

Dragons enter districts as No. 4 seed

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Finishing the regular season losing three of the final four games wasn't exactly what the Dragon boys' basketball team was hoping for, but their 9-10 record, 3-5 in league play, was good enough to earn them a fourth seed and a home game at the district tournament.

The final week of regular-season play was rough for HHS, losing two games at home to Yuma and Sedgwick County and losing on the road to Akron.

Defense will be a point of concern for the Dragons as they enter the district tournament. In the final three games they allowed an average of almost 74 points per game.

Holyoke 59, Yuma 78

Facing off with the second-ranked team in the league is never an easy task, but the Dragons showed they could keep up with the top competition during the 59-78 loss to Yuma Tuesday, Feb. 19.

The Dragons have been susceptible to slow starts throughout the season and Tuesday night was no different.

Holyoke never got into a groove offensively in the first half. Yuma, on the other hand, was an offensive terror, scoring 20 or more points in the first two quarters to take a 41-24 lead into half.

"Yuma is a very good basketball team and I was pleased with the way we played, particularly in the third quarter," coach Scott Dille said.

Shots began to fall and defensive stops were more common in the third quarter for HHS as they slowly gained momentum.

