

# NEW PALESTINE BASKETBALL

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## SCHEDULE (11-12, 5-2 HHC)

Dec. 13	GREENFIELD-C.*	W 56-40
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Dec. 20	at New Castle*	L 67-73
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Dec. 27	vs. Fishers%	L 55-74
Dec. 27	vs. Scottsburg%	W 71-59
Dec. 28	vs. Bloomington N.%	L 47-61
Dec. 28	at Bedford NL%	L 55-70
Jan. 3	at Richmond	L 55-60
Jan. 4	at Shenandoah	otL 73-74
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Jan. 11	at Southport	L 61-75
Jan. 17	PENDLETON HTS.*	W 76-61
Jan. 18	MOORESVILLE	W 63-52
Jan. 24	RONCALLI	L 58-63
Jan. 25	FRANKLIN	W 91-71
Jan. 31	at Yorktown*	W 64-33
Feb. 4	at Beech Grove	W 65-64
Feb. 6	PERRY MERIDIAN	W 63-42
Feb. 14	SHELBYVILLE*	W 89-49
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Feb. 22	WHITELAND	W 82-74
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%-BNL Tournament

## THE DRAGONS

3	Eli Stephens	6-1	Jr.	G
4	Damon Hockett	6-3	So.	G
5	Eric Roudebush	6-4	Sr.	F
11	Maximus Gizzi	6-1	Sr.	G
13	Kyle Bastian	6-3	Jr.	F
14	Blaine Nunnally	5-10	Fr.	G
15	Jaret Whitaker	6-1	So.	G
20	C.J. Oliver	5-9	Jr.	G
21	Maurice McGee	6-7	Jr.	C
22	Logan Hovis	6-0	Sr.	G
24	Steele Brasfield	6-5	So.	F
33	Dawson Eastes	6-5	Sr.	F
44	Matthew Brown	6-5	Jr.	F

**Varsity assistant:** Mike Gizzi

**JV coach:** Chris Cherry

**Freshman:** Wade Whitaker,  
Caleb VanderWal

## HHC STANDINGS

	Conf	GB	Over.
<b>New Palestine</b>	<b>5-2</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>11-12</b>
Delta	4-3	1	17-4
New Castle	4-3	1	10-11
Pendleton Hts.	4-3	1	8-15
Greenfield-Central	3-4	2	12-11
Shelbyville	3-4	2	8-14
Yorktown	2-4	2.5	10-11
Mt. Vernon	2-4	2.5	9-11

### Friday, Feb. 28

**New Palestine at Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.**

Mt. Vernon at Yorktown, 7:30 p.m.\*

Delta at Muncie Burriss, 7:30 p.m.

New Castle at Muncie Central, 7:30 p.m.

## FRIDAY'S GAME (FEB. 28)



### NEW PALESTINE DRAGONS (11-12, 5-2 HHC)

HEAD COACH: Trent Whitaker (5th season, 56-65) 2020 HHC champion



### GREENWOOD WOODMEN (16-5, 6-1 Mid-State)

HEAD COACH: Joe Bradburn (3rd season, 39-28; 21st overall, 263-198) 2020 Mid-State co-champ

Time: 7:30 p.m. Site: Greenwood High School. Broadcast: NewPalRadio.com

## SETTING THE SCENE

- The Dragons conclude the regular season with a matchup of conference champions, as the Hoosier Heritage Conference champion Dragons meet the Mid-State co-champion Woodmen. This is NP's third matchup with a conference champ. The Dragons beat Indiana Crossroads champion Beech Grove 65-64 Feb. 4. NP fell 74-73 in OT to Mid-Eastern Conference champ Shenandoah Jan. 3. NP has clinched its first Hoosier Heritage conference title since 2013. It's the Dragons' fourth HHC title and ninth overall.
- This is the final sectional tune-up for both teams. The Dragons open sectional play March 6 at the Muncie Fieldhouse against either Anderson or Mt. Vernon. Greenwood meets county rival Whiteland at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Shelbyville sectional.
- The Dragons lead the series 25-17 in games played since 1949-50. NP and Greenwood have played annually since 1984-85. NP has won six straight meetings and 14 of the last 15.
- NP is 4-0 against Mid-State Conference teams this season.

## DRAGONS NOTES

- The Dragons finished their home schedule last Saturday with a come-from-behind 82-74 victory over Whiteland. NP rallied from a 12-point first-half deficit to take the lead in the third quarter and then seize control in the fourth.
- Guard **Maximus Gizzi** scored 41 points in the victory, the third-highest total in school history. He tallied 13 in the second quarter, which included a 35-footer at the halftime buzzer, and 14 in the fourth. His fourth-quarter total included going 8-8 from the line and tallying two three-point plays. Gizzi was 21-of-23 from the free throw line in the game. He pushed his season average to 24.1 ppg and now has 1,558 career points. On Friday night, he had eight assists in the loss to Mt. Vernon, one shy of his career high.
- Forward **Dawson Eastes** tallied 23 points against Whiteland on 9-14 shooting. He had 13 rebounds for the weekend, and is tallying 8.9 rebounds per game in 2020. Eastes crossed the 800-point barrier and now has 822 career points. Eastes' three blocks Friday against MV were a career high.
- Freshman guard **Blaine Nunnally** tallied seven assists Saturday, tying his career high.
- NP had four players in double-figures for the third time this season Friday against Mt. Vernon. Gizzi tallied 19 points, Eastes 14, while **Steele Brasfield** and **Eric Roudebush** scored 10 each.
- Against Whiteland, the Dragons shot 50 percent from the floor (25-50) and 79 percent from the line (27-34). NP scored 29 fourth-quarter points and 50 in the second half.

## SCOUTING THE WOODMEN

- Greenwood is led by a familiar face in third-year coach Joe Bradburn, who coached in the Hoosier Heritage Conference for five seasons from 1999-2004 as the head coach of Yorktown. He led the Tigers to the 1998 State Finals two seasons before the school joined the HHC.
- The Woodmen return their top two scorers from last year's meeting. Spencer Aaron scored 12 points and Bryce Hoffman 11 in a game NP won 47-34 last year.
- Greenwood enters the weekend on a three-game winning streak, having swept Mooresville 47-35 and Mt. Vernon 51-34 last weekend. The Woodmen beat Indian Creek 53-43 Tuesday.

**2019-20 RESULTS**

**RECORD WHEN**

Home games	8-3
Road games	2-7
Neutral sites	1-2
vs. 4A schools	7-9
vs. 3A schools	4-2
vs. 2A schools	0-1
vs. ranked teams	1-2
vs. HHC teams	5-2
vs. non-conference	6-10
Circle City	0-1
Conference Indiana	0-2
Eastern Indiana	0-1
Hoosier Crossroads	0-3
Hoosier Hills	0-1
Indiana Crossroads	1-0
Mid-Eastern	0-1
Mid-Southern	1-0
Mid-State	4-0
North Central	0-1
Monday	0-1
Tuesday	1-0
Thursday	1-0
Friday	6-5
Saturday	3-6
December	2-6
January	5-4
February	4-2
Scoring 40-49 points	0-2
Scoring 50-59 points	1-6
Scoring 60-69 points	4-3
Scoring 70-79 points	3-1
Scoring 80+ points	3-0
Allowing 39- points	1-0
Allowing 40-49 points	3-0
Allowing 50-59 points	2-0
Allowing 60-69 points	3-5
Allowing 70-79 points	2-7
Decided by 5 pts/less	1-3
Overtime	0-1
20-point scorer	10-9
Dbl-figure rebounder	5-1
Leading at half	10-3
Tied at half	0-1
Trailing at half	1-8
Leading after 3	11-1
Tied after 3	0-2
Trailing after 3	0-9

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Dec. 28	vs. Bloomington N.%	L 47-61	Gizzi 20	Roudebush 8	Gizzi/Rdbsh 3
Dec. 28	at Bedford N. Lawr.%	L 55-70	Gizzi 29	Roud/Gizzi/Ests 4	Gizzi 4
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**CHASING MILESTONES**

**MAXIMUS GIZZI**  
**Points:** 1,558 (broke 1,000 vs. Ben Davis 3/9/19; broke 1,100 vs. Fishers 12/27; broke 1,200 vs. Richmond 1/3; broke school record of 1,285 vs. Southport 1/11; broke 1,300 vs. Pendleton Heights 1/17; broke 1,400 vs. Yorktown 1/31; broke 1,500 vs. Mt. Vernon 2/21)  
**Rebounds:** 356 (broke 300 vs. Fishers 12/27; broke 350 vs. Mt. Vernon 2/21)  
**Assists:** 366 (broke school record of 328 vs. Pendleton Heights 1/17, broke 350 vs. Shelbyville 2/14)  
**3-pointers:** 102 (broke 100 vs. Mt. Vernon 2/21)  
**Field goals:** 499 (broke 400 vs. Southport 1/11)  
**Free throws:** 458 (broke 400 vs. Roncalli 1/25)  
**Steals:** 113 (broke 100 vs. Southport 1/11, broke school record of 102 vs. Pendleton Heights 1/17)  
**DAWSON EASTES**  
**Points:** 822 (broke 600 vs. Richmond 1/3; broke 700 vs. Mooresville 1/18; broke 800 vs. Whiteland 2/22)  
**Rebounds:** 491 (broke 300 vs. G-C 12/13; broke 400 vs. Pendleton Heights 1/17)

**RECORD TRIFECTA**

Senior guard **Maximus Gizzi** has three major school records. He broke Tom Giles' 41-year-old scoring record Jan. 11 at Southport with his 1,286th career point. Gizzi also tied Ryan Curry's five-year-old steals record at 102 against Southport and broke it Jan. 17 against Pendleton Heights. Also against Pendleton Heights, he broke Mitch Migenburg's assists record with his 328th.

