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## TODAY'S WEATHER



Today: Partly to mostly cloudy.  
Tonight: Mostly cloudy.  
Scattered showers possible late.  
HIGH: 71 LOW: 52



# Noblesville initiates diversity, equity and inclusion discussion

By **JEFF JELLISON**  
*Reporter Publisher*

On Thursday, Noblesville Schools conducted the first of four scheduled meetings that discussed how diversity, equity and inclusion is addressed in the classroom.

Noblesville Schools Superintendent Dr. Beth Niedermeyer opened the meeting discussing why the district is involved with diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives, how the district defines those terms in Noblesville Schools, and what the district is doing and not doing in these areas.

“We created this opportunity for our public to hear about what’s happen-

### Diversity ratios within Noblesville Schools

Caucasian (83%)  
Hispanic (7%)  
Black (4%)  
Asian (2.5%)  
Other (3.5%)

Low socioeconomic students (25%)  
Students with physical/emotional/learning disabilities (18%)  
Academically gifted students (17%)  
Students receiving mental health services (15%)  
Students of other nationalities/ethnicities learning English (525)  
Over 50 different home languages spoken.

ing in OUR schools and to share their questions and input,” Neidermeyer said. “Noblesville Schools respects the role of parents and believe it is their job to teach their children their family’s personal, political, spiritual and social values. The role of the district is

to ensure we meet the academic needs of students, prepare students for future success, and serve all of our 10,600 students. Noblesville Schools does not promote political groups or agendas.”

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**Noblesville Schools Superintendent Dr. Beth Niedermeyer addressed nearly 140 attendees at Thursday’s community meeting on diversity, equity and inclusion.**

## Only 109 students commit to HSE virtual learning

By **LARRY LANNAN**  
*LarryInFishers.com*

With only a few days left to sign up, only 109 students in the Hamilton South-eastern (HSE) school district have committed to be virtual-only for the fall semester of 2021. That’s out of a total student population of about 21,500.

Superintendent Allen Bourff told the school board Wednesday night that families will have a deadline of Sunday night (May 16) to make the virtual commitment. The district is expecting students electing all-virtual learning to commit to the entire fall semester.

Of those electing all-virtual classes so far, 55 are kindergarten through sixth grade, 16 in grades 7 and 8, and 38 at the high school level.

Bourff said a number of questions have been submitted about the virtual option commitment. For answers, he pointed to webinars that can be accessed at [this link](#).

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**The new store in Westfield is currently operating under adjusted hours and maintaining coronavirus safety measures.**

# Meijer opens new Westfield Supercenter

*New store offers state-of-the-art retail experience, digital solutions and multiple ways to shop*

**Submitted**

On Thursday Meijer opened its new supercenter in Westfield, bringing the community a state-of-the-art retail experience while providing customers multiple ways to shop in a specialty store environment.

The 155,000 square-foot store in Hamilton County is the retailer’s 15th location in the Indianapolis metro area. Over the last five years, the retailer has built four stores

and completed remodel projects on each of the other 11 stores in the area.

“This new store reinforces our ongoing commitment to serving the needs of Hamilton County at a time when everyone is looking for a one-stopping experience,” Meijer President & CEO Rick Keys

said. “We look forward to providing a customer-focused store that offers fresh options and innovation to help reshape how customers shop for the groceries and items they need while keeping their families safe.”

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# Four Heights Middle School Robotics teams qualify for VEX Robotics World Championship Tournament

### The REPORTER

The Hamilton Heights Middle School (HHMS) Robotics program had four student teams qualify for this year’s VEX Robotics World Championship.

The tournament, which will be conducted virtually May 24-29, will place teams from around the world in timed robotics competition matches with their custom-built robots. In a typical year, the annual VEX Robotics World Championship attracts more than 30,000 attendees from all 50 states and more than 70 nations.

Students who qualified include Addison Mann, Lauren Happel, Nate Key, Thatcher Jung, Adler Biddle, Nash Biddle, Tyler Champion, Ian Wilson, Mallory Ortega, Veronica Pruitt, Landon Faubion, Drew Laitas, Justin Overton, Jackson Cantlon, Eli Heuer, Isaiah Heuer, Jessa Steffen, Dalton McNally, Reece Blanton, Katelynn Bishop, Carson Felger, Luke Davis, Isayah Zachary, Enzo Christy, Owen Eshelman, Ewan Shaffer, Mya Bryson, and Aubrey Baber.



