

## Boys Basketball Continues to Fight Through the Season



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The Mean Moose Boys Basketball team has had a great start to the season and hopes to continue to improve.

### @Delta 12/20

The Moose traveled to Delta to face the Delta Panther in a non-league game. In the first half it was a back and forth game and as the buzzer sounded the Panthers had a four point lead over our Moose.

Not wanting to get farther behind in the second half, the Moose kept it close but found themselves behind by six at the end of the third quarter. In the final quarter the Moose continued the fight and they scored a total of 27 points to outlast the Panthers and won by a score of 65-64.

Senior Ian Jackson lead the charge with 20 points followed by fellow Senior Brenden Crowther and Junior Kane Absmeier both with 13 points each.

### @Kent Denver 1/10

The Moose traveled to Englewood to play the Kent Denver Sun Devils. In the first half the Moose scored 16 points and the Sun devils scored 37. In the Second half the Moose continued to struggle on offense and lost by a final score of 64-49. The leading scor-

er for the Moose was Senior Brenden Crowther and Ian Jackson with 17 points a piece.

### @The Pinnacle 1/11

After a tough loss against the Sun Devils, the Moose came out hot and scored 36 points in the first half while the Timber wolves only scored 16 points. In the second half, the Moose continued to play well and scored 23 points and held the wolves to only six points. The Moose won by a final score of 59-22. The leading scorer was Senior Brenden Crowther with 19 points followed by Senior Ian Jackson with 14 points.

Next up the Moose will travel to play the Pueblo East to battle the Eagles, for another non league match up.

### @Pueblo East 1/14

The Moose continue their long road trip and travel up I-25 to play the Eagles. In the First half the Moose came out ready to play with a lead of three at the end of the first quarter with a score of 13-10.

When halftime arrived the Eagles came back to quite the Moose and they took a nine point lead, 29-20. In the Second half the Moose came out and continued to fight and at the 3rd quarter buzzer the Moose were down by 10. When the fourth quarter began the Moose continued to fight back and they scored 21 points in the final

quarter. After the Moose's great fight they lost a tough battle with a final score of 56-52. The leading scorer for the Moose was Senior Brenden Crowther with 16 points followed by Senior Ian Jackson with 14 points.

### Monte Vista 1/18

After a long road trip the Moose will start league play with the visiting Monte Vista Pirates. Last season the Moose beat them and look to do the same this year. In the first half the Moose scored 27 points and held the Pirates to 12 points. In the second half the Moose came out with the same intensity and continued to dominate and won the game with a

final score of 58-34. The Moose were lead by Senior Brenden Crowther with 17 points.

### @Bayfield 1/21

The Moose will have their second league game against the Wolverines. In the first half the Moose came out hot scored 26 points and lead at half 26-21. In the Second half the Moose continued to dominate and scored 35 points and held the Wolverines to only 19 points. The leading scorer for the Moose was Senior Ian Jackson with 23 points. Not far behind was Senior Lincoln Tuioti-Mariner with 13 points. All of these efforts led to a 61-40 victory over the ri-

val Bayfield Wolverines. This was a great win for the Mean Moose. The Moose are off to a hot start of seven wins and four losses. The team is first place in league play followed by valley rival the Centauri Falcons. Alamosa is currently in 19th place in the RPI standings. A win in the upcoming game against the Centauri Falcons would boost the Moose standings as the Falcons are currently ranked 2nd.

When asking Sophomore, Donovan Ramirez, how he feels about the season, he said "I feel really good we just have to keep working hard and we can't overlook any opponents."



Photo by: Andi Colman

**Throwin' It Down-** Senior, Ian Jackson, comes down hard from the rim after scoring some key points to beat Monte Vista 58-34.

## The NFL Playoffs The Road to the Super Bowl



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The 2019 NFL playoffs have arrived, meaning that the Super Bowl is closer than ever before.

This years NFL playoff season includes the Tennessee Titans, New England Patriots, Buffalo Bills, Houston Texans, Kansas City Chiefs, Minnesota Vikings, San Francisco 49ERS, New Orleans Saints, Seattle Seahawks, Green bay Packers and last but not least the Philadelphia Eagles.

The Playoffs started on January 4th with the Wild Card round. The games started with the Buffalo Bills taking on the Houston Texans.

The stat line for the Bills against the Texans, quarterback Josh Allen throwing for 246 yards going 24/46 throwing zero touchdown passes and zero interceptions.

In the ground game the Bills had a total of 30 carries for 172 yards they were lead by quarterback Josh Allen with nine rushing attempts with 92

yards. For the Texans quarterback Deshuan Watson threw for 247 yards with one touchdown, he also went 20/25. In the ground game for the Texans it was quarterback Deshuan Watson who led the team with 14 carries for 55 yards. The Buffalo Bills would fall short of getting the victory against the Texans with a final score of 22-19.

The next big game in the Playoffs was the Tennessee Titans and the New England Patriots, the game took place on January 4th.

The stat line for the Titans looked something like this in the ground game they had 40 total carries for 201 yards and one touchdown. They were lead by running back Derrick Henry with 34 attempts 182 yards with the one touchdown.

In the passing game the Titans went 9/16 with a total of 76 yards and one touchdown pass with interception. Quarterback Ryan Tannehill went 8/15 with 72 yards and on touchdown pass. The New England Patriots Stat line in the ground game looked something like this 22 total carries with 98 total yards

and one rushing touchdown.

They were lead by running back Sony Michel who had 14 carries with 61 yards for an average of 4.4 yards per carries.

In the passing game the New England Patriots went 20/37 for 209 yards total with zero touchdown passes. The playoffs were full of upsets through out the rest of the playoff season. The upsets include

the Tennessee Titans beating the Baltimore Ravens, The Minnesota Vikings beating the New Orleans Saints.

In the AFC championship the Tennessee Titans took on the Kansas City Chiefs. The Titans in the first quarter out scored the chiefs 10-7 after the first quarter it was a downhill slide for the Titans as they were held to only 14 points. The Chiefs would come

out victorious over the Titans with a final score of 35-24.

In the NFC championship game the San Francisco 49ERS took on the Green Bay Packers. The 49ERS got off to a hot start scoring 27 points in the first half, before putting 10 points up in the second half of the game. The 49ERS would end up beating the Green Bay Packers. The Super Bowl will be played on February 2nd.



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**HEAD-TO-HEAD—** The San Francisco 49ers and the Kansas City Chiefs will battle over the infamous Lombardi Trophy on February 2nd, 2020 in Miami, Florida at the prized Hard Rock Stadium.