GP Girls Defeat Heartland Christian By Ashley Stoll

The Golden Plains Middle School girls played only an A-Team game against Heartland Christian on Thursday, January 10. The Bulldogs took down the Crusaders 41-11.

The first quarter started off slow for both teams, but the Bulldogs were able to jump ahead 6-3. The Dogs took control in the second going into half-time ahead, 21-9. In the third quarter, the Bulldog's defense stepped up and held Heartland scoreless, while adding 15 more to their total for a 25-9 lead. The girls continued to compete and the Lady 'Dogs put in 6 more to win the game, 41-11.

Leading scorer was Sidney Taylor with 16 points, followed by Jazeline Manriquez with 13. Jordyn Fleckenstein contributed 6, Breanna Rath 4, and McHaley Carter 2. "We started out slow in the beginning, but we picked it up and came together as a team," said Sidney Taylor. "I enjoyed playing with my teammates," added Jazeline Manriquez. "I think we played well, but there are things we need to work and improve on as a team."

The Dogs will have a week off and continue their season again on January 24, when they will travel to Grinnell to take on the Grinnell/Wheatland Thunderhawks.