

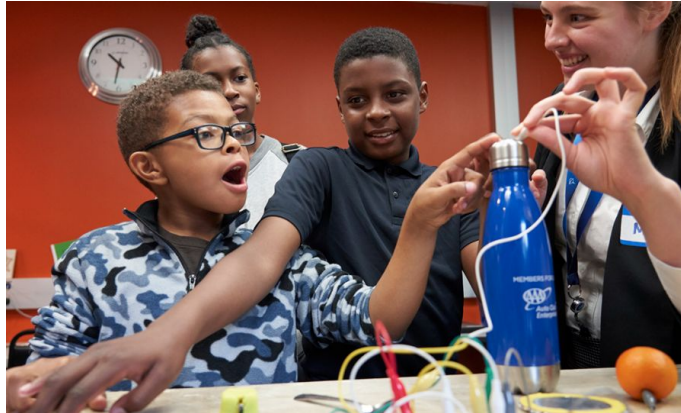
Prep Basketball: Hazelwood Central 45, Capital City 39

ST. LOUIS -- The Capital City Cavaliers fell 45-39 to **Hazelwood Central** on Saturday in the Vashon Winter Classic.

Capital City was ahead 20-19 at halftime. Corde Brown led the Cavaliers with 20 points.

Capital City (10-11) hosts Soldan International on Thursday. The JV game starts at 5:30 p.m., followed by the varsity contest at 7 p.m.

Maryville University Awarded Grant from Boeing



Maryville University has been awarded \$150,000 from Boeing to support after-school STEM activities in six school districts throughout North St. Louis County. The project is part of an overarching program through Maryville's **Center for Access and Achievement (CA2)**, "FutureSTL: Science and Technology Leaders."

The grant builds on prior support from Boeing over many years. In 2016, Boeing provided initial funds to create a **STEM Education Certificate program**, an intensive 75-hour, tuition-based course (offered twice annually) in which teachers from any school district may enroll to reinforce and build their STEM instructional skills.

With funding from Boeing and additional partners, the CA2 has been able to offer scholarship assistance for teachers in five partner school districts (Ferguson-Florissant, Ritenour, Jennings, Riverview Gardens and Normandy) to attend the STEM Education Certificate program free of charge. In order to receive scholarships, teachers from these districts agree (upon completion of the program) to become STEM Champions in their individual schools — offering after-school STEM Clubs to their students for at least 20 hours during the school year. The new grant from Boeing will support activities of these Clubs throughout 2022, with the addition of a new sixth partner, **Hazelwood School District**.

Since the STEM Education Certificate program began, more than 75 teachers from Maryville's partner school districts have completed the program, and more than 30 have become STEM Champions — impacting approximately 450 K–12 students annually. The new grant from Boeing will increase the number of STEM Champions to 40, and provide STEM Club involvement for up to 600 students annually throughout the six school districts.



Verlo Mattress/Fox 2 Prep Zone, Friday, January 28, 2022

This is segment one of the Verlo Mattress/Fox 2 Prep Zone show for Friday, January 28, 2022. It features highlights of these local high school basketball games.

DeSmet vs Parkway West
Lafayette vs Hazelwood Central
(girls): St. Joseph's vs Incarnate Word
Vianney at SLUH
Liberty vs Parkway Central

Sarah Hecht Named 2021-'22 Hazelwood Teacher of the Year

Sarah Hecht (right photo), a McCurdy Elementary School teacher, has been named the 2021-2022 Hazelwood School District Teacher of the Year.

Supt. Nettie Collins-Hart visited McCurdy to surprise Ms. Hecht with the news on Wednesday. "It was a wonderful surprise visit," Hecht said, "I am happy my students got to celebrate with me.

Hecht, who has been with the district for seven years, is a 2nd-grade teacher.

"We are so fortunate to have Ms. Hecht in our school district," Dr. Collins-Hart said. "Her ability to connect with students and provide innovative instruction is awe-inspiring."



Hecht is also an HSD parent. Her children attend McCurdy, Hazelwood Northwest Middle School, and Hazelwood West High School.

Hecht holds a bachelor's and master's degree in Elementary Education.

HAZELWOOD WEST -- The Wildcats were finally at home Jan. 24 against McCluer and Jan. 25 against Mehlville, COVID permitting, after canceling their first three home games. After a 2-5 start, which includes going 1-2 at the 51st Troy (Buchanan) Invitational and 1-2 at the Lutheran St. Charles Tournament, the 'Cats won five out of six.

The 'Cats were 2-1 mark and took third-place at the 35th Rolla Holiday Invitational. However, Hazelwood West took a 7-7 record home after the 'Cats lost 52-39 Jan. 18 at Hazelwood East.

Senior Jaydis Gordon, in 10 games reported, averaged 12.6 points per game, made 20 out of his first 38 free throws, 26 assists, 24 steals and seven blocked shots. Senior Jay'Vion Brock, in nine games, has 68 rebounds.

HAZELWOOD CENTRAL -- After going 2-6 in 2021 including a 1-2 mark in the Legends of Winter Classic at St. Louis University High, the Hawks open 2022 with a 4-1 mark. The Hawks took a 6-7 overall record to the Parkway West Showdown, which began Jan. 24, continued Jan. 26 and ends Friday, Jan. 29.

Hazelwood Central was 2-1 and took the consolation title in Belleville, Ill., at the Belleville East Classic, playing against three Southwestern Conference teams After losing 55-50 Jan. 19 to the opener to eventual tournament champion Collinsville High, the Hawks won 56-31 Jan. 20 over Belleville West and 64-33 Jan. 22 over Alton, Ill., High. Senior Trevin Williams, in 13 games, scores 13.4 points per game, makes 40 out of 65 free throws, 106 rebounds and 20 steals. Senior Tevin Gowins, in nine gam

St. Louis native Randy Orton ready to rumble in his hometown

ST. LOUIS — The iconic "Let's get ready to rumble" will be heard loud and clear in downtown St. Louis this Saturday night when [The Royal Rumble takes over the Dome](#) at America's Center.

Some 40,000 wrestling fans are gearing up for the high-flying antics of one of the most popular superstars in WWE history. Randy Orton, the star of Monday Night Raw, will be joined by the 30-man and 30-woman rumble matches.

Orton told 5 On Your Side's Monica Adams he never saw himself as a megastar. He wrestled at [Hazelwood Central High School](#) but didn't see himself at the time following in his famous father Cowboy Bob Orton's footsteps.

"I don't think I thought that I was capable. I mean, my dad was larger than life, he was on TV, he was dressed like a gladiator," said Orton.

His dad put in a call to famed promoter Vince McMahon more than two decades ago, and his stellar career began.

"I sure as hell am glad he made that call," Orton said.

His life changed in so many ways that day.





Box: Oakville 55, Hazelwood West 46

	Overall	League	Pts For/Avg	Pts Against/Avg
Hazelwood West	7-10	0-2	839/49	954/56
Oakville	11-7	3-0	955/56	907/53

Hazelwood West	7	9	8	22	46
Oakville	13	13	12	17	55