

Mustangs fall short at Baker

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BALDWIN CITY, Kan. - The Mount Mercy men's basketball traveled to Kansas on Saturday in search of an important victory on the road, but a valiant effort fell short.

The Mustangs suffered a damaging loss to Baker, 85-80, in a Heart of America Conference game after leading 34-33 at halftime.

Mount Mercy dropped into 10th place in the league standings. Only the top eight teams in the conference will make the postseason tournament, and the Mustangs are now two games out of eighth place with four games left.

Dennis McKinney led Mount Mercy with 23 points. DJ Johnson contributed 16 points and six rebounds. Davion Watson played a strong game with 13 points, 10 rebounds and five assists. RoyShawn Webb scored 12 points and Bailey Basala had 11.

Brandon Clifford scored 21 points for Baker (13-13, 11-9).

Mount Mercy plays at Culver-Stockton on Wednesday.