

Mount Pleasant ends championship drought in 3A

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DES MOINES -- Blake Vandenberg scored five of his 16 points in the second overtime and Mount Pleasant beat Western Dubuque, 66-62, Saturday night in the Class 3A state championship at Wells fargo Arena.

Mount Pleasant (26-1) claimed its first boys state basketball title since 1918.

Jordan Ashton led the Panthers with 20 points. Nick Lyon added 11. Vandenberg had 12 rebounds and three blocked shots.

TJ Lake led Western Dubuque (24-3) with 20 points. Cameron James scored 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds. Logan Pitz scored 12 points.

Western Dubuque erased a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter. The Bobcats tied the game, 49-49, on a pair of James free throws with 1:35 left in the game.

Western Dubuque held a three-point lead in the first overtime after Lake cashed in a pair of free throws with 26 seconds left.

Dalton Conrad's 3-pointer with five seconds left tied the game, 55-55, and sent it into a second overtime.

Vandenberg's three-point play barely a minute into the second overtime erased Western Dubuque's one-point lead and put the Panthers ahead to stay.

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SIoux CITY HEELAN 69, GRINNELL 54 -- Shane Graves scored 25 points and Kyle Heaton 24 to lead Heelan to the win in the Class 3A consolation championship.

Heelan (19-7) led 35-24 at halftime. Grinnell (21-6) never got closer than seven points in the second half.

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