Blietz leads J-Hawks by Cedar Falls

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CEDAR FALLS - Maddy Blietz scored 15 points Friday as Cedar Rapids Jefferson nipped Cedar Falls, 45-42, in a Mississippi Valley Conference girls basketball game in Cedar Falls.

Kennedy Dighton finished with 10 points and seven rebounds for the J-Hawks (2-2, 1-1). Amanda Ollinger contributed 10 rebounds and seven points.

Emma Gerdes scored 18 points for Cedar Falls (1-2, 0-2).

The J-Hawks used an 8-0 run early in the fourth quarter to erase a 30-29 deficit and grab a 37-30 advantage. Blietz made two free throws to begin the spurt, Kieley Brathaite scored to make it 33-30, Blietz scored to make it 35-30 and Dighton scored to make it 37-30.

Cedar Falls pulled within 44-42 late in the game, but a free throw by Dighton finished the scoring.

Blietz made three 3-pointers.

JEFFERSON (45): Starks 0 0-0 0, Kitterman 0 0-0 0, Blietz 4 4-7 15, Cassandra 0 0-0 0, Guy 2 1-2 5, Kuba 1 3-4 6, Brathwaite 1 0-0 2, Dighton 4 1-5 10, Ollinger 2 3-4 7. Totals 14 12-22 45.

Halftime - Jefferson 18, Cedar Falls 17. 3-point goals - Jefferson 5 (Blietz 3, Kuba 1, Dighton 1), Cedar Falls 3 (Gerdes 3).