NEW PALESTINE BASKETBALL

2022-23 GAME NOTES | NEWPALESTINEATHLETICS.COM | @NPHSDRAGONS

SCHEDULE (15-0, 5-0 HHC)

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THE DRAGONS

3	Moses Haynes	5-9	So.	G
4	Daniel Tippit	5-10	Sr.	G
5	Ian Stephens	6-6	Sr.	F
11	Bryant Nunnally	5-11	Sr.	G
14	Blaine Nunnally	5-10	Sr.	G
15	Kendall Hill	5-11	Sr.	G
20	Brady Armstrong	5-11	Jr.	G
21	Eian Roudebush	6-2	Sr.	F
24	Julius Gizzi	6-3	So.F	-/G
44	Ben Slagley	6-4	So.	С

Varsity coach: Trent Whitaker Varsity assistant: Mike Gizzi JV coach: Jordan Myers

Assistants: Caleb VanderWal & Wade

Whitaker

Freshman coaches: Danny Davison &

Bart Lewis

HHC STANDINGS

	Conf	GB	Over.
New Palestine	5-0		15-0
Greenfield-C.	5-1	.5	15-1
Mt. Vernon	4-1	1	11-6
Yorktown	3-2	2	12-5
Delta	1-3	3.5	10-7
New Castle	1-4	4	9-9
Shelbyville	1-4	4	8-9
Pendleton Hts.	0-5	5	5-12

Monday's game

Lawrence N. at New Palestine, 7:30 p.m. Thursday's games

New Palestine at Perry Mer., 7:30 p.m. Delta at Greenfield-C., 7:30 p.m.*

Yorktown at Pendleton Hts., 7:30 p.m.* Mt. Vernon at Noblesville, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's games

Mississinewa at Delta, noon

Greenwood at Greenfield-C., 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 7

Guerin Cath. at New Palestine, 7:30 p.m. Mt. Vernon at Mooresville, 7:30 p.m. Muncie C. at Pendleton Hts., 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY'S GAME (JAN. 30)



Time: 7:30 p.m. Site: New Palestine High School. Broadcast: NewPalRadio.com & IHSAAtv.org/NewPalestine

SETTING THE SCENE

- The Dragons enter the week with a 15-0 mark the best start in school history and as one of two unbeaten teams in Indiana. Ben Davis (22-0) is the other.
- This is the first-ever meeting between the Dragons and Wildcats. They were scheduled to meet in the 2020 regional, but it was canceled due to COVID-19 shutdowns.
- The last time the Dragons faced a team from Lawrence Township, they lost to the Lawrence Lions 35-17 on Feb. 22, 1935.
- This game was originally scheduled for Jan. 25, but moved due to inclement weather. It will be the Dragons' first Monday game since beating Guerin Catholic 66-60 on Feb. 7, 2022.
- The Dragons are ranked for the fifth straight week in the IBCA poll and at No. 8, have their highest rank in program history. They debuted in the AP 4A poll for the first time in program history last week.
- This is the first of two weeknight games for the Dragons this week. They visit Perry Meridian Thursday.

DRAGONS NOTES

- The Dragons have extended the best start and longest winning streak in school history to 15 games with last Friday's come-from-behind 60-53 victory over Yorktown. The Dragons trailed by five with three minutes to go and finished the game with a 12-0 run, sparked by Moses Haynes' second 3-pointer of the game and a three-point play by Blaine Nunnally to give the Dragons the lead. The Dragons then went 6-6 from the line in the closing seconds to seal the victory.
- Nunnally scored 20 points, including hitting 10-of-10 from the line and 8-of-8 in the fourth quarter, to lead the Dragons against Yorktown. He also had five assists, four rebounds and two steals. Ian Stephens led the Dragons with 22 points and six rebounds. He hit 8-of-11 from the floor and 3-of-3 from 3-point range. Ben Slagley added five rebounds. As a team, the Dragons were 15-of-18 from the line against Yorktown.
- The Dragons have clinched a winning season for the sixth consecutive year, equaling a program record of consecutive winning seasons set from 1983-89 under coaches Ed Frieje and Carl Hughes.
- Nunnally moved up to sixth on the Dragons' career scoring list with his 20-point game against Yorktown. He has 1,074 points and needs seven points to reach 2022 graduate Steele Brasfield for fifth place and 32 points to catch 2015 graduate Ryan Curry for fourth.
- Nunnally also ranks second on the Dragons' career assists list with 367. He needs eight to catch leader Maximus Gizzi.
- In the Jan. 21 victory over Franklin, **Blaine Nunnally** scored 27 points the most by any Dragon in a game this season and Stephens scored 22. It marked the fourth time the Dragons have had two 20-point scorers in a game this season, and the third time it's been Nunnally and Stephens. The duo did so again against Yorktown.
- Nunnally is fourth in the HHC in scoring at 17.6 ppg, with Stephens ranking fifth (17.2 ppg). Stephens (8.7) and Slagley (7.3) are the league's top two rebounders. Nunnally leads the league in assists (5.3 apg), with Moses Haynes seventh (2.5 apg). Stephens ranks sixth in steals (1.5 spg).

SCOUTING THE WILDCATS

- LN is playing its first season after the retirement of legendary coach Jack Keefer, who had been the only coach in school history. Sophomore Azavier Robinson leads the Wildcats with 18 ppg and 6.7 rpg. Junior Kobi Bowles adds 14.2 ppg.
- LN will be playing its first game since Jan. 21, a 64-46 victory over Homestead. The
 Wildcats also had a come-from-behind 67-66 win over North Central the previous
 night, coming on the heels of their runner-up finish in the Marion County Tournament
 the previous week.

DRAGONS BASKETBALL | vs. LAWRENCE NORTH | vs. YORKTOWN

2022-23 WHEN Home games 7-0 Road games 6-0 Neutral sites 2-0 7-0 vs. 4A schools 5-0 vs. 3A schools vs. 2A schools 2-0 vs. 1A schools 1-0 vs. ranked teams 3-0 vs. HHC teams 5-0 vs. non-conference 10-0 Circle City 1-0 Conference Indiana 1-0 Eastern Indiana 1-0 Greater Indianapolis 1-0 **Hoosier Crossroads** 1-0 Metropolitan 0-0Mid-Eastern 1-0 Mid-State 1-0 North Central 1-0 Sagamore 1-0 Independents 1-0 0-0 Monday Tuesday 0-0 Wednesday 2-0 Thursday 3-0 6-0 Friday Saturday 4-0 November 1-0 8-0 December January 6-0 0-0 February 0-0 March Scoring 39- points 0-0 Scoring 40-49 points 0-0 Scoring 50-59 points 4-0 Scoring 60-69 points 5-0 Scoring 70-79 points 5-0 Scoring 80+ points 1-0 Allowing 39-points 1-0 Allowing 40-49 points 5-0 Allowing 50-59 points 5-0 Allowing 60-69 points 4-0 Allowing 70-79 points 0-0 Allowing 80+ points 0-0 Decided by 5 pts/less 1-0 Overtime 0-0 20-point scorer 9-0 Dbl-figure rebounder 6-0 Leading at half 14-0 Tied at half 0 - 0Trailing at half 1-0 Leading after 3 12-0 Tied after 3 0-0 Trailing after 3 3-0

2022-23 RESULTS

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%-Lebanon Holiday Tournament

SERIES HISTORY

*-Hoosier Heritage Conference game

The Dragons have never played Lawrence North. They played Castleton, Lawrence and Oaklandon - the three schools that consolidated to form Lawrence Central, from which LN split in the 1930s.

MILESTONE TRACKER

BLAINE NUNNALLY

1,074 career points (reached 900 12/17 vs. Franklin Central, 1,000 1/7 vs. Southport)

367 career assists (reached 300 12/3 at Rushville, 350 1/12 at Pendleton Heights)

IAN STEPHENS

651 career points (reached 500 12/17 vs. Franklin Central, 600 1/20 at Roncalli)

442 career rebounds (reached 350 12/16 vs. New Castle, 400 1/6 at Delta)

BEST STARTS

The Dragons' 11-0 start is tied for the best in school history with the 1958-59 and 1978-79

BEST STARTS IN PROGRAM HISTORY

15-0: 2022-23

11-0: 1958-59 (final record 19-3)

11-0: 1978-79 (final record 19-3)

10-0: 1956-57 (final record 19-6, sectional champ)

RANK 'EM

The Dragons are ranked in the IBCA all-class Top 20 poll for the first time in the class era, and possibly the first time in school history. They entered the poll at No. 16 Jan. 1, then moved up to No. 11 the following week.

