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"Vikings' Late Surge Falls Short Against Circleville"

Despite a spirited fourth-quarter comeback, the Teays Valley girls basketball team fell short, dropping a 35-22 decision to Circleville on Saturday in the Brad Morris Classic at Logan Elm.

Addison Edgington sparked Circleville's 13-2 run to start the game. The Tigers dominated the first quarter, setting the tone for the game and maintaining a comfortable lead throughout. Trailing 30-11, Teays Valley staged a 9-point run to trim the deficit. The Vikings played their best basketball of the game in the fourth quarter, outscoring Circleville 13-7.



Tessa Horsley paced Teays Valley with 7 points, while Avery Mann added 4 points. Edgington dominated the paint for Circleville, scoring a game-high 18 points and securing 9 rebounds. Maddie Blakeman chipped in with 6 points, and Maddux Bigam added 4 points.

Edgington and Mann took home player of the game awards for their respective teams. Teays Valley The Vikings (4-7,3-2) will return to the court on January 7, facing Grove City.

#### **Coaches Thought:**

"I'm proud of our team's effort, but we struggled against Circleville's 2-3 zone. We don't see that defense often in the OCC, and it showed. Despite limited practice time over the holiday break, we tried to prepare, but it's tough to replicate game situations in practice.

We've analyzed our stats, and when we lead or tie at the end of a quarter, we usually win. Our defense has been a strength, and we're working to create chaos with different looks, including man-to-man, zones, and presses. This is a learning experience for our young team, and we'll use it to improve. We'll be ready for Grove City on January 7, who also runs a 2-3 zone.

I want to commend everyone involved in the Brad Morris Classic. It's an honor to be part of this tournament, which celebrates Brad's legacy as a reporter and his impact on our community," said TV coach Trevor Younkin.

#### **Box Score:**

### Teays Valley Girls Basketball: (22)

Tessa Horsley - 7 points, 4 rebounds
Avery Mann - 4 points, 4 rebounds
Amelia Brumfield - 3 points, 1 rebound
Cami Robins - 3 points, 1 rebound, 2 assists, 1 steal
Addie Keplar - 3 points, 2 rebounds
Kenzington Younkin - 2 points, 2 rebounds, 1 assist

# Circleville: (35)

Addison Edgington - 18 points, 9 rebounds Maddie Blakeman - 6 points, 3 rebounds Maddux Bigam - 4 points, 1 rebound Kaylee West - 3 points Ally Thornsley - 2 points, 3 rebounds Brooklyn Cramer - 2 points, 1 rebound

### Score by quarter:

Teams	1Q.	2Q.	3Q.	4Q.	T.
TV	2	3	4	13	22
CV	11	13	4	7	35