#### **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2018-19 RECAPS**

## Women's Basketball home vs. Kalamazoo Valley Community College-Region XII Tournament

March 5 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Final	
Kalamazoo Valley CC	84
Muskegon CC	82
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Muskegon Community College wrapped up their season with a tough overtime loss to Kalamazoo Valley Community College, 84-82.

KVCC came into the regional tournament as the 7th seed while MCC was the 2nd seed. The game was fast paced from the start. MCC held the advantage after each of the first 3 quarters, 21-18 after one, 42-38 at the half and 65-54 after the third. The fourth quarter would prove to be the difference maker as MCC only scored 5 points while KVCC put up 16 to tie the game. In overtime the teams traded baskets but MCC came up just short at the buzzer.

Sophomore Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 21 points and 11 assists. Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) scored 16 points and grabbed 5 boards. Freshmen Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) and Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) each scored 15 and Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) had a double double of 13 points and 13 rebounds.

MCC finished the season with a fine 15-3 conference record and 23-5 overall.

"Tough game today. The team played hard, but just didn't have enough in the tank to finish in the end." -Head Coach Jason Cooper

### Women's Basketball Game at Lake Michigan College

February 27 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Lake Michigan College	61
Muskegon CC	5.
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Muskegon Community College traveled to Lake Michigan College in a battle for the Western Conference Championship, but came up short, 61-52.

The first quarter was fast paced and physical and ended with a 16-11 Jayhawk lead. In the second quarter Lake Michigan was able to get scoring chances with offensive rebounds and MCC struggled to break down the zone defense, LMC took a 22-21 lead into the half. The Jayhawks stepped up their defensive intensity in the third quarter forcing Lake Michigan late into the shot clock, but the Red Hawks extended the lead 39-34. In the fourth quarter the

intensity stayed the same. The lead went back and forth but at the end MCC was forced to foul and LMC hit some free throws for the final margin of victory.

Sophomore Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the Jayhawks with 17 points and 4 assists. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) pulled 18 boards and added 12 points and Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) contributed 12 points along with 5 boards.

"I'm very proud of the team," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "I know we came up short of winning the conference championship this season, but we still have the regional tournament to look forward to. We will be ready on Tuesday."

MCC finishes the regular season at 14-3, good for second place in the conference, and 23-4 overall. Next up for the Jayhawks is a first round game at home vs. 7th seed Kalamazoo Valley Community College. The game will be played at Bartels Rode Gymnasium on Tuesday, 3/5 at 7:00 pm.

#### Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Mid Michigan College

February 25 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

Muskegon CC

59

Mid Michigan College

58

Muskegon Community College did battle with the Lakers from Mid Michigan College and after an intense, hard fought game they were able to recover from a 22 point deficit for a 59-58 last second victory on Sophomore Night.

During the first round of conference play the Jayhawks beat the previously undefeated Lakers in Mt. Pleasant, 58-50. It was clear from the opening tip that the Lakers were looking for pay back and it was obvious that the Jayhawks were distracted. The Lakers took the lead right from the start and finished the first quarter up 16-7. The Jayhawks struggled to break the Laker press, the post players weren't involved and the guards didn't knock down shots. The second quarter was more of the same and the Jayhawks only managed to score 10 points. At the half it was the Lakers with a 22 point lead, 39-17. In the third quarter MCC was able to break the press and create some scoring chances. In addition they were able to get some defensive stops and the quarter ended 49-37 with the advantage still to Mid Michigan. MCC continued to cut into the Laker lead and with about 3 minutes left in the game they were able to grab their first lead of the night. The two teams traded baskets down the stretch and with MCC down by 1, sophomore Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) drove the baseline for a last second attempt that was long. Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) grabbed the rebound and laid it in for the final basket and the win.

Freshman Pringle led the Jayhawk scoring with 17 points and 4 rebounds. Sophomore Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) followed with 13 points and 5 rebounds. At the conclusion of the game the Jayhawks honored their 3 sophomores, all from Reeths-Puffer High School: Artrese Williams, Delaney Bolles, and Elysia Mattos.

"Wow. Wow! What a great win for our team tonight, especially our sophomores!" said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "To be able to come back from being down 22 points at halftime shows the determination of this team. The sophomore leadership really came through during the second half. We also saw a great performance from Freshman Mariah Pringle, who brought her "A" game tonight when it mattered most to score the game winning shot with 1.6 seconds left."