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**HHMS Robotics Assistant Coach Chad Jung is helping sixth-grade student Reece Blanton test her ‘reverse scissor’ claw for this year’s game, Rise Above.**

Addison Mann won the online VEX Photography Challenge this year landing her a trophy for her team.

“I’m just super proud of how the team never gave up this year despite the

circumstances,” said Lacy Bowyer, HHMS Robotics Teacher and Coach. “We are looking forward to actually competing in person next year and giving Dallas another go!”

# GOAT Restaurant & Tavern files petition against City of Carmel, Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals

*Owners ask County Superior Court for stay, reversal of zoning variance denial*

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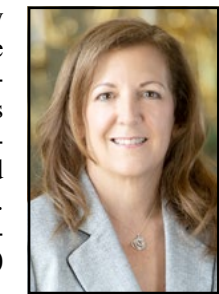
Longtime Carmel residents and business owners Kevin and Megan Paul have filed a petition with the Hamilton County Superior Court requesting the court reverse a recent decision by the Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) to deny The GOAT Restaurant & Tavern a use variance to permit it to operate in its current location.

“All we want is to operate our family’s business under the same rules as everyone else in Midtown Plaza, including our neighboring restaurants and taverns,” said Kevin Paul. “Legal action is the last thing we prefer, but until this is resolved, our doors are closed and nearly 30 people are wondering how they will support themselves and their families.”

The Paul family owns more than five establishments, including Carmel mainstays Blue Horseshoe, Brockway Public House and Danny Boy Beerworks. Their businesses employ more than 300 Hoosiers.

Carmel City Councilor Sue Finkam expressed her support for both the Paul family and a resolution to the current zoning issue.

“Kevin and Megan are longtime Carmel residents and business owners, dedicating significant time and resources to growing and improving our city,” Finkam said. “They have proven to be collaborative and thoughtful neighbors. Midtown has quick-



**Finkam**

ly become an area beloved by residents and visitors. I hope all parties involved can find a reasonable solution that does not diminish the value or the personality of this important part of our city.”

Prior to pursuing plans for The GOAT, Paul worked with city representatives regarding necessary zoning variances. City officials repeatedly and consistently told Paul there were no problems with its applications, and that zoning should be approved without difficulty.

In June 2019, the City Council passed an Ordinance granting Paul a three-way alcoholic beverage



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**Kevin and Megan Paul, owners of the The GOAT Restaurant & Tavern, say they want the zoning matter affecting their establishment to be resolved quickly and that they prefer to find a way to avoid an ongoing battle with city officials.**

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## *Your Friends in the Insurance Business*



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Meijer donates more than 6 percent of its net profit to charitable organizations annually, and each of its stores work with local food banks and pantries to help fight hunger. Since 2008, the retailer's Simply Give program has generated more than \$62 million for its food pantry partners.

## About Meijer

Meijer is a Grand Rapids, Mich.-based retailer that operates more than 255 supercenters and grocery stores throughout Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Wisconsin. A privately-owned and family-operated company since 1934, Meijer pioneered the “one-stop shopping” concept and has evolved through the years to include expanded fresh produce and meat departments, as well as pharmacies, comprehensive apparel departments, pet departments, garden centers, toys and electronics. For additional information on Meijer, please visit [meijer.com](http://meijer.com). Follow Meijer on [Twitter](#) or become a fan on [Facebook](#).

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“We’ve had over 500 people register and have

filled all four sessions we are offering through the end of the school year," said Marnie Cooke, Director of Marketing and Communication for Noblesville Schools. "We are no longer accepting registrations at this time. After sessions are complete, we will be making a video

Cooke said all questions posed at each of the four meetings will be compiled and answered on the district website this summer.

