

Chiefs, Lady Chiefs get non-district wins at Negreet

NEGREET, La. - The Natchitoches Central Chiefs and Lady Chiefs swept the Negreet Indians Monday night on the road in non-district basketball action with the Lady Chiefs winning, 55-46, and the Chiefs 71-59.

The Lady Chiefs (19-3) snapped a mini two-game skid with the victory as they were led by Akeelah Wade with 18 points while Jakaila added 10 points to aid NCHS past the Lady Indians (14-13)

The Chiefs (17-4) jumped out to a 38-15 lead in the first half. However, the Indians (18-6) battled back to cut it to 43-40 in the third quarter as NCHS found themselves in a battle.

When the dust settled and the back-and-forth battle was clear, the Chiefs had a 12-point lead with under a minute to go. Led by senior Jaden Braden, who scored 19 of his game-high 21 points in the second half, the Chiefs picked up their eighth straight win.

The Chiefs also got 14 points each from Jay'sen Prelow and Ja'Dell Demery while Harold Remo added 10. NCHS scored 52 points in the paint thanks in part to 17 offensive rebounds. The Chiefs forced the Indians into 26 turnovers which led to 39 points for NCHS.

Next up, the Chiefs and Lady Chiefs will face Benton Tuesday night at home in district 1-5A action beginning at 6 p.m.