**SERIES HISTORY**

The Dragons and Woodmen have met 42 times since the 1949-50 season, including annually since 1984-85. New Palestine leads the series 25-17, including winning six straight and 13 of the last 14.

**vs. GREENWOOD**

**All-time:** New Palestine leads 25-17  
**At Greenwood:** New Palestine leads 9-8  
**First meeting:** 1949-50: Greenwood 48-42

**LAST 10 MEETINGS**

2/22/19: NP 47-34 (at NP)	2/27/15: NP 65-49 (at NP)
2/23/18: NP 77-69 (at G)	2/28/14: G 60-58 (at G)
2/24/17: NP 71-53 (at NP)	2/22/13: NP 53-50 (at NP)
2/26/16: NP 66-58 (at G)	2/24/12: NP 53-37 (at G)
3/6/15: NP 56-50 (sect Whtlnd)	2/26/11: NP 63-58 (at NP)

**SECTIONAL SCHEDULE**

**CLASS 4A MUNCIE CENTRAL SECTIONAL**

**Tuesday, March 3**

7 p.m.: Anderson (2-20) vs. Mt. Vernon (9-11)

**Wednesday, March 4**

6 p.m.: Pendleton Hts. (8-15) vs. Muncie Central (8-13)  
 7:30 p.m.: Greenfield-C. (12-10) vs. Richmond (15-7)

**Friday, March 5**

6 p.m.: **New Palestine (11-12) vs. Tuesday's winner**  
 7:30 p.m.: Wednesday's winners

**Saturday, March 6**

7:30 p.m.: Championship

**Winner goes to:** March 13 Southport regional. The Muncie Central sectional winner will face the champion from the Lawrence Central sectional at 10 a.m. The champions from Mooresville and Southport will face off at 11:30 a.m., with the title game slated for 8 p.m.

## GIZZI CLAIMS CROWN

Senior guard **Maximus Gizzi** is New Palestine's all-time scoring leader. Gizzi became the school's eighth 1,000-point scorer and moved into seventh place all-time in the regional game against Ben Davis March 9, 2019. He moved up to fifth place in the opening weekend of 2019-20 and then moved into second with 99 points in two days during the Bedford North Lawrence tournament. He became the school's all-time leading scorer with 25 points Jan. 11 against Southport.

### TOP SCORERS

1. 1,558, **Maximus Gizzi** (2016-)
  2. 1,285, Tom Giles (1975-79)
  3. 1,134, Kent Raymond (2000-04)
  4. 1,106, Ryan Curry (2011-15)
  5. 1,039, Dennis Ulrey (1972-76)
  6. 1,027, Michael Morris (2009-13)
  7. 1,025, T.J. Ott (1994-98)
  8. 1,000, Ray Hobbs (1986-89)
  9. 974, Matthew True (2015-19)
  10. 917, Royce McDougall (1964-67)
  11. 864, Dick Pruet (1960-63)
- ... **822, Dawson Eastes** (2016-20)

## SEEING 40

In his final home game, senior guard **Maximus Gizzi** went out with a dominant performance, scoring the third-most points in New Palestine boys basketball history. Gizzi tallied 41 points in the 82-74 victory over Whiteland. He tallied 22 in the first half, including 13 in the second quarter. He capped the second frame with back-to-back 3-pointers, including a 35-footer at the buzzer, to help rally NP back from a 10-point deficit. In the final quarter, he was 8-8 from the line and hit three field goals for 14 points to help seal the victory. Gizzi finished the night 9-15 from the floor and 21-23 from the line.

### MOST POINTS, SINGLE GAME

1. 46, Ryan Curry, 2/6/15 at Shelbyville
2. 44, T.J. Ott, 1/24/98 at Hamilton SE
3. 41, **Maximus Gizzi**, 2/22/20 vs. Whiteland
4. 40, Dennis Ulrey, 11/23/74 vs. Morton Memorial
5. 39, Dennis Ulrey 2/7/75 at Hamilton SE
5. 39, Gary Mithoefer, 1/31/69 vs. Marshall

## MR. 20

Guard **Maximus Gizzi** tallied at least 20 points in 18 consecutive contests from Dec. 20-Feb. 14. That included 99 points in the four games at the Bedford North Lawrence tournament, earning him All-Tournament Team honors. Gizzi began the run with 28 against New Castle. Coming out of the BNL Tourney, he scored 24 against Richmond and tied his career high with 31 points against Shenandoah. He also scored 31 against Decatur Central in the 2018-19 season. He had back-to-back 25-point games Jan. 10-11 against Southport. His last point against Southport made him NP's career scoring leader. He added a then-career-high 34 points against Roncalli. After the streak was stopped, he topped his career high with a 41-point game against Whiteland.

## HOT START

On Feb. 6 against Perry Meridian, the Dragons scored the game's first 10 points and never looked back en route to a 63-42 victory. NP shot 59 percent (24-41) in the victory.

## DOUBLE-DAWSON

**Dawson Eastes** has nine career double-doubles, including five this season. Most recently, he tallied 17 points and 13 rebounds Feb. 6 against Perry Meridian and 17 points and 10 boards in the following game Feb. 14 against Shelbyville. Earlier, he had a career-high 31 points and 10 boards Jan. 17 against Pendleton Heights. A week earlier, he had 25 points and a career-high 16 rebounds against Delta. His first double-double came against Franklin Central, with 12 points and 12 rebounds, giving him seven for his career.

He had four last season, starting with 29 points and 14 rebounds against Westfield. He also had 19 points and 11 rebounds against Beech Grove, 10 points and 10 boards against Mt. Vernon and 20 points and 10 rebounds against Whiteland.

The Dragons have had seven double-doubles this year. In addition to Eastes' five, **Maximus Gizzi** had 22 points and 11 rebounds against Franklin Central. **Matthew Brown** tallied 18 points and 11 boards, both career highs, against Franklin.

## RINGING IN THE 90s

The Dragons' opened the 2020s by hitting the 90s. In the Jan. 25 game against Franklin, the Dragons scored 91 points, the first time crossing the 90-point threshold since a 96-81 victory over Shelbyville Feb. 6, 2015. Five Dragons scored in double figures, led by **Maximus Gizzi's** 26. **Matthew Brown** tallied a career-high 18 points on 6-9 shooting and added 11 rebounds. **Dawson Eastes** scored 15, **Eric Roudebush** 13 and **Blaine Nunnally** a career-high 11 points. NP hit 36-64 from the floor (56.3 percent) and 9-21 from deep (42.9 percent). The Dragons scored 53 points in the second half.

The game marked the first time since the Feb. 23, 2018 that the Dragons had five players in double figures. Gizzi and Eastes, then sophomores, both tallied double-figure games that night at Greenwood. It was the second time since the 2012-13 season.

## THE NEXT LEVEL

Two seniors have committed to play college basketball. **Maximus Gizzi** will play at Marian University in Indianapolis, while **Dawson Eastes** is committed to Hanover College in Hanover. In addition, **Eric Roudebush** has yet to decide on a college, but has offers to play both football and baseball.

