# VIKINGS GROUND ROCKETS TO END 2023

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# **THE BASICS**

- Final Score: Wisconsin Lutheran 79, Neenah 50
- *Rankings:* Wisconsin Lutheran: D2 #2
- Records: Wisconsin Lutheran: 11-0 (3-0 Woodland West) / Neenah: 4-5 (2-3 Fox Valley Association)
- Location and Date: Wisconsin Lutheran High School / December 29, 2023

# How it Happened

- The Vikings made their first four shots from the floor to jump out to an early lead. A pair of triples from Kon Knueppel and one from Isaiah Mellock helped them to an 11-2 advantage out of the gate.
- Neenah closed to within three points at 14-11, but an Alex Greene three ignited a 14-0 Wisco run that saw five different Vikings score (Greene, Zavier Zens, Knueppel, Logan Rindfleisch, and Trey Raabe), and put them up 28-11 with 9:53 left in the first half.
- A three-point play from the Rockets trimmed the advantage to 32-25 with just under six minutes left in the half, before a 16-3 closing run for Wisco sent them into the locker room up 18. The Vikings were not threatened in the second half.

#### **Key Numbers**

- Kon Knueppel matched his season-high with 35 points (just two points off of his career-high of 37). He added seven rebounds, five assists, and a pair of blocks. He stands 131 points shy of passing Flavien Davis as the school's <u>all-time leading scorer</u> and moved past Todd Hencsik into second place on the school's all-time rebounds list.
- Zavier Zens scored eight points and Alex Greene, Isaiah Mellock, Logan Rindfleisch, and Trey Raabe all scored seven points apiece. Zens added five boards, Greene had three rebounds and three assists, Mellock chipped in four assists and four steals, Rindfleisch had three assists, and Raabe grabbed three rebounds and blocked two shots.
- The Vikings shot 67% (33-49) from the floor and 45% (9-20) from long distance. They outrebounded the Rockets 29-17.
- Wisco is now 11-0, the best start to a season the program has had since the 2008-09 State Champion team began the year 16-0.

#### For the Foes

- Brady Corso led the Rockets with 28 points.
- Neenah shot 41% (19-46) from the floor and 42% (9-21) from the three-point arc.

#### LOWER LEVELS

The JV team pulled out a 53-52 win to run their record to 8-0.

#### **Up Next**

The Vikings return to conference action in the new year when they head to New Berlin West on Thursday, January 4. The varsity tips at 7:00 PM, with lower-level games at 4:15 and 5:30 PM.

# HISTORY

- All-Time\* Series: The Vikings lead 2-0.
  (\*data is missing from 1978-79 to 1986-87)
- ✤ Matchup History

		12/29/23: at WL 79, NEE 50	12/6/22: WL 87, at NEE 48
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