

Athletic Schedules



Wylie High School

Girls & Boys Basketball

Playoffs – TBD

Girls Soccer

Feb. 17 @ South Garland, 7:30 p.m. (Shaffer Stadium)

Feb. 24 vs. North Garland, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 @ Lakeview Centennial, 7:30 p.m. (Shaffer Stadium)

Boys Soccer

Feb. 17 vs. South Garland, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 vs. North Garland, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 @ Lakeview Centennial, 7:30 p.m. (Shaffer Stadium)

Softball

Feb. 16-18 @ Brenham Tournament

Feb. 21 @ South Garland, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 23-25 @ Allen Tournament

Feb. 28 @ Community, 6:30 p.m.

Baseball

Feb. 23-25 @ Round Rock Tournament

March 2-4 @ Flower Mound Tournament

Wrestling

Feb. 17-18 6A State Championship, Cy-Fair



Wylie East High School

Girls & Boys Basketball

Playoffs – TBD

Girls Soccer

Feb. 21 vs. Naaman Forest, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 @ Sachse, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 vs. Garland, 7:30 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Feb. 21 @ Naaman Forest, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 vs. Sachse, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 @ Garland, 7:30 p.m. (Williams Stadium)

Softball

Feb. 16-18 @ Forney Tournament

Feb. 21 vs. John Paul II, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 23-25 @ Allen ISD Tournament

Feb. 28 vs. Naaman Forest, 6:30 p.m.

Baseball

Feb. 23-25 @ Wylie East Tournament

March 2-4 @ Wylie East Tournament

Wrestling

Feb. 17-18 6A State Championship, Cy-Fair



Sachse High School

Girls & Boys Basketball

Playoffs – TBD

Girls Soccer

Feb. 17 vs. Lakeview Centennial, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 @ Rowlett, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 vs. Wylie East, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 @ Naaman Forest, 7:30 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Feb. 17 @ Lakeview Centennial, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 vs. Rowlett, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 @ Wylie East, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 vs. Naaman Forest, 7:30 p.m.

Softball

Feb. 16-18 @ Forney Tournament

Feb. 21 @ Lakeview Centennial, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 23-25 @ Allen Tournament

Feb. 28 @ Rowlett, 6:30 p.m.

Baseball

Feb. 23-25 @ McKinney North Tournament

March 2-4 @ Collin County Invitational



Plano East High School

Girls & Boys Basketball

Playoffs – TBD

Girls Soccer

Feb. 17 vs. Plano, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 @ Hebron, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 vs. Flower Mound, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 @ Coppell, 7:30 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Feb. 17 @ Plano, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 21 vs. Hebron, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 24 @ Flower Mound, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 vs. Coppell, 7:30 p.m.

Softball

Feb. 16-18 @ Bryan College Station Tournament

Feb. 23-25 @ Richardson Tournament

March 2-4 @ McKinney Tournament

Baseball

Feb. 20 @ Frisco Independence, 4:30 p.m.

Feb. 23-25 @ Wylie East Tournament

March 2-4 @ Collin County Invitational

Wrestling

Feb. 17-18 6A State Championship, Cy-Fair

Wylie Boys Basketball

District champs!

Wylie clinches district title with win over South Garland



Chris Lewis and the Wylie Pirates won the District 9-6A championship after winning their final four games of the regular season.

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By Kyle Grondin

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Defensive intensity has led the Wylie Pirates basketball team all season, and it did so again Friday night in their final win of the season.

Wylie improved to 13-3 in district play, defeating South Garland 46-31 to win the District 9-6A championship with their fourth win in a row. Donaven Davis led all scorers with 10 points, while seven Pirates found the scoresheet. Noah Mallory and Sean Carter had nine points apiece.

It was Wylie's fourth consecutive win to end the regular season, sealing their second district championship in the last four seasons. Head coach Stephen Pearce was proud of his team's development throughout the season.

"It was big for us," Pearce said. "Before the season even started that was our biggest goal so we can check it off the box. I just told the guys that it's not something that comes along every year, and they were excited. We won a few years ago, but it was over 30 years before that."

The Pirates started the regular season off a little slow with a difficult non-district schedule with several key players returning from the football season but managed to find their footing in the middle of the year and heading into district play. However, following a two-game losing streak to Wylie East and Rowlett, Wylie found itself in second place with four games to play. At that point, the team regrouped and managed to right the ship.

"Basketball is a long season, playing over 30 games," Pearce said. "There's ups and downs

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Wylie East Girls Basketball

Lady Raiders gear up for postseason

By Seth Dowdle

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The Wylie East Lady Raiders are hungry for more.

