The Alexander Central High girls basketball team (9-0) won its ninth straight game to start the season with a 69-40 win against North Lincoln Friday night in Taylorsville. Marie Ritchie led the way with 17 points and seven rebounds.

The Fred T. Foard boys (8-0) won their eighth consecutive game with a 57-37 win against Bunker Hill in Newton. Ketty Cameron and Brice Falgout led the way with nine points apiece. The Fred T. Foard girls won their sixth in a row after an 0-2 start as they knocked off Bunker Hill, 74-33. Kayla Whitworth led three players in double figures with 17 points.
Watauga travels to Fred T. Foard for its Northwestern 3A/4A Conference opener Tuesday night. Coverage begins at 6 p.m. on Oldies 100.7 FM. The St. Stephens boys remained undefeated with a 65-57 win against Newton-Conover.

NORTHWESTERN 3A/4A CONFERENCE SCOREBOARD

FRIDAY NIGHT'S GAMES

GIRLS:
EAST BURKE 47, SOUTH CALDWELL 42
NEWTON-CONOVER 67, ST. STEPHENS 41
FRED T. FOARD 74, BUNKER HILL 33
FREEDOM 62, HIBRITEN 46
ALEXANDER CENTRAL 69, NORTH LINCOLN 40

THURSDAY'S GAMES
HICKORY 77, STATESVILLE 29

OTHER GAMES FRIDAY
ASHE COUNTY 52, EAST WILKES 37

BOYS:
EAST BURKE 96, SOUTH CALDWELL 65
ST. STEPHENS 65, NEWTON-CONOVER 57
FRED T. FOARD 57, BUNKER HILL 37
FREEDOM 94, HIBRITEN 54
ALEXANDER CENTRAL 41, NORTH LINCOLN 36

THURSDAY'S GAMES
STATESVILLE 90, HICKORY 78

OTHER GAMES FRIDAY
EAST WILKES 44, ASHE COUNTY 38

NW3A/4A STANDINGS

GIRLS:
ALEXANDER CENTRAL 0-0; 9-0
HICKORY 0-0; 6-0
FRED T. FOARD 0-0; 6-2
WATAUGA 0-0; 3-3
HIBRITEN 0-0; 2-5
ST. STEPHENS 0-0; 2-5
SOUTH CALDWELL 0-0; 1-4

BOYS:
FRED T. FOARD 0-0; 8-0
ST. STEPHENS 0-0; 7-0
HICKORY 0-0; 4-2
WATAUGA 0-0; 4-2
HIBRITEN 0-0; 4-3
ALEXANDER CENTRAL 0-0; 5-4
SOUTH CALDWELL 0-0; 1-4