

Women' Basketball 2020-21 Recaps

Women's Basketball NJCAA Division II National Tournament vs. Kansas City

Kansas Community College

April 21 @ 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final

Kansas City Kansas CC	68
Muskegon Community College	47

Women's Basketball NJCAA Division II National Tournament vs. Parkland College

April 20 @ 11:00 am - 11:30 am

Final

Parkland College	58
Muskegon Community College	37

Muskegon Community College dropped the opening game of the NJCAA Div. II tournament, 58-37 to Parkland College.

In the first quarter Parkland led 15-11. MCC's women fought back in the second quarter to take a one-point lead into the locker room at the half, 25-24. In the third quarter the Cobras came out strong, scoring 15 while limiting the Jayhawks to only 8 points for a 39-33 lead. The Jayhawks struggled to score in the fourth quarter and the Cobras capitalized on their opportunities. In the fourth the Jayhawks scored only 4 points, the Cobras adding 19 to their total. Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) led the Jayhawks with 16 points. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) had 6 points and 11 rebounds.

The Jayhawks will now play in the consolation bracket on Wednesday, 4/21 against Kansas City Kansas Community College at 4:00 pm.

Women's Basketball Home NJCAA Great Lakes District B Final vs. Delta College

April 10 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Final

Muskegon Community College	72
Delta College	54

The Muskegon Community College Women's basketball team qualified to compete in the NJCAA National Tournament with a 72-54 victory over Delta College.

MCC was facing Delta for the third time this season, and just like the other games the Pioneers pressured the Jayhawks from the opening tip. MCC was able to break the press and finish at the rim for a 17-7 lead after the first quarter. In the second quarter MCC continued to handle the press and utilized a 1-2-2 defense to prevent Delta from scoring from the 3-point line. The half time score was 40-16. Delta was able to get the offense going in the third quarter as they outscored MCC 22-13 to cut into the Jayhawk lead, but MCC was still up 53-38 going into the fourth quarter and they were able to hold on for the victory.

Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) led the Jayhawks with 17 points. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) scored 15 points and Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) contributed 14 points. Point guard Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) was also in double digits with 12 points.

"What a great win today! This team has gone through a lot this year, I'm so proud of their resilience! This is a great step for this program!" -Head Coach Jason Cooper

The Jayhawks finish the regular season 13-2 overall and 8-0 in conference play. They will compete in the NJCAA National Tournament in Hickory, North Carolina April 20th-24th. The seeding will be determined by the NJCAA National Office once all district champions are determined. Seeding will occur no later than Monday, April 12th.

Women's Basketball Home vs. Grand Rapids Community College

April 1 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon Community College	55
Grand Rapids Community College	53

The Muskegon Community College Women's Basketball Team is the sole champion of the MCCA Western Conference after defeating the Grand Rapids Community College Raiders 55-53 in the last game of conference play.

The Raiders jumped out to an early lead and the Jayhawks struggled to play to their capabilities, with the Raiders holding a 22-10 lead after the first quarter. In the second quarter the Jayhawks were able to hold GRCC to only 8 points, while scoring 13, but they were still down 30-23 at half time. The third quarter was more of the same as the Jayhawks missed easy layups and struggled to rebound. GRCC held a 46-35 advantage heading into the fourth quarter. MCC played locked down defense to hold the Raiders to 7 points. Finally, with 1:19 left on the clock, the Jayhawks tied the game on two free throws from Sophomore Mariah Pringle, then with 33 seconds remaining Pringle was fouled on an inbounds play with two more free throws. GRCC attempted a last second shot that was no good, and the Jayhawks prevailed.

"What a fantastic team win tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "I'm proud of the perseverance and determined attitude that was displayed late in the game".

Pringle (Brethren HS) led the Jayhawks with 19 points and 13 rebounds. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) followed with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) and Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) each contributed 11 points.

The Jayhawks are 12-2 overall and 8-0 in conference play. The team's next game will be on Thursday April 8th when they host the winner of Metro League #4 and North League #3. The regional tournament game will be in Bartels-Rode Gymnasium at 7:00 pm.

Women's Basketball Home vs. Delta College

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

Final	
Muskegon Community College	81
Delta College	61

The Muskegon Community College Women's Basketball team defeated the Delta College Pioneers 81-61.

MCC jumped out to an early 12-0 lead, but the Pioneers stormed back to pull close at the end of the first quarter with MCC holding a 16-13 lead. Delta used their defensive pressure early in the second quarter to take the lead, but MCC was able to execute their offense and at half time MCC held a 41-23 lead. Delta continued their defensive pressure, however MCC continued to hold a commanding lead and at the end of three quarters it was 67-43, as they cruised to the final 81-61 score.

Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) led the Jayhawks with 20 points and Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) was close behind with 18 points. Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) and Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) each had 14 points in the win.

"I'm very proud of how we responded to a tough and physical team today," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We've improved tremendously from the first time played them."

The Jayhawks are now 11-2 overall and still 7-0 in conference play. They finish the regular season with a home game against rival Grand Rapids Community College on Thursday, 4/1 at 5:30 pm. MCC is not allowing fans, but the game can be viewed live on MCC TV.

Women's Basketball at Alpena Community College

March 26 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon Community College	69
Alpena Community College	37

The Muskegon Community College Women's Basketball team traveled to Alpena Community College and defeated the Lumberjacks 69-37.

The Jayhawks struggled on both ends of the court to start the game and held a 15-10 lead after the first quarter. The second quarter was back and forth, with MCC finally grabbing the lead with a minute left in the half for a 26-24 lead heading into the locker room. MCC came out with a renewed energy in the third quarter, giving up only 5 points to the Lumberjacks while scoring 26 for a 50-31 lead after three quarter. The MCC defensive pressure was too much for the Lumberjacks in the fourth quarter, they were only able to score 6 more points.

"We had a good win tonight," said Head Coach Jason Cooper. "We didn't come out in the first half with the intensity we needed but we came together as a team in the second half."

Trina Lewis (Reeths-Puffer HS) led the Jayhawks with 18 points and 7 rebounds. Sophomore Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) contributed 15 points and Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) added 10 points and 9 rebounds. Julia Tierman (Mona-Shores HS) was also in double digits with 10 points and 6 boards.

The Jayhawks are now 10-2 overall and 7-0 in conference play. Their next game is Tuesday, 3/30 at home vs. Delta College. Tipoff is at 5:30 pm.

Women's Basketball at Ancilla College

March 23 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon Community College	88
Ancilla College	33

The Jayhawk women's basketball team traveled to Plymouth, IN and defeated the Ancilla Chargers 88-33 in the second round of conference play.

The Jayhawks jumped out to a quick lead and were never seriously challenged by an undermanned Ancilla team. MCC led 25-7 after the first quarter, 49-15 at the half and 65-25 after the third.

Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) led the Jayhawks with her season high of 18 points. Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) and Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) each had 15 points, Hamer also contributed 7 assists. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) had a double-double with 14 points and 15 rebounds and Trina Lewis (Reeths-Puffer HS) also had 14 points and pulled 9 rebounds.

“I’m very happy with how our team played tonight,” said Head Coach Jason Cooper. “We got off to a great start and didn’t let up.”

MCC is now 9-2 overall and 7-0 in conference play. On Friday, 3/26, they travel to Alpena Community College for their next game, tip-off is at 5:30 pm.

Women’s Basketball Home vs. Glen Oaks Community College

March 19 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon Community College	79
Glen Oaks Community College	41

Tonight the Jayhawk Women’s basketball team defeated the Glen Oaks Community College Vikings 79-41.

MCC started the game by executing on offense, finding their post players and pushing the ball on the fast break for a 21-10 lead after the first quarter. In the second quarter the Vikings stayed in the game with an increased intensity and offensive rebounds, but MCC still held a 34-21 lead at the half. The Jayhawks held Glen Oaks to 10 points in each of the last two quarters to pull away for the final score.

Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) and Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) each had 14 points and 6 rebounds. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) had a double-double with 13 points and 10 rebounds and Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) also had 13 points and 10 assists. Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) had another double-double with 10 points and 17 rebounds.

“We had a great team win tonight, we played well on both sides of the ball,” said Head Coach Jason Cooper. “I’m very proud of them.”

The Jayhawks are now 8-2 overall and 6-0 in conference play. They return to the court with a road game at Ancilla College on Tuesday, 3/23 at 5:30 pm.

Women’s Basketball at Delta College

March 16 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Delta College	61
Muskegon Community College	59

The Jayhawk Women’s basketball team lost for only the second time this season to the Delta Pioneers in University Center, MI by a score of 61-59.

The first quarter was slow for both teams, but MCC used their post play to take a 18-9 lead. In the second quarter they Jayhawks held a 15-point advantage at one point and a 30-18 lead at

the half. The Pioneers picked up the defensive pressure in the third quarter and used the press to cause turnovers. They were able to cut into the lead, but MCC still held a 44-38 advantage. The intensity picked up for both teams in the fourth with Delta grabbing a 51-50 lead with 3:37 left. MCC tied the game at 59 but committed a foul with 6 seconds left and Delta scored both free throws for the final.

