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MIGHTY MIDGETS POST ANOTHER MIGHTY SEASON



ELC cheerleaders gear up for the Class 3A State final with Max the Midget. From left are Danica Lundgren, Joie Christensen, Kiania Manning, Max the Midget, Madison Hobmeier, Ameria White, and Alyssa Hansen.

Recapping ELC's return to the state tourney

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Estherville Lincoln Central fans know that the Midgets have been led by Haylee Stokes the past three years. The 5-6 junior point guard already holds school records in career points, assists, and steals.

Following ELC's third straight trip to the Class 3A Tournament, the Midgets' record over the past three years is 74-6. ELC had that many losses in the year before Stokes entered high school with an 18-6 record.

While Stokes' basketball acumen is well documented through her stats, she couldn't do it all without her teammates who are committed to a tough brand of man-to-man defense.

Seniors Jasey Anderson and Tatum Dunlavy along with fellow juniors Rylee Yager and Cara Schiltz have all been a part of state track sprint relays. Their speed helps them keep up with opponents and allows them to generate steals and to switch players on defense as needed.

While Yager is the tallest player in the lineup at 5-9, fellow 5-8 junior Hillary Ruschy usually takes on the taller players. A state shot put qualifier, Ruschy can usually match the strength of her opponents and her teammates help defend the interior.

With all that said, here is a recap of the 2023-24 season.

ELC 88, Western Christian 38

Haylee Stokes scored 29 points and had nine assists while Rylee Yager had 28 points and 10 rebounds as the Midgets opened the season with an easy win over former Lakes Conference rival Western Christian. ELC forced 36 Wolfpack turnovers while

committing just eight. Cara Schiltz chipped in 11 points.

ELC 52, Western Dubuque 33

In the first visit to Rivalry Saturday hosted by Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, ELC's defense did its job against a Western Dubuque team that would go on to win the Mississippi Valley Conference. The Midgets held the Bobcats to 28 percent shooting. Stokes scored 28 points, had eight rebounds and 10 assists in the win. Yager contributed 14 points and nine rebounds.

ELC 54, Algona 38

ELC faced its first rated opponent in taking on Class 3A No. 10 Algona. However, the Bulldogs weren't ready for ELC's defense which forced 22 turnovers while the Midgets had just seven. Stokes scored 30 points while Yager recorded 10 points and nine rebounds.

Sioux Central 61, ELC 53

ELC did not have a good shooting night in taking on Class 2A No. 12 Sioux Central. The Midgets took 19 more shots than the Rebels and forced 17 turnovers while committing just six. Stokes led ELC with 25 points and nine assists while Yager had 12 points, 11 rebounds and eight blocked shots.

ELC 68, North Union 31

ELC's defense gave North Union fits as the Warriors committed 25 turnovers. Yager led ELC with 27 points, eight rebounds and eight steals. Stokes had 16 points and eight assists.

ELC 63, Jackson County Central 34

Yager again had a big night for ELC, scoring 24 points, grabbing 13 rebounds and recording seven steals. Stokes finished with 22 points.

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ELC 64, Okoboji 29

Stokes had 26 points, eight assists and eight steals while Yager had 22 points, six rebounds and five steals in this easy win over the Pioneers, who committed 31 turnovers.

ELC 57, Newell-Fonda 55

With an assist from Stokes, Cara Schiltz's layup right before the buzzer gave the Midgets a two-point victory over the Class 1A No. 2 Mustangs. Yager finished with 18 points and six rebounds while Stokes had 18 points and seven assists. Hillary Ruschy also reached doubled digits with 15 points.

ELC 55, Storm Lake 42

After leading 28-13 at halftime over visiting Storm Lake, the Tornados rallied in the third quarter to cut the deficit to three, 35-32, by the start of the final period. However, ELC reasserted its dominance to pull away for the win. Stokes had 24 points and five assists while Ruschy had 11 points and Jasey Anderson had 10 points, four rebounds and six assists.

Bishop Heelan 62, ELC 53

ELC suffered its second loss of the season to the Class 4A No. 6 Crusaders. ELC led through three quarters when Bishop Heelan erupted for 24 points in the final frame. Yager led ELC with 21 points and nine rebounds while Stokes had 17 points and eight assists.