IBCA Top 20 (Jan. 15): 1-Ben Davis, 2-Penn, 3-Center Grove, 4-Cathedral, 5-Brownsburg, 6-Hammond Central, 7-Kokomo, 8-New Palestine, 9-Carmel, 10-NorthWood, 11-Mishawaka Marian, 12-Linton, 13-Jennings County, 14-Greenfield-Central, 15-Lawrence North, 16-FW Blackhawk, 17-Homestead, 18-Zionsville, 19-Noblesville, 20-Norwell.

AP 4A Top 10 (Jan. 24): 1-Ben Davis, 2-Penn, 3-Cathedral, 4-Center Grove, 5-Brownsburg, 6-Hammond Central, 7-Kokomo, **8-New Palestine**, 9-Jennings County, 10-Munster.. **IN THE POLLS IBCA AP (4A)**

TBA Jan. 28/30 Jan. 22/24 8 Jan. 15/17 10 Jan. 8/10 RV

LONGEST STREAK

In the 114-year history of NPHS boys basketball, the Dragons' current 15-game winning streak is the longest, eclipsing a 13-game streak set by the 1988-89 regional finalist team. In the program's recorded history, there are 10 streaks of 10 or more wins. This season's is the first in 25 years. LONGEST W STREAKS IN PROGRAM HISTORY

15: 2022-23 (11/23-) 13: 1988-89 (1/21-3/11). Final record 21-3 (sect) 12: 1997-98 (12/20-2/13). Final record 16-5

12: 1997-96 (12/20-2/13). Final record 16-5 12: 1944-45 (12/15-2/9): Final record 18-3 11: 1978-79 (11/17-1/12). Final record 19-3 11: 1958-59 (11/1-1/8). Final record 19-3 10: 1995-96 (1/26-2/27). Final record 19-3 10: 1956-57 (11/2-1/12). Final record 19-6 (sect)

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STEPHENS' DOUBLES

Senior lan Stephens opened the season with his 10th career double-double, tallying 24 points on 9-11 shooting and 11 rebounds in the 75-51 victory over Richmond Nov. 23. He added a second Dec. 28 against Metropolitan with 20 points and 11 rebounds, and a third the next day against Gary 21st Century with 16 points and 10 boards. He has five double-doubles this year. Last season, he had nine double-doubles, with five coming in a six-game span. His first double-double came with 13 points and 11 boards in a 57-56 overtime win over Franklin Central Dec. 18. He followed that by posting career highs with 27 points and 15 rebounds Dec. 28 against Metropolitan. He followed with three straight -24/12 against Evansville North Dec. 29, 15/12 vs. Delta Jan. 7 and 13/13 Jan. 8 at Southport. Stephens' 251 rebounds in 2021-22 were sixthmost in school history and the most since Jeremy Yoder grabbed 258 in 1992-93. He led the HHC in rebounding at 9.7 rpg.
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1/21/23 at Franklin: 22 points/13 rebounds
1/6/23 at Delta: 11 points/11 rebounds
12/29/22 vs. Gary 21st Century: 16 points/10 rebounds
12/28/22 vs. Metropolitan: 20 points/11 rebounds
11/23/22 vs. Richmond: 24 points/11 rebounds
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2/5/22 vs. Mt. Vernon: 11 points/10 rebounds
2/11/22 vs. Shelbyville: 12 points/11 rebounds
2/7/22 at Guerin Catholic: 17 points/11 rebounds
1/8/22 at Southport: 13 points/13 rebounds
1/8/22 at Southport: 13 points/12 rebounds
1/2/29/21 vs. Evansville North: 24 points/12 rebounds
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CAREER	GP	FG	3pt	FT	Pts	Reb	Ast
2023 senior	15	96-154	10-24	56-80	258/17.2	130/8.7	29/1.9
2022 junior	26	112-229	17-50	85-119	326/12.5	251/9.7	35/1.3
2021 soph	20	26-66	5-29	10-17	67/3.4	61/3.1	16/0.8
Totals	61	234-449	32-103	151-216	651/10.7	442/7.2	80/1.3

NUNNALLY CLIMBS CHARTS

Senior Blaine Nunnally has become a threesport standout for the Dragons. He'll be a fouryear starter in basketball this upcoming season. where he has averaged 11.4 ppg for his career. He led the HHC in basketball assists last season with 4.4 per game. He is also a standout baseball player who hit .260 for the Dragons' sectional championship team this past spring and had a 2.80 ERA on the mound. On the gridiron, he has been a two-way standout at WR and DB for three years. This season, he was second on the team with 705 receiving yards on 43 receptions. He finished his career with 1,120 receiving yards. eighth-most in school history. He also had 112 tackles and four interceptions on defense this season. He moved into 12th place on the NPHS scoring list Dec. 9 with a 17-point effort at Greenfield-Central, into 11th place Dec. 28 against Metropolitan and tallied a season high with 25 points Dec. 29 at Lebanon.

CAREER	GP	FG	3pt	FT	Pts	Reb	Ast
2023 senior	15	84-180	20-58	76-93	264/17.6	54/3.6	79/5.3
2022 junior	24	109-263	38-74	74-94	332/13.8	54/2.3	106/4.4
2021 soph	21	113-247	22-69	103-122	351/16.7	63/3.0	88/4.2
2020 frosh	26	39-95	17-47	32-41	127/4.9	48/1.8	94/3.6
Totals	86	345-785	99-280	285-350	1074/12.5	219/2.5	367/4.3

NUNNALLY HITS 1,000

Senior **Blaine Nunnally** became the 10th member of the Dragons' 1,000-point club with a 22-point performance Jan. 7 against Southport. He finished the day with 1,004 career points. He is the third person to join that list since 2020, joining Maximus Gizzi and Steele Brasfield.

MOST CAREER POINTS

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2. 1,285, Tom Giles, 1975-79
3. 1,134, Kent Raymond, 2000-04
4. 1,106, Ryan Curry, 2011-15
5. 1,081, Steele Brasfield, 2019-22
6. 1,074, Blaine Nunnally, 2019-23
7. 1,039, Dennis Ulrey, 1972-75
8. 1,027, Michael Morris, 2009-13
9. 1,025, T.J. Ott, 1994-98
10. 1,000, Ray Hobbs, 1986-89
11. 974, Matthew True, 2015-19
11. 917, Royce McDougall, 1964-67
13. 864, Dick Pruet, 1960-63
14. 855, Dawson Eastes, 2016-20

ASSIST LEADER

Senior **Blaine Nunnally** has quarterbacked the Dragons' offense since his sophomore season and currently ranks secon on the school's career assists list. He moved past Kent Raymond and Mitch Miggenburg into second place Dec. 29 at the Lebanon Holiday Classic.

MOST CAREER ASSISTS
1. 375, Maximus Gizzi, 2016-20
2. 367, Blaine Nunnally 2019-23
3. 328, Mitch Miggenburg, 1993-96
4. 323, Kent Raymond, 2000-04
5. 304, Jeff Mitchell, 1990-93
6. 222, Robert England, 2003-06

COMPUTER RANKINGS

The Dragons enter the week ranked 19th in Jeff Sagarin's computer rankings, with a 5-0 record against Top 64 teams and the state's 45th-best strength of schedule. The Dragons were as high as ninth on Jan. 5 and moved up two spots this week. In the MaxPreps rankings, the Dragons have equaled their highest ranking at third.

MaxPreps Top 20 (Jan. 26): 1-Ben Davis, 2-Brownsburg, 3-New Palestine, 4-Cathedral, 5-Penn, 6-Carmel, 7-Lawrence North, 8-Hammond Central, 9-Center Grove, 10-Greenfield-Central, 11-Kokomo, 12-Zionsville, 13-Westfield, 14-Lawrence Central, 15-Southport, 16-Jennings County, 17-Noblesville, 18-Mishawaka Marian, 19-Harrison, 20-Linton.