## ABOUT NPHS

**Nickname:** Dragons  
**Colors:** Red and white  
**Town:** New Palestine  
**County:** Hancock  
**School district:** CSC Southern Hancock County  
**Enrollment:** 1,172  
**Conference:** Hoosier Heritage  
**IHSAA member since:** 1915  
**Varsity basketball began:** 1909

### ADMINISTRATION

**Superintendent:** Dr. Lisa Lantrip  
**Principal:** Keith Fessler  
**Assoc. principal:** Amy Dawson  
**Asst. principal:** Nick Mltchaner  
**Athletic director:** Allen Cooper  
**Asst. AD:** Jeff Wright  
**Ath. secretary:** Melissa Tillage  
**SID:** Andrew Smith

### BASKETBALL INFO

**Head coach:** Trent Whitaker  
 HS: Eastern Hancock  
 College: Ball State  
**Assistant coaches**  
 Mike Gizzi  
 Chris Cherry (JV)

**Sectional championships (8):** 1957, 1980, 1989, 1997, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2019

**Conference championships (9)**

**East Central:** 1967  
**Big Blue River:** 1979, 1984, 1985, 1988  
**Hoosier Heritage:** 2000, 2003, 2013, 2020

### ATHLETIC HISTORY

**Team state titles:** 10  
 Football: 2014 (4A), 2018, 2019 (5A)  
 Baseball: 2004 (3A)  
 Softball: 2004, 2007, 2008, 2017, 2018, 2019 (3A)  
**Team state runners-up:** 4  
 Football: 1990 (3A), 2015 (5A)  
 Baseball: 2003 (3A)  
 Softball: 2003 (2A)  
**Individual state champs:** 8  
 Samuel Voelz, T&F 2017  
 Alec White, WR 2017  
 Chad Red, WR 2013-16  
 Kyle Ulrey, WR 2009  
 Lori Swegman, T&F 1976

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## HHC CHAMPS

The Dragons have clinched the outright HHC title, the program's fourth title since joining the HHC in 1993-94 and the ninth conference title in school history, joining one won in the East Central Conference and four in the Big Blue River Conference.

### HHC CHAMPIONS

2020: New Palestine

2019: Delta

2018: New Castle

2017: Pendleton Heights

2016: Mt. Vernon, New Castle

2015: Pendleton Heights

2014: Pendleton Heights, Yorktown

2013: New Palestine

2012: Pendleton Heights

2011: Pendleton Heights, Rushville

2010: Mt. Vernon

2009: Delta, Mt. Vernon

2008: Yorktown

2007: Pendleton Heights

2006: Shelbyville

2005: Pendleton Heights

2004: Greenfield-Central

2003: New Palestine, Shelbyville, Yorktown

2002: Shelbyville

2001: Delta, Rushville

2000: New Palestine, Yorktown

1999: Greenfield-Central

1998: Delta

1997: Delta

1996: Hamilton Southeastern

1995: Pendleton Heights

1994: Pendleton Heights

## DECLAWING THE BEARS

The Dragons clinched a piece of the HHC title on Valentine's Day, beating Shelbyville 89-49. The Dragons jumped out to a 26-11 lead after a quarter and never trailed. NP shot 59 percent (35-59) from the floor - including 73 percent on two-point shots (29-40). **Maximus Gizzi** led four Dragons in double figures with 20 points, five rebounds and four assists. **Dawson Eastes** had a double-double with 17 points on 6-8 shooting, as well as 10 boards and four assists. **Eric Roudebush** tallied a career-high 19 points on 8-11 shooting. **Matthew Brown** added 11 points.

## BARRAGE FROM DEEP

In the Dragons' 71-57 victory over Scottsburg on Dec. 27, the Dragons hit a season-best 8-of-12 from 3-point range. **Steele Brasfield** was 3-for-3 and **Maximus Gizzi** 3-for-6 in the contest.

The Dragons nearly equaled that Feb. 4 at Beech Grove, hitting 9-15. Brasfield was 3-for-5, Gizzi 2-for-3 and **Blaine Nunnally** 3-for-4.

## DOUBLING THE DOUBLES

**Maximus Gizzi** and **Dawson Eastes** accomplished something that hadn't been done since 2014 in the Dragons' Dec. 21 loss to Franklin Central. Gizzi tallied 22 points and 11 rebounds, while Eastes had 12 points and 12 boards. It was the first time the Dragons had two double-figure rebounders in a game since Dec. 12, 2014, when Johnathan McKay and Ryan Curry had 10 rebounds each in a win over Greenfield-Central.

## ALL IN THE FAMILY

The NPHS scoring titles are now held by the same family. **Maximus Gizzi** became NP's career scoring leader on Jan. 11, joining his mother, **Sarah (Haynes) Gizzi**, who is NP's career girls scoring recordholder with 1,172 points from 1990-94. Sarah is currently the Dragons' varsity girls basketball coach, where she led the team to sectional titles in 2018 and 2020 and an HHC title in 2019. Maximus' grandfather and Sarah's father, **Bruce Haynes**, is the former varsity boys coach at NPHS and currently an assistant girls coach. **Mike Gizzi**, Maximus' father, is an assistant coach with the Dragons. He was a standout player at La Salle University and played professionally in Italy.

## BLINGING IN THE YEAR

The Dragon basketball team has a number of players who have already been successful on the gridiron. **Matthew Brown** was an All-State defensive end on the state championship football team. **Eric Roudebush** was the Dragons' All-HHC punter. He also played wide receiver, linebacker and quarterback for the Dragons. **Blaine Nunnally** and **Dawson Eastes** also were part of the football team this season. Three JV players - **Eian Roudebush**, **Damon Hockett** and **Luke Burgess** - were also part of the Dragons' football roster.

## SHOOTING GALLERY

After falling behind 24-17 after a quarter, the Dragons dialed up a shooting gallery against Pendleton Heights Jan. 17. NP hit 29-47 from the floor (61.7%), a season-best. The Dragons were also 8-13 from 3-point range, with **Maximus Gizzi** hitting 4-4 from deep and 8-13 from the field. **Dawson Eastes** was 12-15 from the field, 6-8 from the line and tallied a career-high 31 points.

Against Perry Meridian Feb. 6, the Dragons shot 59 percent (24-41). Gizzi was 11-15 and Eastes 7-12 to lead the offense.

## RANKING WINS

The Dragons had a big victory Jan. 10 over 3A No. 5 Delta, their first win over a ranked team this season. **Dawson Eastes** tallied 25 points and 16 boards, while **Maximus Gizzi** scored 25 points and **Eric Roudebush** 15. NP shot 54 percent from the floor in the victory.

## PERFECT FROM THE LINE

The Dragons were a perfect 11-for-11 from the stripe in their Jan. 4 loss to Shenandoah. **Maximus Gizzi** was 8-for-8. The following week against Southport, Gizzi was 9-for-9 from the stripe.

## DOUBLE FIGURES

The Dragons have six players who have tallied a double-figure game this season.

**Maximus Gizzi (22 this season, 79 career):** 41-Whiteland, 19-Mt. Vernon, 13-Connersville, 20-Shelbyville, 28-Perry Meridian, 22-Beech Grove, 22-Yorktown 26-Franklin, 34-Roncalli, 23-Mooresville, 24-Pendleton Hts. 25-Southport, 25-Delta, 31-Shenandoah, 24-Richmond, 29-Bedford NL, 20-Bloomington North, 28-Scottsburg, 22-Fishers, 22-Franklin Central, 28-New Castle 19-Greenfield-Central. 2018-19: 24. 2017-18: 16; 2016-17: 18

**Dawson Eastes (19 this season, 38 career):** 23-Whiteland, 14-Mt. Vernon, 17-Shelbyville, 17-Perry Meridian, 10-Yorktown, 15-Franklin, 12-Roncalli, 13-Mooresville, 31-Pendleton Hts., 10-Southport, 25-Delta, 14-Shenandoah, 12-Richmond, 11-Bedford NL, 17-Scottsburg, 13-Fishers, 12-Franklin Central, 12-New Castle, 12-Westfield. 2018-19: 14; 2017-18: 5

**Eric Roudebush (9 this season, 9 career):** 10-Mt. Vernon, 13-Connersville, 19-Shelbyville, 13-Franklin, 10-Pendleton Hts., 15-Delta, 10-Franklin Central, 15-New Castle, 16-Westfield

**Steele Brasfield (4 this season, 4 career):** 10-Mt. Vernon, 13-Mooresville, 12-Scottsburg, 14-Westfield

**Blaine Nunnally (2 this season, 2 career):** 13-Beech Grove, 11-Franklin

**Matthew Brown (2 this season, 2 career):** 11-Shelbyville, 18-Franklin

**2019-20 BOXES**

**DRAGONS 82, WHITELAND 74**

**Saturday, Feb. 22 at New Palestine HS**

**WHITELAND (5-15):** L. Willoughby 6 10-10 25, Sullivan 9 0-2 21, A. Willoughby 4 4-4 13, Ferguson 2 0-0 4, Wilburn 1 2-3 4, Gillespie 1 0-0 3, Higdon 0 2-2 2, Jones 0 2-2 2. Totals 23 20-23 74.

