

Kuemper 9th boys 54, Denison 9th boys 22
D-S falls to 1-6 this season, 0-5 vs. Hawkeye 10 teams

Score by quarters: Kuemper 22, 12, 14, 6 = 54
 Denison 2, 5, 4, 11 = 22

Team stats: 2 point field goals: Kuemper 16, Denison 7
 3 point field goals: Kuemper 5, Denison 1
 Free throws: Kuemper 9-15 (60%), Denison 5-9 (55.6%)
 Team fouls: Kuemper 8, Denison 12

Denison points: Dominik Garcia 7
 Israel Garcia 5 (1) 3 pointer
 Nash Langenfeld 4
 Cody Schulte 2
 Anthony Arambula 2
 Jaxson Henningsen 2

Comments by Coach Eller: "When we could make Kuemper run a half court offense, I was very happy with our defense. We had help side defense, we rotated, we talked on screens and we forced Kuemper to shoot from the outside for the most part. Our biggest problem was our inability to value the basketball on offense led to far too many fast break layups for Kuemper. Kuemper got out to steal passes in the passing lanes, so we need to attack off the dribble to combat that. However, most of our guys are scared with the ball in their hands to try to create off the dribble, so we had way too many turnovers passing the ball around without getting the defense to move. When we did start attacking, we went too far and got our shot blocked or weren't able to get a pass off because we dribbled into a double team. By the 4th quarter, we were starting to figure things out on offense a little bit and created a good shot nearly every possession. We need to be aggressive from the start of the game for the rest of the season so we can at least get a shot off every possession instead of turning the ball over and getting behind by a bunch early. We need to continue to improve our ball handling skills to be able to run any of our offenses as every play involves some ball handling to make them work. The only way to do that is for the guys to push themselves in practice to handle the ball at game speed and practice dribbling with their head up instead of looking at the floor".