The win leaves MCC at 15-2 in conference play, 23-3 overall and it sets up a show down in Benton Harbor with Lake Michigan College, who is also 15-2 in the conference on Wednesday, 2/27 at 5:30 pm. The winner will finish in first place, take the #I seed into the Region XII tournament and play on Saturday, 3/2 for the state title.

#### Women's Basketball Game at Glen Oaks Community College

February 23 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	66
Glen Oaks CC	
	39

The Muskegon Community College Women's basketball team traveled to Glen Oaks Community College and defeated the Vikings 66-39.

The game got off to a rocky start for the Jayhawks due to a technical before the jump ball that impacted the team energy. The Vikings battled hard in the paint and shut down the Jayhawk post players but the Jayhawks finished the first quarter ahead 16-10. In the second quarter the Jayhawk bench brought some needed energy but the pace was slow for both teams. Even though the Jayhawk offense struggled the defense was solid and they held GOCC to a single basket for a 24-12 half time lead. In the third quarter the Jayhawks came out with a three-quarter court press that forced turnovers and the third quarter ended with a 46-25 Jayhawk lead and MCC closed out the game from there.

Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) was the leading scorer for the Jayhawks with 14 points. Post player Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) pulled down 19 rebounds and scored 11 points and Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) grabbed 10 rebounds. Yasmine Colon (Hart HS) was also in double figure scoring with 10.

"It's always great to get a win on the road," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "Our game significantly improved the second half. We will need to compete the whole game with intensity and energy to win on Monday against Mid Michigan."

MCC remains in a tie for first with Lake Michigan College at 14-2 in the conference and 22-3 overall. Mid Michigan comes into the Bartels-Rode Gymnasium for a rare match up on Monday, 2/25. Tip-off is 5:30 pm.

# Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Kalamazoo Valley Community College

February 20 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	
Kalamazoo Valley CC	89
	69

Muskegon Community College defeated Kalamazoo Valley Community College 89-69.

The Jayhawks got off to a slow start while the Cougars came out with high energy, knocking down 3 point shots and breaking down the Jayhawk's defense. The first quarter ended with the Cougars ahead 28-16. MCC was able to put together a run to eliminate the KVCC lead in the second quarter and the two teams traded baskets but it was KVCC with a slight 43-42 advantage at the half. In the third quarter the Jayhawks were able to pick up the intensity and played together on the way to a 63-54 lead and they were able to pull away in the fourth quarter for the conference victory.

Point guard Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the Jayhawks on the scoreboard with 21 points. Yasmine Colon (Hart HS) contributed 17 points, Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) put in 15 points, and Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) added 11 points. Center Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) had another double-double pulling down 18 rebounds to go with her 11 points on the night.

"Great conference win tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We started out lacking focus in the first half but the second half was a different story. We played better on both sides of the ball and came together as a team."

MCC continues to co-lead the Western Conference with a 13-2 record. They are 21-3 overall. Next up is a trip to Glen Oaks Community College on Saturday, 2/23 for a 1:00 pm game.

## Women's Basketball Game at Lansing Community College

February 16 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	82
Lansing CC	/7
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The Muskegon Community College Women's basketball team defeated Lansing Community College in Lansing 82-67.

The Jayhawks used the fast break to set the tone early. They were able to execute on offense for a 24-16 lead after the first quarter. LCC tried a 2-2-1 press in an effort to slow the pace of the game, but MCC took advantage of their opportunities and built the lead to 42-27 at half time. In the third quarter the Jayhawks stayed consistent on offense and disciplined on defense and they maintained a 13 point lead, 62-49, after the third quarter and then cruised to the win.

Point guard Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) overcame a scoreless game on Wednesday and was the scoring leader with 23 points. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) finished with 18 points

and 19 rebounds, Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) contributed 13 points and Gracie Reinhold (Oakridge HS) had 10 points.

"It was a great road win for us tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "Our team had a great work ethic. I am proud of their development over the last week."

The Jayhawks are now 12-2 in the Western Conference and remain in a tie with Lake Michigan College in first place. They are 20-3 overall. Next up is a home game vs. Kalamazoo Valley Community College on Wednesday, 2/20 at 5:30 pm.

## Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Kellogg Community College February 13 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	76
Kellogg CC	
	47

The Muskegon Community College Jayhawks defeated the Kellogg Community College Bruins by a final score of 76-47.

The Jayhawks were coming off of a tough road loss to GRCC but from the start they proved they were ready to refocus. MCC jumped out to a 18-9 lead after the first quarter and built on that for a 40-23 half time lead. The third quarter has been challenging for the team this year, but not tonight. They continued to move the ball well on offense and they played good defense, allowing KCC little opportunity to make a comeback. After three it was 58-34 and they rolled to the victory from there.

Multiple players contributed to the win. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the stat board with 19 points and 17 rebounds. Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) finished with 17 points and Gracie Reinhold (Oakridge HS) was also in double digits with 12 points. Point guard, Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) had 8 assists.

"Great team win tonight, I'm very excited about how we responded after a loss," said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

MCC is now 11-2 and remains tied with Lake Michigan College at the top of the leader board in the Western Conference. They are 19-3 overall. Next up is a road trip to Lansing Community College for a 1:00 pm contest on Saturday, 2/16.

# Women's Basketball Game at Grand Rapids Community College February 8 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Grand Rapids CC	51
Muskegon CC	47

Muskegon Community College's women's basketball team fell to Grand Rapids Community College 51-47.

MCC had a great defensive first quarter, limiting GRCC to only 4 points, but the post players struggled to get untracked. In the second quarter it remained a low scoring game with MCC taking a 25-15 lead into the locker room at the half. In the third quarter it was all GRCC as they came out and put up 26 points and take a 41-36 lead. The Jayhawks continued to struggle on offense in the fourth as they didn't score until the 8 minute mark. Yasmine Colon (Hart HS) hit a couple of crucial 3 pointers for the Jayhawks but it wasn't enough to overtake the Raiders.

Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 12 points. Colon and Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) contributed nine points each and Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) had 12 rebounds. Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) added 7 points and 6 boards.

"It was a tough loss tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We didn't come out with the intensity we needed to win the game."

MCC is now 10-2 in Western Conference play and 18-3 overall. They face Kellogg Community College in a 5:30 pm home contest on Wednesday, 2/13.

#### Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Ancilla College

February 6 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	58
Ancilla College	
	50

Despite the challengers that come with the unpredictable winter weather, the #14 ranked Jayhawks were able to hold off the Ancilla Chargers for a 58-50 home victory.

Both teams started slowly and after the first quarter the score was tied at 14. Ancilla's defense prevented MCC from scoring in the post but neither team could get untracked on offense and the score was 29-24 in favor of MCC at the half. The third quarter continued to be challenging for both offenses with MCC scoring only 8 but holding Ancilla to 7 for a 37-31 lead after three. In the fourth MCC was able to hold off a late charge with some timely free throws for the big conference win.

Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) again led the team with a double-double of 17 points and 17 rebounds. Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) followed with 10 points and Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) again proved her strength down low as she ripped 11 rebounds and scored 8.

"It was a good win against a very good team," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We didn't play well tonight but we found a way to pull it off."

MCC stands at 10-1 at the top of the Western Conference and 18-2 overall. Next up is a rivalry game at Grand Rapids Community College on Friday, 2/8 at 5:30 pm.

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

Final

# Muskegon CC 51 Lake Michigan College 48

The Jayhawks won the battle for first place in the Western Conference over the Red Hawks from Lake Michigan College by a score of 51-48.

Both teams came prepared to battle and that was evident by the low scoring in the first and second quarters. The game was tied at 24 at halftime and there was no letup in the intensity in the second half. After three quarters it was Lake Michigan with a 37-35 lead. In the fourth quarter the Jayhawks were able to take advantage of some free throws and at the end of the game it was MCC who held on for the win.

Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led MCC with 16 points and 12 boards, even though she battled foul trouble for most of the game. Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) contributed 14 points and Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) pulled down a team high 13 rebounds and scored 8 points.

"What a great team win for us today," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "It was a back and forth defensive battle but we were able to find a way to win."

MCC is now 9-1 in conference play and ranked #14 in the latest NJCAA polls. Up next is a matchup at home with Ancilla College on Wednesday, 2/6. Tip-off is scheduled for 5:30 pm.

