

Bears Fall 49-33 To Winston-Salem State

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The Winston-Salem State Women's Basketball Team (5-5) dealt Lenoir-Rhyne (5-3) a 49-33 loss Monday evening in a non-conference affair at the C.E. Gaines Center. The Lady Rams' Taylar Wells

(Stafford, Va.) led all scorers with 11 points as Winston-Salem State won its third consecutive contest.

Lenoir-Rhyne junior forwards Nneka Awuruonye (Charlotte, N.C.) and Ashia Mitchell (Spartanburg, S.C.) each scored a team-high seven points but the Bears were held to their season low in points.

The Lady Rams jumped out to a 24-14 lead at halftime and wouldn't let the Bears within eight points the rest of the way.

Winston-Salem State held Lenoir-Rhyne to just two points over the first nine minutes of the second half and limited the Bears to just 25 percent shooting (12-of-49) for the entire contest. Although the Bears did hold a 43-39 advantage on the boards, Lenoir-Rhyne turned the ball over 23 times and hit just one-of-12 three-point field goal attempts.

L-R junior guard Danielle Bongiorno (Wilmington, N.C.) also chipped in with five points and dished out a team-high three assists in the losing effort as Winston-Salem avenged an earlier loss to Lenoir-Rhyne this season.

Lenoir-Rhyne returns to action on Monday, December 31, when the Bears host Belmont Abbey at Shuford Memorial Gymnasium beginning at 2:00 p.m. Winston-Salem State, meanwhile, faces Virginia Union in a conference contest on Thursday, January 3, on the road starting at 5:30 p.m.

WSSU 49, L-R 33

Score by Periods

	1st	2nd	Total
Lenoir-Rhyne.....	14	19	- 33
Winston-Salem State.....	24	25	- 49

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L-R: PHILLIPS 2, LAUGHTER 4. HIATT 2, CAHRLES 4, BONGIORNO 5, MITCHELL 7, PATTON 2, AWURUONYE 7 (8 REBOUNDS). FG: 12-49, 3FG: 1-12, FT: 8-13. 43 REBOUNDS, 9 ASSISTS, 23 TURNOVERS.
THREE-POINTERS: BONGIORNO.

WSSU: McKENNEY 6, COLEMAN 2, GILLESPIE 7, CESAR 7, WESTON 8, GRAY 6 (8 REBOUNDS), SCOTT 2, WELLS 11. FG: 17-59, 3FG: 6-16, FT: 9-10. 39 REBOUNDS, 10 ASSISTS, 16 TURNOVERS.
THREE-POINTERS: WELLS 3, WESTON 2, CESAR.

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