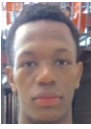


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CRESTON - The 14th-ranked Kirkwood men's basketball team strolled by Southwestern, 98-65, Saturday to stay in a three-way tie for first place in the ICCAC conference.

The Eagles are 17-4 overall and 7-1 in the league, tied with DMACC and Iowa Lakes at the top of the standings.

Devonte Thedford finished with 15 points, six rebounds and five assists for Kirkwood in a balanced attack. Jamal Stephenson scored 15 points, DJ Purnell 14, Jalen Taylor 14 and Luke Appel 13 for the Eagles.

Purnell, Niko Gosnell and Seybian Sims had eight rebounds. Taylor hit four 3-pointers off the bench.

Donzell Johnson scored 16 points for Southwestern (8-16, 2-6).

KIRKWOOD (98): Chris Burnell 3-5 0-0 6, Devonte Thedford 5-12 3-4 15, Jamal Stephenson 4-11 4-4 15, DJ Purnell 4-8 6-8 14, Niko Gosnell 1-5 0-0 2, Seybian Sims 3-5 0-0 7, Luke Appel 6-7 1-1 13, Gacoby Jones 2-4 1-2 6, Griff Clark 2-5 0-0 6, Jalen Taylor 5-7 0-0 14, Owen Coburn 0-5 0-0 0. Totals 35-74 15-19 98.

SOUTHWESTERN (65): Kyle Hawthorne 1-8 1-2 3, Donzell Johnson 6-12 1-2 16, Sebastian Zehnder 0-3 0-0 0, James Kelley 4-11 6-7 15, Akeen Woods 3-8 2-2 8, Jimmie Richardson 2-9 0-0 6, Cresbaun Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Demetrius Johnson 4-10 3-4 14, Manyiel Wugol 1-5 0-0 3. Totals 21-66 13-17 65.

Halftime - Kirkwood 49, Southwestern 24. 3-point goals - Kirkwood 13-31 (Burnell 0-1, Thedford 2-4, Stephenson 3-8, Gosnell 0-1, Sims 1-3, Jones 1-3, Clark 2-5, Taylor 4-6), Southwestern

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10-34 (Hawthorne 0-2, Do.Johnson 3-8, Zehnder 0-3, Kelley 1-4, Woods 0-3, Richardson 2-5, De.Johnson 3-6, Wugol 1-3).