the free throw line, drove to his left and banked in a shot. He was fouled on the play and completed the three point play with 4:35 to go in the quarter. BHS hit a free throw then two jump shots to run their lead to 13 – 6 after Tyreek had nailed a three pointer. He scored again to make it 13 – 8 then Bradley Hebb intercepted a pass and got fouled as he drove to the basket with 9 seconds to go. He made one of his two free throws so the score after one quarter was 13 – 9 Broadway.

Jack Liskey nailed a three pointer to open the second quarter. After a Broadway three, Tyreek hit his own three then made one of two free throws to tie the score at 16. A few minutes later, he hit another three to give Fort its first lead, 19 – 18 before BHS took a 21 – 19 lead thanks to one free throw and a tip-in. Tyreek scored again on a break to tie the score at 21 which is the way the half ended.

The ill-fated third quarter saw BHS run out to a 29 – 23 lead after Tyreek hit another two. Henry then took his first of two charges then drove to the left side of the rim for two to get the Indians back in contention, 29 – 25. BHS answered with two more threes and went ahead 39 – 28. They ran their lead to 41 – 28 before Tyreek got a steal and score and Henry took another charge as the quarter closed. BHS led 41 – 30 at this point.

The fourth quarter saw Fort try to claw back but BHS wouldn't let them get closer than four. During this stretch, Sam Garber hit a three then a two-pointer. Kaden hit a three pointer, and Tyreek continued his fine shooting with two more threes. But down the stretch his three pointers wouldn't drop and BHS was able to hold the ball. Even when FDHS fouled and BHS missed the second free throw, they got the rebound and turned it into another bucket, leaving the final score as BHS 52, FDHS 45.

Here's Fort's Box Score:

| Name | FG | FT | Total |
|------------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Landon Simmons | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Kaden Johnson | 1 | 0-0 | 3 |
| Josh Jones | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Conner Patterson | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Sam Garber | 2 | 0-0 | 5 |
| Tyreek Veney | 10 | 2-5 | 28 |
| Bradley Hebb | 0 | 1-2 | 1 |
| Jack Liskey | 1 | 0-0 | 3 |
| Alphonso Bruce | 0 | 0-0 | 0 |
| Henry Gutshall | 2 | 1-3 | 5 |
| FDHS | 16 | 4-10 | 45 |