**NEW PALESTINE (11-12):** Gizzi 9-15 21-23 41, Eastes 9-14 3-5 23, Roudebush 2-8 2-4 6, Brasfield 2-3 0-0 5, Nunnally 1-6 1-2 3, Brown 1-2 0-0 2, McGee 1-1 0-0 2, Hovis 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-50 27-34 82.

**Whiteland 18 17 16 23 -- 74**  
**New Palestine 17 15 21 29 -- 82**

**3-point goals:** W 8 (L. Willoughby 3, Sullivan 3, Gillespie, A. Willoughby), NP 5-15 (Gizzi 2-4, Eastes 2-3, Brasfield 1-1, Roudebush 0-4, Nunnally 0-3)

**MT. VERNON 79, DRAGONS 65**

**Friday, Feb. 21 at Mt. Vernon HS**

**NEW PALESTINE (10-12, 5-2):** Gizzi 6-16 6-7 19, Eastes 4-8 5-9 14, Roudebush 4-10 0-0 14, Brasfield 4-8 0-0 10, Brown 3-3 1-2 7, Nunnally 2-4 1-2 5. Totals 23-49 13-20 65.

**MT. VERNON (9-10, 2-4):** Ar. Jarrard 5 11-12 22, Ah. Jarrard 6 4-5 17, Morris 5 1-1 12, Wedlow 5 1-2 11, Galli 0 6-6 6, Frank 2 0-0 6, Wells 1 1-2 3, Williams 1 0-0 2, Barr 0 0-0 0, Herman 0 0-0 0, Walker 0 0-0 0, Hays 0 0-0 0. Totals 25 24-28 79.

**New Palestine 14 10 18 23 -- 65**  
**Mt. Vernon 20 14 15 30 -- 79**

**3-point goals:** NP 6-20 (Roudebush 2-6, Brasfield 2-5, Gizzi 1-6, Eastes 1-3), MV 5 (Frank 2, Ar. Jarrard, Ah. Jarrard, Morris)

**CONNERSVILLE 68, NEW PALESTINE 42**

**Monday, Feb. 17 at New Palestine HS**

**CONNERSVILLE (11-9):** Brown 9 0-1 18, Martin 5 4-4 14, Graham 4 0-1 12, Wickes 4 0-0 11, Billups 2 1-1 5, Garrison 2 0-0 4, Moore 1 0-0 2, Bodwell 0 0-0 0. Totals 28-46 5-7 68

**NEW PALESTINE (10-11):** Roudebush 4-8 3-4 13, Gizzi 2-10 8-8 13, Eastes 1-5 2-4 5, Nunnally 2-7 1-2 5, Brasfield 1-3 1-3 4, Hockett 1-1 0-0 2, Brown 0-2 0-1 0, Bastian 0-1 0-0 0, McGee 0-0 0-0 0, Stephens 0-0 0-0 0, Hovis 0-0 0-0 0, Oliver 0-0 0-0 0, Whitaker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 11-37 0-0 42.

**Connerville 15 17 20 16 -- 68**  
**New Palestine 10 10 5 17 -- 42**

**3-point goals:** C 7-11 (Graham 4, Wickes 3), NP 5-17 (Roudebush 2-4, Eastes 1-3, Brasfield 1-3, Gizzi 1-5, Bastian 0-1, Nunnally 0-1).

**DRAGONS 89, SHELBYVILLE 49**

**Friday, Feb. 14 at New Palestine HS**

**SHELBYVILLE (8-11, 3-3):** Asher 6 5-7 17, Yeend 5 1-1 12, Sherwood 5 0-0 11, Bunton 2 0-0 5, Steineker 1 1-1 3, Sandman 0 1-2 1, Baker 0 0-0 0, Pettis 0 0-0 0, Pitman 0 0-0 0, Hounshell 0 0-0 0. Totals 19 8-11 49.

**NEW PALESTINE (10-10, 5-1):** Gizzi 9-17 2-3 20, Roudebush 8-11 1-2 19, Eastes 6-8 3-4 17, Brown 4-6 3-4 11, Nunnally 3-5 0-0 7, Brasfield 1-4 2-2 5, Hovis 1-2 2-3 4, Hockett 2-2 0-0 4, Oliver 1-1 0-0 2, McGee 0-1 0-0 0, Whitaker 0-1 0-0 0, Stephens 0-1 0-0 0, Bastian 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-59 0-0 89.

**Shelbyville 11 13 15 10 -- 49**  
**New Palestine 26 18 14 31 -- 89**

**3-point goals:** S 3 (Sherwood, Yeend, Bunton), NP 6-19 (Eastes 2-3, Roudebush 2-5, Nunnally 1-1, Brasfield 1-3, Gizzi 0-5, Stephens 0-1, McGee 0-1)

**DRAGONS 63, PERRY MERIDIAN 42**

**Thursday, Feb. 6 at New Palestine**

**PERRY MERIDIAN (6-11):** Taylor 7 7-10 24, Corsaro 2 0-0 6, Pendleton 3 0-0 6, R. McDonald 1 2-2 4, Joyce 1 0-0 2, C. McDonald 0 0-0 0, Douglas 0 0-0 0. Totals 14-43 0-0 42.

**NEW PALESTINE (9-10):** Gizzi 11-15 4-4 28, Eastes 7-12 2-3 17, Nunnally 2-4 2-2 6, Roudebush 1-2 1-2 4, Brown 1-2 1-2 3, Brasfield 1-5 0-0 3, Hovis 1-1 0-0 2, McGee 0-0 0-0 0, Oliver 0-0 0-0 0, Stephens 0-0 0-0 0, Hockett 0-0 0-0 0, Bastian 0-0 0-0 0, Whitaker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-41 10-13 63.

**Perry Meridian 6 11 8 17 -- 42**  
**New Palestine 18 10 13 22 -- 63**

**3-point goals:** PM 5-14 (Taylor 3, Corsaro 2), NP 5-12 (Gizzi 2-4, Eastes 1-3, Roudebush 1-2, Brasfield 1-2, Nunnally 0-1).

**DRAGONS 65, BEECH GROVE 64**

**Tuesday, Feb. 4 at Beech Grove HS**

**NEW PALESTINE (8-10):** Gizzi 6-13 8-12 22, Nunnally 5-7 0-2 13, Roudebush 2-4 4-4 9, Eastes 3-9 2-2 8, Brown 2-2 0-0 4, McGee 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-41 14-20 65.

**BEECH GROVE (9-5):** Mitchell 7 1-1 17, Allison 5 1-2 12, Curry 4 2-3 11, Fryar 4 1-3 9, Pich 2 4-4 8, Taylor 2 0-0 5, Copenhaver 1 0-0 2, Stennett 0 0-0 0. Totals 25-69 9-13 64.

**New Palestine 19 25 12 9 -- 65**  
**Beech Grove 15 18 22 9 -- 64**

**3-point goals:** NP 9-15 (Brasfield 3-5, Nunnally 3-4, Gizzi 2-3, Roudebush 1-1, Eastes 0-2), BG 5-26 (Mitchell 2, Allison, Curry, Taylor).

**DRAGONS 64, YORKTOWN 33**

**Friday, Jan. 31 at Yorktown HS**

**NEW PALESTINE (7-10, 4-1):** Gizzi 8-14 3-3 22, Eastes 5-8 0-1 10, Roudebush 3-13 2-3 9, Brasfield 3-4 1-1 8, McGee 1-2 3-4 5, Brown 1-3 1-2 3, Nunnally 1-2 0-0 3, Hockett 1-2 0-0 3, Whitaker 0-0 1-2 1, Hovis 0-0 0-0 0, Stephens 0-0 0-0 0, Bastian 0-0 0-0 0, Oliver 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-49 11-16 64.

**YORKTOWN (8-9, 1-4):** L. Dunn 4 4-5 12, Evans 3 1-1 7, Byrum 3 0-0 6, Moore 2 1-2 5, Jeffers 1 0-0 3, A. Dunn 0 0-0 0, Anderson 0 0-0 0. Totals 13-37 6-8 33.

**New Palestine 16 11 20 17 -- 64**  
**Yorktown 8 6 9 10 -- 33**

**3-point goals:** NP 7-13 (Gizzi 3-4, Hockett 1-1, Nunnally 1-2, Brasfield 1-2, Roudebush 1-3, Bastian 0-1), Y 1-8 (Jeffers 1)

**DRAGONS 91, FRANKLIN 71**

**Saturday, Jan. 25 at New Palestine HS**

**FRANKLIN (5-7):** Byerly 10 6-11 26, Dickey 5 0-0 13, McLaughlin 3 0-0 8, Shepard 4 0-1 8, McClure 3 0-0 6, Welch 2 0-0 5, Crow 1 1-2 3, Lancer 1 0-0 2. Totals 29-57 7-14 71.

