

MS Boys End Season at League

By Sidney Taylor

The middle school boys basketball team finished their season on a 17-31 loss at the WKLL tournament. The Bulldogs played Grinnell/Wheatland in an attempt to make it to the second day of the tournament, but couldn't quite get there with loss to the Thunderhawks.

The Dogs fought hard in the first quarter putting up 6 with 4 from Roberto Araux and 2 from Cristian Garcia. They trailed 6-11 to start the game. With a struggling second quarter, the Dogs added 2 and gave up 8 to the Thunderhawks, going into halftime 8-19.

Coming out of half, the Dogs outscored the Thunderhawks, but still could not take a lead in the game and finished the third quarter 13-23. The Bulldogs worked hard to finish the game, but came up short, ending their season in a 17-31 loss.

Roberto led the team with 9, followed by Cristian Garcia with 4, and 2 from both Tannor Todd and Jose Rios. "We have had a great season and I am proud of everyone," said 8th grader Jose Rios. "I am disappointed in the outcome of the tournament, but am thankful for this team."

Despite their 4-8 record, the Dogs had a strong season. They started out with two losses but came back strong with a win. The Dogs took three tough losses, but they were all close, hard fought games. This made these boys stronger, as they bounced back with a four game winning streak before ending their season.

"This season was better than previous years for everyone including myself," said 8th grader Roberto Araux, "We always played hard, and I will miss playing, and my team." "We were always improving throughout the season," 8th grader Javier Romero added, "We were always able to fight through and never give up."

Although the B-team boys did not get to play at the tournament they held a 1-10 record, and got a lot of experience throughout the season.