ELC 61, Emmetsburg 32

Stokes scored 17 points and had eight assists, Ruschy had 14 points and six rebounds and Yager had 12 points and 13 rebounds in this win over the E'Hawks.

ELC 65, Central Lyon 41

Central Lyon raced out to a 15-11 lead in the first quarter, but ELC's defense kicked in as the Midgets won the second quarter 22-1. ELC cruised from that point. Stokes set the school record for most points in a game with 36 to go along with six rebounds, four assists, and five steals. Yager had 16 points, five rebounds and four steals. That win allowed the Midgets to enter the holiday break with a 10-2 record.

ELC 45, Cherokee 41

Taking on Class 3A No. 13 Cherokee, the Braves' height gave ELC some problems. However, the Midgets' defense never wavered, forcing 28 turnovers in the game. Stokes led ELC with 17 points and five assists while Yager had nine points and 14 rebounds.

ELC 50, Storm Lake 33

After a two-week hiatus from the court due to weather cancellations, ELC took a half to get its offense going. The Midgets led by four at the break and pulled away throughout the second half. Stokes scored 22 points and had six assists while Yager had 12 points and seven rebounds and Ruschy had nine rebounds and three assists.

ELC 70, Spencer 23

ELC raced out to a 21-2 lead and never looked back in the first meeting with the Tigers. Stokes had 25 points, 10 assists, seven rebounds, and six steals while Yager had 19 points and eight rebounds. Anderson reached double digits with 10 points.



Senior Jasey Anderson has often been tasked with guarding the opposing team's top player throughout her four years of ELC basketball. Above, Anderson guards University of Iowa recruit Callie Levin of Solon.

ELC 55, Spencer 13

Due to rescheduling games, ELC had to play Spencer a second time on consecutive nights. The Midgets' defense was even stingier as the Tigers never scored more than four points in any quarter. Stokes finished with 24 points and seven assists while Yager had 15 points and six boards. Schiltz contributed nine points, six rebounds and three assists.

ELC 65, Cherokee 37

ELC had less trouble with Cherokee in the teams' second meeting as the Midgets raced out to a 20-point halftime lead and extended their advantage throughout the second half. Stokes scored 32 points to go with seven assists while Ruschy had 14 points and four rebounds and Yager had 11 points and 11 rebounds.

ELC 45, Spirit Lake 30

ELC came ready to play against Class 3A No. 10 Spirit Lake. Stokes had 15 points and five assists while Yager and Ruschy each had 10 points.

ELC 62, Spirit Lake 40

The Midgets were looking to complete the sweep of the Lakes Conference for the third

straight year in this second meeting with the Indians. ELC upped its offense with Stokes scoring 31 points with seven assists, eight rebounds, four steals and three blocked shots. Yager had 11 points and 12 boards while Anderson had nine points and five assists.

ELC 53, Emmetsburg 22

ELC held Emmetsburg to 21 percent shooting from the field in another easy Midget victory. Stokes had 21 points while Yager had 12 points and 10 rebounds and Ruschy had 11 points and five rebounds.

ELC 64, Newell-Fonda 56

Most teams don't want to play Newell-Fonda twice in a season, but ELC was up for the challenge again. The Mustangs shot well in the first quarter to take a 19-13 lead, but ELC stormed back to take a 35-32 lead at halftime and hung on for the victory. Stokes again led ELC with 24 points and six assists while Yager had 20 points and 14 rebounds and Ruschy had 13 points and five boards.

ELC 78, Sheldon 18 (region quarterfinal)

ELC opened region play with an easy win over winless Sheldon. The Midgets raced out to a 35-9 lead in the first quarter and held the Orabs to just two points in each of

the next two periods. Yager led ELC with 27 points and five rebounds while Stokes had 22 points and nine assists and Ruschy had 16 points.

ELC 69, Unity Christian 41 (region semifinal)

Two years ago in 2022, ELC went through Unity Christian to win a state title. The Knights weren't the same team in this meeting, as ELC raced out to a 20-3 first-quarter lead and led 47-14 at halftime. Stokes led ELC with 35 points and 12 assists while Yager had 16 points and eight rebounds and Ruschy had 12 points.

