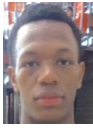


Thedford leads No. 9 Eagles by Marshalltown

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MARSHALLTOWN - Devonte Thedford enjoyed a big game Wednesday night as the ninth-ranked Kirkwood Eagles topped Marshalltown, 79-71, in a non-conference game in Marshalltown.

Thedford finished with 19 points, six rebounds as six assists as the Eagles raised their record to 4-2.

DJ Purnell continued his string of productive games for Kirkwood with 17 points and seven rebounds, hitting 7 of 11 shots from the field. Luke Appel, who prepped at Marshalltown High School, returned home with 15 points and seven rebounds. Seybian Sims had nine points and eight rebounds.

Jaquell Wilson poured in 25 points for Marshalltown (1-5).

KIRKWOOD (79): Seybian Sims 3-3 1-2 9, Devonte Thedford 4-8 11-12 19, Luke Appel 7-14 1-4 15, Gacoby Jones 2-5 0-0 4, DJ Purnell 7-11 3-4 17, Chris Burnell 0-1 0-0 0, Griffen Clark 1-3 0-0 2, Jamal Stephenson 3-7 0-0 8, Owen Coburn 0-2 0-0 0, Niko Gosnell 2-3 1-3 5. Totals 29-57 17-25 79.

MARSHALLTOWN (71): Quavon Blackwood 0-2 0-0 0, Caleb Jacobs 4-11 5-6 13, Jaylin Scott 4-10 0-0 10, Jacob Smith 4-7 0-0 10, Sunday Arou 2-4 0-1 6, Roger Guardiola 0-1 0-0 0, Myles Broadie 1-3 0-0 2, Jacquell Wilson 10-20 3-4 25, Derrick Paige 0-4 0-0 0, Eric Amandio 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 27-67 8-11 71.

Halftime - Kirkwood 36, Marshalltown 27. 3-point goals - Kirkwood 4-16 (Sims 2-2, Stephenson 2-5, Thedford 0-1, Clark 0-2, Appel 0-3, Jones 0-3), Marshalltown 9-23 (Arou 2-3, Scott 2-5, Smith 2-5, Wilson 2-5, Amandio 1-2, Jacobs 0-1, Guardiola 0-1, Paige 0-1).