

Middle School Dogs Play in the New Year  
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The Golden Plains Middle School Boys hosted Cheylin at Rexford on Thursday, January 3rd. Both A and B teams worked hard but lost to the Cougars.

The B team boys started the night off scoring 2 points in the first quarter, but let the Cougars score 6 points for the lead. The Bulldogs couldn't get the ball to fall as the Cougars added 13 more points to their score in the second quarter, making it 2-19 by half-time.

The Dogs scored 3 more points in the third quarter but couldn't stop the Cougars from scoring 4 more points ending the quarter 5-23. The 'Dogs added 8 more points while the Cougars scored 12 more ending the game 13-35. Four of the Bulldog points came from Cougars scoring on the Bulldogs goal. The game points came from Josh Rath 5, Owen Patmon 2 and Blake Durham 2. "This game was very fun," said Dominic Stout. "We keep learning more about basketball, and using everyone in the game. We are shooting better and getting better good in defense."

The A team boys also lost to Cheylin. The 'Dogs couldn't make a basket in the first quarter and let the Cheylin boys score 18. The Dogs couldn't find a way to shoot in the second but allowed the Cougars to make 23 points for a half time score of 0-41.

The 'Dogs fired up in the second half and were able to put 7 points on the scoreboard as the Cougars were able to make an additional 5. The Bulldogs put 2 more baskets in the fourth quarter but weren't able to keep the Cougars from making 7 more to claim the win 53-9. Owen Patmon ended the game 5 points along with 2 each from Tayten Barnett and Jerrit Koerperich. "We are getting really good at passing the ball," said Blake Durham. "We are staying in control pressuring the other team and playing hard in defense." The Bulldogs continue their season on January 10th at Heartland Christian.