**NEW PALESTINE (6-10):** Gizzi 10-19 3-3 26, Brown 6-9 6-7 18, Eastes 7-14 1-2 15, Roudebush 6-12 0-1 13, Nunnally 4-5 0-0 11, Brasfield 2-2 0-0 6, Hockett 1-1 0-1 2, Stephens 0-1 0-0 0, Hovis 0-1 0-0 0, McGee 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-64 0-0 91.

**Franklin 13 16 17 25 -- 71**  
**New Palestine 17 21 26 27 -- 91**

**3-point goals:** F 6-17 (Dickey 3, McLaughlin 2, Welch), NP 9-21 (Gizzi 3-9, Nunnally 3-4, Brasfield 2-2, Roudebush 1-4, Eastes 0-2)

**RONCALLI 63, DRAGONS 58**

**Friday, Jan. 24 at New Palestine HS**

**RONCALLI (6-6):** Donahue 4 7-8 18, Asher 8 2-2 18, Fellmeth 2 0-0 5, Oller 1 2-2 5, Babb 2 1-2 5, Hegwood 1 2-3 4, Looney 1 0-0 3, Spearing 1 0-0 3, Lyngh 0 2-2 2. Totals 20-41 16-20 63.

**NEW PALESTINE (5-10):** Gizzi 12-19 8-8 34, Eastes 5-14 2-4 12, Roudebush 2-5 0-0 5, Nunnally 1-4 2-2 4, Brasfield 1-3 0-0 3, Brown 0-0 0-1 0. Totals 21-45 12-15 58.

**Roncalli 7 15 13 28 -- 63**  
**New Palestine 10 17 8 23 -- 58**

**3-point goals:** R 7-13 (Donahue 3, Looney, Spearing, Fellmeth, Oller), NP 4-14 (Gizzi 2-4, Brasfield 1-3, Roudebush 1-2, Eastes 0-3, Nunnally 0-2).

**DRAGONS 63, MOORESVILLE 52**

**Saturday, Jan. 18 at New Palestine HS**

**MOORESVILLE (8-6):** Fowler 7 2-3 17, McGowen 3 4-5 11, Stevenson 3 0-0 8, Wright 3 0-0 7, Prather 2 0-0 4, Murphy 1 1-1 3, Woodson 1 0-0 2, Evans 0 0-0 0, Pennington 0 0-0 0. Totals 20 7-9 52.

**NEW PALESTINE (5-9):** Gizzi 8-13 6-8 23, Eastes 5-9 3-7 13, Brasfield 5-7 0-0 13, Nunnally 2-4 3-4 8, Roudebush 2-8 1-2 6, McGee 0-1 0-0 0, Bastian 0-0 0-0 0, Hovis 0-0 0-0 0, Stephens 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-42 13-21 63.

**Mooreville 8 9 12 23 -- 52**  
**New Palestine 6 15 18 24 -- 63**

**3-point goals:** M 5 (Stevenson 2, Fowler, McGowen, Wright), NP 6-16 (Brasfield 3-5, Nunnally 1-2, Roudebush 1-3, Gizzi 1-4, Eastes 0-2)

**DRAGONS 76, PENDLETON HTS. 61**

**Friday, Jan. 17 at New Palestine HS**

**PENDLETON HTS. (6-7, 2-1):** Dunham 8 0-0 19, Black 4 5-6 16, T. Ross 5 1-2 15, E. Ross 2 3-4 7, Candiano 1 2-2 4, Earley 0 0-0 0, Greer 0 0-0 0. Totals 20-44 11-14 61.

**NEW PALESTINE (4-9, 3-1):** Eastes 12-15 6-8 31, Gizzi 8-13 4-4 24, Roudebush 4-8 0-0 10, Brasfield 3-6 0-0 7, Nunnally 1-3 0-0 2, McGee 1-1 0-0 2, Brown 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29-47 10-12 76.

**Pendleton Hts. 24 7 16 14 -- 61**  
**New Palestine 17 18 20 21 -- 75**

**3-point goals:** PH 10-26 (T. Ross 4, Black 3, Dunham 3), NP 8-13 (Gizzi 4-4, Roudebush 2-3, Eastes 1-1, Brasfield 1-4, Nunnally 0-1)

**SOUTHPORT 75, DRAGONS 61**

**Saturday, Jan. 11 at Southport Fieldhouse**

**NEW PALESTINE (3-9):** Gizzi 7-17 9-9 25, Eastes 5-14 0-2 10, Roudebush 3-10 3-3 9, Nunnally 1-4 4-5 6, Brasfield 2-5 0-0 6, Brown 1-4 3-4 5, Bastian 0-2 0-0 0, Stephens 0-0 0-0 0, Hovis 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-56 19-23 61.

**SOUTHPORT (5-6):** Jefferson 7 10-12 27, Dancler 7 0-0 21, Lezon 3 0-0 10, Miller 2 4-8 8, Ball 1 3-4 5, Williams 0 4-4 4, Thomas 0 0-0 0, Snyder 0 0-0 0, McDonald 0 0-0 0. Totals 20 23-30 75.

**New Palestine 17 11 12 21 -- 61**  
**Southport 11 17 22 25 -- 75**

**3-point goals:** NP 4-17 (Gizzi 2-6, Brasfield 2-5, Nunnally 0-3, Roudebush 0-2, Bastian 0-1), S 12 (Dancler 7, Jefferson 3, Lezon 2).

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## 2019-20 BOXES (cont.)

### DRAGONS 73, DELTA 65

Friday, Jan. 10 at New Palestine HS

**DELTA (7-2, 1-1):** Bedwell 13 9-12 36, Greenberg 4 0-1 11, Cox 3 0-0 9, Hunt 3 3-4 9, Garner 0 0-0 0, St. John 0 0-0 0, Marshall 0 0-0 0. Totals 23-47 12-17 65.

**NEW PALESTINE (3-8, 2-1):** Gizzi 5-12 13-15 25, Eastes 8-10 8-13 25, Roudebush 6-10 2-3 15, Nunnally 0-2 2-2 2, Brown 1-3 0-2 2, Hovis 1-1 0-0 2, Brasfield 0-1 2-2 2, McGee 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-39 27-37 73.

**Delta 15 16 9 25 -- 65**

**New Palestine 13 21 18 21 -- 73**

**3-point goals:** D 7-20 (Greenberg 3, Cox 3, Bedwell), NP 4-12 (Gizzi 2-6, Eastes 1-1, Roudebush 1-3, Nunnally 0-1, Brasfield 0-1)

### SHENANDOAH 74, DRAGONS 73, OT

Saturday, Jan. 4 at Shenandoah HS

**NEW PALESTINE (2-8):** Gizzi 11-20 8-8 31, Eastes 7-12 0-0 14, Brown 3-5 2-2 8, Nunnally 3-5 1-1 8, Roudebush 3-9 0-0 6, Brasfield 2-3 0-0 6, McGee 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29-55 11-11 73.

**SHENANDOAH (7-1)** Kinsey 7 7-11 11, Bennett 6 3-4 16, McCullough 4 3-3 15, Graddy 5 0-0 10, Jac. Campbell 2 3-4 8, Jas. Campbell 1 0-0 3. Totals 25-51 16-22 74.

**New Palestine 17 18 17 13 8 -- 73**

**Shenandoah 19 14 19 13 9 -- 74**

**3-point goals:** NP 4-12 (Brasfield 2-3, Nunnally 1-3, Gizzi 1-3, Roudebush 0-2, Eastes 0-1), S 8-21 (McCullough 4, Kinsey, Jac. Campbell, Jas. Campbell, Bennett)

### RICHMOND 60, DRAGONS 55

Friday, Jan. 3 at Tiernan Center, Richmond

**NEW PALESTINE (2-7):** Gizzi 9-17 5-6 24, Eastes 5-14 1-2 12, Roudebush 3-10 0-0 7, Nunnally 2-2 0-0 6, Brown 2-2 0-1 4, Brasfield 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 22-49 6-9 55.

**RICHMOND (4-6):** Kroft 8 2-2 21, Jett 5 3-4 14, Craig 5 1-5 11, Newton 1 5-6 8, Stolle 3 0-0 6, Harris 0 0-0 0. Totals 22-47 11-17 60.

