



THE DEEP THREE

Bison basketball players spark a last-second comeback against Brainerd

The clock showed ten seconds remaining when Head Coach Grant Stewart called a timeout. With the Bison down by three points, Stewart drew up a play for **Jordan Zrust '19** to shoot a three pointer.

With Brainerd clinging to a slim lead on the Bison's home court, **Sarah Hudson '18** passed the ball to Zrust on the in-bound play.

"You could definitely tell in the timeout before that we were all kind of like, 'we're screwed, and we can't get it in,'" **Ashley Cordt '18** said.

"Sitting on the bench, I saw their defense immediately figure out what play we were going to run and I was sitting on the bench thinking, 'oh no, this is not going to work.'"

Sneakers squeaked against the polished hardwood floors as Zrust's teammates tried to set her up for a shot.

"I was in with Jordan by my side," **Areefa Seepersaud '19** said. "One of us had to shoot a three, it was her or me, it didn't matter who. We just needed a scoring opportunity."

While Zrust's teammates blocked the opposing team, she attempted to shoot a

deep three.

"They set a screen for me," Zrust said. "I was like, 'I don't know if I should take this or not.' The time was running out, and I was just like, 'okay, I can do it.' I just shot it, and I made it. Coach called a timeout, and I ran to my team. Everyone was hugging

me, and that feeling was just so amazing. We had so much more energy, like, 'oh my goodness, we are in this again, we can come back.' When the final buzzer went off and we went into overtime, we were like, 'okay we got this.'"

At the bench, Zrust's teammates were screaming and cheering as she made the three pointer to tie the game. With Zrust's last-second shot, the team went into overtime with a chance to take the win.

"In overtime, I made a three to tie the game," Hudson said, "so that was pretty cool. Everyone was excited for me, and I was like, 'what is going on, I never do this.' It was cool. We ended up losing in overtime, but it's okay because Grant couldn't be mad at our effort."

-Laura Broadwater

"The time was running out, and I was just like, 'Okay, I can do it.'"

▼ **Defensive Attempt** A North Branch defender attempts to block Claire Boser's shot. The Bison won 70 to 46 against North Branch on their home court. "I was thinking that I needed to go up strong and finish the shot," Boser '19 said. Photo by Laura Broadwater



► **A Potential Shot** A player from St. Francis tries to defend Kiera Johnson '19 from a potential shot. The Bison won the game 68 to 49. "When I'm playing, I think a lot about how I can help my team," Johnson said. "In this situation, it was to try and score." Photo by Mackenzie Myrkle



▲ **Last-Second Timeout** Coach Grant Stewart calls for a time out. The Bison went into overtime against Brainerd. "Jordan hit a three in the last few seconds of the game," Shelby Stoll '19 said. "I was cheering loud and helping to support the team." Photo by Bryce Thompson



▲ **The Backboard** Looking to the backboard, Jordan Zrust '19 attempts to make a basket. The Bison took the win against North Branch. "I think about where I'm aiming the ball on the backboard," Zrust said. "I also think about the people around me and if I'm able to draw contact and a foul." Photo by Laura Broadwater

Scoreboard

Season Record: 17-10

vs Moorhead: L 45-60
vs Wayzata: L 32-64
@ Elk River: W 59-51
vs Maple Grove: L 38-60
vs Brainerd: L 56-59
vs Hutchinson: W 63-54
@ Orono: W 54-48
vs Owatonna: W 69-64
vs Coon Rapids: L 35-50
vs St. Cloud Tech: W 63-32
vs Rogers: W 71-59
@ Big Lake: W 66-57
vs North Branch: W 70-46
@ Osseo: W 59-24

@ Monticello: W 54-23
@ St. Michael-Albertville: L 41-61
@ Cambridge-Isanti: W 73-43
@ Rogers: W 54-53
@ Champlin Park: L 62-66
vs St. Francis: W 68-49
@ Princeton: W 63-54
vs St. Michael-Albertville: L 40-47
vs Big Lake: L 57-60
@ Chisago Lakes: W 74-62
@ Waconia: W 56-54
vs Monticello: W 70-24
@ St. Michael-Albertville: L 53-59

What has changed this year in girls basketball?

"This year, the team seems more connected. We really want to win and do it together as a team. This year, our team just has so much passion compared to other years."

Areefa Seepersaud '19

Photo by Bryce Thompson

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