ELC 57, Spirit Lake 38 (region final)

While it's never easy to beat a team three times in a row, especially a quality team like Spirit Lake, the Midgets again did what they needed to do. ELC won a low-scoring first quarter 9-8 and expanded its lead throughout the night to punch its ticket to state for the third straight year. Stokes was the only ELC player in double digits with 23 points to go with six rebounds, six steals, five steals and three blocked shots. Anderson stepped up with nine points and three assists while Schiltz had eight points.

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ELC FOLLOWS STOKES TO VICTORY

Junior guard scores 44 points to lead Midgets

By DAVID SWARTZ

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DES MOINES — Entering the tournament as the top seed a year ago, the Estherville Lincoln Central Girls Basketball Team suffered a tough defeat in the Class 3A State quarterfinals to Vinton-Shellsburg.

As the top seed again this year, the Midgets weren't going to let that happen again.

Led by all-state guard Haylee Stokes' 44 points, seven steals and three assists, ELC advanced to the semifinals with a 61-47 victory over No. 8 seed Forest City on Monday.

"After last year, we had that bitter feeling," said ELC senior guard Jasey Anderson. "After last year ended, we knew from that moment that we want to get back down here and we wanted to get a win."

The victory propels ELC (23-2) into the state semifinals against Mount Vernon (22-3), who won 67-25 over Harlan. That game is at 1:30 p.m. today in Wells Fargo.

"I just can't say enough about these kids—how they just compete from start to finish and how team oriented they are," said ELC coach Don Martindale of his squad. "You've got to give Forest City some credit—they never went away and that's how Coach Erpelding's teams play."

ELC started very well against Forest City, a team the Midgets had scrimmaged against early in the season.

Stokes hit a corner 3-pointer and a free throw to give ELC an early 4-0 lead. Forest City tied the game at 4-4 with a pair of baskets under the hoop.

However a 3-pointer by Hillary Ruschy was the start of an 11-2 run for ELC that included four points each from Stokes and Rylee Yager.

However, Yager picked up her second foul and went to the bench. Forest City scored the final six points of the period to cut the lead to 21-15.

While Yager was kept out of the second quarter with her two fouls, Stokes went to work, scoring all but two of ELC's 13 points in the period. ELC's defense limited the Indians to just six points as the Midgets led 34-21 at halftime.

A slow start to the second half saw ELC stretch its lead to 41-24 after a basket by Ruschy. Yager picked up her third foul and while Cara Schiltz was waiting to substitute in for her, Yager picked up her fourth foul and wouldn't come back into the game until the fourth quarter.

That didn't matter as Stokes continued to find ways to get her shot off and ELC stretched its lead to 49-31 to start the final period.

Forest City didn't go quietly, The Indians upped the defensive pressure and cut the



Haylee Stokes (23) lines up a 3-pointer in the Midgets' 3A State Quarterfinal win over Forest City as teammate Cara Schiltz (3) watches.

lead to 58-47 with 1:19 remaining after a basket by Emma Anderson.

However, Stokes finished off the night with three free throws. Her 44 points resets the school record for most points in a game. Her previous best was 36 points earlier this season.

The 5-6 junior guard talked about her performance.

"I think it's a really good confidence booster and helps us get ready to prepare the next two days and hopefully get another 'W'," Stokes said.

Her 44 points ties her for the fourth-most points scored in a state girls' basketball game in Iowa.

Coach Martindale also commented about Stokes' night.

"Whatever part of the game offensively you're looking at, from the three ball to the mid-range, the free throws to taking into the basket, she was just phenomenal," said Martindale. "But I've talked about Haylee and her number one asset is—what a tremendous team player. She gets way more excited about her teammates' accomplishments than hers. She's a tremendous young lady and she's always been like that."

Ruschy contributed nine points and Yager

had eight.

Colette Loges led Forest City with 12 points and Emma Anderson had 11.

ELC senior Tatum Dunlavy discussed Coach Martindale's post-game talk.

"He was just telling us that we did really well and we followed the game plan really well," Dunlavy said.

Now ELC faces the challenge of Mount Vernon.