### Women's Basketball Game at Jackson College

February 2 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	42
Jackson College	63
	62

Muskegon Community College avenged their only conference loss at Jackson College on Saturday by a score of 63-62.

Both teams were coming off a week with no practice due to the adverse weather conditions and it showed in the early play. The game started off slow and MCC had some mental lapses early on but after Jackson took an early lead the Jayhawks were able to pick up the intensity and focus and take a 19-11 after one quarter and a 34-29 lead at the half. MCC came out hot in the third quarter and their offense began to click for a 52-44 lead at the end of the third. Jackson battle back with some defensive intensity of their own and the game came down to the last seconds but MCC held on for the win.

Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 24 points and 14 rebounds. Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) was also in double digit scoring with 12 points and Yasmine Colon

(Hart HS) added 11 points. Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) added crucial rebounds to the layhawk stats with 8 boards.

"It was a tough game today, I am glad we were able to pull out a win." said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "It was obvious that the six day break we had due to the weather conditions hurt our execution abilities but I give this team credit for finding a way to hold on for this big conference win."

The Jayhawks are now 8-1 in conference play and 16-2 overall. Next up is a big home game with Lake Michigan College on Monday, 2/4 at 5:30 pm. This is a makeup game that was postponed last week.

## Women's Basketball Game at Mid Michigan Community College |anuary 26 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Muskegon CC

58
Mid Michigan

The 20th ranked MCC men's basketball team upset 11th ranked and undefeated Mid Michigan College 58-50 in Mount Pleasant, MI, on Jan. 26.

The determined Jayhawks pushed the ball and were played disciplined defense to take an 18-8 lead after the first quarter. The Lakers responded on defense in the second quarter holding MCC to just seven points for a 25-22 lead at intermission.

During the third quarter, the lead exchanged hands several times before the Lakers led 40-39 heading into the final quarter. Down the stretch,

Both teams had some foul trouble and struggled to keep a continuous lead. MCC freshman Yasmine Colon (Hart) hit two significant 3 point shots to extend the Jayhawks' lead and provide the visitors with the impetus to once again push through their fatigue in the last four minutes of the game.

Although the Lakers doubled Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer) down low, she still netted 17 points and 19 rebounds. Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer) contributed 11 points and 6 boards and Yasmine Colon (Hart) added 10 points and 6 rebounds.

"This was a great win against an undefeated team on the road," said MCC Head Coach Jason Cooper. "It was powerful for the girls to play the way that they did even though we could not have a practice on Friday due to the weather. I could not be more proud of this team."

Now 15-2 overall and 7-1 in the conference, the Jayhawks host Lake Michigan College on Jan. 30.

## Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Glen Oaks Community College January 24 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

# Muskegon CC 83 Glen Oaks CC 60

Ranked 20<sup>th</sup>in the nation, the MCC women's basketball team defeated Glen Oaks CC 83-60 on Jan. 24 in Bartels-Rode Gymnasium.

"Great team win tonight," said MCC Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We struggled early getting it off the blocks, but finished strong."

The first quarter resembled the freezing temperature outside, as the ladies started the game ice cold. The Jayhawks had difficulty finding a rhythm, but freshman Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills) took initiative and put up MCC's first six points. After a motivational time-out the Jayhawks picked up some intensity and finished the quarter 19-14.

In the second quarter, the Jayhawks switched to an effective higher pressure defense that produced a 45-28 Jayhawk halftime lead.

Foul trouble in the third quarter did not hinder the Jayhawks from taking a 19-point lead heading into the fourth quarter, when MCC players shared a lot of minutes and contributed to the victory.

Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer) had 22 points and 15 rebounds, Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer) netted 17 points, Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer) scored 13 points, and Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills) added 10 points and 8 rebounds.

# Women's Basketball Game at Kalamazoo Valley Community College January 19 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	69
Kalamazoo Valley CC	
	61

Muskegon Community College traveled to Kalamazoo Valley Community College to take on the Cougars and came home with a hard fought 69-61 victory.

The game would prove to be back and forth from the opening tip. The Jayhawks managed a 4 point lead after the first quarter. KVCC played a high pressure defense and MCC had to battle foul trouble in the second quarter but still took a 34-31 lead into the locker room at the half. The team was able to refocus and picked up the intensity in the third quarter, but still only held a 6 point lead going into the fourth. Through a combination of grit and determination they were able to battle fourth quarter fatigue and held on for the win.

