McDermott, Burger propel Saints past Dowling

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WEST DES MOINES – Adam McDermott scored 22 points and Mitchell Burger added 17 to lead Xavier to a 58-53 win over Dowling Catholic Saturday in a non-conference boys basketball game.

Both teams hit 21 field goals and seven free throws but Xavier made five more 3-point goals. McDermott connected on four 3s and Burger three.

Xavier (6-5) led the entire game.

Dowling (6-6) rallied from a 41-29 deficit after the third quarter. Jack Green's 17 points paced the Maroons. Ben Olson and Eric Austin each scored eight points.

XAVIER (58): Downey 0 0-0 0, McDermott 8 2-3 22, Burger 6 2-3 17, Ramlo 1 0-1 2, Welch 1 0-0 3, Hill 0 0-0 0, Winker 2 3-4 7, Nelson 2 0-0 4, Bisenius 1 0-0 3. Totals 21 7-11 58.

DOWLING (53): McMurray 2 0-0 4, DeVenney 2 0-0 4, Bunkers 1 0-0 2, Katich 1 1-1 3, Green 6 2-2 17, Olson 4 0-0 8, Austin 3 1-2 8, Brown 2 3-5 7. Totals 21 7-10 53.

Xavier 19 7 15 17—58 Dowling 13 7 9 24—53

3-point goals—Xavier 9 (McDermott 4, Burger 3, Welch, Bisenius), Dowling 4 (Green 3, Austin). Fouls—Xavier 11 Dowling 13.