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- Ryan Taylor, Director of Staff and Student Support Services, presented the board with results of a walk zone study, looking at areas where students could walk to school. This was also studied in 2003 and 2015. Taylor detailed what needs to be done with other government entities in order to provide the infrastructure needed to provide walk zones. This

- The school district is planning a new program, HSEngaged, patterned after the Fishers City Citizens Academy and the Hamilton County Leadership Academy. The program will take

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The Carmel Clay Historical Society (CCHS), which is located just next door to The GOAT, was rezoned from residential to commercial only a few months ago. In fact, the city filed an application with the Carmel Plan Commission, which was forwarded to City Council, to re-zone both The GOAT and CCHS properties for commercial use in October 2020. However, for unknown reasons, the GOAT's request was separated out and delayed,

“We have never experienced that amount of traffic at a restaurant within an opening month,” Paul said. “Other establishments were reeling from the pandemic, but The GOAT was overwhelmed with patrons, and this was before we had fully operationalized. We did not anticipate the amount of patrons and honestly, we weren’t prepared for it.”

"Carmel is our forever home. It's where we raise our kids and dedicate our lives' passions," Paul said. "We love this community and are proud to be part of its heartbeat."

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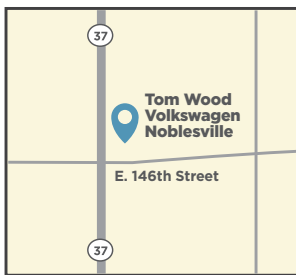


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*I was born and raised right here in Noblesville. I grew up in a home without domestic violence or assault – it wasn't something I saw, or even heard about. But when I was introduced to Prevail of Central Indiana, I was shocked by the number of individuals who are affected by domestic violence. In 2018 alone, Prevail helped more than 4,000 clients in Hamilton County. (Nearly 80 percent of clients are women and children.) Domestic violence and abuse are hard topics to discuss, so you don't often hear about them. But at Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville, we're breaking the taboo and raising awareness for Prevail, an organization that helps families in Hamilton County.*

**- Mike Bragg, GM of Tom Wood Volkswagen in Noblesville**

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# Hamilton County Parks & Rec opens Children's Pavilion at Coxhall Gardens

## The REPORTER

Hamilton County Parks and Recreation (HCPR) held a ceremony on Wednesday that officially opened the Clay Township Children's Pavilion at Coxhall Gardens.

The unique facility is comprised of twin shelters that are joined by a pergola-covered walkway and features a fire-place-styled outdoor grill. The structure, designed by Cripe, constructed by Myers Management, Inc. (MCM) Construction and generously funded by Clay Township, will serve as a special gathering space for functions of all types.

The shelter exhibits the masonry and architectural stylings seen in many of the other park's stately structures, including the Coxhall Mansion and its iconic twin carillon towers. A donated stunning bronze sculpture titled "Dance Among the Wildflowers" creates an artistic focal point as you approach the shelter.

Total seating capacity in the pavilion is 200. When needed, the covered spaces may be segmented to accommodate multiple functions occurring simultaneously. The pavilion will be available for reserving and renting. For complete operational details, please visit [myhamiltoncountyparks.com](http://myhamiltoncountyparks.com).



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(From left) Mary Eckerd, Clay Township Trustee Doug Callahan, Sharon Terry, Judith (Judi) Campbell, Hamilton County Commissioner Christine Altman, and Hamilton County Parks Director Chris Stice gathered for a picture at the new Children's Pavilion statue in Coxhall Gardens.

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Meeting Notices

The Carmel Redevelopment Commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, in the Council Chambers on the second floor of Carmel City Hall, 1 Civic Square, Carmel.

An executive session will precede at 5:30 p.m. in the Carmel Redevelopment Commission Conference Room, 580 Veterans Way, Carmel, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B) to discuss pending litigation; and IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D) to discuss the purchase or lease of real property; and IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b)(5) to receive information about and interview prospective employees.

The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals – North District will meet at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, in the Commissioners' Courtroom/Council Chambers on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

The Hamilton County Board of Zoning Appeals – South District will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, in the Commissioners' Courtroom/Council Chambers on the first floor of the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center, 1 Hamilton County Square, Noblesville.

# Kids TRI for Kids triathlons will return for 2021 season

**The REPORTER**

After missing the 2020 season, Kids TRI for Kids will return for 2021 beginning in July. Kids TRI for Kids is a series of triathlons for children ages 7 to 14. The initiative is to offer safe races where kids learn the value of fun competition and building affordable, healthy fitness options.

Kids TRI for Kids offers Triathlon options that include swimming, biking and running – all events the kids love to do all summer anyway. This is a great way to challenge the kids in a more structured, yet fun, setting. There is also a Duathlon option consisting of just running and biking events.

