

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2018-19 RECAPS

Men's Basketball at Mid Michigan College-Region XII Tournament

March 5 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Final	
Mid Michigan College	91
Muskegon CC	90

Muskegon Community College bows out of the Regional Tournament with a 91-90 loss to Mid Michigan College.

MCC finishes the season with a conference record of 9-9 and 15-13 overall.

Men's Basketball Game at Lake Michigan College

February 27 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	106
Lake Michigan College	101

Muskegon Community College wrapped up the 5th seed in the upcoming NJCAA Region XII Tournament with a 106-101 overtime victory over Lake Michigan College.

MCC exploded offensively in the first half with the help of Jacarius Scott, who scored 10 of the Jayhawks first 12 points. He was able to connect on 2 triples and a few strong drives to rim to get his team started. Simon Obi also had a great start to the game with two fast break dunks. As good as the Jayhawks offense was clicking, their defense played just as well. They forced the Red Hawks to shoot 32% from the field, 14 turnovers and only allowed them 31 points for the half. The score at halftime was 41-31 in favor of the Jayhawks. The second half was a much different game for the Jayhawks. They allowed Lake Michigan to stay within striking distance until the Red Hawks were able to make a run late into the game. Defensively, the Jayhawks allowed their opponent to score 57 points. A big part of that was the Red Hawks ability to hit 10 three pointers and grab 11 offensive rebounds in the half. Giving up second chance points really hurt the Jayhawks towards the end of the game. Lake Michigan was able to tie the game at 86-86 with 40 seconds left in the game. The Jayhawks turned the ball over the following possession, which allowed LMC to take a 2 point lead with 21 seconds left in the game. The Jayhawks took a timeout to setup a iso play for Kylan Shipp, who was able to execute perfectly with a strong finish at the rim. The 2 point basket tied the game for the Jayhawks and sent the game into overtime.

Overtime started out with both teams going back in forth for the first few minutes of OT. Eventually, the Jayhawks were able to take control of the game with a big 3 pointer from Josh Smith and some big time defensive stops. The Jayhawks outscored LMC 18-13 in overtime.

Taking home a 106-101 victory. All five starters for the Jayhawks scored in double figures. They were led by Kylan Shipps triple double. He finished with 18 points, 10 rebounds, 10 assists and 5 steals. Jacarius Scott led the Jayhawks in scoring with 25 points and 8 rebounds. Josh Smith also had big game with 23 points, 7 rebounds, 3 assist, 3 steals and a block.

MCC finished the regular season with a 9-9 conference records and 15-12 overall. They will travel to face 4th seed Mid Michigan College on Tuesday, 3/5. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Mid Michigan College

February 25 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	84
Mid Michigan College	76

Muskegon Community College defeated Mid Michigan College at home on Sophomore Night by a score of 84-76.

This was a big game for the Jayhawks as they were faced up against a top 4 team in the conference and a loss could send them out of playoff contentions. Fortunately for the Jayhawks, they were ready for the challenge and came out with some gritty defense. Forcing the Lakers to shoot 37% from the field and 24% from the three point line. Mid Michigan was able to keep it close as the Jayhawks were off on the offensive end as well. But MCC hit a big shot by Josh Smith, who was able to convert on a clutch corner three pointer to put the game away. Kylan Shipp led the Jayhawks with 26 points, 10 rebounds and 4 assists. Josh Smith added 23 points and 10 rebounds. Simon Obi chipped in with a double-double. Scoring 14 points and 10 rebounds.

MCC is now 8-9 in conference play and 14-12 overall. They have qualified to compete in the NJCAA Region XII tournament and will play their first round game on Tuesday, 3/5 at a sight to be determined.

Men's Basketball Game at Glen Oaks Community College

February 23 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	85
Glen Oaks CC	75

Muskegon Community College beat the Vikings from Glen Oaks Community College by a score of 85-75.

