

Kennedy girls climb to No. 1 in poll

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The Cedar Rapids Kennedy girls basketball team has followed its 13-game winning streak all the way to the top of the Class 5A rankings this week.

The Cougars climbed from No. 2 to No. 1 in the latest poll released Thursday by the IGHSAU. The Johnston Dragons, who were ranked No. 1 last week, fell all the way to No. 5 with an 8-3 record.

Kennedy (13-1) has won 13 straight games since losing its season opener at Waukee. Indianola is second in the Class 5A rankings, followed by Ankeny Centennial, Waukee and Johnston.

Kennedy hosts Jefferson at 6 p.m. Friday in the first game of a girl/boy doubleheader with the J-Hawks.

The Linn-Mar Lions (8-3) dropped one spot to No. 12 in Class 5A this week.

The Marion Indians (8-4) fell one spot to No. 7 in Class 4A.

CLASS 5A

1. Kennedy (13-1), 2. Indianola (12-0), 3. Ankeny Centennial (9-2), 4. Waukee (9-2), 5. Johnston (8-3), 6. Iowa City High (10-1), 7. Dowling

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Catholic (8-3), 8. West Des Moines Valley (9-3), 9. Southeast Polk (9-2), 10. Davenport North (10-2), 11. Cedar Falls (10-1), 12. Linn-Mar (8-3), 13. Iowa City West (8-3), 14. Ames (7-4), 15. Pleasant Valley (9-3).

CLASS 4A

1. Harlan (10-1), 2. Western Dubuque (12-0), 3. Lewis Central (10-1), 4. Keokuk (9-1), 5. Mason City (6-6), 6. Ballard (11-1), 7. Marion (8-4), 8. Pella (9-2), 9. Fairfield (8-5), 10. North Scott (9-3), 11. Grinnell (10-3), 12. Waverly-Shell Rock (11-3), 13. Dallas Center-Grimes (9-3), 14. Boone (9-2), 15. DeWitt Central (9-3).