



MLC's Nelson Comes Up Big in Loss to Northland



The Knights got off to a fast start in their UMAC opener against Northland on December 10. MLC's **Jordyn Heckendorf** (*KML*) set the tone with 13 points on 3-of-5 shooting from 3-point territory in the first half.

The Lumberjills held the junior guard scoreless in the second half. Northland's undersized backcourt controlled the glass, and their three guards finished the game with double-doubles. As a result, Northland defeated the Knights 81-74.

Despite the loss, MLC gained another solid performance from **Emma Nelson** (*MVL*, pictured). The forward scored a career-high 19 points and collected five rebounds. In addition to Nelson's offensive production, her 5'10" length created problems for Northland's shooting game in the paint.

MLC Unable to Hold Off Lumberjacks in UMAC Opener

The MLC men's basketball team played a tight contest with the Northland Lumberjacks on December 10. The Knights did a nice job bottling down the UMAC player of the Week, Jordan Brennan, who only scored 11 points.

But the Lumberjacks had 11 players in the scoring column, and their balanced attack led them to a 65-52 win.

The Knights struggled from behind the arc, shooting 1-of-11 on 3-pointers. MLC did their damage near the basket, scoring 30 of their 52 points in the paint.

Upcoming Events at MLC

- 12/16 MBB @ Beloit
- WBB @ Buena Vista
- 1/4 MBB vs. Valley City State
(Exhibition)
- WBB vs. Nebraska Wesleyan
- 1/7 MBB @ Bethany
- WBB @ Bethany
- 1/10 MBB vs. Maranatha Baptist
- WBB vs. Maranatha Baptist

Thomas Balge (*LPS*) scored 11 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, while **Micah Kieselhorst** (*LPS*, pictured) added 13 points and six rebounds.

Overall, MLC showed steady improvement in their conference opener, and they hope to carry that momentum into the new year.