Point guard Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the Jayhawks on the scoreboard with 16 points. MCC's post players worked hard with Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) contributing a double-double of 14 points and 16 rebounds and Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) scoring 12

and grabbing 8 boards. Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) showed her strength as a defender with 5 steals in addition to her 13 points.

"It was a big win for us on the road. KVCC's size and athleticism was a tough matchup for us tonight, but the team stepped up to the challenge. It was a good win." -Head Coach Jason Cooper.

The Jayhawks are locked with 2 others teams in second place in the Western Conference with a 5-I record. They are I3-2 overall. They host Glen Oaks Community College on Wednesday, I/23 at 5:30 pm.

## Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Lansing Community College January 16 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon CC	68
Lansing CC	
	45

Muskegon Community College improved to 4-1 in the Western Conference with a 68-45 victory over Lansing Community College in Bartels-Rode Gymnasium.

The Jayhawks held a slim 14-12 lead after the first quarter and they were able to extend the lead in the second quarter to take a 9 point lead into the locker room at the half. In the second half the Jayhawks came out focused and ready to make a statement. They never trailed and finished with a convincing win. Forward Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 23 points and 14 rebounds. Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) also contributed 16 points and Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) put up 14 points. Freshman, Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) also stepped up tonight and added 11 points to the win.

"It was a great win for us, I'm very happy with the team's effort," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "The defensive intensity was much better tonight."

The Jayhawks are tied with 3 other teams in second place in the conference and they are 12-2 overall. They will travel to Kalamazoo Valley Community College for a 1:00 pm matchup on Saturday, 1/19.

## Women's Basketball Game at Kellogg Community College January 12 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final

Muskegon CC

73

Kellogg CC

Muskegon Community College's women's basketball team defeated the Kellogg Community College Bruins 73-68. The game was a battle from the beginning with MCC taking a 24-23 lead after one and a 46-34 lead at the half. The Bruins staged a comeback in the 3rd quarter but the

Jayhawks hung on for 56-55 lead after 3 and they were able to put the game away in the 4th quarter.

Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) was the leading scorer for the Jayhawks putting 33 points on the board and grabbing 18 rebounds. Point guard Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) contributed 16 points and Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) was back in action today and helped the Jayhawks with 10 points and 13 rebounds.

"We got a good road win today," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We played a very good first half but in the third quarter we didn't have the same intensity. I'm glad that we pulled it off. Getting a win on the road in this conference is always tough so I am pleased we achieved that."

The Jayhawks are 3-1 in Western Conference play and 11-2 overall. They return to the court on Wednesday, 1/16 when they host the Stars from Lansing Community College in a 5:30 pm contest.

# Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Grand Rapids Community College

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

Muskegon CC

69
Grand Rapids CC

Muskegon Community College picked up a home victory over Grand Rapids Community College 69-56.

The Jayhawks grabbed a slim 18-17 lead after one quarter and took a 36-30 lead into the locker room at the half. They were able to stretch the lead to 60-45 after three quarters and despite being outscored in the fourth quarter they were able to close out the Raiders for the league win.

Point guard Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) finished as the top scorer for MCC with 30 points. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) added a double-double with 14 points and 14 rebounds and Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) scored 12.

"We had a solid win and we had some girls step up tonight which was instrumental to our growth," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We are excited to be able to go 2-1 in conference. Hopefully we can continue to learn from here."

MCC is now 2-1 in the Western Conference and 10-2 overall. They return to the court with a road game at Kellogg Community College on Saturday, 1/12. Tip-off is 1:00 pm.

## Women's Basketball Game at Ancilla College

January 5 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final

#### **Muskegon CC**

Ancilla College

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Muskegon Community College was awarded the forfeit win over Ancilla College after it was determined that Ancilla inadvertently used an ineligible player.

Muskegon Community College lost to Ancilla College 96-88 in their first road conference game of the season. The Jayhawks overcame a slow start to battle the Chargers in a back and forth game. At halftime MCC was down 53-51 but fatigue set in and the team couldn't get over the hump.

Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the Jayhawks with 24 points, Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) followed with 23 points and 16 rebounds and Yasmine Colon (Hart HS) contributed 17 points. Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) added 16 points.

"Offensively we looked solid, but we cannot give up as many points as we have the last couple games," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We have to get in the gym and improve our defense to prepare for the rest of the league. I am proud of how hard the girls are playing."

