

Athletic Director Report
December 10, 2024

Winter sports are in full swing and our JH winter sports are already two months in! Our JH girls basketball team played the conference tournament on Monday and fell short to SPPCS. The conference season is over but they still have two more games before wrapping up their season. Our JH boys basketball team still has four games, a holiday tournament, and the conference tournament. They continue to improve and are adapting well to the new coach.

Our high school basketball teams are just about a month in. The girls started their season with the Cat Classic and have had three games since then. They are currently 1-5 but have had several very close games. Our boys varsity team is still trying to find their rhythm but we've seen some big strides of improvement. The JV team is doing well and have started the season off with a 4-1 record.

The cheer team has been creating themes for some of the home games trying to increase fan participation and help the community. The home opener theme was created to help fill our local food pantries' shelves. Any fan that brought in two non-perishable food items were entered into a drawing for an Amazon gift card that was donated by the Dupo Booster Club.

The Dupo Dance Team opens their competitive season this Saturday at Belleville East. The competition starts at 9:00 am and will finish up around 4:00 pm.

Last but not least, the girls and boys bowling team. The coach reported that this year, the bowling team as a whole has introduced a new initiative to encourage dedication, communication, and sportsmanship. Both the JV and varsity teams nominate a bowler each match who exemplifies these qualities. The selected bowler receives the MVP award if the team wins the match that day and then it is passed down to a new nominee the following match. This addition has already had a positive impact, helping foster camaraderie and motivating players to continuously give their best both on and off the lanes.