

## Austin Lady Eagles drop rivalry game 57-38 to S'burg Warriorettes

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The annual Thanksgiving holiday rivalry game between the Austin Lady Eagles and Scottsburg Warriorettes went on the air, thanks to scottcounty.tv on Tuesday night, November 26.

The Lady Eagles hosted their visitors at Rigel Gym, in which a multitude of fans packed themselves for one heated game.

As the drum roll began, a new starting lineup for the Eagles took to the floor. Players were Megan Smith, Holli Reynolds, Kami Owens, Taylor Jeffries and Kaitlin Embrey. Reynolds went to the line and lost the tip to her taller Scottsburg rival.

In mere seconds, however, the Warriorettes turned the ball over to give Reynolds a lay-up and the first bucket of the game.

The Warriorettes showed strong offense whereas the Eagles struggled, but both teams repeatedly switched possessions. The Warriorettes claimed the early lead with a score of 15-11 after eight minutes of play.

Similar patterns repeated in the second period. Scottsburg's towering height led to significant swats and blocks.

A press defense against Smith lead to stressed and sloppy passes, which gave the Warriorettes the ball more than once. Freshman Akaya Walker scored the first three-pointer for the Lady Eagles with just under two minutes to go in the quarter.

The halftime buzzer sounded with Scottsburg leading 34-22.

Nearly five minutes ticked off the play clock before either team could get a shot off in the third quarter. Brenna Riley made it for the home team. With a rushed offensive tempo, both the

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Eagles and Warriorettes missed several shots in the third period, and the low-scoring was reflected with a score of 38-29, Scottsburg still ahead.

In struggles for possession once more, the Lady Eagles committed some crazy passes against the Warriorettes, resulting in overthrows, out-of-bounds calls and stolen possessions. With heat from the crowd and some fairly crass personal remarks from the Scottsburg cheer block, the Lady Eagles could not handle the pressure. Their defense was no match for Scottsburg's drives under the basket. The victory went to the Warriorettes with a score of 57-38.

Reynolds led the Lady Eagles with 12 points. Taylor Jeffries had 7, Brenna Riley 6, Akaya Walker 5 and Megan Smith and Kami Owens, 4 each.

The Eagles' junior varsity won 35-28 over the Warriorettes in that match-up played before the varsity game.