

The Cougars and Lady Cougars traveled to Claude from Thursday to Saturday to take part in the Claude Tournament. Over the three days both teams fought hard overcoming a variety of injuries (sprained ankles, sprained wrists, head hits, stitches, etc). We are proud of the way our teams battled hard even through difficult times.

The girls (who have not been fully healthy once this season) went 0-4 over the tournament with losses to Booker, Spearman, Memphis, and Clarendon's JV. Leading scorers for the girls over the course of the tournament were Itzel with 18, NJ with 10, Mariana with 9, Ana with 7, Lilli and Yaquilen with 2 apiece. We are proud of the girls for continuing to battle through pain and inconvenience and encourage them to keep their heads high. We look forward to getting to see them when everyone has had a chance to heal!

The boys went 2-2 over the course of the tournament. They started with a loss to Kelton 27 to 52. Ice cold shooting was too much to overcome in their first game. Impact players included Eric (12 points, 7 rebounds), Queston (8 points, 8 rebounds) and Peyton (11 rebounds). The boys bounced back in the second game of the tournament in a win against Claude 47 to 35. Impact players included Eric (35 points, 15 rebounds) and Kevin (7 points, 4 assists). We lost Eric for the rest of the tournament as he dealt with a hard hit on his head that required stitches. In the third game the boys lost to Sunray 36 to 98. We played hard and had to rely on multiple younger players as injuries and foul outs impacted our flow. We shot fairly well, but turnovers added up quickly as we were kindly pressed for the entire game. Impact players were Queston (9 points, 7 rebounds), Peyton (8 points, 5 rebounds) and Kevin (7 points, 5 assists). In the last game of the tournament the boys took a win against Accelerate Christian 48 to 44. A strong first half allowed us to survive a late comeback bid in what amounted to a good team win without our leading scorer. Impact players were Kevin (24 points, 5 assists, 10 steals), Queston (12 points, 11 rebounds), Kailen (7 points), and Peyton (16 rebounds). Overall a decent tournament for the boys who never gave up once during the tournament.

We are proud of the toughness both teams have shown. Both teams will have to continue that toughness as we have a short turnaround as each team will have two more games on Monday in Lefors. Those games will start at 9:00 AM on Monday, and we play all 4 consecutively (girls, boys, girls, boys).