

Boys enter regionals playing best ball of season

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After taking fourth at the 2A District 2 Tournament over the weekend, the Dragons are preparing to face the Sierra Grande Panthers in the first round of the regional tournament.

HHS began the district tournament picking up the 77-54 regional qualifying win against Wiggins Tuesday, Feb. 26. They then proceeded to drop a 61-65 heartbreaker to Haxtun in double overtime Thursday, Feb. 28 followed by a 37-52 loss to Yuma Saturday, March 2.

Holyoke 77, Wiggins 54

The Dragons have had problems in the past few games of coming out cold and quickly falling behind. That was not the case as they hosted Wiggins in the first round of the district tournament.

Holyoke took every opportunity they could in the early minutes to push the ball up the floor and drive the paint while keeping Wiggins on their toes with a full-court press.

The press resulted in a number of turnovers as the Dragons ran up 21 points in the opening quarter to take a 21-10 lead.

Tito Fierro matched Wiggins with 10 points in the quarter as he was efficient from close and from deep, hitting a pair of treys in the process.

The tough play for Holyoke did not let up in the second quarter. The Dragons' physical play seemed to throw Wiggins off their game, especially in the paint.

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...the game, the Holyoke boys basketball team is looking to make a strong statement in the regional tournament. The team has been playing their best basketball of the season, and they are confident they can win the championship. The team's success is due to their hard work and dedication on the court. They have a strong defense and a fast-paced offense. They are looking to continue their winning streak and bring home the championship trophy.