A bit of a slow start in the first half had the Jayhawks down 33-34 at halftime. The second half was much more efficient for them, scoring 52 points. Along with that offensive outburst, the Jayhawks defense held Glen Oaks to 40.2% shooting from the field and 23% from threes. MCC

eventually was able to pull away towards the end of the game. They were able to get some key stops and knocked down their free throws. All five starters scored in double figures for the Jayhawks. Josh Smith tallied 24 points, 11 rebounds and 6 assists. Travez Nyx also added a double double with 12 points, 10 rebounds and 5 assists. Kylan Shipp had another 20 point game, along with his 6 rebounds.

MCC is now 7-9 in conference play and 13-12 overall. They return to action with a Monday night tilt at home vs. Mid Michigan Community College at 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Kalamazoo Valley Community College

February 20 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Kalamazoo Valley CC	84
Muskegon CC	74

The Jayhawks dropped an 84-74 game to Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

MCC is now 6-9 in the Western Conference and 12-12 overall. Next up is a conference match up at Glen Oaks Community College on Saturday, 2/23. Tip-off is scheduled for 3:00 pm.

Men's Basketball Game at Lansing Community College

February 16 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Lansing CC	123
Muskegon CC	86

Muskegon Community College dropped a 123-86 decision to the Lansing Community College Stars on the road.

MCC is now 6-8 in conference play and 11-12 overall. They host Kalamazoo Valley Community College on Wednesday, 2/20 at 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Kellogg Community College

February 13 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Kellogg CC	86
Muskegon CC	84

MCC dropped a close 86-84 game to Kellogg Community College at home. The Jayhawks are now 6-7 in the Western Conference and 11-11 overall. They return to action on Saturday, 2/16 at Lansing Community College at 3:00 pm.

Men's Basketball Game at Grand Rapids Community College

February 8 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	76
Grand Rapids CC	74

Muskegon Community College took advantage of their rivalry with Grand Rapids Community College to earn a 76-74 victory over the first place Raiders in Grand Rapids.

This was the 4th game in 6 days for the Jayhawks but they were ready and focused from tipoff. They used a couple of quick 3 pointers to grab the lead and they were able to extend it to 23-13 midway through the half. GRCC made a run at the end of the half but MCC maintained a slim 37-36 lead. The second half started with a 5-0 run by GRCC but MCC answered with a 16-0 run of their own to grab the lead for good. GRCC was able to tie the game at 74 with 40 seconds left, but a Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) tip in off a missed proved to be the winning basket.

Kylan Shipp (Detroit Northwestern HS) led all scorers with 24 points. He also added 8 rebounds, 4 assists and was able to knock down 6 three pointers. Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) had 12 points, 8 rebounds, 5 assists and 1 steal. Smith added 11 rebounds and 5 blocks and Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) added 14 points and had 2 clutch threes towards the end of the game.

MCC is now 6-6 in conference play and 11-10 overall. They return to action on Wednesday, 2/13 with a home game vs. Kellogg Community College. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Ancilla College

February 6 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Ancilla College	100
Muskegon CC	89

Muskegon Community College dropped a game to the Ancilla Chargers by a score of 100-89.

The Jayhawks once again came out slow in the first half as they only managed to put up 32 points while giving up 44. Bad three point shooting was the culprit in their sluggish start. In the second half, the Jayhawks were able to turn things around on offense and made a quick run to start the half. They were able to trim the lead to 4 with about 16 minutes left in the game. The run was sparked by Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) who single handedly went on an 8-0

run, knocking down back to back three pointers. From that point on the Jayhawks were able to keep it close for the remainder of the game but were never able to capture the lead.

Leading performers for the Jayhawks were Kylan Shipp (Detroit Northwestern HS), whose line read 24 points, 4 assists, 5 rebounds and 5 steals and Simon Obi (Romulus HS), who tallied 22 points, 13 rebounds and 3 steals. Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) also had a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

MCC is now 5-6 in conference play and 10-10 overall. They return to action with a rivalry matchup at Grand Rapids Community College on Friday, 2/8 with a 7:30 tip off.

