

Fort JV Team Dominates Riverheads, 42 - 24

The Fort Defiance JV basketball team beat Riverheads 42 – 24 in the FDHS gym on January 6. The Indians won every quarter to improve their season record to 5 – 4.

Riverheads opened with a bucket but Tripp Hanger knocked in a three pointer from the top of the key to give Fort a 3 – 2 lead. Riverheads went up 4 – 3 then Evan Braun scored from within the lane to give Fort a 7 – 4 lead, a lead they would not relinquish the rest of the evening. Riverheads closed to 7 – 6 then Gus Gutshall took a pass near the basket and made a nice spinning shot to make the score 9 – 6 which is how the quarter ended.

Riverheads hit two free throws to pull within one to open the second quarter before Gus hit one of two free throws. Isaac Marshall's deuce made it 12 – 9 then Isaac stole the ball and scored to make it 14 – 9. Jasigh Ransome's two pointer made it 16 – 9 in favor of the home team. Riverheads closed to 16 – 11 at the half.

After a Riverheads score to start the third quarter, Evan's two pointer followed by Isaac's three pointer ran the FDHS lead to 21 – 13. Evan's score in close gave the Indians a ten point lead. Riverheads came back to 23 – 15 but Carter Berry turned an offensive rebound into two points to return the lead to ten. Rhyland Martin then took a pass from Gus and buried a three pointer to give Fort a comfortable 28 – 15 lead though Riverheads hit a three at the end of the quarter to get back within ten at 28 – 18.

Fort poured it on in the fourth quarter. Gus took a pass from Carter in the lane and scored then he got an offensive rebound and scored again to make the score 32 – 18. Hunter Hamer hit a three pointer to put FDHS up 35 – 18. After a Gladiator free throw, Gus again turned an offensive rebound into two points to make the score 37 – 19. Riverheads got two to make it 37 – 21 then Tripp got a layup. Evan hit a free throw and Isaac a deuce after two RHS free throws to make it 42 – 23. At this point, with 2:02 to go, Fort emptied its bench. The final score was 42 – 24.

Isaac led the scoring with 12 points followed by Gus with 9. Tripp and Evan each scored five.

The JV team will play Wilson Memorial on January 10 in the FDHS gym.

Fort's Box Score:

Name	2 Pt Goals	3 Pt Goals	Free Throws	Total
Gus Gutshall	4	0	1-2	9
Isaac Marshall	3	1	2-2	11
Tripp Hanger	1	1	0-0	5
Jasigh Ransome	1	0	0-0	2
Evan Braun	2	0	1-3	5
Carter Berry	2	0	0-0	4
Hunter Hamer	0	1	0-0	3
Rhyland Martin	0	1	0-0	3

TOTAL

13

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4-9

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