Let's begin with the Appalachian State men's basketball team wrapping up its two-game exhibition stay in the Bahamas.

The Apps opened up a commanding 27-8 lead in the opening stanza and cruised home. Kellan Brand led the way with 17 points. Donald Sims had 11. Red-shirt freshman Josh Nirenberg had nine points, seven rebounds. Tyler Webb had ten boards.

The Apps will play Mars Hill in an exhibition game at the Holmes Center November 6. The Mountaineers open the regular season at home against UNC-Wilmington on November 13.

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The high school football season opened up Friday night around the region. The Watauga High School football team had its season-opening game in West Jefferson against Ashe County postponed by imclement weather. The Pioneers and the Huskies have rescheduled their game for Monday night. And you'll hear the game on Oldies 100.7 FM beginning with our pre-game coverage at 6 pm.

In other games Friday night:

Northwestern 3A/4A Conference, South Caldwell 32, McDowell 0
East Surry 28, St. Stephens 13
Hibriten 34, Freedom 20
Alexander Central 3, Davie County 0

Bandys 22, Fred T. Foard 14
Hickory-bye

In other games:
Robbinsville 41, Avery 14 (the game was called after three quarters because of lightning.)
West Caldwell 34, North Wilkes 0
West Forsyth 24, A.C. Reynolds 14
Madison 68, Rowan 6 (Madison breaks a 23 game losing streak.)
Greensboro Smith 42, Atkins 0 (Smith breaks a 32-game losing streak.)