Rescheduled: Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Lake Michigan College

February 4 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	89
Lake Michigan College	83

Muskegon Community College beat Lake Michigan College 89-83 in a game that was postponed from last week due to the weather conditions.

Scoring was hard to come by for the Jayhawks in the first half but were able to hold a 36-33 lead into halftime. In the second half, the Jayhawks were able to get back in rhythm on the offensive end, scoring 53 points. They did, however, allowed 50 points in the half as well. Fortunately, they were able to come out with a much needed win. Josh Smith was Jayhawks leading scorer with 25 points and 9 rebounds. Kylan Shipp added 23 points, 6 rebounds and 6 assist. Jalen Nix was a spark off the bench with 6 points, 7 rebounds and 3 assists.

MCC is now 5-5 in Western Conference play and 10-9 overall. Next up is a home game vs. Ancilla College on Wednesday, 2/6 at 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game at Jackson College

February 2 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Jackson College	88
Muskegon CC	76

The Jayhawks dropped a game on the road to the Jackson College Jets by a score of 88-76.

MCC grabbed an early lead in the first half but Jackson was able to forge ahead late in the half for a 41-39 lead. The second half was a replay of the first with the teams trading leads throughout but it was the Jets who were able to pull away at the end of the very competitive game.

All five starters for the Jayhawks scored in double figures. Kylan Shipp (Detroit Northwestern HS) led MCC with 19 points, Simon Obi (Romulus HS) recorded a double-double of 15 points and 10 boards and Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) also finished with a double-double of 11 points and 15 rebounds.

MCC is now 4-5 in conference play and 9-9 overall. They return to action Monday, 2/4 with a makeup game at home vs. Lake Michigan College. Tip-off is 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game at Mid Michigan Community College

January 26 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Mid Michigan	85
Muskegon CC	73

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Glen Oaks Community College

January 24 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	109
Glen Oaks CC	105

Men's Basketball Game at Kalamazoo Valley Community College

January 19 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	87
Kalamazoo Valley CC	76

The Jayhawks picked up a road victory over Kalamazoo Valley Community College, 87-76. That pushed their road record to 7-1.

MCC played from behind for most of the first half but they took their first lead at the 19 minute mark and never trailed again. Defensively, they were able to force KVCC into 20 turnovers, which led to 19 points for MCC.

Simon Obi (Romulus HS) was the top Jayhawk scorer with 22. Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) added 19 points and 4 assists, and Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) had 15 points and 8 rebounds.

MCC is now 3-3 in the Western Conference and 8-7 overall. They return to action with a home contest vs. Glen Oaks Community College on Wednesday, 1/23. Tip-off is 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Lansing Community College

January 16 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Lansing CC	115
Muskegon CC	90

Muskegon Community College dropped a conference contest to the Stars of Lansing Community College 115-90.

Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) was the Jayhawk's top performer with 21 points, 5 rebounds and 2 steals. Simon Obi (Romulus HS) chipped in 19 points and Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) had 15 points.

The Jayhawks are now 2-3 in the Western Conference and 7-7 overall. They return to the court on Saturday 1/19 when they travel to Kalamazoo Valley Community College for a 3:00 pm contest with the Cougars.

Men's Basketball Game at Kellogg Community College

January 12 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	101
Kellogg CC	76

The Jayhawks picked up a big bounce back win on the road against Kellogg Community College, 101-76.

MCC started the first half on an 18-5 run but KCC was able to overcome their slow start and took a 50-42 lead into the half. The second half was all Jayhawks as they outscored Kellogg 59-26. MCC picked up the defensive intensity and that led to a lot of easy transition baskets. They were able to share the ball throughout the game with 27 team assists.

The Jayhawks finished with 5 players in double figures led by Kylan Shipp (Detroit Northwestern HS) with 26 points. Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) had a triple-double of 15 points, 10 rebounds and 11 assists. He also picked up 5 steals and 3 blocks. Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) had a double-double, finishing with 15 points, 16 rebounds, 4 blocks and 4 steals.