Sagarin Top 20 (Jan. 29): 1-Ben Davis, 2-Cathedral, 3-Brownsburg, 4-Penn, 5-Carmel, 6-Greenfield-Central, 7-Zionsville, 8-NorthWood, 9-Hammond Central, 10-Kokomo, 11-Center Grove, 12-Lawrence Central, 13-Mishawaka Marian, 14-Noblesville, 15-Jennings County, 16-Southport, 17-Warren Central, 18-Anderson, 19-New Palestine, 20-Norwell

DIMES AGAINST DELTA

The Dragons had exquisite ball movement in their Jan. 6 victory over Delta. They shot 23-45 from the floor and had 20 assists on the 23 made baskets. **Blaine Nunnally** had a season-high eight assists, while **lan Stephens** had five and **Moses Haynes** four.

POSTSEASON HONORS

lan Stephens and Blaine Nunnally each received All-Hoosier Heritage Conference honors after the 2021-22 season. For Nunnally, it was his second such All-Conference selection.

TWINNING

You're not seeing double in the Dragons' lineup. Juniors **Blaine** and **Bryant Nunnally** are twins.

ABOUT NPHS

Nickname: Dragons Colors: Red and white Town: New Palestine County: Hancock

School district: CSC Southern

Hancock County **Enrollment:** 1,193

Conference: Hoosier Heritage IHSAA member since: 1915 Varsity basketball began: 1909

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent: Dr. Lisa Lantrip

Principal: Jim Voelz

Assoc. principal: Amy Dawson Asst. principal: Nick Mitchaner Athletic director: Allen Cooper Asst. AD: Joff Wight

Asst. AD: Jeff Wright Ath. sec.: Summer Parsons SID: Andrew Smith

SID: Andrew Smith BASKETBALL INFO

Head coach: Trent Whitaker HS: Eastern Hancock College: Ball State Assistant coaches Mike Gizzi (JV) Wade Whitaker Caleb VanderWal Danny Davison (F)

Sectional championships

(8): 1957, 1980, 1989, 1997, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2019, 2020

Conference championships (11)

Hancock County: 1957, 1959 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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DOUBLE FIGURES

Six Dragons have reached double-figures in a game this year.

Blaine Nunnally (13 this season, 50 career): 15-Richmond, 23-Eastern Hancock, 14-Rushville, 17-Greenfield-C., 14-New Castle, 24-Franklin Central. 2021-22, 23-Gary 21st Century, 25-Lebanon, 11-Delta, 22-Southport, 15-Roncalli, 27-Franklin, 20-Yorktown: 19 games, 2020-21: 16 games. 2019-20: 2 games

lan Stephens (14 this season, 30 career): 24-Richmond, 23-Eastern Hancock, 10-Rushville, 17-Greenfield-C., 17-New Castle, 24-Franklin Central, 20-Metropolitan, 16-Gary 21st Century, 11-Delta, 15-Southport, 19-Pendleton Hts., 11-Roncalli, 22-Franklin, 22-Yorktown 2021-22: 16 games

Ben Slagley (9 this season, 14 career): 12-Richmond, 12-Rushville, 10-New Castle, 10-Franklin Central, 10-Metropolitan, 22-Gary 21st Century, 12-Lebanon, 14-Delta, 10-Roncalli. 2021-22: 5 games

Julius Gizzi (7 this season/careeer): 14-Richmond, 11-New Castle, 11-Metropolitan, 13-Gary 21st Century, 19-Delta, 17-Southport, 15-Pendleton Hts.

Bryant Nunnally (2 this season/career): 10-Rushville, 11-Delta

Eian Roudebush (1 this season/career): 12-New Castle

STRINGING WINS

The Dragons have shown remarkable consistency under coach Trent Whitaker. Their next victory will tie a program record for the most wins in consecutive seasons. They need six wins to tie the mark of wins in three consecutive seasons set from 1956-59

WINS, CONSECUTIVE SEASONS

35-8, 1957-59, Wally Cones

35-11, 1956-58, Wally Cones 34-7, 2021-23, Trent Whitaker 33-16, 2020-22, Trent Whitaker 33-19, 2017-19, Trent Whitaker 32-11, 1983-85, Ed Frieje

32-13, 2011-13, Adam Barton

32-13, 1978-80, Ed Frieje 32-14, 1995-97, Brian Kehrt

32-13, 1987-89, Carl Hughes WINS, THREE SEASONS

1956-59, Wally

48-16, 2020-23, Trent Whitaker

48-18, 1978-81, Ed Frieje 48-19, 1995-98, Brian Kehrt

47-17, 1983-86, Ed Frieje

47-28, 2019-22, Trent Whitaker 47-31, 2017-20, Trent Whitaker

46-30, 2018-21, Trent Whitaker 44-21, 1949-52, William McNamara

43-23, 1986-89, Carl Hughes

43-25, 2010-13, Adam Barton

CENTURY COACH

Head coach Trent Whitaker became the fifth coach in NPHS history to win 100 games with the victory over Metropolitan Dec. 28, then moved into fourth place on the career wins list the next day.

MOST COACHING WINS

1. 126-93, Brian Kehrt (1995-2005)

2. 120-103, Adam Barton (2005-2015)

3. 116-57, Ed Frieje (1978-86)

108-81, Trent Whitaker (2015-22) 100-72, Wally Cones (1955-62)

58-50, William McNamara (1949-55)

7. 56-85, Fred Keesling (1928-35) 8. 55-79, George Davis (1942-49)

NEW FOE

The Dragons welcome one new opponent to the schedule this season - Lawrence North. The two teams were slated to play each other in the 2020 regional before it was canceled due to COVID. LN replaces Mooresville on the Dragons' schedule.

20/20 VISION

Four times, the Dragons have had lan Stephens and Blaine Nunnally score 20 points in the same game. The duo each scored 23 points in the Dec. 2 62-53 victory over Eastern Hancock. Against Franklin Central Dec. 17, Stephens and Nunnally each scored 24 points - with Stephens doing so on 7-of-7 shooting from the floor and 10-of-13 from the line. In the Jan. 21 game at Franklin, Nunnally scored 27 points on 8-of-11 from the floor and 10-of-11 from the line. Stephens added 22 points and 13 rebounds. On Jan. 27 against Yorktown, Stephens scored 22 points on 8-of-11 shooting and Nunnally added 20, hitting 10-of-10 from the line.

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FIVE IN DOUBLES

The Dragons put five players in double figures Dec. 16 against New Castle. Ian Stephens led the way with 17 points, Blaine Nunnally added 14, Eian Roudebush a career-high 12, Julius Gizzi 11 off the bench and **Ben Slagley** 10. It was the first time five Dragons had scored in double figures since Jan. 25, 2020 in a 91-71 win over Franklin.

TOURNEY CHAMPS

The Dragons won the Lebanon Holiday Classic title, their first in-season tournament championship since winning the 2010-11 Hancock County Tournament.

The Dragons won the title by beating two ranked teams on the final day - defeating 2A No. 7 Gary 21st Century 76-57 and 3A No. 10 Lebanon 59-48. Blaine Nunnally was named tournament MVP, scoring 23 points against 21st Century and adding 25 points in the title game against Lebanon. He scored 12 fourth-quarter points as the Dragons outscored the Tigers 24-12 in the final frame to rally from a second-half deficit.

COOL AT THE HORN

In the Dec. 28 game against Metropolitan, the sophomores came up big in the closing seconds. With the Dragons trailing by four in the final 90 seconds, Ben Slagley scored on a third-chance rebound and converted a three-point play. After forcing two stops, including a steal, the Dragons went coast-to-coast with 5.5 seconds left, with Blaine Nunnally dishing to Julius Gizzi, who was fouled on the shot. Gizzi hit both free throws with no time on the clock to give the Dragons a 61-60 victory.

SLAGLEY'S SUCCESS

Sophomore Ben Slagley has loved playing in the Lebanon gymnasium. A year ago, he earned his first career start and tallied his first career double-figure game against Evansville North. This season, he tallied 44 points in the three games at the Lebanon Holiday Classic, including 22 points and 12 rebounds, his first career double-double, against Gary 21st Century. He hit 7-of-14 from the floor and 8-of-11 from the line in that contest. He then had another that night against Lebanon, with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

He followed with his third straight double-double Jan. 6 at Delta, with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Against Franklin Jan. 21, he tallied a career-high 15 rebounds, the first player to grab that number since lan Stephens did so Jan. 27, 2021 against Indianapolis Metropolitan.