**New Palestine 14 9 13 19 -- 55**

**Richmond 12 13 17 18 -- 60**

**3-point goals:** NP 5-19 (Nunnally 2-2, Gizzi 1-6, Roudebush 1-5, Eastes 1-3, Brasfield 0-3), R 5-13 (Kroft 3, Jett 1, Newton 1).

### BEDFORD NL 70, DRAGONS 55

Saturday, Dec. 28 at BNL Fieldhouse

**NEW PALESTINE (2-6):** Gizzi 10-18 2-4 29, Eastes 3-11 5-5 11, Roudebush 2-6 2-4 7, Brasfield 2-6 0-0 6, Bastian 1-1 0-0 2, Stephens 0-1 0-0 0, Nunnally 0-4 0-0 0, Brown 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 18-49 0-0 55.

**BEDFORD NL (6-5):** Bailey 9 7-7 25, Mollet 6 0-0 15, Staley 4 0-0 11, Sasser 2 3-5 7, Cosner 2 2-2 6, Miracle 2 0-0 4, Leach 1 0-1 2, Staggs 0 0-0 0. Totals 26-47 12-14 70.

**New Palestine 9 18 16 12 -- 55**

**Bedford NL 20 16 15 19 -- 70**

**3-point goals:** NP 9-27 (Gizzi 6-12, Brasfield 2-6, Roudebush 1-4, Nunnally 0-3, Eastes 0-2), BNL 6-16 (Staley 3, Mollet 3)

### BLOOMINGTON N. 61, DRAGONS 47

Saturday, Dec. 28 at BNL Fieldhouse

**BLOOMINGTON NORTH (8-1):** Vencel 6 3-5 15, Kaliber 5 0-2 11, Blair 4 3-4 11, Steinfeldt 4 0-0 8, Roberts 2 1-3 6, Brewster 2 0-2 6, Laughman 2 0-0 4, Fitch 0 0-0 0. Totals 25-53 7-16 61.

**NEW PALESTINE (2-5):** Gizzi 6-10 7-9 20, Eastes 2-11 3-6 7, Brown 3-6 0-0 6, Roudebush 2-7 1-2 6, Nunnally 2-7 0-0 5, Brasfield 1-7 0-0 3, Hovis 0-0 0-0 0, McGee 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-48 11-17 47.

**Bloomington N. 11 16 13 21 -- 61**

**New Palestine 13 9 11 14 -- 47**

**3-point goals:** BN 4-14 (Brewster 2, Klaiber, Roberts), NP 4-15 (Nunnally 1-4, Brasfield 1-4, Gizzi 1-3, Roudebush 1-2, Eastes 0-2)

### DRAGONS 71, SCOTTSBURG 57

Friday, Dec. 27 at Bedford N. Lawrence HS

**SCOTTSBURG (5-4):** individual stats N/A

**NEW PALESTINE (2-3):** Gizzi 10-20 5-7 28, Eastes 8-13 1-3 17, Brasfield 4-4 1-1 12, Roudebush 4-11 0-0 9, Nunnally 1-1 0-0 3, Brown 0-3 2-2 2, McGee 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-52 0-0 71.

**Scottsburg 18 12 17 12 -- 57**

**New Palestine 16 18 14 23 -- 71**

**3-point goals:** NP 8-12 (Brasfield 3-3, Gizzi 3-6, Nunnally 1-1, Roudebush 1-2)

### FISHERS 74, DRAGONS 55

Friday, Dec. 27 at Bedford N. Lawrence HS

**NEW PALESTINE (1-3):** Gizzi 9-14 2-4 22, Eastes 6-15 1-2 13, Roudebush 3-7 0-2 6, Brasfield 2-5 0-0 6, Hovis 2-2 0-0 4, Brown 1-4 0-0 2, Stephens 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 23-50 0-0 55.

**FISHERS (8-0):** Simmons 6 2-3 15, Long 5 2-3 14, Williams 5 2-3 13, Smith 5 0-0 10, Farah 2 2-4 8, Prewitt 2 0-0 5, Brown 1 2-3 4, Castellani 2 0-1 4, Forbes 0 1-2 1, Turner 0 0-0 0. Totals 28-42 11-19 74.

**New Palestine 6 13 9 27 -- 55**

**Fishers 13 19 14 28 -- 74**

**3-point goals:** NP 4-14 (Gizzi 2-4, Brasfield 2-4, Roudebush 0-2, Eastes 0-2, Brown 0-1, Stephens 0-1), F 7-10 (Long 2, Farah 2, Williams, Simmons, Prewitt)

### FRANKLIN CENTRAL 63, DRAGONS 54

Saturday, Dec. 21 at Franklin Central HS

**NEW PALESTINE (1-3):** Gizzi 9-18 0-0 22, Eastes 5-17 0-0 12, Roudebush 4-10 0-0 10, Brown 3-5 0-0 6, Nunnally 2-3 0-0 4, Brasfield 0-4 0-0 0.

**FRANKLIN CENTRAL (4-1):** Small 7 2-6 17, Gonzales 3 3-3 11, Whitney 2 6-6 10, Marshall 4 2-4 10, Hooks 2 4-6 8, Ogayonna 3 0-0 7, Davis 0 0-0 0. Totals 21 17-25 63.

**New Palestine 10 10 17 17 -- 54**

**Franklin Central 17 13 9 24 -- 63**

**3-point goals:** NP 4-15 (Roudebush 2-4, Gizzi 1-3, Eastes 1-4, Brasfield 0-4), FC 4 (Gonzales 2, Small, Ogayonna).

### NEW CASTLE 73, DRAGONS 67

Friday, Dec. 20 at New Castle Fieldhouse

**NEW PALESTINE (1-2, 1-1):** Gizzi 10-19 7-10 28, Roudebush 5-11 3-3 15, Eastes 4-8 2-4 12, Brasfield 2-10 3-4 8, Brown 1-3 2-5 4, Nunnally 0-1 0-0 0, Bastian 0-1 0-0 0, Stephens 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-54 17-26 67.

**NEW CASTLE (4-3, 1-1):** Miller 5 3-4 17, Grieser 6 4-8 16, McDaniel 6 0-0 14, Matney 5 2-7 12, Blessinger 2 3-4 9, Fielden 2 0-0 5. Totals 26-44 12-23 73.

**New Palestine 16 6 18 27 -- 67**

**New Castle 19 18 18 18 -- 73**

**3-point goals:** NP 6-24 (Eastes 2-5, Roudebush 2-5, Gizzi 1-5, Brasfield 1-7, Bastian 0-1, Nunnally 0-1), NC 9-18 (Miller 4, McDaniel 2, Blessinger 2, Fielden 1).

### WESTFIELD 75, DRAGONS 52

Saturday, Dec. 14 at New Palestine HS

**WESTFIELD (4-0):** Smith 7 8-8 23, Depasquale 8 5-6 21, Haffner 5 2-2 15, Welch 3 2-4 9, Penley 2 0-0 4, Simons 0 2-2 2, Byrer 0 1-2 1. Totals 25-47 20-24 75.

**NEW PALESTINE (1-1):** Roudebush 4-9 6-8 16, Brasfield 3-5 6-7 14, Eastes 3-11 4-5 12, Gizzi 4-14 0-1 9, Brown 0-1 1-4 1, Nunnally 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 14-43 0-0 52.

**Westfield 16 15 11 33 -- 75**

**New Palestine 7 17 8 20 -- 52**

**3-point goals:** W 5-13 (Haffner 3, Smith, Welch), NP 7-20 (Brasfield 2-4, Eastes 2-4, Roudebush 2-6, Gizzi 1-5, Nunnally 0-1)

### DRAGONS 56, GREENFIELD-CENTRAL 40

Friday, Dec. 13 at New Palestine High School

**GREENFIELD-C. (0-3, 0-1):** Cochran 7 0-2 16, Robertson 2 2-2 7, Moles 2 1-1 6, C. Mundell 2 0-0 5, B. Mundell 1 1-4 3, Antic 1 1-2 3, VanDuyn 0 0-0 0, Wheeler 0 0-0 0. Totals 15-39 5-11 40.

**NEW PALESTINE (1-0, 1-0):** Gizzi 5-11 7-9 19, Roudebush 2-7 3-4 8, Brasfield 3-8 0-0 8, Eastes 4-9 0-0 8, Brown 4-6 0-0 8, Nunnally 1-2 2-2 5, Stephens 0-1 0-0 0, Whitaker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-44 0-0 56.

