MS Boys Play in Almena By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School boys basketball teams played the Northern Valley Huskies in Almena on December 14. Both A and B Teams lost to the Huskies.

The A-team boys could not quite get their shots to fall in the first quarter as they put in 4 points while the Huskies opened the game with 17. The Dogs improved their offense in the second quarter adding 9 while the Huskies sank 20 to lead 37-13 at the half.

The Dogs continued to struggle in the third quarter only adding a single 3 pointer as the Huskies put in 12 more. The Dogs continued to work hard in the fourth to add 7 holding the Huskies to 2. The Huskies held on for the win 51-23.

"We knew they would be tall," said Nash Ziegelmeier, "but we weren't ready for their 3-point shooters." Ruxin Arnberger had three-3 pointers for the Bulldogs and 11 total points. Cristian Garcia added 6, Adam Ritter 4, and Parker Vahling 2. The Huskies put in a total of eight 3-point shots during the game. The A-Team holds a 1-4 record going into the Christmas break.

The B-Team was only able to score 1 point in their first quarter. They added 7 in the second to lead the Huskies 8-6 at the half. The Dogs were unable to get any shots to fall in the third quarter as the Huskies pulled ahead 16-10. The Dogs added 6 more in the fourth as the Huskies added 8 to win the game 24-14.

Ruxin Arnberger again led the Dogs with 9 points along with 4 from Koen Schaben, and Parker Vahling 1. The B-team goes into the winter break still looking for their first win of the season.