TWIN DOUBLE-DOUBLE

In the Dec. 29 victory over Gary 21st Century, Ben Slagley had 22 points and 12 rebounds, while lan Stephens had 16 points and 10 boards. It was the first time two Dragons had double-digit rebounds in the same game since Slagley and Stephens did so Feb. 5, 2022 against Perry Meridian. It was the first time for twin double-doubles since Maximus Gizzi and Dawson Eastes Dec. 21, 2019 against Franklin Central.

Stephens and Slagley did the same Jan. 6 at Delta. Slagley had 14 points and 11 boards, while Stephens tallied 11 points and 11 boards.

RUN OF RUNS

The Dragons used a 30-2 run in the first half of the Nov. 23 season opener against Richmond to break open the contest. The Dragons scored 17 consecutive points to take a 23-8 lead late in the first quarter. After surrendering two late free throws and then scoring the final point of the opening frame on a free toss, the Dragons opened the second quarter with 12 straight points. Ben Slagley started the spurt with a driving shot. Blaine Nunnally, Eian Roudebush and Julius Gizzi hit 3-pointers in the run, while lan Stephens scored nine second-quarter points.

On Dec. 3 against Rushville, the Dragons used another mammoth run to break the game open, scoring 20 consecutive points in the first half to go up 25-6 in an eventual 70-33 victory.

THE NEXT LEVEL

The Dragons have three alumni playing college basketball. From the Class of 2022, Steele Brasfield is playing for Indiana Tech, while 2020 graduate Dawson Eastes is playing for Hanover and classmate Maximus Gizzi is at Marian.

GRIDIRON SUCCESS

Five members of the Dragons' varsity roster were a part of the 12-1 HHC and sectional championship football team, which was ranked No. 1 throughout the season. Daniel Tippit was the starting quarterback and threw for 2,546 yards, the fourth-highest single-season total in school history. Blaine Nunnally graduates as one of 10 receivers in school history with 1,000 career yards. He also was second on the team with 112 tackles and four interceptions. Bryant Nunnally was a multi-year starter at defensive back. Brady Armstrong was the junior varsity quarterback. while Eian Roudebush was the starting middle linebacker and had 47 tackles.

2022-23 SEASON HIGHS

TEAM

Points in a game: 85, 12/16 vs. New Castle Points in a quarter: 28, 12/16 vs. New Castle (2nd quarter)

Points in a half: 48, 12/16 vs. New Castle (1st half) Fewest points allowed: 33, 12/3 at Rushville Fewest points allowed in a quarter: 5, 12/3 at Rushville (3rd quarter); 1/6 at Delta (1st quarter)

Fewest points allowed in a half: 15, 1/20 at Roncalli 2nd half)

Biggest win margin: 37, 12/3 at Rushville (W 70-33) Most rebounds: 39, 1/21/23 at Franklin Most assists: 20, 1/6/23 at Delta

Most steals: 10, 12/3 at Rushville; 12/17 vs. Franklin Central

Fewest turnovers: 9, 12/9 at Greenfield-C.; 12/17 vs. Franklin Central; 1/20 vs. Roncalli

Most FG: 33, 12/16 vs. New Castle Most FT: 20, 1/21 at Franklin Most 3-pointers: 10, 12/16 vs. New Castle Best FG %: .623 (33-53) 12/16 vs. New Castle Best FT %: .944 (17-18) 1/7 vs. Southport Best 3pt %: .615 (8-13) 1/12 at Pendleton Hts. INDIVIDUAL

Points in a game: 27, Blaine Nunnally 1/21 at Franklin

Rebounds in a game: 15, Ben Slagley 1/21 at Franklin

Assists in a game: 8, Blaine Nunnally 1/6 at Delta; 1/20 at Roncalli

Steals in a game: 5, Ian Stephens 12/17 vs. Franklin Central

Blocks in a game: 2, several players Most 3-pointers: 4, Julius Gizzi 1/6 at Delta Most FG: 9, Ian Stephens 11/23 vs. Richmond; 12/2 vs. Eastern Hancock; Blaine Nunnally 12/29 at Lebanon

Most FT: 11, Blaine Nunnally 1/7 vs. Southport Best 3-point %: .800 (4-5) Julius Gizzi 1/6 at Delta (min. 4 att)

Best FG%: 1.000 (7-7) Ian Stephens 12/17 vs. Franklin Central (min. 5 att.)

Best FT: 1.000 (11-11) Blaine Nunnally 1/7 vs. Southport (10-10) Blaine Nunnally 1/27 vs. Yorktown (min. 5 att.)

THE LAST TIME

NP scored 80-90 points: 12/16/22 vs. New Castle (W 85-60)

NP scored 90+ points: 12/28/21 vs. Indianapolis Metropolitan (W 93-62)

NP scored 100+ points: 12/15/89: vs. Waldron (W 05-89)

NP allowed 35- points: 12/3/22 at Rushville (W 70-33)

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: 12/3/22 at Rushville (W 70-33)

NP won by 40+ points: 2/14/20 vs. Shelbyville (W 89-49)

NP scored 30 points in a quarter: 12/28/21 vs.

Metropolitan (31 points in 4th quarter of 93-62 victory)

NP played in OT: 1/8/22 at Southport (L 57-62)

A Dragon scored 25-30 points: Blaine Nunnally (27) 1/21/23 at Franklin

A Dragon scored 30-39 points: Blaine Nunnally (31) 1/29/21 vs. Yorktown

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, school record)

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 10-14 rebounds: lan Stephens 1/21/23 at Franklin (13)

A Dragon had 15-19 rebounds: Ben Slagley 1/21/23 at Franklin (15)

A Dragon had 20+ rebounds: Dawson Eastes 3/6/20 vs. Mt. Vernon (22)

A Dragon had 30+ rebounds: Gary Mithoefer 1/31/69 at Marshall (33)

A Dragon recorded a double-double: Ian Stephens 1/21/23 at Franklin (22 points/13 rebounds)

A Dragon recorded double-doubles in consecutive games: Ben Slagley 12/29/22 vs. Gary 21st Century (22 points/12 rebounds), 12/29/22 at Lebanon (12 points/10 rebounds) & 1/6/23 at Delta (14 points/11 rebounds)

Two Dragons scored 20 points in a game: Blaine Nunnally (27) & Ian Stephens (22) 1/21/23 at Franklin

Two Dragons scored 30 points in a game: Ed Wheeler (30) & Tom Williams (30) 11/1/55 at St. Paul

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: Blaine Nunnally (23), Ben Slagley (22), Ian Stephens (16) & Julius Gizzi (13) 12/29/22 vs. Gary 21st Century

Five Dragons scored in double figures: lan Stephens (17), Blaine Nunnally (14), Eian Roudebush (12), Julius Gizzi (11) & Ben Slagley (10) 12/16/22 vs. New Castle

Two Dragons had 10 rebounds in a game: Ben Slagley (15) & Ian Stephens (13) 1/21/23 at Franklin

Two Dragons had double-doubles a game: Ben Slagley (14 points, 11 rebounds) & Ian Stephens 1/6/23 at Delta (11 points/11 reboudns)

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

Single-game points against: Doug Linville, 50 at New Salem 1/30/65

Season points: 608, Maximus Gizzi, 2019-20 Season rebounds: 302, Dan Shields, 1970-71 Season assists: 138, Jeff Mitchell, 1992-93 Season steals: 46, Pat Feeney, 2009-10 Season blocks: 135, John Allison, 1996-97 Career points: 1,612, Maximus Gizzi 2016-20 Career rebounds: 767, Dick Pruet, 1960-63 Career assists: 375, Maximus Gizzi 2016-20 Career steals: 115, Maximus Gizzi 2016-20 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 (W 120-67).

