

Broadway Sweeps Fort Defiance 50 – 35

The Fort Defiance Indians dropped a 50 – 35 non-district game to the Broadway Gobblers on January 12 in the FDHS gym. Broadway shot out to a 17 point lead early in the second quarter, mainly on the shooting of guard Tristan Yoder, but Fort roared back to make it a four point game at the end of the second and third quarters. Broadway's strong fourth quarter, 15 – 4, doomed the home team which dropped to 7 – 5 (2 – 1 in the Shenandoah District). It was the second time this season that Broadway has topped the Indians.

Fort played the game without the services of Bradley Hebb who had an injury to his elbow. Midway in the fourth quarter, Gio Armendariz Cruz went down with a hyperextended knee which makes both players doubtful for tomorrow night's game at Waynesboro.

Yoder was unstoppable in the first quarter, hitting two three-pointers and a two point jumper. His first trey gave BHS a 3 – 0 lead. Sam Garber took a nice pass from Tyreek Veney and scored, bringing the Indians to 3 – 2. After a Broadway bucket, Yoder hit another three pointer to put the Indians behind 8 – 2. Tyreek answered with a jump shot. Another Broadway three pointer upped their lead to 11 – 4. After BHS made a field goal to raise their lead to 9 at 13 – 4, Henry Gutshall hit two free throws to make it 13 – 6. The fourth BHS three pointer of the quarter gave the Gobblers a comfortable 16 – 6 lead at the end of the quarter.

BHS poured in on to start the second quarter, scoring the first 8 points, including another Yoder triple, to give them a large 23 – 6 lead. This turned out to be their largest lead of the night as FDHS mounted a comeback. Aiding their efforts was that Yoder picked up his second foul and sat out the rest of the quarter. Gio got FDHS going with a three pointer, Del Ray Jones rammed in a three of his own, then Kaden Johnson hit one of two free throws, making it 23 – 13. A BHS three pointer pushed the lead back to thirteen at 26 – 13 before Sam scored inside on a nice pass from Tyreek. After a BHS foul shot, Henry spun down the left side of the court for two making it 27 – 17. Tyreek and Sam then hit back-to-back three pointers to get the Indians back in the game, 27 – 23, at the half.

Neither team could change the spread in the third quarter. Yoder hit a three to open play in the second half. A field goal gave them a 32 – 23 advantage before Sam hit a jumper. Then Henry buried a three pointer from the top of the key making it 35 – 28. Tyreek finished the scoring in the quarter with a three pointer from the side leaving Broadway's advantage at four, 35 – 31, after three quarters.

Unfortunately for the Indians, Broadway dominated the last quarter. After a field goal with 4:51 to go, Yoder was fouled shooting a three pointer and hit all three of his free throws making it 40 – 31. Tyreek took a nice pass from Henry to score inside. Shortly afterwards, he stole the ball and his layup made it 41 – 35. The Indians' offense then abandoned them as Broadway scored the last nine points of the night, aided by several FDHS turnovers.

Tyreek led Fort with 12 points. Sam had 9 and Henry 7. Yoder led BHS with 19; Braylon Miller scored 16. FDHS returns to action on Friday, January 13, with an important district matchup at Waynesboro.

Fort's Box Score:

Name	2 Pt Goals	3 Pt Goals	Free Throws	Total
Gio Armendariz Cruz	0	1	0-0	3
Kaden Johnson	0	0	1-2	1
Conner Patterson	0	0	0-0	0
Sam Garber	3	1	0-0	9
Tyreek Veney	3	2	0-0	12
Jack Liskey	0	0	0-0	0
Del Ray Jones	0	1	0-0	3
Jalen Alexander	0	0	0-0	0
Henry Gutshall	1	1	2-4	7
Alphonso Bruce	0	0	0-0	0
Austin Metz	0	0	0-0	0
TOTAL	7	6	3-6	35

Broadway's Box Score:

Name	2 Pt Goals	3 Pt Goals	Free Throws	Total
Jowell Santiago	0	1	0-0	3
Caleb Barnes	0	0	2-2	2
Hunter Jerichen	2	0	1-3	5
Braylon Miller	3	2	4-6	16
Jet Gonzales	2	0	0-0	4
Conner Michael	0	0	0-0	0
Tristan Yoder	2	4	3-3	19
TOTAL	9	7	10-14	50