

## Concord bests Bobcats, 79-42

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The Concord University women's basketball team outscored Lees-McRae College by a 46-18 margin in the second half en route to a 79-42 victory in non-conference play on Thursday evening.

Concord (4-1) posted a field goal percentage of 47.9 percent on the evening, including a 54.1 percent clip in the second half, while holding Lees-McRae (4-1) to a 25.8 percent mark from the floor to hand the Bobcats their first loss of the season. The Mountain Lions won the battle

on the glass by a 55-29 margin, including a 36-19 advantage on the defensive boards, while outscoring the Bobcats 60-24 in the paint and converting 18 LMC miscues into 23 points. Concord's Jolysa Brown tallied a double-double with game-highs of 22 points and 12 rebounds to pace the Mountain Lions, while Andrea Bertrand turned in a double-double of her own with 13 markers and 11 boards. Camisha Alexander and Anna Truckley added 13 and 10 markers, respectively.

Megan Tate (High Point, N.C.) paced the Bobcats with eight points, as DeAnna Waters (Upper Marlboro, Md.), Kerri Belcher (Roanoke, Va.), and Amber Coleman (Alexandria, Va.) each added six markers. Sophie Witte (Hamburg, Germany) and Waters each chipped in a team-high four rebounds, while Icey Patterson (Seneca, S.C.) paced the Bobcats with two assists.

Concord jumped out to a 14-7 lead early in the first half before Lees-McRae responded with an 11-4 run, evening the tally at 18-18 with a Patterson layup. After Juliane Faltus (Berlin, Germany) gave the Bobcats a 20-18 lead with an easy score on the fast break with 6:49 to go in the half, the Mountain Lions responded quickly with a 15-4 run to close out the half, taking a 33-24 advantage into the intermission following a last-second triple from Alexander.

The Mountain Lions carried the momentum into the second half, opening the period with a 17-8 run to take a 51-32 lead on a Truckley layup at the 13:55 mark. Concord would push the margin to 69-38 with an 18-6 surge over the next eight minutes before closing out the night with a 10-4 spurt to equal the final margin of 79-42.

Lees-McRae returns to the court on Friday, December 30 when the Bobcats travel to Bristol, Va. to take on Virginia Intermont College at 6 p.m.

**CONCORD 79, LMC 42**

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	1st	2nd	Total
Lees-McRae.....	24	18	- 42
Concord.....	33	46	- 79

**LMC:** WHITAKER 2, FALTUS 2, PATTERSON 2, PARKER 2, WITTE 2 (4 REBOUNDS), COLEMAN 6, TATE 8, FLOWERS 2, SMITH 4, WATERS 6 (4 REBOUNDS), BELCHER 6. FG: 16-62, 3FG: 3-13, FT: 7-11. 29 REBOUNDS, 18 TURNOVERS, 4 ASSISTS.

**CONCORD:** ALEXANDER 13, SMITH 6, TRUCKLEY 10, BERTRAND 13 (11 REBOUNDS), BROWN 22 (12 REBOUNDS), KESTNER 3, COLEMAN 2, BIB 2, WILLIAMS 4, ARTRIP 2, BROWN 2. FG: 35-73, 3FG: 2-12, FT: 7-17. 55 REBOUNDS, 17 TURNOVERS, 15 ASSISTS.

## Tusculum outlasts Lees-McRae, 75-60

The Tusculum College men's basketball team held off a furious rally by Lees-McRae College en route to a 75-60 win in a resumed contest after the initial matchup was suspended on November 22, closing out the victory with 10 unanswered points over the final two minutes. The contest resumed Thursday night at the 17:28 mark of the second half, as the teams picked up where they left off on November 22 after wet court conditions forced the contest to be suspended. Tusculum (3-4) posted a field goal percentage of 46.9 percent in the contest, including an even 50 percent in the first half, while limiting Lees-McRae (0-6) to a 29.8 percent

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clip from the floor. Tusculum won the battle on the glass by a 46-28 margin, including a 31-15 advantage on the defensive boards, while outscoring the Bobcats 36-20 in the paint.

Freshman Asad Lamot (Mebane, N.C.) paced the Bobcats with 17 points, including a perfect 7-for-7 night at the charity stripe, while dishing out six assists and recording a game-high five steals. Jeremiah Henry (Semmes, Ala.) and Daniel Sepokas (Illawong, Australia) each added 11 points, as DeAndre Tillman (Charlotte, N.C.) and BJ Battle (Orlando, Fla.) both hauled down a team-high five rebounds.

Tommy Klempin led the way for Tusculum with a game-high 20 points, going 6-for-8 from the floor and converting each of his eight attempts at the free throw line. Kevin Vest added a double-double with 19 points and a game-high 12 rebounds, while Jordan Davidson chipped in a double-double of his own with 14 markers and 10 boards. Justin Steigerwald also added 10 points for Tusculum.

Tusculum got off to a hot start in the first half, opening the game on a 21-8 run that was capped by a Vest layup at the 12:21 mark. The Bobcats would keep pace with the Pioneers over the next four minutes before launching an 11-2 run, trimming the margin to 28-25 on a pair of freebies by Jeremiah Henry (Semmes, Ala.). Tusculum answered over the final two minutes of the period, closing out the half with four points from Vest to take a 38-30 advantage into the intermission.

The Pioneers came out firing in the second half, pushing the margin to 44-30 with a 6-0 run before play was suspended with 17:28 on the clock. Tusculum maintained the margin for the first several minutes when play resumed Thursday night, pushing the lead to 55-38 at the 8:48 mark before the Bobcats responded with an 11-4 run to cut the margin to 59-49 on a Henry layup with 5:44 to play.

Lees-McRae would eat away at the lead over the next several minutes, trimming the margin to 65-60 on a clutch three-pointer by Lamot at the 2:13 mark on the heels of an 11-5 run.

Tusculum shut the door from there, outscoring the Bobcats by a 10-0 margin over the final two minutes to close out the 75-60 win.

The Bobcats return to the court on Saturday, December 10 when they travel to Jefferson City, Tenn. to take on Carson-Newman College in a 2 p.m. matchup.

## TUSCULUM 75, LMC 60

	1st	2nd	Total
Lees-McRae.....	30	30	- 60

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Tusculum..... 38 37 - 75

**LMC:** BATTLE 5 (5 REBOUNDS), HENRY 11, LAMOT 17, SEPOKAS 11, BROWN 6, TILLMAN 8 (5 REBOUNDS), OJI 2. FG: 17-57, 3FG: 4-14, FT: 22-31. 28 REBOUNDS, 19 TURNOVERS, 10 ASSISTS.

**TUSCULUM:** DAVIDSON 14 (10 REBOUNDS), KLEMPIN 20, VEST 19 (12 REBOUNDS), STEIGERWALD 10, NICHOLAS SPINKS 4, SMITH 2, NEAL SPINKS 2, O'CONNER 4. FG: 23-49, 3FG: 1-3, FT: 28-36. 46 REBOUNDS, 26 TURNOVERS, 15 ASSISTS.