Kids TRI for Kids partners with Indianapolis area kids' charities such as Best Buddies, a non-profit that helps build one-to-one friendships and employment options for individuals who have intellectual and developmental disabilities, plus help all kids get involved with physical activity, and to raise much needed funds.

The Kids TRI for Kids schedule for 2021 is as follows:

- July 4 – Zionsville: Zionsville High School
- Aug. 1 – Tri Indy: White River State Park
- Aug. 15 – Riviera Club
- Aug. 29 – Greenwood: Freedom Springs Aquatics Park

Kids are encouraged to complete one, or all, of the summer events. For kids completing the first race, they will receive a Kids TRI for Kids T-shirt. After the second race, kids will receive a KTFK water bottle. The third race participants will receive a sling bag. The fourth KTFK racers will receive a trophy.

Time tables and distances vary by age group and by location and facilities, but will conform to USAT Youth Triathlon guidelines and regulations. All races are \$30 with a family special option.

Kids TRI for Kids is sponsored by American Dairy of Indiana "Winners Drink Milk," Capital Group, USA Triathlon, Community Hospital with Dr. Kenneth Stumpf and Busy Bee Headbands.



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For more information, visit the website at [kidstriforkids.com](http://kidstriforkids.com).

**About Kids TRI for Kids**

Kids TRI for Kids was started in 2008 by Meg Gates Osborne, a swim coach and former IU swimmer, to expand fitness awareness to all kids. The events consist of swimming, biking, and running – all affordable fitness options for kids. The goal is to promote the value of fun competition as well as physical activities that can be carried into adulthood. A secondary purpose is to raise funds and promote interest in Indianapolis area kids' charities such as Best Buddies, in order to also show participants the concept of giving back.

Letter to the Editor

## Carmel reader says hold Rep. Spartz accountable for her voting record

Dear Editor:

As informed voters, I believe it is our responsibility to listen to our elected officials as well as keep them accountable for what they say and do.

Victoria Spartz, the Representative for Indiana's 5th Congressional District, recently held town halls in Hamilton County. I attended one of the town halls and commend Ms. Spartz for spending her Saturday with voters. She spent a great deal of time emphasizing the need for bipartisanship in Congress and claimed that she is working to represent all voters in the 5th District.

However, her claims of being bipartisan are not supported by her voting record. Even when many other Republicans have voted in favor of bills, Ms. Spartz has voted "No" on bills that would benefit the voters of the 5th District. A few key "No" votes include:

- Voting against the American Rescue Plan, which provided more than \$65 million to Hamilton County and over \$12 million dollars to keep Hamilton County schools safe during the pandemic.
- Voting against reauthorizing the Violence Against Women Act
- Voting against two bills on gun safety background checks
- Voting against workplace violence prevention for healthcare and social workers
- Voting against the Equality Act
- Voting against a pathway for Dreamers

Representative Spartz has already announced her intention to run for re-election. When she was back in her district, she placed great emphasis on being bipartisan. Informed, responsible voters need to make her accountable for her actions ... because they speak much louder than words.

**Susan K. Ring**  
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## Parking changes on Clinton Street in downtown Noblesville

### The REPORTER

The City of Noblesville has announced that due to construction north of the downtown square, parking along the north and south side of Clinton Street east of 9th Street and west of the

alley will now become permit-only parking.

These spaces were relocated for those who had permits on Clinton Street between 8th and 9th streets, which have been affected by the road closure for the coun-

ty parking garage project.

The Noblesville Police Department will initially issue warnings and inform the public of these changes for the first two weeks before active enforcement of these parking spots.

## Calling all artists for Sophia Square breezeway mural project in Carmel

### The REPORTER

The City of Carmel and its Public Art Advisory Committee, in partnership with the Indiana Arts Commission, seeks an experienced artist to create a mural in the breezeway of Sophia Square located at West Main Street and 2nd Avenue NW (near Pad Thai Restaurant).

The 18-foot-by-15-foot mural will be on three to four large panels and mounted to the space above the stairs in the parking garage. This

work should beautify the stairwell and include bright colors.

The submission is 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, June 3.

### Eligibility

To be eligible to submit for this opportunity, artists must:

1. Be able to meet ALL the project requirements (see below and on the web-site application)
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### How to apply

Please [click here](#) to apply and learn more about the Sophia Square Breezeway project.

