

FDHS JV's Grab First Win, 36 – 35, over Alleghany

Evan Braun's driving layup with 3 seconds gave Fort Defiance's Junior Varsity an exciting 36 – 35 come-from-behind win over Alleghany on December 7 in the FDHS gym. After two opening season losses, it was Fort's first win.

The first quarter featured six points from Carter Berry. Isaac Marshall hit two of two free throws, Evan made two of three free throws and a layup, and Hunter Hamer hit two from the charity stripe to give Fort a 14 – 10 lead at the end of the quarter.

Despite numerous turnovers and being outrebounded, the Indians held a 22 – 19 lead at the end of the second quarter. Alleghany had come back to take a 15 – 14 lead but Tripp Hanger's deuce returned the lead to the Indians. Isaac's three pointer extended the lead but Alleghany roared back to tie the score at 19. Isaac's second three at the buzzer gave the Indians the first half lead.

Fort's rebounding troubles were partially due to the fact that Gus Gutshall missed the game as he nursed a sprained ankle. Fort got double digit scoring from both Evan and Isaac who had eleven each. Carter added eight.

Fort was able to score only five points in the third quarter. Isaac made his third three of the night and Evan's jumper in close were all the points the Indians could muster as the Mountaineers came back to knot the score at 27 at the end of the quarter.

The fourth quarter saw Alleghany jump out to a big lead. Evans hit one free throw and made a jumper after an offensive rebound in the beginning of the quarter but Alleghany jumped out to a 35 – 30 lead with 2:41 to go. Jasigh Ransome then hit both ends of a one-and-one to get Fort within three. In the final minute, Carter rebounded a miss and put it back in to pull the Indians within one, 35 – 34. With 15.7 seconds to go, Alleghany had a chance to salt the victory away but they missed on a one-and-one free throw. Fort called timeout with 9.5 seconds left. Alleghany then called timeout to set their defense but it didn't work as Evan wound through the lane for his jumper with three seconds to give FDHS the lead at 36 – 35. Alleghany had one final chance but Jasigh intercepted the inbounds pass to seal the win for Fort Defiance.

Fort's Box Score:

Name	2 Pt Goals	3 Pt Goals	Free Throws	Total
Evan Braun	4	0	3-5	11
Isaac Marshall	0	3	2-3	11
Carter Berry	4	0	0-0	8
Rhylan Martin	0	0	0-0	0
Tripp Hanger	1	0	0-0	2
Jasigh Ransome	0	0	2-3	2
Hunter Hamer	0	0	2-2	2
TOTAL	9	3	9-13	36