MCC is now 2-2 in the Western Conference and 7-6 overall. Next up is a home contest vs. the Lansing Community College Stars on Wednesday, 1/16. Tip-off is 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Grand Rapids Community College

January 9 @ 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Grand Rapids CC	88
Muskegon CC	68

The Jayhawks dropped a game to rival Grand Rapids Community College by a score of 88-68.

Another sluggish offensive performance at home doomed MCC. The team shot 29-92 from the field, while shooting 4-31 from the three point arc. MCC wasn't able to find any consistency from start to finish. They trailed 42-32 at halftime GRCC was able to pull away in the second half.

Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) finished with a team high 21 points and 8 rebounds. Cade Walberg (South Bend Washington HS) chipped in 13 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals.

MCC is now 1-2 in the Western Conference and 6-6 overall. They return to action on Saturday, 1/12 with a road game at Kellogg Community College at 3:00 pm.

Men's Basketball Game at Ancilla College

January 5 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	88
Ancilla College	85

Muskegon Community College grabbed an 88-85 victory over the home team Ancilla Chargers.

The Jayhawks started the first half by playing solid, gritty defense complimented by a very good offensive showing. MCC took a 42-31 lead at halftime. The second half was extremely intense but the young Jayhawks held their composure and were able to head home with their first conference win.

Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) finished the game with 18 points, 5 rebounds, and 3 assists. Kylan Shipp (Detroit Northwestern HS) also scored 18 points, all in the first half and Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) added 14 points and 4 rebounds.

MCC is now 1-1 in the Western Conference and 6-5 overall. They return to action on Wednesday, 1/9 when they face off at home vs. rival Grand Rapids Community College. Tip-off is 7:30 pm.

Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Jackson College

January 3 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Final	
Jackson College	95

Muskegon Community College dropped their conference opener to Jackson College by a scores of 95-78,

The Jayhawks started strong but stalled offensively in the last 10 minutes of the half and they trailed 55-29 heading into the locker room. In the second half the Jayhawks were able to apply pressure on Jackson with a press, causing the Jets to play up-tempo and forcing them into turnovers. MCC pulled within 5 but couldn't get any closer.

Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) and Kylan Shipp (Detroit Northwestern HS) led the Jayhawks offensively. Scott finished with 20 points, 5 rebounds, 4 steals and 2 blocks and Shipp finished with 17 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assist and 2 steals.

MCC is 0-1 in the Western Conference and 5-5 overall. They return to the court on Saturday, 1/5 with a 3:00 pm game at Ancilla College.

Men's Basketball Game at Aquinas College JV

December 11, 2018 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Final

Muskegon CC

88

Aquinas College JV

81

Muskegon Community College won their 3rd game in a row with a defeat of the Aquinas College JV by a score of 88-81.

The Jayhawks led for the majority of the first half and went into the locker room with a 46-40 lead. They would maintain a 7 point lead for most of the second half but Aquinas was able to cut the lead to one possession with about 7 minutes to play in the game. Thanks to a tough minded sophomore group MCC was able to build the lead back to double digits inside 3 minutes and hold on for the win. Three sophomores led the scoring with Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) scoring 16 points and Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) and Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) each adding 15 points.

"I'm proud of the way we finished and buckled down when it ultimately mattered the most," said Head Coach Jimmy Booth. "Start to finish this was not our best night, but we still found a way to win and that's a big positive moving forward for us."

MCC improves to 5-3 overall. They return to action with a 3:00 pm tip off at home vs. Delta College on Saturday, 12/15.

Men's Basketball Game at Alpena Community College

December 8, 2018 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Final

Muskegon CC

Alpena CC	93
	81

Muskegon Community College defeated the Lumberjacks of Alpena Community College by a score of 93-81.

The Jayhawks got off to a sluggish start and found themselves down by 8 at the half 48-40. However, the Jayhawks found their groove and were able to hold Alpena to just 33 points in the second half while exploding for 53 and walking away with the victory. Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) led all scorers with 27 points and 13 rebounds. Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) had a big night as well, recording his first career triple double with 15 points, 10 rebounds and 11 assists.