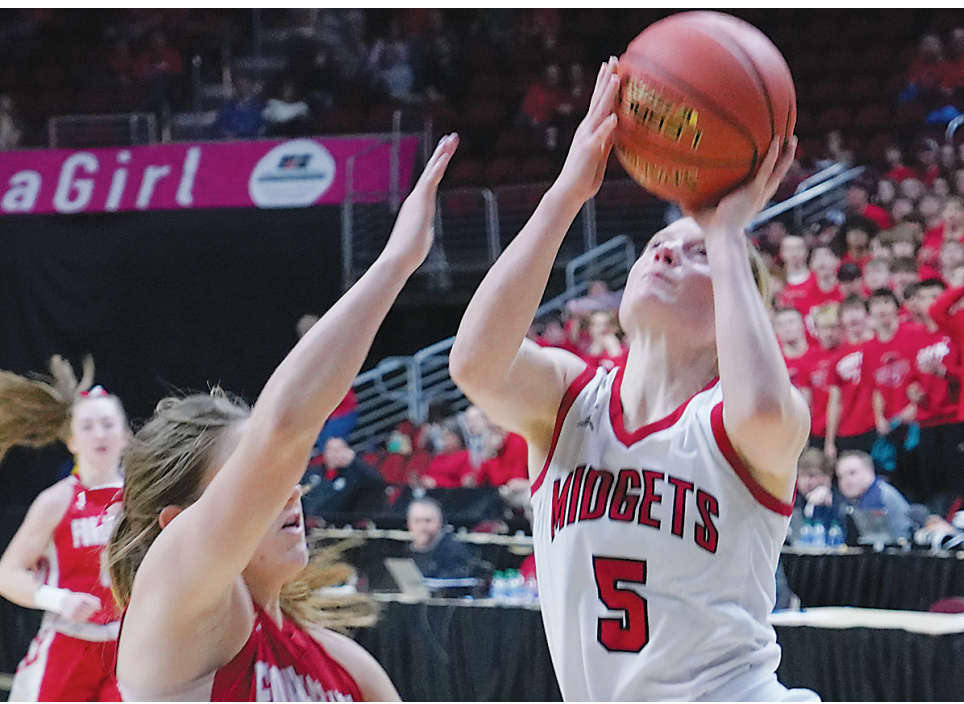
"We're just motivated to keep playing hard, playing our game, keep playing 'D' and just passing the ball around and sharing it," Dunlavy said.

ELC 61, Forest City 47

Forest City (47) - Colette Loges 4-8 2-3 12; Emma Anderson 5-10 1-2 11; Bethany Warren 2-2 0-0 4; Hayden Brown 3-13 1-3 7; Lexi Isebrand 2-3 2-2 7; Jaden Jerome 0-2 0-0 0; Zoey Holmes 0-0 0-0 0; Brenin Giesen 0-0 0-0 0; Jenna Donate 3-3 0-2 6; Dru Seglem 0-1 0-0 0. Totals - 19-42 6-12 47.

ELC (61) - Tatum Dunlavy 0-5 0-0 0; Rylee Yager 4-6 0-0 8; Jasey Anderson 0-2 0-2 0; Haylee Stokes 15-24 10-12 44; Hillary Ruschy 2-11 4-4 9; Cara Schiltz 0-1 0-0 0. Totals - 21-49 14-19 61.

Halftime Score: ELC 34, Forest City 21. 3-pointers - FC 3-14 (Loges 2-5, Isebrand 1-1, Brown 0-6, Jerome 0-2); ELC 5-20 (Stokes 4-9, Ruschy 1-8, Anderson 0-2, Dunlavy 0-1). Rebounds - FC 30 (Brown 8); ELC 25 (Yager 5, Stokes 5, Ruschy 5). Assists - FC 5 (Brown 3); ELC 6 (Stokes 3). Steals - FC 9 (Brown 3); ELC 18 (Stokes 7). Blocked Shots - FC 1 (Brown); ELC 2 (Stokes, Ruschy). Turnovers - FC 23; ELC 12. Fouls - FC 18; ELC 11. Fouled Out - None.



ELC senior Tatum Dunlavy (5) goes up for a shot during ELC's quarterfinal state tournament game.

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ELC EARNS RETURN TO TITLE GAME

Stokes leads Midgets with 15 points, six assists

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DES MOINES — For the second time in three years, the Estherville Lincoln Central Girls Basketball Team is in the Class 3A State Final.

The Midgets dispatched a taller team in the Thursday, Feb. 29 semifinal against Mount Vernon, 45-37, to advance to Friday's title game against Solon.