Single-game rebounds: 67 vs. Arlington 2/12/66

Single-game points, both teams: 194 vs. Waldron 2/18/89 (W 105-89)

Points, consecutive games: 229 vs. Morton Memorial (109-74) and St. Paul (120-67), 2/4 & 2/10/67

Victory margin: 64, vs. Lutheran (92-28), 12/2/85

2022-23 BOXES

DRAGONS 60, YORKTOWN 53 Friday, Jan. 27 at New Palestine HS

YORKTOWN (10-5, 3-2): Dunn 9-17 2-2 21, Grim 4-11 3-4 13, Isaacs 2-4 0-0 6, Thurman 2-7 1-2 5, Fields 1-2 0-0 3, Douglas 1-4 1-2 3, Moulton 0-2 2-2 2, Tyler 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 19-49 9-12 53.

NEW PALESTINE (15-0, 5-0): Stephens 8-11 3-4 22, Bl.Nunnally 5-15 10-10 20, Haynes 2-3 0-2 6, Slagley 2-5 2-2 6, Gizzi 2-5 0-0 4, Br.Nunnally 1-2 0-0 2, Roudebush 0-2 0-0 0, Hill 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 20-44 15-18 60.

Yorktown 16 12 16 9 -- 53 New Palestine 22 11 9 18 -- 60

3-point goals: Y 6-19 (Grim 2-5, Isaacs 2-3, Dunn 1-5, Fields 1-2, Tyler 0-2, Thurman 0-2), NP 5-16 (Stephens 3-3, Haynes 2-3, Bl.Nunnally 0-4, Gizzi 0-3, Br.Nunnally 0-1, Roudebush 0-1, Hill 0-1)

DRAGONS 64, FRANKLIN 53 Saturday, Jan. 21 at Franklin HS

NEW PALESTINE (14-0): BI.Nunnally 8-11 10-11 27, Stephens 9-20 4-4 22, Slagley 2-14 4-6 8, Gizzi 1-3 2-2 4, Roudebush 1-2 0-0 3, Haynes 0-1 0-0 0, Armstrong 0-1 0-0 0, Br.Nunnally 0-0 0-0 0, Hill 0-0 0-0 0, Tippit 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-52 20-23 64...

FRANKLIN (7-7): Davis 9-17 0-1 18, Hunter 4-5 0-0 12, Beverly 3-8 0-1 6, Street 2-6 0-0 6, Corley 2-4 0-0 5, Razor 1-2 2-2 4, Nickleson 1-9 0-0 2, Nielsen 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-52 2-4 53.

New Palestine 16 13 14 21 -- 64 Franklin 9 13 13 18 -- 53

3-point goals: NP 2-7 (Bl.Nunnally 1-2, Roudebush 1-2, Stephens 0-2, Haynes 0-1), F 7-22 (Hunter 4-5, Street 2-6, Corley 1-1, Nickleson 0-7, Davis 0-2, Beverly 0-1)

DRAGONS 58, RONCALLI 41 Friday, Jan. 20 at St. Vincent Gym, Indpls.

NEW PALESTINE (13-0): Bl.Nunnally 4-10 5-7 15, Stephens 4-6 2-3 11, Slagley 4-5 1-3 10, Haynes 2-4 1-2 7, Br.Nunnally 2-3 0-0 6, Gizzi 2-4 0-0 5, Hill 2-3 0-0 4, Roudebush 0-1 0-0 0, Tippit 0-0 0-0 0, Armstrong 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-36 9-15 58.

RONCALLI (5-8): Lauck 4 5-8 13, D.Keggeris 5 0-0 12, L.Keggeris 2 2-2 8, Tunny 2 3-4 7, Selke 0 1-2 1, Byrne 0 0-0 0, Miller 0 0-0 0, Schmaltz 0 0-0 0, Greene 0 0-0 0, Taylor 0 0-0 0. Totals 13 11-16 41.

New Palestine 16 15 16 11 -- 58 Roncalli 13 13 7 8 -- 41

3-point goals: NP 9-17 (Bl.Nunnally 2-5, Haynes 2-3, Br.Nunnally 2-3, Gizzi 1-3, Slagley 1-1, Stephens 1-1, Roudebush 0-1), R 4 (D.Keggeris 2, L.Keggeris 2)

DRAGONS 58, PENDLETON HTS. 41 Thursday, Jan. 12 at Pendleton Hts. MS

NEW PALESTINE (12-0, 4-0): Stephens 8-11 2-6 19, Gizzi 6-11 0-0 15, Bl.Nunnally 3-5 0-2 8, Slagley 2-7 4-5 8, Haynes 2-2 0-0 6, Br.Nunnally 1-3 0-0 2, Hill 0-2 0-0 0, Roudebush 0-1 0-0 0, Armstrong 0-0 0-0 0, Tippit 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-42 6-13 58.

PENDLETON HTS. (4-9, 0-2): Gustin 7-15 0-0 15, Kanitz 2-6 4-6 7, Cookston 3-7 1-2 7, Wilson 1-10 2-2 5, Mozingo 2-7 0-0 4, Caplinger 1-1 0-0 2, Sims 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 16-47 7-10 41.

New Palestine 12 13 12 21 -- 58 Pendleton Hts. 13 9 9 10 -- 41

3-point goals: NP 8-13 (Gizzi 3-3, Haynes 2-2, Bl.Nunnally 2-3, Stephens 1-1, Br.Nunnally 0-2, Hill 0-1, Roudebush 0-1), PH 2-11 (Wilson 1-4, Gustin 1-3, Mozingo 0-3, Cookston 0-1)

DRAGONS 73, SOUTHPORT 68 Saturday, Jan. 7 at New Palestine HS SOUTHPORT (7-4): Dancler 9-17 2-3 27,

Ja.Pinkston 5-6 6-7 17, Lemba 5-7 0-1 10, Miller 4-12 0-0 8, Je.Pinkston 1-1 1-2 3, Turner 1-3 0-0 3, Percifield 0-2 0-0 0, Rudolph 0-1 0-0 0, Handlon 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 25-51 9-17 68.

NEW PALESTINE (11-0): Bl.Nunnally 5-12 11-11 22, Gizzi 6-12 2-2 17, Stephens 6-8 2-3 15, Br.Nunnally 3-4 2-2 11, Slagley 4-8 0-0 8, Roudebush 0-1 0-0 0, Haynes 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-45 17-18 73.

Southport 19 4 20 25 -- 68 New Palestine 21 15 17 20 -- 73

3-point goals: S 9-25 (Dancler 7-14, Turner 1-3, Ja.Pinkston 1-2, Percifield 0-2, Handlon 0-2, Miller 0-1, Rudolph 0-1), NP 8-16 (Gizzi 3-7, Br.Nunnally 3-4, Bl.Nunnally 1-2, Stephens 1-2, Roudebush 0-1).

DRAGONS 62, DELTA 48 Friday, Jan. 6 at Delta HS

NEW PALESTINE (10-0, 3-0): Gizzi 7-9 1-2 19, Slagley 6-11 2-2 14, Bl.Nunnally 2-11 6-8 11, Stephens 5-9 1-2 11, Br.Nunnally 2-3 2-2 5, Roudebush 1-1 0-0 2, Haynes 0-1 0-0 0, Hill 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-45 10-14 62.

DELTA (8-4, 0-2): Furney 6-14 1-3 15, Hood 5-10 1-2 13, Wors 4-9 1-2 9, Bond 1-6 3-4 5, B.Jones 2-5 0-0 2, J.Manor 1-3 0-0 2, C.Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-47 6-10 48.

New Palestine 7 16 18 21 -- 62 Delta 5 15 14 14 -- 48

3-point goals: NP 6-14 (Gizzi 4-5, Bl.Nunnally 1-5, Br.Nunnally 1-2), D 4-14 (Furney 2-5, Hood 2-4, Bond 0-3, J.Manor 0-1, Wors 0-1).

DRAGONS 59, LEBANON 48

Lebanon Holiday Classic championship Thursday, Dec. 29 at Rosensthil Gym

NEW PALESTINE (9-0): Bl.Nunnally 9-14 6-7 25, Slagley 2-10 8-11 12, Gizzi 3-6 3-6 9, Stephens 3-9 1-1 7, Haynes 1-5 2-2 4, Hill 1-2 0-0 2, Br.Nunnally 0-1 0-0 0, Roudebush 0-1 0-0 0, Tippit 0-0 0-0 0, Armstrong 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-48 20-27 59.