**Greenfield-C. 7 3 15 15 -- 40**

**New Palestine 15 16 11 14 -- 56**

**3-point goals:** G-C 5-16 (Cochran 2, Robertson, Moles, C. Mundell), NP 6-15 (Gizzi 2-4, Brasfield 2-4, Roudebush 1-2, Nunnally 1-2, Eastes 0-2, Stephens 0-1)



**SEASON HIGHS**

**TEAM**

Points in a game: 91, 1/25 vs. Franklin  
 Points in a quarter: 31, 2/14 vs. Shelbyville (4th quarter)  
 Points in a half: 53, 1/25 vs. Franklin (2nd half)  
 Fewest points allowed: 33, 1/31 at Yorktown  
 Fewest points allowed in a quarter: 3, 12/13 vs. Greenfield-Central  
 Fewest points allowed in a half: 10, 12/13 vs. Greenfield-Central  
 Biggest win margin: 40, 2/14 vs. Shelbyville  
 Most rebounds: 37, 12/21 at Franklin Central  
 Most assists: 22, 1/25 vs. Franklin  
 Most steals: 10, 1/31 at Yorktown  
 Fewest turnovers: 2, 2/22 vs. Whiteland  
 Most FG: 36, 1/25 vs. Franklin  
 Most FT: 27, 1/10 vs. Delta; 2/22 vs. Whiteland  
 Most 3-pointers: 9, 12/28 at Bedford NL; 1/25 vs. Franklin  
 Best FG %: .617 (29-47) 1/17 vs. Pendleton Hts.  
 Best FT %: 1.000 (11-11) 1/4 at Shenandoah  
 Best 3pt %: .667 (8-12) 12/27 vs. Scottsburg.

**INDIVIDUAL**

Points in a game: 41, Maximus Gizzi 2/20 vs. Whiteland  
 Rebounds in a game: 16, Dawson Eastes 1/10 vs. Delta  
 Assists in a game: 9, Maximus Gizzi 12/13 vs. Greenfield-C.  
 Steals in a game: 4, Maximus Gizzi 12/27 vs. Scottsburg; Eric Roudebush 12/28 vs. Bloomington North  
 Blocks in a game: 3, Dawson Eastes 2/21 at Mt. Vernon  
 Most 3-pointers: 6, Maximus Gizzi 12/28 at Bedford NL  
 Most FG: 12, Dawson Eastes 1/17 vs. Pendleton Heights; Maximus Gizzi 1/24 vs. Roncalli  
 Most FT: 21, Maximus Gizzi 2/22 vs. Whiteland  
 Best 3-point %: 1.000 (4-4) Maximus Gizzi 1/17 vs. Pendleton Hts.  
 Best FG%: .800 (8-10) Dawson Eastes 1/10 vs. Delta; (12-15) Dawson Eastes 1/17 vs. Pendleton Heights  
 Best FT: 1.000 (9-9) Maximus Gizzi 1/11 at Southport; (8-8) 1/4 at Shenandoah; (8-8) 1/24 vs. Roncalli

**THE LAST TIME**

**NP scored 80-90 points:** 2/22/20 vs. Whiteland (W 82-74)  
**NP scored 90+ points:** 1/25/20 vs. Franklin (W 91-71)  
**NP scored 100+ points:** 12/15/89: vs. Waldron (W 105-89)  
**NP allowed 35- points:** 1/31/20 at Yorktown (W 64-33)  
**NP allowed 30- points:** 1/30/16 at Yorktown (W 49-23)  
**NP allowed 20- points:** 12/9/11: vs. Greenfield-Central (W 63-19)  
**NP won by 30-39 points:** 1/31/20 at Yorktown (W 64-33)  
**NP won by 40+ points:** 2/14/20 vs. Shelbyville (W 89-49)  
**NP scored 30 points in a quarter:** 2/22/20 vs. Whiteland (31 points in 4th quarter)  
**NP played in OT:** 1/4/20 at Shenandoah (L 73-74)  
**NP won in OT:** 1/14/19 at Mooresville (W 61-54)  
**A Dragon scored 25-30 points:** Maximus Gizzi 1/25/20 vs. Franklin (26)  
**A Dragon scored 30-39 points:** Maximus Gizzi (34) 1/24/20 vs. Roncalli  
**A Dragon scored 40-45 points:** Maximus Gizzi (41) 2/22/20 vs. Whiteland  
**A Dragon scored 45+ points:** Ryan Curry 2/6/15 at Shelbyville (46)  
**A Dragon scored 30+ points in 2 consecutive games:** Michael Morris 2/1/13 at Shelbyville (31) & 2/2/13 at Mooresville (32)  
**A Dragon had 10+ assists:** Duke Blackwell 1/31/16 vs. Perry Meridian (10)  
**A Dragon had 10+ rebounds:** Dawson Eastes (10) 2/14/20 vs. Shelbyville  
**A Dragon had 15+ rebounds:** Dawson Eastes 1/10/20 vs. Delta (16)  
**A Dragon recorded a double-double:** Dawson Eastes (17 points/10 rebounds) 2/14/20 vs. Shelbyville  
**A Dragon recorded double-doubles in consecutive games:** Dawson Eastes, 2/6/20 vs. Perry Meridian (17 points/13 rebounds) & 2/14/20 vs. Shelbyville (17 points/10 rebounds)  
**Two Dragons scored 20 points in a game:** Maximus Gizzi (41) & Dawson Eastes (23) 2/22/20 vs. Whiteland  
**Three Dragons scored 20 points in a game:** Justin Ikerd (25), Michael Morris (24) and Ryan Curry (24) 11/30/12 at Center Grove  
**Four Dragons scored in double figures:** Maximus Gizzi (19), Dawson Eastes (14), Eric Roudebush (10), Steele Brasfield (10) 2/21/20 at Mt. Vernon  
**Five Dragons scored in double figures:** Maximus Gizzi (26), Matthew Brown (18), Dawson Eastes (15), Eric Roudebush (13), Blaine Nunnally (11) 1/25/20 vs. Franklin  
**Two Dragons had 10 rebounds in a game:** Maximus Gizzi (11) & Dawson Eastes (12) 12/21/19 at Franklin Central  
**Two Dragons had double-doubles a game:** Maximus Gizzi (22 points/11 rebounds) & Dawson Eastes (12 points/12 rebounds) 12/21/19 at Franklin Central

**RECORD BOOK**

**INDIVIDUAL**

**Single-game points:** Ryan Curry, 46 at Shelbyville 2/6/15  
**Single-game rebounds:** Gary Mithoefer, 33 vs. Indianapolis Marshall 1/31/69  
**Career points:** 1,588, Maximus Gizzi 2016-  
**Career rebounds:** 717, Jeremy Yoder, 1989-93  
**Career assists:** 366, Maximus Gizzi 2016-  
**Career steals:** 113, Maximus Gizzi 2016-  
**Career blocks:** 371, John Allison, 1994-98 (state record)  
**Indiana All-Star:** John Allison, 1998  
**TEAM**  
**Single-game points:** 120 vs. St. Paul, 2/10/67 (New Palestine 120, St. Paul 67).  
**Single-game points, both teams:** 194 vs. Waldron 2/18/89 (105-89)  
**Points, consecutive games:** 229 vs. Mor-ton Memorial (109-74) and St. Paul (120-67), 1966-67 season.  
**Victory margin:** 53 vs. McCordsville, 1957-58 (W 101-48); vs. St. Paul 2/10/67 (W 120-67)

**LAST YEAR vs. GHS**

**DRAGONS 47, GREENWOOD 34**  
**Friday, Feb. 22 at New Palestine HS**  
**GREENWOOD (9-13):** Aaron 4 4-6 12, Hoffman 3 2-2 11, Elemikan 3 0-1 6, Price 1 0-1 3, Lester 1 0-2 2, Raker 0 0-1 0, Kincaid 0 0-0 0, Allen 0 0-0 0, Dyer 0 0-0 0. Totals 12 6-13 34.  
**NEW PALESTINE (14-8):** True 7 3-5 20, Gizzi 2 3-4 8, Romine 2 0-0 5, Hook 2 1-2 5, Roudebush 2 0-0 4, Eastes 1 0-0 3, Walker 1 0-0 2, Ramsey 0 0-0 0, Hockett 0 0-0 0, Rightley 0 0-0 0, King 0 0-0 0. Totals 17 7-11 47.  

