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Anna Freeman recorded another double-double as Appalachian State University women's basketball cruised past Southern Conference rival Wofford, 77-50, on Saturday at the Holmes Center.

The Mountaineers (16-6, 10-2 SoCon) jumped out to an early double-digit lead and never trailed as they picked up their 12th-straight win over the Terriers (7-15, 2-12). Appalachian stormed out of the gates to take an 8-0 lead just three minutes into the contest and would extend the advantage to 15-5 on Maryah Sydnor's three-pointer with 10:53 left to play.

Wofford would trail by as many as 14 points in the first 13 minutes when Kelsey Sharkey converted a layup with 7:20 on the clock, but the Terriers were able to battle back and cut the deficit to 10 points (19-9) when Morgan Wrightson connected from beyond the arc just a minute later.

A pair of free-throws from A. Freeman would put Appalachian up by 15 points (31-16) when the teams entered the locker room at halftime. The Mountaineers pushed the lead to 21 points (41-20) when Sydnor drained a pair from the charity stripe at the 15:42 mark of the second half and the Terriers never threatened as App State led by at least 20 points over the final 14 minutes of the game.

A. Freeman led all players with 19 points, 15 rebounds and four blocks while Sydnor tallied 14 points and ripped down eight boards. Courtney Freeman (11) and Raven Gary (10) rounded out Appalachian's double-digit scorers.

Wrightson and Rachel Brittinham scored 14 apiece for the Terriers while Brittenham dished out three assists, but turned the ball over seven times.

The Mountaineers shot 48.4 percent (30-of-62) from the floor including 15-of-20 from the free-throw line and ripped down 51 rebounds. The Terriers were limited to 28.3 percent (17-of-60) from the field and connected on just 13-of-26 free throws while grabbing 37 boards. Appalachian State forced 19 Wofford turnovers, which it converted into 14 points, and outscored the Terriers 44-20 in the paint.

The Apps return to action at 7 p.m. on Monday when they travel to Western Carolina.

Game Notes: With the win, the Mountaineers extend their winning streak to 12 against the Terriers. The victory also marks Head Coach Darcie Vincent's 100th career win at Appalachian State. Anna Freeman recorded her sixth double-double of the season in the Mountaineers' defeat of the Terriers, along with a game-high four steals and four blocks, while Raven Gary dished out a game-high five assists. Appalachian grabbed 44 points in the paint to Wofford's 20. Both teams put up 17 off the bench. The Mountaineers pulled down a season-high 51 rebounds against Wofford.

ASU 77, WOFFORD 50

Score by periods	**1st**	**2nd**	**Total**
Wofford	16	34	50
Appalachian State	31	46	77

WOFFORD: BRITTENHAM 14 (3 ASSISTS), FRAZIER 5, WRIGHTSON 14, MASALIN 5, MORRIS 2, STOKES 1, KIRBY 7, FLEMING 2. FG: 17-60, 3FG: 3-17, FT: 13-26. 37 REBOUNDS, 4 ASSISTS, 19 TURNOVERS.
THREE-POINTERS: BRITTENHAM, FRAZIER, WRIGHT.

ASU: SHARKEY 6 (5 REBOUNDS), SYDNOR 14 (8 REBOUNDS), A.FREEMAN 19 (15 REBOUNDS), GARY 10 (5 ASSISTS), C.FREEMAN 11, WOOD 2, TAYLOR 2, MALLOW 5, WILKERSON 4, HUFFMAN 4. FG: 30-62, 3FG: 2-8, FT: 15-20. 51 REBOUNDS, 15 ASSISTS, 20 TURNOVERS.
THREE-POINTERS: SYDNOR 2.

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