“We didn’t play well at all in the first half, we missed about 4 easy lay ups to start and weren’t on the same page defensively,” said Head Coach Jimmy Booth. “We really challenged them at halftime and they responded. They had better energy and focus and were able to come away with a win.”

The Jayhawks are now 4-3 on the young season. They return to the court with trip to Aquinas College on Tuesday, 12/11. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:00 pm.

Men’s Basketball Game Home vs. Oakland Community College

December 1, 2018 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	109
Oakland CC	96

The Jayhawks outscored Oakland Community College 109-96 for victory #3 on the season.

Oakland CC came into the contest with the best scoring average in the nation at 108 points per game, but MCC held them to only 13 minutes in the first 10 minutes of the half. The Jayhawks took a 46-37 lead into the locker room at the half. In the second half both teams struggled to get stops on defense while continuing to score on offense. The Raiders pulled to within 4 points, but the Jayhawks answered each time for the margin of victory.

Sophomore Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) led all scorers with 36 points. Sophomore Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) came off the bench and battled an injury to score 15 points and pull down a team high 9 rebounds, while Sophomore Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) dished out a team high 9 assists and scored 7 points. Freshman Simon Obi (Romulus HS) added 16 points with back up big man Sheldon Tobar (Watervliet HS) played excellent minutes scoring 8 points.

“I’m very proud of the way we came out and played together as a team,” said Head Coach Jimmy Booth. “Nobody cared who got credit just as long as the job got done and it was evident based on our 23 team assists. I’m not happy with the way we defended in the second half but I’m proud of the guys and it was a good win.”

MCC is now 3-3 in non-conference action. They return to the court on Saturday, 12/8 with a 7:30 pm tip off at Alpena Community College.

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Men's Basketball Game Home vs. Hope College JV

November 27, 2018 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Final	
Hope College JV	99
Muskegon CC	85

Muskegon Community College dropped a 99-85 decision to the visiting Flying Dutch of of Hope College.

In the first half Hope shot a staggering 67% from the field and 57% from the 3 point line and they went into halftime up 54-42. MCC went cold in the second half shooting just 31% while Hope stayed hot. Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) led the Jayhawks with 22 points and 9 rebounds. Simon Obi (Romulus HS) finished with 19 points and Cade Walberg (South Bend

Washington HS) had 15 points. MCC also got double digit scoring from guards Randy Frison III (Romulus HS) and Jalen Nix (Detroit East English Village) with 12 and 10 points respectively.

“We didn’t deserve to win,” said Head Coach Jimmy Booth. “We didn’t play hard enough, defend well enough, or play together until 3/4 of the game was over and by then it was too late with the way they were shooting the ball. Unacceptable in every way.”

MCC is now 2-3 on the season. They return to action on Saturday, 12/1 at 3:00 pm when they host Oakland Community College.

Men’s Basketball Game Home vs. Schoolcraft College

November 17, 2018 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	2
Schoolcraft College	0

MCC was awarded this win due to a forfeit by Schoolcraft College.

Muskegon Community College dropped a 96-93 decision to #12 ranked Schoolcraft College at home.

The game was a battle from the opening tip with both teams trading momentum. Schoolcraft had a 48-46 lead going into the locker room at the half. The second half started with both teams scoring seemingly scoring at will. With 5 minutes left in the game the Jayhawks were up 84-83, but they were hurt by careless turnovers and missed free throws and a 40 footer at the buzzer didn’t connect.

Josh Smith (Lansing Waverly HS) scored a career high 37 points and grabbed 12 rebounds. Jacarius Scott (Muskegon HS) also played well, scoring 20 points and pulling down 8 boards. Travez Nyx (Wayne Memorial HS) added 12 points.

MCC is now 2-2 on the young season. They return to action with a home contest on Tuesday, 11/27 vs. Hope College JV. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 pm.