Bulldogs Play Close with Bobcats By Ethan Weiner

On Thursday January 17, the Golden Plains Middle School boys hosted the Western Plains/Healy Bobcats. The boys just played an A-Team game. It was a close one but the boys fell short 2 points, 21-23.

The Bulldogs started the game off down 0-4 at the end of the first quarter. The 'Dogs fought their way back in the second quarter scoring 6 while holding the Bobcats to 2 for a 6-6 half time score.

Coming out of halftime the boys outscored the Bobcats by 1 point to take the lead 15-14 at the end of the third. The Bulldogs played a hard fourth quarter playing back and forth with the Bobcats. With 42.6 seconds left in the game Owen Patmon made a three to tie the game up at 21. With the Bulldogs down by 2 at the buzzer Josh Rath threw up a three, but it bounced around the rim and came out. The Bulldogs lost by 2 at the final buzzer 21-23.

Leading the Bulldogs in scoring were Owen Patmon with 11, Josh Rath with 6, and Tayten Barnett with 4. "We played good, but need to work on boxing out" commented Patmon. "Our offense and defense were good and we had good passing and shooting," added Rath. He also commented that the played well as a team. The Bulldogs will play on the road on January 24th against Wheatland/Grinnell.