"I just can't say enough about our kids," said ELC coach Don Martindale. "What you see is what you get—full court, full speed, full-time for 32 minutes.

"I just thought every one of our six kids who played a major amount of minutes really bought into what we were doing," said Martindale, who gave credit to assistant coach Scott Stokes for coming up with the game plan. "I think we totally exemplify what a team is."

"It feels amazing," said ELC junior Rylee Yager about advancing to the final. "But we have been working for this moment for a long time now and to see it come true, it's amazing."

With Mount Vernon's defense paying

special attention to ELC junior guard Haylee Stokes, who scored 44 points in the 3A quarterfinal, Yager scored the first two baskets of the game for ELC.

"Give credit to my team—they find me when I'm open," Yager said. "We work the ball so well with each other."

Stokes then hit back-to-back 3-pointers to push ELC's lead to 10-2.

Mount Vernon, which made 14 3-pointers in its state quarterfinal game against Harlan, answered with a trey. However, Yager ended the first quarter with a pair of free throws as ELC led 12-5.

ELC's Hillary Ruschy found some openings in the Mustangs' defense in the second quarter. The junior forward made a couple shots from just inside the free throw line. Later, she made a 3-pointer to give ELC a 23-12 advantage.

After a basket by Stokes, ELC had the last shot of the period. On an out-of-bounds play from the sideline, Stokes passed to a wide-open senior Jasey Anderson, who knocked down a 3-pointer at the buzzer that gave the Midgets a 28-12 lead at the break.

"Oh my gosh that was amazing," said junior Cara Schiltz of that basket. "I literally spilled my water everywhere and that was kind of a boost just for us to keep going, keep pushing."



A key to ELC's win over Mount Vernon in the 3A semifinal game was Hillary Ruschy's defense against the Mustangs' Chloe Meester. Above, Ruschy works to get in front of the 6-2 Mount Vernon center.



ELC players celebrate their Class 3A State semifinal victory over Mount Vernon.

"Every one of these kids on our team gets way more excited for their teammates' accomplishments more than their own," said Martindale. "That shot by Jasey was huge."

While Mount Vernon made a 3-pointer to start the second half, Yager scored the game's next six points to push ELC's lead to 34-15. The Midgets led 40-22 heading into the final quarter.

While ELC slowed the pace in the final period, the deficit was too much for Mount Vernon to overcome.

Stokes, who led ELC with 15 points, scored all five of her team's fourth-quarter points from the free throw line. She also had six assists.

Yager had 14 points and 12 rebounds. "Rebounding is really key for us," Yager said. "I'm the tallest at 5-9, so if we rebound and defend, we can get our offense going."

Ruschy finished with 11 points and six rebounds. She also had the task of guarding Mount Vernon's 6-2 center Chloe Meester, who finished with nine points.

"I just had to stay strong and try to get in front of her," said Ruschy. "Everybody had my back and I have their back. It's just confidence in each other."

In preparing for the 3A final game, Martindale said he and his coaching staff

don't have to work hard to motivate the players.

"They are very driven," he said. "It's really a unique group. They have a great support system with their parents. They're very respectful to everybody at school and they'll do anything—they will run through the wall for the coaching staff."

"The kids who play a number of minutes are all members of the softball team," he continued. "This is my 24th year as a coach and I've never seen a more connected group."

ELC 45, Mount Vernon 37

Mount Vernon (37) - Courtney Franck 4-8 1-4 9; Taylor Franck 1-13 1-2 4; Chloe Meester 4-6 1-2 9; Sydney Huber 2-9 0-0 5; Peyton Simpson 2-8 0-0 5; Lillian Wischmeyer 0-0 0-0 0; Eryn Jackson 1-2 0-0 3; Josie Niehaus 0-1 0-0 0; Brynley Rasmussen 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 14-48 5-10 37.
ELC (45) - Tatum Dunlavy 1-2 0-0 2; Rylee Yager 6-11 2-2 14; Jasey Anderson 1-7 0-0 3; Haylee Stokes 4-11 5-6 15; Hillary Ruschy 4-12 2-2 11; Cara Schiltz 0-3 0-0 0; Morgan Clabaugh 0-0 0-0 0; Lexi Juergens 0-0 0-0 0; Zoey DeRuyter 0-0 0-0 0; Julissa Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 16-46 9-10 45
Halftime Score: ELC 28, Mount Vernon 12. 3-pointers - MV 4-18 (Jackson 1-2, Simpson 1-4, T. Franck 1-5, Huber 1-5, C. Franck 0-1, Niehaus 0-1); ELC 4-17 (Stokes 2-5, Ruschy 1-4, Anderson 1-5, Schiltz 0-2, Dunlavy 0-1). Rebounds - MV 32 (Meester 8); ELC 33 (Yager 12). Assists - MV 6 (T. Franck 2); ELC 12 (Stokes 6). Steals - MV 5 (Huber 2); ELC 8 (Yager 2, Ruschy 2, Schiltz 2). Blocked Shots - MV 1 (Huber); ELC 2 (Stokes, Ruschy). Turnovers - MV 12; ELC 11. Fouls - MV 10; ELC 12. Fouled Out - None.

