

## 13 is lucky record for Dragons after two back-to-back wins

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Remaining unstoppable this season, Holyoke's Dragon varsity team blew away the back-to-back weekend competition to win their 12th and 13th victories of the season.

Traveling to Akron on Friday, Jan. 30, Holyoke took a big win of 55-26, then hosted Chase County on Saturday, Jan. 31, beating the Longhorns 56-39.

Coach John Baumgartner could not complain about the way his team played over the weekend, saying, "the kids were outstanding."

"Right now, they're doing everything right," he said. "They're playing with a lot of confidence and shooting extremely well. Hopefully, we can keep it up."



Holyoke 55, Akron 26

For the second time this season, Holyoke defeated the Akron Rams in league action on Friday. The Rams never stood a chance against their opponents who leaped ahead 17 points in the first quarter. Austin Tharp and Evan Swanson each landed two shots from three-point range.

Dragon's defense held Akron to only four points in the first. "We shut down Akron's two top players," said Baumgartner. "They only had four and two points each the whole game."

Again in the second quarter, HHS players continued to put distance between them and the Rams. At halftime, they held a comfortable lead of 27 points. Tharp led the scoreboard in the first half, earning 10 points each in the first and second quarters.

In the second half it was Kyle Carper who dominated the game, making eight of HHS's nine points in the third quarter and six of nine in the fourth. Akron earned nearly the same amount of