East lost in heartbreaking fashion last season to Frisco Memorial, ending a season where they finished third place in district in their final season in 5A. Now in 6A, the Lady Raiders have an opportunity to avenge that loss after clinching yet another playoff berth.

They did so off the back of an extremely hot finish to the season. Since losing to Sachse on Jan. 17, East has gone 6-1, with wins over Garland, South Garland, Lakeview Centennial, North Garland and Rowlett. Their lone loss in that stretch came to Wylie and was only by three points.

The victories over South and North Garland stand out, especially. East dominated the Lady Titans back on Jan. 24 with a 74-2 win. They followed that up with another blowout victory over North Garland a couple weeks later.

With that hot finish, the Lady Raiders once again finish third place in district with a record of 12-4. They went 19-12 overall.

Head coach Meaghan Hodapp

is happy with how well the team is playing together as of late.

"I really like our team play," she said. "I really like that everybody is contributing and it's not just one person. We really are starting to mesh and finally

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Niani Lewis scored the first basket of the game in Wylie East's final home game over Rowlett on Tuesday, Feb. 7 after missing the season with an injury.



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LeAire Nicks scores the layup in the Lady Raiders win over Rowlett on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

Wylie East Boys Basketball

Raiders battle for final playoff spot



Tina Lopez/C&S Media

Kendrick Davis posts up the Rowlett defensive player in Wylie East's overtime loss on Feb. 7. The Raiders remain one game out of a playoff spot with one game remaining.



Tina Lopez/C&S Media

Luke Carter passes the ball in transition for the Wylie East offense.



Tina Lopez/C&S Media

Adam Herod saves the ball for the Wylie East offense in their close loss to Rowlett on Feb. 7.



Parker Overstreet tries to score over the Rowlett defensive player in Wylie East's 53-50 overtime loss on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

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Kerbie Cash shoots the free throw in Wylie East's final win over Rowlett on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

East ready for more

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playing together.”
The first step in making a deep playoff run is making it through the first round. To do that, the Lady Raiders will have to do battle with a good Rockwall team on Monday Feb. 13 at Lovejoy High School. Rockwall finished second in their district, only behind Royse City, with a district record of 9-3. They finished the season 22-11 overall.
To beat Rockwall, Hodapp wants her team to stay dialed in on the little things—for both them and their opponent.
“We’ve been really focusing on the details,” she said. “Just the little details that they do and how we can counter that and then just executing on our end. Just really making sure that we are, as you say, like dotting the I’s and crossing the T’s and just making sure that we’re ready for whatever they throw at us.”
The two teams only shared one common opponent in their regular season schedules—Lakeview Centenni-

al. In Rockwall’s lone dance with Lakeview, they won 48-18. Wylie East was also able to take care of business both times versus Lakeview Centennial.
Hodapp also reiterated that she, as well as the team, want

to go deep into the playoffs.
“We really want to do more than what we did last year,” she said. “We were disappointed in that. So, that’s kind of been in the back of their mind and so we really wish to push this year.”



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Brooklyn King starts the fast break for the Lady Raiders offense.

Pirates prepare for playoffs

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every year and are key every season is to keep the guys even-keeled. We stay positive even when we go through some slip-ups and we had some team meetings during that stretch and words of encouragement to boost guys through the last couple of games.”
Stylistically, the Pirates didn’t change a lot to their game to finish the season, but attention to detail came up big for the team, particularly on the defensive end. Coach Pearce said the team wanted to remain focused given the difficult circumstances and knew they still had a shot.
“Focus was really our keyword for us,” Pearce said. “We were up in both the Wylie East and Rowlett games and felt we

took our foot off the gas. Staying with it and keeping the pressure high for 32 minutes made the difference.”
It showed on the scoreboard as well. In the Pirates’ two losses late, they surrendered 55.5 points per game. Over the final four games to end the year, that number dipped to 37.25 points per game, with only Naaman Forest eclipsing 40 points in a Wylie overtime victory.
“We have an expectation and how we do things on the defensive end and the guys have bought into it,” Pearce said. “We’ve got some really good athletes this year as well that can go up and get the ball and make plays for us. It’s a good team and good defense when we’re locked in.”
The last time Wylie won a

district title, the team made it to the state semifinals before COVID-19 ended the season prematurely. The program also clinched district championships at the junior varsity and freshman levels, with the JV team ending the year 15-0 and the freshman team going 14-1 for the year.
“We’ve developed a mentality of putting our hard hats on every day and working to be consistent every day,” Pearce said. “We’re getting some really good players here too, it’s not us outcoaching people or anything it’s great talent coming in and doing great things for us.”
The Pirates playoff matchup is to be determined at the time of publication. See The Wylie News online for any schedule updates.



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Jackson Hinckley looks for an open teammate for the Wylie offense.