

The St. Mary's Tigers' and Lady Tigers' basketball teams both lost at home Tuesday night to Winnfield in non-district action as the Lady Tigers were edged 50-48 while the Tigers lost 56-45.

In the first game, the Lady Tigers (6-9) had a seven-point halftime lead of 29-22 before Winnfield rallied back to take a 42-37 lead early in the fourth quarter. SMH rallied to tie the game at 48-48 with under a minute to go.

Winnfield retook the lead on a free throw line jumper with 30 seconds to go. The Lady Tigers got a chance to tie with under five seconds to go but Lybi Cross's jumper rimmed in and out as Winnfield held on for the win.

SMH was led by Ava Errington with 16 points, Cross added 13 while Ava Hebert had 11 points.

In the boys' game, SMH struggled shooting all night long as they trailed 29-16 at halftime and trailed by as many as 15 points in the second half. Senior Ayden Warren got hot in the second half and kept SMH in the game as they rallied to cut the Winnfield lead to 35-30.

But playing five games in six days took its toll on SMH as Winnfield pulled away to take a 14-point lead with two minutes to go. Warren was the only player for SMH to score in double figures as he finished with 24 points.

Next up, the Tigers and Lady Tigers will play at Georgetown Thursday night beginning at 6 p.m. with the girls' game.