<b>Greenwood</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-- 34</b>
<b>New Palestine</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-- 47</b>

**3-point goals:** G 4 (Hoffman 3, Price), NP 6 (True 3, Gizzi, Romine, Eastes)

**DRAGON BASKETBALL | FEB. 28 at GREENWOOD**



**3**  
**Eli**  
**Stephens**  
6'1 Jr. G

**GP/GS:** 12/0  
**Pts:** 0.2      **Reb:** 0.3  
**Ast:** 0.0      **Stl:** 0.0  
**FG:** 0 (0-6)      **3pt:** 0 (0-3)  
**FT:** 100 (2-2)  
**Pts:** 2, 12/27/19 Fishers  
**Reb:** 2, 2/14/20 Shelbyville  
**Ast:** 0



**5**  
**Eric**  
**Roudebush**  
6'4 Sr. F

**GP/GS:** 23/23  
**Pts:** 9.5      **Reb:** 3.4  
**Ast:** 1.6      **Stl:** 1.1  
**FG:** 40 (79-196)      **3pt:** 34 (26-76)  
**FT:** 67 (34-51)  
**Pts:** 19, 2/14/20 Shelbyville  
**Reb:** 8, 2x, 1/11/20 Southport  
**Ast:** 5, 1/25/20 Franklin



**11**  
**Maximus**  
**Gizzi**  
6'1 Sr. G

**GP/GS:** 23/23      GIH-zee (short I)  
**Pts:** 24.1      **Reb:** 3.7  
**Ast:** 3.5      **Stl:** 1.3  
**FG:** 52 (184-354)      **3pt:** 38 (44-115)  
**FT:** 83 (142-171)  
**Pts:** 41, 2/22/20 Whiteland  
**Reb:** 11, 12/21/19 Franklin Central  
**Ast:** 9, 2x, 1/6/18 Hauser



**13**  
**Kyle**  
**Bastian**  
6'3 Jr. F

**GP/GS:** 9/0  
**Pts:** 0.2      **Reb:** 0.1  
**Ast:** 0.0      **Stl:** 0.0  
**FG:** 17 (1-6)      **3pt:** 0 (0-4)  
**FT:** 0 (0-0)  
**Pts:** 2, 12/28/19 Bedford NL  
**Reb:** 1, 12/28/19 Bedford NL  
**Ast:** 0



**14**  
**Blaine**  
**Nunnally**  
5'10 Fr. G

**GP/GS:** 23/14  
**Pts:** 4.6      **Reb:** 2.0  
**Ast:** 3.5      **Stl:** 0.4  
**FG:** 41 (36-87)      **3pt:** 36 (15-42)  
**FT:** 70 (19-27)  
**Pts:** 13, 2/4/20 Beech Grove  
**Reb:** 6, 1/18/20 Mooresville  
**Ast:** 7, 2x, 2/22/20 Whiteland



**20**  
**C.J.**  
**Oliver**  
5'9 Jr. G

**GP/GS:** 6/0  
**Pts:** 0.3      **Reb:** 0.3  
**Ast:** 0.0      **Stl:** 0.0  
**FG:** 100 (1-1)      **3pt:** 0 (0-0)  
**FT:** 0 (0-0)  
**Pts:** 2, 2/14/20 Shelbyville  
**Reb:** 2, 2/14/20 Shelbyville  
**Ast:** 0



**21**  
**Maurice**  
**McGee**  
6'7 Jr. C

**GP/GS:** 15/0  
**Pts:** 0.6      **Reb:** 1.5  
**Ast:** 0.2      **Stl:** 0.1  
**FG:** 38 (3-8)      **3pt:** 0 (0-1)  
**FT:** 75 (3-4)  
**Pts:** 5, 1/31/20 Yorktown  
**Reb:** 5, 12/27/19 Scottsburg  
**Ast:** 1, 1/25/20 Franklin



**22**  
**Logan**  
**Hovis**  
6'0 Sr. G

**GP/GS:** 19/1      HO-vis  
**Pts:** 0.6      **Reb:** 0.2  
**Ast:** 0.1      **Stl:** 0.0  
**FG:** 63 (5-8)      **3pt:** 0 (0-0)  
**FT:** 67 (2-3)  
**Pts:** 4, 12/27/19 Fishers  
**Reb:** 1, 3x, 2/14/20 Shelbyville  
**Ast:** 1, 2x, 1/31/20 Yorktown



**24**  
**Steele**  
**Brasfield**  
6'5 So. F

**GP/GS:** 23/8      BRASS-field  
**Pts:** 6.3      **Reb:** 2.7  
**Ast:** 1.3      **Stl:** 0.3  
**FG:** 43 (48-112)      **3pt:** 41 (34-83)  
**FT:** 80 (16-20)  
**Pts:** 14, 12/14/19 Westfield  
**Reb:** 7, 2x, 2/6/20 Perry Meridian  
**Ast:** 5, 12/27/19 Scottsburg



**33**  
**Dawson**  
**Eastes**  
6'5 Sr. F

**GP/GS:** 23/23      EAST-iss  
**Pts:** 13.8      **Reb:** 8.3  
**Ast:** 1.5      **Stl:** 1.0  
**FG:** 48 (124-261)      **3pt:** 29 (15-51)  
**FT:** 59 (55-93)  
**Pts:** 31, 1/17/20 Pendleton Hts.  
**Reb:** 16, 1/10/20 Delta  
**Ast:** 5, 1/25/20 Franklin



**44**  
**Matthew**  
**Brown**  
6'4 Jr. F

**GP/GS:** 23/23  
**Pts:** 4.2      **Reb:** 4.4  
**Ast:** 0.4      **Stl:** 0.3  
**FG:** 50 (37-74)      **3pt:** 0 (0-1)  
**FT:** 56 (22-39)  
**Pts:** 18, 1/25/20 Franklin  
**Reb:** 11, 1/25/20 Franklin  
**Blk:** 1, 5x, 1/25/20 Franklin

**15 Jaret Whitaker**  
6'1 So. G

**GP/GS:** 4/0  
**Pts:** 0.3      **Reb:** 0.0  
**Ast:** 0.7      **Stl:** 0.0  
**FG:** 0 (0-0)      **3pt:** 0 (0-0)  
**FT:** 50 (1-2)

**4 Damon Hockett**  
6'3 So. F

**GP/GS:** 6/0  
**Pts:** 1.8      **Reb:** 0.8  
**Ast:** 0.0      **Stl:** 0.0  
**FG:** 83 (5-6)      **3pt:** 100 (1-1)  
**FT:** 0 (0-1)

**2019-20 schedule (11-12, 5-2 HHC)**  
Dec. 13 GREENFIELD-C.\* W 56-40  
Dec. 14 WESTFIELD L 52-75  
Dec. 20 at New Castle\* L 67-73  
Dec. 21 at Franklin Central L 54-63  
Dec. 27 vs. Fishers% L 55-74  
Dec. 27 vs. Scottsburg% W 71-57  
Dec. 28 vs. Bloomington N.% L 47-61  
Dec. 28 at Bedford NL% L 55-70  
Jan. 3 at Richmond L 55-60  
Jan. 4 at Shenandoah otL 73-74  
Jan. 10 DELTA\* W 73-65  
Jan. 11 at Southport L 61-75  
Jan. 17 PENDLETON HTS.\* W 76-61  
Jan. 18 MOORESVILLE W 63-52  
Jan. 24 RONCALLI L 58-63  
Jan. 25 FRANKLIN W 91-71  
Jan. 31 at Yorktown\* W 64-33  
Feb. 4 at Beech Grove W 65-64  
Feb. 6 PERRY MERIDIAN W 63-42  
Feb. 14 SHELBYVILLE\* W 89-49  
Feb. 15 CONNERSVILLE L 42-68  
Feb. 21 at Mt. Vernon\* L 65-79  
Feb. 22 WHITELAND W 82-74  
Feb. 28 at Greenwood 7:30 p.m.  
\*-HHC %-BNL Tournament



**Trent**  
**Whitaker**  
**HEAD COACH**

5th season  
2019-20: 11-12  
2018-19: 18-9  
2017-18: 15-10  
2016-17: 7-17  
2015-16: 6-17  
Coach Whitaker is in his fifth season as the Dragons' varsity head coach, leading NP to a 33-19 record the last two seasons, including a sectional title and the school's first regional finalist appearance in 30 years. He spent 12 seasons as an assistant coach and was part of the 2013 HHC titlist and three sectional champs. Whitaker is a school counselor at NPHS. He is a graduate of Eastern Hancock HS and Ball State University.

**COACHING STAFF**

**Head coach:** Trent Whitaker  
HS: Eastern Hancock  
College: Ball State  
**Assistant coaches (HS/College)**  
Mike Gizzi (Chestnut Hill, Pa./La Salle)  
Chris Cherry (E. Hancock/Franklin)  
**CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY**  
**Sectional championships (8):**  
1957, 1980, 1989, 1997, 2009 (3A), 2011 (3A), 2012 (4A), 2019 (4A)  
**Conference championships (9)**  
**East Central:** 1967  
**Big Blue River:** 1979, 1984, 1985, 1988  
**Hoosier Heritage:** 2000, 2003, 2013, 2020

