

# St. Paul girls team holds C.S. Lewis Academy to pair of field goals in victory

*The Bucks score the game's first 38 points and rolls to an easy 67-10 win in the Casco League opener*

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ST. PAUL - The St. Paul High School girls basketball team limited C.S. Lewis Academy to a pair of field goals, one of them coming at the buzzer, Tuesday en route to a 67-10 win in the Casco League opener for both teams.

For the Bucks, it was a solid defensive performance to go along with the team's best offensive play of the short season.

"We're going to play defense like that all of the time and our offense was better tonight and when you put the two together, we're pretty tough to beat," said St. Paul coach Mike Murphy.

The No. 2-ranked and defending state 1A champion Bucks (2-1, 1-0 Casco) amassed a 25-0 lead after the first quarter and built their lead to 38-0 when C.S. Lewis Academy's Danielle Davis hit two free throws for the Watchmen's first points of the game. By halftime, the Bucks led 42-2.

St. Paul junior Julie Drescher converted a three-point play early in the third to give the Bucks a 50-2 lead before two more free throws by Davis in the final 2:16 of the quarter. The Bucks were up 61-4 to start the fourth when Davis hit two free throws, along with a jumper with 2:30 remaining. The Watchmen's Anna Martin scored from underneath the basket as time expired for the game's final basket.

"With the games we've been through, it was probably a little more than (the Watchmen) were quite ready for, I think, at this stage," Murphy said. "Later in the year, I think they'll get better."

St. Paul's Michelle Wilson scored 19 points to lead all scorers. Senior post Brittani Brown added 16 and Drescher added 13. Junior Katlyn McKillip scored six points and junior Johnna Kelly added five. Dani Riggleman, Roree Lewis, Aubrey Wilmes and Janelle Drescher scored two points apiece for the Bucks.

The eight points by Davis led the Watchmen.

St. Paul entered the game off a 40-33 loss Friday at North Marion. Although St. Paul committed just six turnovers, it simply couldn't convert close attempts.

"We took care of the basketball," Murphy said. "We just had some kids that normally would finish shots at the basket, but they just couldn't get them to go in. You aren't going to get a lot of second and third chances against a team as good as North Marion."

The Bucks will play the Huskies again, this time in St. Paul, on Jan. 24. St. Paul could also face North Marion at a tournament at North Marion starting Dec. 20. The Bucks return to action Dec. 14 with a 5:30 p.m. nonconference home game against Dufur. The Rangers finished fifth in state last season.