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SOLON HOLDS OFF ELC IN TITLE GAME

Midgets unable to keep lead after rallying from 10-point deficit; Stokes named 3A tourney captain

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DES MOINES — Class 3A All-Tournament Captain Haylee Stokes may have summed up the title basketball game against No. 3 seeded Solon.

“Their defense was just like ours—their game plan is using defense to help them win and that’s how we are, so it was kind of like playing ourselves,” said the Estherville Lincoln Central junior following the Midgets’ 54-47 loss to the Spartans last Friday. “I think it was a great game, honestly. Both teams are really tough defensively and everyone made shots at times, but they just made a couple more shots than us.”

Trailing by as many as 10 in the third period, 36-26, ELC began its rally with a three-point play by Stokes, who jumpstarted a 9-1 run to end the period. She scored seven of those points as ELC cut the deficit to 37-35 to start the fourth quarter.

A 3-pointer by Hillary Ruschy gave ELC its first lead, 39-38, since the opening period. But after an exchange of baskets, Solon went on a 13-2 run to lead 51-42 with 1:57 remaining.

ELC wasn’t done yet as Stokes made a pair of free throws and then hit a 3-pointer to cut the lead to 52-47 with 31 second remaining.

ELC got the ball back and had more a couple chances on a 3-pointer to cut the deficit further. However, none would fall and Solon’s leader Callie Levin, a University of Iowa commit, made two free throws to



ELC players and coaches applaud as Haylee Stokes (23) is named the Class 3A All-Tournament Team Captain.



ELC senior Jasey Anderson (22) holds up the Class 3A runner-up trophy.

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cap the Spartans' victory.

"The girls gave it their all just like they did all season long. I'm just so proud of everybody—coaches players, parents and our tremendous crowd support," said ELC coach Don Martindale, whose team wraps up a 24-3 record. "It's tough one to lose but it's one that the ELC community and our program will remember for a long time."

ELC started well enough and led most of the first quarter. The Midgets held an 11-8 lead after a three-point play by Stokes. However, Solon scored the final six points of the period to go up 14-11.

In the second period, ELC saw the basketball rim out on several close shots, but the Midgets still trailed by just three, 25-22, after a 3-pointer by Stokes.

However, Solon's Levin still had time on the clock and she hit a long 3-pointer from the top of the key to give her team a 28-22 lead at the break.

"They had a good game plan and so did we—they just executed more—they made some tough shots," said ELC junior Rylee Yager, who also was named to the 3A All-Tournament Team. "We played good 'D'. There's really isn't anything I could have changed."

The Midgets were making their sixth final appearance in school history and they are now 2-4 in the title games. ELC won titles in 1982 and 2022 while finishing as the runner-up in 1999, 2011, 2013, and 2024.

Stokes, who scored 44 points in a quarterfinal victory over Forest City, broke the 3A tournament record of 86 points that Elle Ruffridge of Pocahontas set in 2015. The ELC junior scored 89 points in three games last week.

Coach Martindale reflected on what he'll remember most from this season.

"The closeness of our kids—how much they play for each other, how much they care about each other," he said. "It's definitely a privilege to coach these people. The



Seniors Tatum Dunlavy and Jasey Anderson share a hug after the Class 3A finals' loss.

community support, the parent support and just how every one of these kids again just really, really care for one another."