## NRC to meet May 18 at Fort Harrison State Park

### The REPORTER

The Indiana Natural Resources Commission (NRC) will conduct its next bimonthly meeting on Tuesday, May 18, at Fort Harrison State Park.

The meeting begins at 10 a.m. at the park's Garrison Ballroom, 6002 N. Post Road, Indianapolis.

During the meeting, all health and safety protocols prescribed by local, state and federal authorities will be observed. Attendance will

be monitored, and seating will be configured to ensure compliance with social distancing. Face coverings are required.

The agenda and downloadable related materials are posted at [nrc.IN.gov/2354.htm](http://nrc.IN.gov/2354.htm).

The NRC is an autonomous board that addresses topics pertaining to the DNR.

NRC members include the DNR director, heads of three other state agencies (Indiana Department of En-

vironmental Management, Indiana Destination Development Corporation, and the Indiana Department of Transportation), six citizens appointed by the governor on a bipartisan basis, the chair of the DNR's advisory council, and the president of the Indiana Academy of Science. The Academy of Science president and the agency heads, other than the DNR director, may appoint proxies to serve the commission in their absences.

## TODAY'S BIBLE READING

*Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that "We all possess knowledge." But knowledge puffs up while love builds up. Those who think they know something do not yet know as they ought to know. But whoever loves God is known by God.*

*So then, about eating food sacrificed to idols: We know that "An idol is nothing at all in the world" and that "There is no God but one." For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"), yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.*

*1 Corinthians 8:1-6 (NIV)*

### Frank Michael Hill

January 8, 1948 – May 11, 2021

Frank Michael Hill, 73, Noblesville, passed away on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at his home. He was born on January 8, 1948 to Frank and Phyllis (Min-niefeld) Hill in Noblesville.



Frank worked for McMahon Foods, Kraft, and US Food Services, and finished his career at Noblesville Schools. He was a sponsor of AA of Noblesville.

Frank is survived by his sister, Kim Hill; son, Chris Hill; two grandchildren, Jasmine and Krishna; nieces and nephews, Ashley, Eric, Michael Jorme, Michael Wayne, William, Rodney, Tres, Tommy and Shad; as well as several great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to his parents, Frank was preceded in death by his brothers, Rodney Earl Hill Sr. and Fletcher Hill.

Services will be announced at a later date. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Noblesville. Randall & Roberts Funeral Home has been entrusted with Frank's care.

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# Tennis

## Carmel wins 1-2 showdown with St. Joseph's

By RICHIE HALL

CARMEL - Anyone who has followed high school tennis in Indiana for a while knows that the Carmel girls tennis team won't back down from a challenge.

This past week was one of the more challenging ones for the No. 2-ranked Greyhounds. Carmel had four dual meets against four teams that were all ranked in the top 10.

And yet, the Greyhounds won them all. Carmel beat No. 4 Columbus North 4-1, No. 6 Hamilton Southeastern 5-0, No. 8 Fishers 4-1 and then finished the week with a 3-2 win over No. 1-ranked South Bend St. Joseph Friday at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center.

To add up the numbers, the 'Hounds beat half of the teams ranked in the top eight 16-4.

"We knew this was going to be a brutal week, starting off early in the week with No. 4, then having a couple county rivals in there," said Carmel coach Bryan Hanan. "I can't recall in the five years I've been here, the level of our schedule being like this and then to come out with four wins out of those four matches. It's pretty nice momentum going into the sectional starting next week."

The Greyhounds got the momentum early in the meet. The No. 2 doubles team of seniors Kaitlyn Conley and Anjali Natarajan were the first to win, scoring a 6-1, 6-3 victory and giving Carmel the first team point of the match.

Hanan said his team felt it was "a little stronger in doubles" and noted that when the singles players look down the courts and see that the 'Hounds are up 1-0, it helps alleviate the pressure of a match - one that Hanan said was "almost like a state championship-feel type match" since it was No. 1 against No. 2.

"You feel a little less pressure when



Reporter photo by Richie Hall

The Carmel No. 2 doubles team of Kaitlyn Conley and Anjali Natarajan won the first match of the day during the No. 2-ranked Greyhounds' showdown with No. 1 South Bend St. Joseph Friday at the Todd Witsken Tennis Center. Carmel won the dual meet 3-2.

you got the first point of the match," said Hanan.