Sophomore, Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) led the Jayhawks with 17 points and 7 rebounds. Nia Miskell (Muskegon HS) had another double-double with 15 points and 11 rebounds and Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) also had 10 points and 7 rebounds.

“It was a tough loss tonight,” said Head Coach Jason Cooper. “We didn’t come ready to play and Delta did.”

The Jayhawks are 5-0 in conference play and 7-2 overall. They return to the court with a home contest on Friday, 3/19 vs. Glen Oaks Community College. Game time is 5:30 pm and the game will broadcast on MCC TV live.

Women’s Basketball Home vs. Mid Michigan College

March 12 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon Community College	54
Mid Michigan College	44

Muskegon Community College Jayhawks resumed conference play tonight with a 54-44 win over visiting Mid Michigan College.

The Jayhawks took an early lead in the first quarter but Mid Michigan went to a full court press and finished the quarter with an 18-12 lead. In the second quarter the Lakers were able to control play and headed into the locker room ahead 25-21. MCC upped their pace of play in the third quarter and finally regained the lead and held on for a 37-33 lead after three. Mid Michigan went cold in the fourth quarter, due to a good pressure defense by MCC for the final score.

Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) was a clear leader for the game with her energy as she scored 16 points. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) had a double-double with 13 points and 15 rebounds and Sophomore, Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) added 10 points and 7 rebounds.

“We got a good win against a good team. We came out slow in the first half but pulled it together as a team in the second half for the win,” said head coach Jason Cooper.

The Jayhawks are now 7-1 overall and 5-0 in conference play. Their next game is at Delta College on Tuesday, 3/16 at 5:30 p.m.

Women’s Basketball Home vs. Mott Community College

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

Final

Muskegon Community College

73

Mott Community College

55

The Muskegon Community College Women Jayhawks defeated the Mott Community college Bears in Bartels-Rode Gymnasium 73-55.

Mott claimed the lead for most of the first 10 minutes, but the Jayhawks battled back with a couple of key 3 pointers late for a 16-12 lead. Muskegon used their pressure defense to take a 40-25 lead into the locker room at the half. They were able to extend the lead to 58-38 in the third, and even though the Bears outscored MCC in the fourth quarter, it wasn't enough to overcome the large lead.

All the members of the Jayhawk squad contributed points to tonight's win. Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) led with 15 points and Mariah Pringle (Brethren HS) had a double-double with 11 points and 16 rebounds. Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) added 11 points and 5 assists.

"I'm really proud of how the team worked together in tonight's win. They are improving each game," said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

The Jayhawks are now 6-1 overall and 4-0 in their conference. The return to conference play on Friday, 3/12 when they host Mid Michigan College at 5:30 pm in the Bartels-Rode Gymnasium. The game can be viewed live on MCC TV.

Women's Basketball at Schoolcraft College

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

Final

Muskegon CC

51

Schoolcraft

41

The Muskegon Community College Jayhawks traveled to Schoolcraft College and defeated the Ocelots, 51-41.

The first quarter was low scoring, but close with MCC holding a 14-9 lead. The second quarter stayed close with MCC ahead 27-23 going into half time. Neither team scored much in the third quarter and the Jayhawks were able to extend their slim lead to 39-29 and then locked down the game in the fourth for the final margin of victory.

MCC was shorthanded for the game, so the rest of the squad stepped up. Sophomore Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) led the team with 13 points. Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) had 11 points and Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) recorded a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

“It was a great win on the road tonight; being down a player and still willing to fight through adversity shows growth in our team,” said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

The Lady Jayhawks are now 5-1 overall and 4-0 in conference. Their next game is on Tuesday, 3/9 against Mott Community College at 5:30 pm in Bartels-Rode Gymnasium.

Women’s Basketball Home vs. Ancilla College

March 2 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Final

Muskegon Community College	67
Ancilla College	36

The Muskegon Community College Jayhawks defeated the Ancilla Chargers 67-36 in their home opener.

Neither team was sharp in the 1st quarter, MCC finished ahead 11-8. The Jayhawks picked up the energy in the 2nd quarter and they outscored the Chargers 25-5 for a 36-13 half time lead. MCC finished the 3rd quarter up 49-23 and cruised to the final 67-36 win.