LEBANON (8-2): Lark 7-13 2-7 16, Ferrell 5-7 1-2 13, Ko.Sloggett 4-6 0-0 9, Fouts 1-6 4-4 6, Burns 1-10 1-3 4, Linton 0-2 0-0 0, Ka.Sloggett 0-2 0-1 0. Totals 18-46 8-17 48.

New Palestine 10 16 9 24 -- 59 Lebanon 10 14 12 12 -- 48

3-point goals: NP 1-12 (BI.Nunnally 1-4, Stephens 0-3, Gizzi 0-2, Hill 0-1, Roudebush 0-1, Slagley 0-1), L 4-16 (Ferrell 2-3, Burns 1-7, Ko.Sloggett 1-1, Lark 0-3, Ka.Sloggett 0-1, Fouts 0-1).

DRAGONS 76, GARY 21st CENTURY 57 Lebanon Holiday Classic semifinal Thursday, Dec. 29 at Rosensthil Gym

GARY 21st CENTURY (6-3): Moss 8-16 1-2 20, Hayes 4-6 1-1 12, Williamson 4-8 2-4 12, Floyd 4-17 0-4 9, Henderson-Sims 1-3 0-0 2, Williams 1-7 0-0 2, Cast 0-0 0-0 0, Donaldson 0-0 0-0 0, Upshaw 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-57 0-0 57.

NEW PALESTINE (8-0): Bl.Nunnally 8-18 5-5 23, Slagley 7-14 8-8 22, Stephens 7-14 1-2 16, Gizzi 5-13 0-0 13, Br.Nunnally 1-2 0-0 2, Roudebush 0-3 0-0 0, Haynes 0-0 0-0 0, Hill 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-64 14-15 76

21st Century 12 13 23 9 -- 57 New Palestine 16 23 24 13 -- 76

3-point goals: 21st 9-21 (Hayes 3-4, Moss 3-4, Williamson 2-6, Floyd 1-5, Henderson-Sims 0-2), NP 6-17 (Gizzi 3-7, Bl.Nunnally 2-5, Stephens 1-3, Br.Nunnally 0-1, Roudebush 0-1).

DRAGONS 61, METROPOLITAN 60 Lebanon Holiday Classic quarterfinal Wednesday, Dec. 28 at Rosensthil Gym METROPOLITAN (1-4): Miller 9 4-4 23.

Diakaite 4 3-4 12, LaBroi 4 3-3 11, Ware 3 3-4 10, Soumare 0 2-2 2, Wilson 1 0-1 2, Torrence 0 0-0 0, Head 0 0-0 0, Atobetebe 0 0-0 0. Totals 21 15-18 60.

NEW PALESTINE (7-0): Stephens 7-11 6-10 20, Gizzi 4-7 2-2 11, Slagley 4-8 2-3 10, Hill 2-3 0-0 6, Bl.Nunnally 1-8 4-4 6, Roudebush 2-3 0-0 5, Br.Nunnally 1-5 0-1 3, Haynes 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 21-47 0-0 61.

Metropolitan 8 14 21 17 -- 60 New Palestine 20 20 8 13 -- 61

3-point goals: M 3 (Miller, Ware, Diakaite), NP 5-17 (Hill 2-3, Br.Nunnally 1-4, Gizzi 1-2, Roudebush 1-1, Bl.Nunnally 0-5, Stephens 0-1, Haynes 0-1)

DRAGONS 77, FRANKLIN CENTRAL 64 Saturday, Dec. 17 at New Palestine HS

FRANKLIN CENTRAL (0-7): Crockett 6-10 6-7 21, Hazelett 7-13 0-1 17, Helm 4-7 4-5 12, Hoover 2-11 3-4 8, Moriarty 3-6 0-0 6, Tiwana 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 22-49 13-17 64..

NEW PALESTINE (6-0): Stephens 7-7 10-13 24, Bl.Nunnally 8-17 6-8 24, Slagley 5-7 0-0 10, Gizzi 2-7 3-3 7, Roudebush 3-5 0-0 6, Br.Nunnally 2-3 0-0 6, Haynes 0-1 0-0 0, Hill 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-47 19-24 77..

3-point goals: FC 7-23 (Hazelett 3-7, Crockett 3-6, Hoover 1-8, Moriarty 0-2), NP 4-14 (Bl.Nunnally 2-5, Br.Nunnally 2-3, Gizzi 0-4, Haynes 0-1, Roudebush 0-1)

DRAGONS 85, NEW CASTLE 60 Friday, Dec. 16 at New Palestine HS

NEW CASTLE (4-3, 1-1): Welch 7-18 2-2 18, Taylor 6-12 1-2 14, Hinton 4-9 5-6 13, Butler 2-4 0-0 6, Blackford 1-1 0-0 3, Lewis 1-4 0-0 2, Thompson 1-1 0-0 2, Henderson 1-2 0-0 2, Boatright 0-2 0-0 0, Miller 0-2 0-0 0, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-56 8-10 60.

NEW PALESTINE (5-0, 2-0): Stephens 6-8 5-8 17, Bl.Nunnally 6-12 0-0 14, Roudebush 5-8 0-0 12, Gizzi 4-5 2-3 11, Slagley 5-6 0-0 10, Haynes 2-5 0-0 6, Br.Nunnally 1-3 2-2 5, Hill 2-2 0-0 5, Tippit 1-3 0-0 3, Armstrong 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 33-53 9-13 85

New Castle 6 19 15 20 -- 60 New Palestine 20 28 20 17 -- 85

3-point goals: NC 6-26 (Welch 2-9, Butler 2-4, Taylor 1-4, Blackford 1-1, Lewis 0-3, Boatright 0-2, Hinton 0-1, Miller 0-1, Johnson 0-1), NP 10-18 (Bl. Nunnally 2-5, Haynes 2-4, Roudebush 2-2, Br.Nunnally 1-3, Tippit 1-2, Gizzi 1-1, Hill 1-1).

DRAGONS 53, GREENFIELD-C. 46 Friday, Dec. 9 at Cougar Gym, Greenfield NEW PALESTINE (4-0, 1-0): Stephens 5-10

7-8 17, Bl.Nunnally 6-12 4-7 17, Slagley 4-9 1-5 9, Roudebush 1-1 2-3 4, Gizzi 1-4 0-0 3, Br.Nunnally 1-2 0-0 3, Hill 0-1 0-0 0, Haynes 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-39 14-23 53. .

GREENFIELD-C. (3-1, 0-1): Moles 7-15 4-4 22, Mullins 4-9 0-0 9, Hinton 2-2 2-3 6, Robertson 2-5 0-0 4, Kerkhof 1-8 1-2 3, Dejarnett 1-2 0-1 2. Totals 17-41 7-11 46.

New Palestine 10 9 14 20 -- 53 Greenfield-C. 12 12 10 12 -- 46

3-point goals: NP 3-11 (Bl.Nunnally 1-4, Gizzi 1-3, Br.Nunnally 1-2, Stephens 0-1, Hill 0-1), G-C 5-19 (Moles 4-7, Mullins 1-4, Kerkhof 0-5, Robertson 0-3).

2022-23 BOXES (cont.)

DRAGONS 70, RUSHVILLE 33

Saturday, Dec. 3 at Memorial Gym, Rushville NEW PALESTINE (3-0): BI. Nunnally 6-12

1-3 14, Slagley 5-7 2-4 12, Stephens 3-6 3-3 10, Br. Nunnally 3-3 2-2 10, Haynes 4-4 0-0 9, Gizzi 3-11 0-0 8, Armstrong 1-2 0-0 3, Roudebush 1-3 0-0 2, Tippit 1-2 0-0 2, Hill 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 27-52 8-12 70.

RUSHVILLE (0-3): Cain 6 1-2 15, D.Thompson 3 1-2 7, Morton 1 4-6 6, Jenkins 1 0-0 3, Jarman 1 0-0 2, Woolf 0 0-0 0, K.Thompson 0 0-0 0, Corn 0 0-0 0, Chase 0 0-0 0. Totals 12 6-10 33...

New Palestine 22 11 26 11 -- 70 Rushville 6 10 5 12 -- 33

3-point goals: NP 8-18 (Gizzi 2-5, Br.Nunnally 2-2, Armstrong 1-2, Bl.Nunnally 1-2, Haynes 1-1, Stephens 1-1, Hill 0-2, Tippit 0-1, Roudebush 0-1, Slagley 0-1), R 3 (Cain 2, Jenkins).