The next two matches to finish wrapped up almost at the exact same moment. In the No. 1 singles match, St. Joseph freshman Molly Bellia won over Greyhounds senior Emma Brune 6-3, 6-2. Meanwhile, Carmel's No. 1 doubles team of junior Hallie Reeves and sophomore Alexa Lewis won 7-5, 6-1.

"Our 1 doubles, they were pretty solid," said Hanan. "Struggled a little bit in the first set, but I think South Bend had a little bit to do with that. They were No. 1 for a reason. They're a good team. Our 1 doubles stepped up. We had some early nerves and they were able to finish it off fairly quickly in the second set."

With that, Carmel led 2-1. The Greyhounds clinched the dual-meet win later, when No. 2 singles, senior Leila Antony, won her match 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, holding off a late challenge from senior Kate Bellia after going up 5-0 in the third set.

"She's a senior, she's a four-year varsity letter winner, she's a state doubles champ," said Hanan. "I knew she'd come out ready to go. That's just how her at-

titude is. She's a winner, she's been a winner here. I was pretty confident she was going to show up in the third set and obviously she did."

At No. 3 singles, Greyhounds freshman Nora Perkins battled senior Ashi Amalnathan in a three-set match, with Amalnathan winning 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Carmel will host a sectional next week, but before that, the Greyhounds welcome No. 19 Noblesville for a Monday dual meet - yet another ranked team.

"We schedule that way for a reason," said Hanan. "We'll travel anywhere for a reason. This is how we get better. We want to always prepare for the state tournament."

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## HSE edged by Homestead

Hamilton Southeastern dropped a close dual meet to No. 9-ranked Homestead 3-2 in a Friday battle of top-10 ranked teams.

The No. 6 Royals got their victories at No. 2 singles, where freshman Taylor Wolf easily won 6-2, 6-0, and from the No. 1 doubles team of Misha Bukkasagaram and Meghan Slaninka, who won 6-2, 6-3.

Southeastern coach Kirk Webber said he was proud of how Wolf, Bukkasagaram and Slaninka stepped up, as the Royals would need to win at those spots since they had to sub in at four other spots due to injury and absences.

"Misha and Meghan played some outstanding doubles against a really good doubles team, and they were really impressive tonight," said Webber. "Taylor played some tough tennis and constructed some nice points against a big hitter. I feel like our girls had really good shot selection tonight."

The other matches were also decided by straight sets, although No. 3 singles, sophomore Novelle Lee battled in her

match, stretching her opponent to 6-4, 7-6, with the tiebreak going to 8-6. Lee fought off three match points in the tiebreak to get it even at 6-6.

"Unfortunately, the Homestead girl took the next two points to win the set and the match," said Webber. "But it was an exciting match to watch with a lot of good points being played by both players. I'm proud of the way Novelle fought tonight. She constructed good points, finished well at the net, and forced her opponent into a lot of mistakes. She also showed a lot of toughness tonight, and this is a match that will definitely make her better."

At No. 1 singles, sophomore Tatum Keaffaber won the first game, but lost 6-1, 6-0 to senior Olivia Creech, who Webber said was a tough player with a nice drop shot. The No. 2 doubles team of junior Lena Denton and Disha Bukkasagaram played a close first set, before the Spartans team won 6-4, 6-0.

"It's disappointing to lose our final dual match of the year, but I was proud of how our girls stepped up and made it competitive even without four of our normal varsity squad," said Webber. "Hopefully those girls will be well-rested and ready to go next week for sectionals. And it was good for some JV girls to get some quality varsity experience tonight."

Southeastern is 13-3 and will play at the Noblesville sectional next week.

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Baseball

Late-game runs send 'Rocks past HSE

The Westfield baseball team scored a Hoosier Crossroads Conference sweep on Friday when it beat Hamilton Southeastern 7-2 at the Royals' Ken Seitz Field.

Southeastern scored the game's first run in the bottom of the first inning; Jason Dettman was sent home by JT Mutchner's left field hit. The Class 4A No. 4 Shamrocks tied the game in the second inning after Cody South got home on a wild pitch.

