

**Lady Chiefs open season in style with blowout win over Ruston**

**SHREVEPORT, La.** - The Natchitoches Central Lady Chiefs' basketball team opened the season with a decisive win over Ruston, 56-20, in the first day of the Battle on the Hardwood Classic hosted by Parkway.

The Lady Chiefs (1-0) had four players in double figures led by Jordan McDaniels with 13 points. Akeelah Wade and Katlynn Wiggins both had 12 while Annalise Newton added 10.

NCHS got redemption as Ruston defeated NCHS, 50-48, in the second round of the playoffs back on February 19.

Next up, the Lady Chiefs will face Northwood-Shreveport Friday at 8 p.m. as they continue play in the Battle on the Hardwood at Parkway.