Saints up to 5th, Prairie cracks girls poll

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Xavier moved up three spots to No. 5 and Prairie jumped into this week's lowa Girls High School Athletic Union Class 4A basketball poll.

Xavier (9-2) replaced Cedar Rapids Washington at No. 5. The Saints handed Davenport Assumption its first loss Tuesday, dropping the Knights from No. 2 to No. 3 in the Class 3A poll.

Washington (5-1) fell to No. 9 after an overtime loss to Waterloo West on Tuesday at Washington.

Prairie (6-3) jumped into the poll at No. 11. The Hawks have won three straight games, including a 20-point rout of then-No. 10 Linn-Mar and a 19-point win over Class 3A No. 12 Marion.

Despite three straight losses that dropped its record to 6-4, Linn-Mar fell only two spots to No. 12. The Lions were beaten by Prairie last Friday, lost to Illinois top-ranked Quincy Notre Dame on Saturday and were beaten by No. 1 lowa City West on Tuesday.

Despite the loss to Prairie, Marion (7-1) is still ranked No. 12 in Class 3A.

Several Metro girls ranked among the top statistical performers over the past week. Kennedy's Courtney Strait scored 30 points against Iowa City High on Friday, Washington's Dani Franklin had 27 points Tuesday against Waterloo West, and Xavier's Alex Bartz had a state-high 13 blocks Tuesday against Assumption.

IGHSAU GIRLS BASKETBALL POLLS

CLASS 4A W-L Pvs 1. lowa City West 9-0 1

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2. SE Polk 3. Ames 4. Ankeny 5. CR Xavier 6. Waukee 7. Mason City 8. Iowa City High 9. CR Washington 10. WDM Valley 11. CR Prairie 12. Linn-Mar 13. Lewis Central 14. Cedar Falls 15. Muscatine	9-0 9-0 8-1 9-2 5-3 9-1 8-2 5-1 8-1 6-3 6-4 6-1 7-3 7-2	2 4 8 6 7 12 5 9 NR 10 14 15
CLASS 3A 1. South Tama 2. Benton 3. Dav. Assumption 4. MOC-Floyd Valley 5. Glenwood 6. SC Heelan 7. Dubuque Wahlert 8. Sgt. Bluff-Luton 9. Bondurant-Farrar 10. Union 11. Washington 12. Marion 13. Williamsburg 14. Waverly-Shell Ro 15. New Hampton	8-0 7-0 7-2 6-1 9-0 8-1 7-1 7-1	5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
CLASS 2A 1. OA-BCIG 2. Estherville-LC 3. IKM-Manning 4. West Hancock 5. FD St. Edmond 6. Mediapolis 7. Gilbert 8. Western Christian 9. Carroll Kuemper 10. Lawton-Bronson 11. Pella Christian 12. Panorama 13. North Linn	W-L 10-0 7-1 9-0 9-0 9-0 8-0 6-3 5-3 5-1 8-1	Pvs 1 2 3 4 7 8 8 10 5 11 13 14 NR

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14. Monticello 15. Van Buren	9-1 8-1	6 12
CLASS 1A 1. North Mahaska 2. Bedford 3. Ar-We-Va 4. North Butler	W-L 9-0 10-0 6-0 7-1	Pvs 1 2 3 4
5. LeMars Gehlen6. West Sioux7. Lynnville-Sully8. Central Lyon	8-0 8-0 10-1 8-1	5 7 9 12
9. Newell-Fonda 10. Villisca 11. Exira/EHK 12. North Tama	5-3 8-1 8-1 8-2	6 10 13 8
13. Adair-Casey14. Burlington ND15. Marcus-M-C	9-1 6-2 6-2	14 11 15