Joining Stokes and Yager on the Class 3A All-Tournament Team were Anna Quillin and Callie Levin of Solon, Chloe Meester of Mount Vernon and Abby Hall of Des

Moines Christian.

Solon 54, ELC 47

Solon (54) - Kobi Lietz 2-4 0-6 4; Hailey Miller 6-18 2-2 14; Mia Stahle 4-6 1-1 9; Anna Quillin 0-1 0-0 0; Callie Levin 8-16 7-9 27; Delaney Durr 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 20-47 9-17 54.

ELC (47) - Tatum Dunlavy 0-0 0-0 0; Rylee Yager 1-8 0-0 2; Jasey Anderson 3-8 0-0 6; Haylee Stokes 9-24 10-10 30; Hillary Ruschy 2-13 2-2 7; Cara Schiltz 1-2

0-0 2. Totals 16-55 12-12 47.

Halftime Score: Solon 28, ELC 22. 3-pointers - S 5-14 (Levin 4-8, Stahle 1-1, Miller 0-4, Durr 0-1); ELC 3-15 (Stokes 2-7, Ruschy 1-5, Anderson 0-3). Rebounds - S 37 (Quillin 16); ELC 31 (Stokes 9). Assists - S 8 (Levin 5); ELC 5 (Yager 2). Steals - S 4 (Levin 2); ELC 7 (Stokes 5). Blocked Shots - S 3 (Quillin 2); ELC 2 (Anderson, Stokes). Turnovers - S 10; ELC 6. Fouls - S 16; ELC 11. Fouled Out - Stahle.

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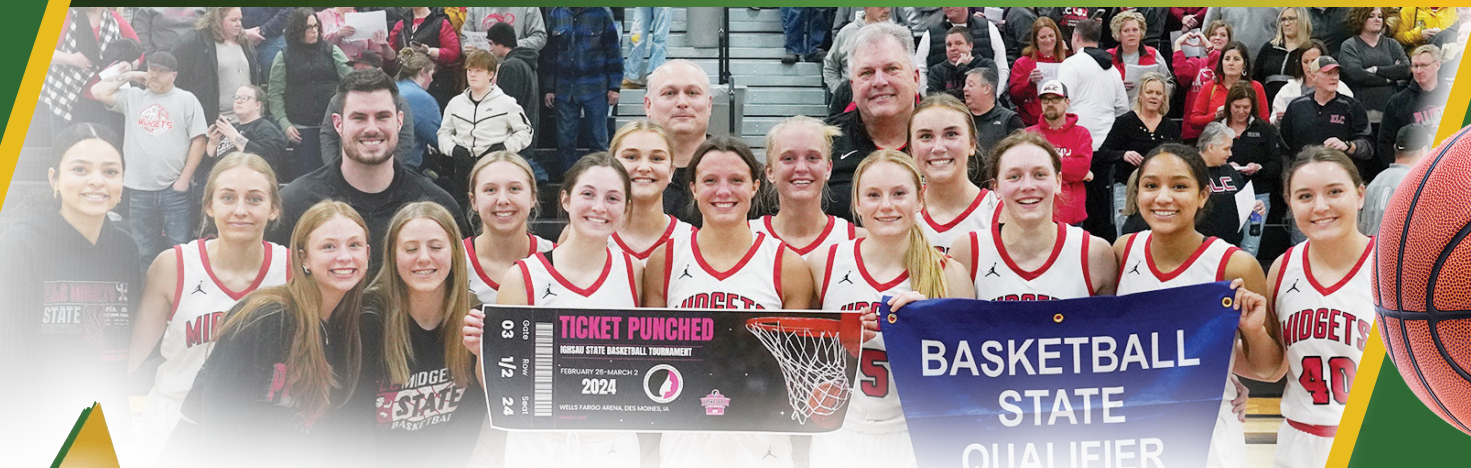


The Estherville Lincoln Central Girls Basketball Team poses with its 2024 Class 3A State Basketball runner-up trophy. Front from left are Cara Schiltz, Jasey Anderson, Haylee Stokes, Rylee Yager, Tatum Dunlavy, Hillary Ruschy; second row: Coach Mitch Krein, Lexi Juergens, Julissa Smith, Morgan Clabaugh, Zoey DeRuyter, Evi Nath, coach Scott Stokes; back row: head coach Don Martindale.

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