

Mount Mercy women fall again

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PERU, Neb. - The Mount Mercy women's basketball team lost a 13-point lead and lost another game Saturday.

Peru State topped the Mustangs, 69-59, in a meeting between the teams at the bottom of the Heart of America Conference standings.

Mount Mercy took a 45-32 lead with 5:47 left in the third quarter on a 3-pointer by Sharice Kawakami, but Peru State outscored the visitors 37-14 the rest of the way.

Audrey Mulumba had 13 points and nine rebounds for Mount Mercy (5-23, 1-21).

Brooke Maeda scored 18 points for Peru State (3-22, 2-19), which snapped a 13-game losing streak.

MOUNT MERCY (59): Hampton 1 4-7 6, LeGrand 0 4-4 4, Lampe 3 0-0 9, Mulumba 4 2-2 13, Brown 4 0-0 8, Kitterman 0 1-2 1, Blowers 1 0-0 3, Goodman 2 0-0 6, Kawakami 3 0-0 9, Sheck 0 0-2 0. Totals 18 11-17 59.

PERU STATE (69): Tichy 4 1-2 11, Washington 0 0-0 0, Maeda 7 0-0 18, Silva 6 2-3 14, Simms 0 0-0 0, Alcantara 0 0-0 0, Hall 0 0-0 0, Kirkland 0 0-0 0, Marsh-Contreras 5 3-4 13, Beath 1 0-0 3, Fernando 0 0-0 0, Salas 0 0-0 0, Bruning 4 2-2 10. Totals 27 8-11 69.

Halftime - Mount Mercy 32, Peru State 22. 3-point goals - Mount Mercy 12 (Kawakami 3, Lampe 3, Mulumba 3, Goodman 2, Blowers 1), Peru State 7 (Maeda 4, Tichy 2, Beath 1).