DRAGONS 62, EASTERN HANCOCK 53 Friday, Dec. 2 at New Palestine HS

EASTERN HANCOCK (1-1): J. Spaulding 6-23 0-0 16, Miller 4-12 5-7 13, S.Spaulding 3-7 3-4 9, Gray 3-6 0-0 8, Morris 1-1 2-2 4, Ruble 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 18-51 10-13 53.

NEW PALESTINE (2-0): Stephens 9-13 4-5 23, BI.Nunnally 8-15 5-6 23, Haynes 2-3 0-0 6, Slagley 2-6 1-1 5, Roudebush 1-3 0-0 3, Gizzi 1-4 0-1 2, Br.Nunnally 0-1 0-0 0, Hill 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-45 10-13 62.

E. Hancock 9 16 13 15 -- 53 New Palestine 21 8 14 19 -- 62

3-point goals: EH 7-25 (J.Spaulding 4-14, Gray 2-4, Ruble 1-1, S.Spaulding 0-4, Miller 0-2), NP 6-13 (Bl.Nunnally 2-4, Haynes 2-3, Stephens 1-2, Roudebush 1-1, Gizzi 0-2, Br.Nunnally 0-1)

DRAGONS 75, RICHMOND 51

Wednesday, Nov. 23 at New Palestine HS RICHMOND (0-1): Horton 7-12 2-2 17, Carpenter 4-14 3-4 11, Cate 3-8 1-3 8, Hunter 0-3 4-4 4, Haynes 2-3 0-0 4, Reising 1-5 2-2 4, Kovach 1-5

0-0 3, Deloney 0-1 0-0 0, Turner 0-2 0-0 0, Smith 0-2 0-1 0. Totals 18-55 12-16 51. NEW PALESTINE (1-0): Stephens 9-11 5-8 24, BI.Nunnally 5-8 3-4 15, Gizzi 5-10 1-2 14, Slagley

5-9 2-2 12, Roudebush 2-4 1-2 7, Br.Nunnally 1-1 0-0 3, Haynes 0-3 0-0 0, Armstrong 0-2 0-0 0, Hill 0-1 0-0 0, Tippit 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-49 0-0 75. 10 10 Richmond 18 13 -- 51

New Palestine 24 22 14 15 -- 75 3-point goals: R 3-19 (Horton 1-5, Cate 1-2, Kovach 1-2, Carpenter 0-7, Hunter 0-1, Turner 0-1, Smith 0-1), NP 9-20 (Gizzi 3-4, Roudebush 2-4, BI.Nunnally 2-3, Stephens 1-3, Br.Nunnally 1-1, Armstrong 0-2, Haynes 0-1, Hill 0-1, Slagley 0-1)

YEAR-BY-YEAR

Coach Trent Whitaker (8 seasons, 108-81)

2022-23: 15-0 (5-0 HHC) 2021-22: 19-7 (5-2 HHC) 2020-21: 14-9 (5-2 HHC)

2019-20 14-12 (5-2 HHC) HHC, sectional champion 2018-19 18-9 (6-1 HHC) sectional champion

2017-18 15-10 (4-3 HHC) 2016-17 7-17 (1-6 HHC)

2015-16 6-17 (2-5 HHC) Coach Adam Barton (10 seasons, 120-103)

2014-15 13-12 (4-3 HHC) 2013-14 10-11 (3-3 HHC)

2012-13 15-6 (7-0 HHC) HHC champion

2011-12 17-7 (5-2 HHC) sectional & county champion 2010-11 11-12 (1-6 HHC) sectional & county champion

2009-10 11-10 (3-4 HHC)

2008-09 9-14 (1-6 HHC) sectional champion 2007-08 13-8 (5-2 HHC) county champion

2006-07 13-9 (4-3 HHC)

2005-06 8-14 (1-6 HHC) county champion

Coach Brian Kehrt (10 seasons, 126-93)

2004-05 6-15 (1-6 HHC) county champion 2003-04 10-12 (3-4 HHC)

2002-03 14-7 (5-2 HHC) HHC co-champion

2001-02 13-8 (4-3 HHC)

2000-01 9-14 (4-3 HHC)

1999-00 16-7 (5-2 HHC) HHC co-champion

1998-99 10-11 (2-4 HHC) 1997-98 16-5 (5-2 HHC)

1996-97 13-11 (3-4 HHC) sectional champion 1995-96 19-3 (4-1 HHC)

Coach Bruce Haynes (5 seasons, 41-66)

1994-95 7-15 (1-4 HHC)

1993-94 8-14 (1-4 HHC)

1992-93 14-8 (4-2 RLC) 1991-92 9-12 (5-1 RLC)

1990-91 3-17 (1-5 RLC)

Coach Carl Hughes (4 seasons, 51-36)

1989-90 8-13 (4-2 RLC)

1988-89 21-3 (5-1 BBRC) sectional champion 1987-88 11-10 (6-0 BBRC) BBRC champion

1986-87 11-10 (2-4 BBRC)

Coach Ed Frieje (8 seasons, 116-57)

1985-86 15-6 (5-1 BBRC) BBRC champion 1984-85 15-6 (4-3 BBRC)

1983-84 17-5 (6-1 BBRC) BBRC champion

1982-83 11-11 (4-3 BBRC)

1981-82 10-11 (2-3 BBRC)

1980-81 16-5 (3-2 BBRC)

1979-80 13-10 (4-2 BBRC) sectional champion

1978-79 19-3 (6-1 BBRC)

Coach Larry Collins (4 seasons, 36-49)

1977-78 11-10 (3-4 BBRC) 1976-77 6-15 (2-5 BBRC)

1975-76 9-11 (2-5 BBRC)

1974-75 10-13 (4-3 BBRC)

Coach John Wood (1 season, 3-18)

1973-74 3-18 (1-6 BBRC)

Coach Warren Stephens (5 seasons, 23-79)

1972-73 2-18 (2-5 BBRC)

1971-72 6-14 (3-5 BBRC)

1970-71 9-12 (3-5 BBRC)

1969-70 4-17 (1-7 BBRC)

1968-69 2-18 (3-5 BBRC)

Coach Walt Molinder (3 seasons, 35-28)

1967-68 8-13 (4-3 ECC)

1966-67 19-3 (7-0 ECC) ECC champion

1965-66 8-12 (2-5 ECC)

Coach Jesse Blackwell (3 seasons, 20-42)

1964-65 5-16 (2-5 ECC)

1963-64 5-15 (2-5 ECC)

1962-63 10-11 (5-1 HCC)

Coach Wally Cones (8 seasons, 100-72)

1961-62 12-9 (3-3 HCC) 1960-61 7-14 (4-4 HCC)

1959-60 12-10 (6-2 HCC) 1958-59 19-3 (8-0 HCC) HCC champion

1957-58 16-5 (5-2 HCC) county champion

1956-57 19-6 (7-1 HCC) HCC, sectional champion

1955-56 8-12 (4-4 HCC)

1954-55 7-13 (3-5 HCC)

Coach William McNamara (5 seasons, 58-50)

1953-54 5-15 (2-6 HCC)

1952-53 9-14 County champion 1951-52 15-7 County champion

1950-51 15-6 1949-50 14-8

Coach George Davis (7 seasons, 55-79)

1948-49 8-12 1947-48 9-12

1946-47 2-18 1945-46 9-10

1944-45 18-3 County champion

1943-44 8-9 1942-43 1-15

Coach J.L. Stanley (1 season, 13-10)

1941-42 13-10

Coach Theron Ogle (6 seasons, 46-73)

1940-41 9-12 1939-40 9-9 1938-39 9-11

1937-38 9-12 1936-37 4-14

1935-36 6-15

Coach Fred Keesling (6 seasons, 56-85)

1934-35 1-21 1933-34 9-15 1932-33 12-11 1931-32 4-16 1929-30 13-12

1928-29 17-10 Coach H.K. Hendrickson (1+ seasons, 8-10)

1927-28 8-10

Season records prior to 1927-28 not available



Moses Haynes 5'9 So. G

GP/GS: 15/0
Pts: 2.9
Ast: 2.5
Ast: 2.5
FG: 44 (15-34)
FT: 50 (3-6)
Pts: 9. 12/3/22 Rushville