MCC is now 0-2 in the Western Conference and 8-3 overall. They return to the court on Wednesday, 1/9 for a 5:30 pm home contest vs. Grand Rapids Community College.

#### Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Jackson College

January 3 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

#### **Jackson College**

84

Muskegon CC

75

The Muskegon Community College Jayhawks lost their conference opener 84-75 to the Jackson College Jets.

MCC led 22-16 at the end of the first quarter and extended their lead to 45-36 at the half. The lead was as large as 15 points but fatigue caught up with them in the fourth quarter and Jackson grabbed the victory.

Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) dominated in the paint, finishing with 30 points and 22 rebounds. Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) added 17 points and Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) and Yasmine Colon (Hart HS) each contributed 11 points.

"It was very tough losing our home conference opener, but i saw some good things that we can improve on and continue to get better," said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

MCC stands a 0-1 in conference play and 8-2 overall. Next up is a road trip to Ancilla College for a 1:00 pm matchup with the Chargers on Saturday, 1/5.

## Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Delta College

December 15, 2018 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Muskegon CC
72
Delta College

In the final game of 2018 Muskegon Community College's women's basketball team beat Delta College 72-62.

The Jayhawks struggled for the entire game, but managed to take control in the 4th quarter. Leading scorers were Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) with 20 points, Tierra Williams (Muskegon HS) with 16 points, and Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) with 12 points.

"It was a great win for us to make it eight straight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "It's always tough to play games right after exam week. I was happy to get a good win against Delta who is a tough opponent."

MCC finishes their non-conference schedule with a sparkling 8-1 record. They will take a couple of days off before jumping back into practice in anticipation of their opening game of conference play when they host Jackson College on Thursday, 1/3. Tip-off is scheduled for 5:30 pm.

#### Women's Basketball Game at Aquinas College JV

December II, 2018 @ 5:00 am - 7:00 pm

Muskegon CC

83
Aquinas JV

Muskegon Community College defeated the Aquinas College IV women 83-56.

The Jayhawks came out with a lot of intensity but ran into foul trouble in the second quarter. Despite the challenge the team took a 44-28 lead into the locker room at the half. The second half was all MCC as they cruised to the non-conference victory. Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) and Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 20 points each. Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) was also in double digits with 13 points.

"It was a great balanced effort with our team tonight. I was very happy with our offensive performance," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "83 points is the largest point total we have had this year. Hopefully we can build on this and use this momentum in our last nonconference game on Saturday."

MCC is 7-1 overall with a home game vs. Delta College scheduled for Saturday, 12/15. Tip-off is 1:00 pm.

## Women's Basketball Game at Alpena Community College

December 8, 2018 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

Muskegon CC

66

Alpena CC

Muskegon Community College made the long trip to Alpena Community College and came home with a 66-52 victory.

MCC started the game slowly and held a slim 26-22 lead at halftime. The Jayhawks came out with more intensity in the second half but Alpena matched it and at the end of 3 quarters the score was tied at 38.In the 4th quarter MCC was able to step up the pace, gain some momentum and secure the win. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 22 points, point guard Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) finished with 15 points, and guard Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) had 12 points.

"I'm very proud of the team effort we had tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We struggled in the first half with our offense but we kept the game close defensively. With the all-around team effort in the fourth quarter we pulled away."

MCC is now 6-1 in the non-conference portion of their schedule. They return to action on Tuesday, 12/11 with a trip to Aquinas College. Tip-off is 5:00 pm.

# Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Oakland Community College December 1, 2018 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Muskegon CC

68
Oakland CC

Muskegon Community College defeated Oakland Community College by a score of 68-51.

The Jayhawks had a slow start to the game but picked up the intensity shortly into the first quarter. They ended the first half with a 12 point lead. In the second half the Jayhawks attempted to push the ball more and remained strong on defense. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) and Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) were the top scorers, both putting in 17 points. Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) and Tierra Williams (Muskegon HS) also contributed 9 points each.

"I'm very proud of our relentless hard play this game," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "A lot of people did a lot of extra things today to pull off this win."

MCC is now 5-1 in the non-conference portion of their season. Next up is a trip to Alpena Community College for a 5:30 pm game with the Lumberjacks on Saturday, 12/8.

### Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Hope College JV

November 27, 2018 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

#### **Muskegon CC**

69

Hope College JV

60

Muskegon Community College picked up a 69-59 victory over the Hope College JV team in their first action after the Thanksgiving break.

After a slow start the Jayhawks were able to pick up the pace in the 2nd and 3rd quarters and build a 20 point lead. Hope was able to outscore the Jayhawks in the 4th but the ladies held on for the win. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) finished with a double-double of 25 points and 15 boards. Yasmine Colon (Hart HS) chipped in with 17 points.

"Overall it was a good win, we had some good spurts," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "I was pleased with how we came out after only having one practice after Thanksgiving break. We will build off of this win to get ready for our next game."

The Jayhawks are 4-1 for the season. They host Oakland Community College on Saturday, 12/1. Tip-off is 1:00 pm.

#### Women's Basketball Game Home vs. Schoolcraft College

November 17, 2018 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final

#### Muskegon CC

67

Schoolcraft College

63

Muskegon Community College beat Schoolcraft College in a non-conference game by a score of 67-63.

MCC played with the lead for the entire game, going into halftime with a 9 point lead. They were able to withstand Schoolcraft's intensity in the second half and held on for the win. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) recorded a double-double with 20 points and 16 boards. Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) added 16 points and Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) was also in double figures with 12.

The Jayhawks are now 3-1 on the season. They have a short break this week for the holiday, then return to action on Tuesday, 11/27 when they host the JV team from Hope College. Game time is set for 5:30 pm.

## Women's Basketball Game at Calvin College JV

November 14, 2018 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

#### **Muskegon CC**

74

Calvin College JV

66

The Jayhawks took to the road for a contest against the Calvin College JV team and came home with a 74-66 victory.

MCC came out with high intensity to start the game on a 17-0 run but Calvin played a better second quarter and the score was close at the half. The second half proved to be a tough battle but the Jayhawks prevailed in the end. Sophomore Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the team with 24 points, 9 assists, 4 rebounds and 2 blocks. Sophomore Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) had another double-double with 17 points and 12 boards. Also scoring in double figures were Sophomores Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) with 11 and Tierra Williams (Muskegon HS) with 10.

MCC is now 2-1 on the season. They return to action on Saturday, 11/17 with a 1:00 pm contest vs. Schoolcraft College.

# Women's Basketball Game Home vs. St. Clair County Community College

November 10, 2018 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Final

#### **Muskegon CC**

81

St. Clair County CC

5 I

Muskegon Community College opened the home portion of the 2018-2019 season with a convincing 81-51 victory over the Skippers of St. Clair County Community College.

The Jayhawks started the contest with lots of intensity allowing the team to pick up momentum throughout the game. Defense was a strength and that led to fast-break opportunities. Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the Jayhawks with a double-double of 23 points and 11 boards. Also in double figure scoring for MCC were Artrese Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) with 17 points and Mariah Pringle (Brethern HS) with 15.

"It was a great team win for us tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We got better as a team."

The Jayhawks are I-I. They return to action on Wednesday, II/I4 with a 5:30 pm contest at Calvin College.

### Women's Basketball Game at Grace Christian University

November 7, 2018 @ 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Final

#### **Grace Christian University**

**72** 

69

Muskegon Community College opened the 2018-19 campaign with a 72-69 overtime loss at Grace Christian University.

The Jayhawks trailed 33-27 at halftime but rallied for a 45-40 lead after three periods. The 4th period was back and forth and with 46 seconds in regulation Elysia Mattos (Reeths-Puffer HS) knocked down a big 3 pointer to tie the game. MCC had a chance to win in regulation but missed some key free thows to force the extra period. Grace hit a big 3 to put them up and they held on for the win.

The Jayhawks outscored GCU 28-20 in the paint. They were led by freshman forward Shaina Figures (Ottawa Hills HS) with 20 points and 19 rebounds. Sophomore center Delaney Bolles (Reeths-Puffer HS) had 15 points and 15 rebounds, while guard Mattos added 10 points.

"I'm very proud of how the team played," said first year Coach Jason Cooper. "We just need to get comfortable playing with each other and make our free throws. "

The Jayhawks are 0-1 overall. They return to action with a home contest vs. St. Clair County Community College on Saturday, 11/10. Tip-off is 1:00 pm