

The Lakeview Gators clinched the district 3-2A title with a 75-42 win over Mansfield Tuesday night while the Lady Gators will have to wait another day to clinch as they were edged by Mansfield 40-38.

The Lady Gators (22-3, 8-1 in 3-2A) trailed 20-18 at halftime but Mansfield (18-8, 8-1 in 3-2A) edged out in front in the third quarter 31-23. Lakeview fought valiantly to secure the district title as Tee Washington scored 11 points in the fourth quarter which outscored the entire Mansfield team. But the Lady Wolverines hit seven free throws in the fourth quarter despite making just one field goal as they held on to hand the Lady Gators their first district loss of the season. Washington finished the game with 25 points to lead all scorers.

The Gators (24-4, 9-0 in 3-2A) had no problems on their way to securing the district title as they blasted the Wolverines by 35 points. Lakeview led 30-18 at halftime but they continued to pull away as senior Andre Sowell was hotter than fish grease. The Gators guard hit seven three pointers for the night and finished the game with 36 points. Lakeview outscored Mansfield 45-24 in the second half as they triumphantly cruised to their 13th straight win. Dereon Joseph also added 13 from Lakeview while Taylen Phillips scored 12.

Next up, Lakeview will wrap up the regular season Friday night at home against Winnfield.