

WHS Softball Falls At West Forsyth

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The Watauga High softball team was victimized by an eight-run fifth inning and dropped a 12-6 decision at West Forsyth in Clemmonvilles, N.C. Friday night. WHS was leading 5-4 going into the bottom of the fifth inning when the roof caved in. Michala McCune

suffered the loss as she coughed up nine runs on eight hits in 4 2/3 innings of work. The Pioneers (0-2), who fell behind 2-1 in the first inning, came charging back to take a 4-2 lead in the top of the fourth.

But the Titans tied the game up with a pair of runs in the bottom of the fourth, and grabbed the lead for good with their huge rally in the fifth.

Taylor Drummonds paced the Pioneers with a pair of singles, a pair of walks, three runs scored and two stolen bases; Savannah Drummonds had two hits and a run scored; Riley Pudney singled, scored twice, had a stolen base and drove in two runs; Megan Jackson had a single and she walked in three official trips at the plate.

The JV team won big, defeating West Forsyth 16-0 Friday night. The JV team is 1-1. WHS will play its home opener Tuesday night against Fred T. Foard at the Sports Complex beginning at 4:30 p.m.

WHS Soccer Bested By Charlotte Catholic

The Watauga High women's soccer team lost to the No.1 team in the state in Class 3A Friday night. The Pioneers (1-1) coughed up four goals, including a penalty kick in the first half, and lost at Charlotte Catholic, 7-0.

"I knew tonight would be a tough match," said WHS coach Brittany Bolick. "Charlotte Catholic is the defending 3A state champ and ranked number one in the state, but I think we learned a lot as a team and I know I learned a lot as a coach. I think this may be the best thing for us, helping us recognize how we can improve and what we need to work on as a team."

The JV team lost, 6-0. The Pioneers return home to play A.C. Reynolds on Wednesday night. The JV match begins at 5 p.m.; the varsity game will follow.

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