Pts: 9, 12/3/22 Rushville **Reb**: 5, 12/16/22 New Castle **Ast:** 5, 12/29/22 vs. Gary 21st Cen



Daniel
Tippit IV
5'10 Sr. G

GP/GS:7/0
Pts: 0.7
Ast: 0.0
FG: 40 (2-5)
FT: 0 (0-0)
Reb: 0.1
Stl: 0.1
Spt: 33 (1-3)

Pts: 2, 12/3/22 Rushville Reb: 1, 12/3/22 Rushville Ast: 0



GP/GS:15/15

lan Stephens 6'6 Sr. F

Pts: 17.2 Reb: 8.7
Ast: 1.9 Stl: 1.5
FG: 62 (96-154) 3pt: 42 (10-24)
FT: 70 (56-80)
Pts: 27, 12/28/21 Metropolitan

Reb: 15, 12/28/21 Metropolitan **Ast**: 6, 1/7/23 Southport



Bryant Nunnally 5'11 Sr. G

 GP/GS: 15/15
 nun-uh-lee

 Pts: 3.9
 Reb: 1.5

 Ast: 0.9
 Stl: 1.1

 FG: 53 (19-36)
 3pt: 48 (14-29)

 FT: 86 (6-7)

Pts: 10, 12/3/22 Rushville **Reb**: 3, 5x, 12/29/22 Gary 21st Cen **Ast**: 3, 2x, 2/25/22 Greenwood



14Blaine
Nunnally
5'10 Sr. G

 GP/GS: 15/15
 nun-uh-lee

 Pts: 17.6
 Reb: 3.6

 Ast: 5.3
 Stl: 1.0

 FG: 47 (84-180)
 3pt: 34 (20-58)

 FT: 82 (76-93)

Pts: 31, 1/29/21 Yorktown **Reb**: 9, 1/16/21 Mooresville **Ast**: 9, 1/7/22 Delta



15 Kendall Hill 5'11 Sr. G

GP/GS:14/0
Pts: 1.2
Ast: 0.1
FG: 41 (7-17)
Reb: 0.6
Stl: 0.3
FG: 41 (7-17)
3pt: 27 (3-11)

FT: 0 (0-0)
Pts: 6, 12/28/22 Metropolitan
Reb: 3, 12/4/21 Rushville
Ast: 2, 12/4/21 Rushville



20Brady
Armstrong
5'11 Jr. G

GP/GS:7/0
Pts: 0.7
Ast: 0.1
FG: 33 (2-6)
FT: 0 (0-0)

Reb: 0.4
Stl: 0.1
Stl: 0.1
Spt: 25 (1-4)

Pts: 3, 12/3/22 Rushville **Reb**: 2, 12/3/22 Rushville **Ast:** 1, 11/23/22 Richmond



21Eian
Roudebush
6'1 Sr. G

 GP/GS: 15/15
 ee-un

 Pts: 2.9
 Reb: 1.9

 Ast: 1.1
 Stl: 0.3

 FG: 44 (17-39)
 3pt: 39 (7-18)

 FT: 60 (3-5)

Pts: 12, 12/16/22 New Castle Reb: 6, 12/2/22 Eastern Hancock Ast: 3, 12/17/21 New Castle



24Julius
Gizzi
6'3 So. F/G

GP/GS: 15/2
Pts: 9.7
Ast: 0.3
FG: 47 (53-112)
Reb: 3.0
Stl: 0.5
FG: 47 (53-112)
3pt: 44 (23-52)

FT: 70 (16-23) **Pts**: 19, 12/6/23 Delta

Reb: 6, 2x, 12/29/22 Gary 21st Cen **Ast**: 2, 12/29/22 Gary 21st Cen



Ben Slagley 6'3 So. F

 GP/GS: 15/13
 SLAG-lee

 Pts: 10.2
 Reb: 7.3

 Ast: 1.5
 Stl: 0.3

 FG: 46 (58-125)
 3pt: 0 (0-3)

 FT: 71 (37-52)

Pts: 22, 12/29/22 Gary 21st Cen Reb: 15, 1/21/23 Franklin Ast: 6, 3/1/22 Muncie Central JV roster

Rigg Mahurin 5-11 So. G Keagan Harrison 6-1 So. G 13 Austin McMahan 6-0 So. G 14 Evan Darrah 5-7 Fr G 20 Alex Guhl 6-1 So. G 21 Landon Seib 6-1 So. F 22 Preston Harman 6-1 So. F 24 Sam Adam 6-0 So. JV coach: Jordan Myers



Freshman roster

3 Nolan Lewis4 Rudy Hubbard

11 Axtyn Hamblen12 Caleb Davis

15 Ajay Kropp 20 Max Lewis

21 Evan Study22 Cameron Rollyson

23 Liam Atkinson 24 Carson Neligh 35 Avden Ley

35 Ayden Ley45 Garrett Ranes

Freshman coaches: Danny Davison & Bart Lewis

2022-23 schedule (15-0, 5-0 HHC)

Nov. 23 RICHMOND W 75-51 E. HANCOCK W 62-53 Dec. 3 at Rushville W 70-33 at Greenfield-C. Dec. 9 W 53-46 Dec. 16 NEW CASTLE* W 85-60 Dec. 17 FRANKLIN C.* W 77-64 Dec. 28 vs. Metropolitan% W 61-60 Dec. 29 vs. Gary 21st Century% W 76-57 Dec. 29 at Lebanon% W 59-48 W 62-48 at Delta Jan. 6 Jan. 7 SOUTHPORT W 73-68 Jan. 12 at Pendleton Hts.* W 58-41 at Roncalli W 58-41 Jan. 20 Jan. 21 at Franklin W 64-53 Jan. 27 YORKTOWN³ W 60-53 Jan. 30 LAWRENCE NORTH 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. at Perry Meridian Feb. 7 GUERIN CATHOLIC 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10 at Shelbyville* 7:30 p.m. Feb. 11 at Connersville 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17 MT. VERNON* 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18 at Whiteland Feb. 24 GREENWOOD 7:30 p.m..

*-Hoosier Heritage Conference game

%-Lebanon Holiday Tournament



Trent
Whitaker
HEAD COACH
2021-22: 19-7

2020-21: 14-9 2019-20: 14-12 2018-19: 18-9 2017-18: 15-10 2016-17: 7-17 2015-16: 6-17

Coach Whitaker is in his eighth season as the Dragons' varsity head coach, leading NP to an 80-47 record since 2017, including two sectional titles, an HHC title and the school's first regional final 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 an assistant AD 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
Mike Gizzi, Jordan Myers, Wa

Mike Gizzi, Jordan Myers, Wade Whitaker, Caleb VanderWal, Danny Davison, Bart Lewis CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

Sectional championships (9): 1957, 1980, 1989, 1997, 2009 (3A), 2011 (3A), 2012 (4A), 2019 (4A), 2020 (4A)

Conference titles (11) Hancock County: 1957, 1959 East Central: 1967 Big Blue River: 1979, 1984,

1985, 1988

Hoosier Heritage: 2000, 2003,

2013, 2020

RECORD BOOK

Single-game points: Ryan Curry, 46 at Shelbyville 2/6/15

Single-game rebounds: Gary Mithoefer, 33 vs. Indianapolis Marshall 1/31/69

Single-game points against: Doug Linville, 50 at New Salem 1/30/65

Season points: 608, Maximus Gizzi, 2019-20 Season rebounds: 302, Dan Shields, 1970-71 Season assists: 138, Jeff Mitchell, 1992-93 Season steals: 46, Pat Feeney, 2009-10 Season blocks: 135, John Allison, 1996-97 Career points: 1,612, Maximus Gizzi 2016-20 Career rebounds: 767, Dick Pruet, 1960-63 Career steals: 115, Maximus Gizzi 2016-20 Career steals: 371, John Allison, 1994-98 (state

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 rebounds: 67 vs. Arlington 2/12/66 Single-game points, both teams: 194 vs. Waldron

2/18/89 (105-89)
Points, consecutive games: 229 vs. Morton Memorial (109-74) and St. Paul (120-67), 2/4 & 2/10/67.
Victory margin: 64, vs. Lutheran (92-28), 12/2/85