Tonight’s game was a true team effort, as every member of the team scored and executed well. Sophomore Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) led the Jayhawks with 16 points. Point guard Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) had 9 points and 8 assists. Trina Lewis (Reeths-Puffer HS), Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS), and Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) each contributed 8 points. Lewis also led the team in rebounds with 7 boards.

“It was a great win tonight, I’m very proud of our effort defensively,” said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

The Jayhawks are now 4-1 overall and 4-0 in conference play. MCC will travel to Schoolcraft College on Friday 3/5 for a 5:30 tip-off.

Women’s Basketball at Glen Oaks Community College

February 26 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final

Muskegon Community College	61
Glen Oaks Community College	55

The Jayhawk women’s basketball team earned a road victory over host Glen Oaks Community College by a final of 61-55.

The Jayhawks found themselves on the wrong end of the score board at the end of the 1st quarter, 16-12, and they were still down at half time 28-24. Finally, with 4:15 left in the 3rd quarter, MCC managed to tie the game on a 3-point play and with 2:30 left, they took the lead on 2 free throws. At the end of the 3rd, MCC held a 44-36 advantage. They were able to build the lead to 15 points halfway through the 4th, but Glen Oaks battle back to get within 4 points but couldn't get any closer as the Jayhawks held on for the victory.

"It was a great win on the road, I am proud of how we came back in the second half," said Head Coach Jason Cooper after the game.

The Jayhawks are now 3-1 overall and 3-0 in conference play. Their next game is Tuesday, 3/2 when they play their first home game of the season against Ancille College at 7:30 pm. No fans are allowed at home games this season due to COVID-19 protocol, but the game will be streamed live through MCC TV.

Women's Basketball at Mid Michigan College

February 23 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
Muskegon Community College	65
Mid Michigan College	57

The Muskegon Community College Women's Basketball defeated Mid Michigan College in Mt. Pleasant in OT by a score of 65-57.

The Jayhawks started out strong and enjoyed a 16-11 lead after the 1st quarter and 29-21 advantage going into the half. Mid Michigan took the court in the 3rd quarter and outscored the Jayhawks, but MCC still held the 43-42 edge going into the 4th quarter. Both teams battle hard with Mid Michigan taking a 7 point lead half way through the quarter, but a pair of key 3 pointers by MCC forced the extra 5 minute overtime. In the overtime it was all Muskegon as they outscored Mid Michigan 10-2 for the final margin of victory.

"It was a great win on the road tonight, I am very proud of how we battled in the fourth quarter, being down seven and coming out with a win," said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) led the Jayhawks with 19 points. Sophomore point guard Julia Tierman (Mona Shores HS) contributed 14 points and 6 rebounds. Kacy Jeffries (Whitehall HS) was also in double figures with 11 points. Freshman Trina Lewis (Reeths-Puffer HS) pulled down 13 rebounds and contributed 6 points.

The Jayhawks are now 2-1 overall and 2-0 in conference play. Their next game is Friday, 2/26 at Glen Oaks Community College. Tipoff is scheduled for 5:30 pm.

Women's Basketball at Grand Rapids Community College

February 19 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Final	
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Muskegon Community College**57**

Grand Rapids Community College

48

The Muskegon Community College women's basketball team traveled to Grand Rapids to take on the GRCC Raiders for their first conference game and came home with a 57-48 victory.

The Jayhawks were able to jump in front after the first quarter, 16-7 and held a 28-19 lead at the half. GRCC outscored MCC in the third quarter but the Jayhawks still held a 42-38 lead that stood up through the fourth quarter for the win.

The leading scorer for the Jayhawks was Tanae Hamer (Hudsonville HS) with 19 points. Trina Lewis (Reeths-Puffer HS) added 9 points and 11 rebounds.

"It was a great win tonight, great team effort," said Head Coach Jason Cooper.

The Jayhawks are now 1-1 overall and 1-0 in conference play. The next game will be Tuesday, 2/23 at Mid Michigan College. Tipoff is scheduled for 5:30 pm.

Women's Basketball Home vs. Grace Christian University

February 13 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Final

Grace Christian University**94**

Muskegon Community College

42

The Jayhawk Women's Basketball team opened the 2020-2021 season with a 94-42 loss at home against Grace Christian University.

Trina Lewis (Reeths-Puffer HS) was the leading scorer for MCC with 9 points and 8 rebounds. Nia Miskel (Muskegon HS) finished with 8 points and 6 rebounds.

MCC returns to action on Friday, 2/19 with a trip to Grand Rapids Community College. Tip off will be 5:30 pm.