? After losing many players from last year, the Scottsburg High School varsity Warriorettes basketball team is back in action with a very young team. With only five returning players from last year's varsity team, the Warriorettes lack some experience. This lack of experience however is not keeping the team from having high hopes for the season.

The team's motto this year is B.I.G., which stands for banner in gym.

"Basically we want to hang a championship banner in the gym," said junior, Chrissy Nolan.

Whether this banner is a sectional banner or an Mid-Southern Conference banner, the team does not care. They are working towards both, with a lot of effort.

The team seems to be in agreement as to what their strength is. With so much inexperience, the team must make up for it somehow and they have been doing it by working hard and giving 100 percent effort.

"Our big strength is that we work very hard," said Coach Tammy Geron.

Along with this maximum effort the girls have another great asset. They have the ability to communicate on the floor well. This is a huge help to keep everyone on the same page. Also, while communicating the team is great at keeping a positive attitude even when things aren't going very well. This helps to not allow the team to get down on themselves and move on after bad plays.

If B.I.G. isn't enough, the team has more motivation. Each week the coaching staff provides a single inspirational word to the players. Throughout the week they concentrate on this word and work on it.

"Some of the words are things like attitude, poise, self control, confidence, and enthusiasm," said Geron.

There are three categories that these words go into. These include mental awareness, family values, and competitive nature.

While the team has many strengths it struggles in some areas as well. Obviously their youth and inexperience plays a factor. Also a concern is the team capitalizing on key possessions and scoring opportunities. They look to counter these weaknesses by not only working hard, but also by staying close friends.

"A strength we have is that we are really close on and off the court," said senior, Morgan Means.

However, no matter what the challenge the team is mainly looking towards one goal, and that would be B.I.G.