Westfield added one run in each of the next two innings. Trey Dorton scored in the third inning after Maximus Webster reached on error, then Isaac Minder got home on a wild pitch in the fourth inning.

The 'Rocks then scored four runs in the fifth inning: Mac Clarke doubled in Casey Fanelli and South, then Dorton's left field hit sent Minder and Clarke home. Noah Wolf scored HSE's second run when he batted in Peyton Lusby in the fifth inning.

Dorton and Fanelli both had two hits for the game. Logan Nickel pitched five innings for the win, striking out seven.

Lusby hit a double for the Royals, while Wolf was 2-for-2 at the plate.

Westfield is 16-3-1 and plays Monday at Kokomo. Southeastern is 10-15-1 and hosts Franklin Central on Thursday.

WESTFIELD 7, HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN 2					
Westfield	AB	R	H	RBI	
Trey Dorton	5	1	2	2	
Quentin Markle	3	0	1	0	
Keaton Mahan	2	0	0	0	
Maximus Webster	4	0	1	0	
Casey Fanelli	3	1	2	0	
Cody South	2	2	0	0	
Isaac Minder	3	2	1	0	
Collin Lindsey	3	0	0	0	
Jack Woodard	2	0	0	0	
Mac Clarke	2	1	1	2	
Brayden Hibler	0	0	0	0	
Totals	29	7	8	4	
2B: Clarke, Minder. SB: Dorton, Hibler, South. HBP: South.					
Westfield pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
Logan Nickel (W)	5	2	2	5	
Kade Robinson	1	0	0	0	
Austin Murphy	1	0	0	0	
Strikeouts: Nickel 7, Robinson 1. Walks: none.					
Southeastern	AB	R	H	RBI	
Jason Dettman	3	1	1	0	
Jogan Callaghan	0	0	0	0	
Hunter Dilts	3	0	0	0	
JT Mutchner	2	0	1	1	
Hunter Wright	2	0	0	0	
Colin St. Clair	1	0	0	0	
Payton Hilfiker	3	0	0	0	
J. Bush	3	0	0	0	
Peyton Lusby	3	1	1	0	
Henry Kerr	3	0	0	0	
Noah Wolf	2	0	2	1	
Totals	25	2	5	2	
2B: Lusby. HBP: Mutchner.					
HSE pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
John McCall	4	4	1	5	
Dettman	2	3	3	3	
Callaghan	1	0	0	0	
Strikeouts: McCall 3. Walks: McCall 5, Dettman 2.					
Score by Innings					
Westfield	011	140	0	-7	80
Southeastern	100	010	0	-2	53

Fishers picked up a 4-0 HCC win over Franklin Central in a Friday home game, earning a split with the Flashes.

The Tigers scored two runs in the first inning. Joey Brenzewski got the first run, heading home on Caulin Brown's RBI groundout. Brenzewski had gotten on base with a double. Tate Warner then singled in Dom Oliverio. In the fifth inning, Jack Braun's RBI groundout sent Oliverio home again. Oliverio scored a third run in the sixth inning, this time on Carson Dunn's RBI groundout.

Jack Brown and Warner both had two hits. Jack Brown also was dominant on the mound, pitching a complete-game win with nine strikeouts against five hits and no walks.

Fishers is 14-12 and hosts Columbus North on Monday.



Noblesville's Dean White slides safely into third base during the Millers' Friday game with Brownsburg.					
FISHERS 4, FRANKLIN CENTRAL 0					
Fishers	AB	R	H	RBI	
Carson Dunn	3	0	1	1	
Joey Brenzewski	3	1	1	0	
Jack Brown	3	0	2	0	
Caulin Brown	3	0	0	1	
Tate Warner	3	0	2	1	
Jack Braun	2	0	0	1	
JP Preston	3	0	0	0	
Gavin Clayton	2	0	0	0	
Dom Oliverio	0	3	0	0	
Matt Bryant	2	0	0	0	
Totals	24	4	6	4	
Score by Innings					
Franklin Central	000	000	0	-0	51
Fishers	200	011	x	-4	60
2B: Brenzewski. SB: Oliverio 4, Warner. HBP: Brenzewski.					
Fishers pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
J. Brown	7	0	0	5	
Strikeouts: J. Brown 9. Walks: none.					
Cooper Vondersaar 0 1 0 0					
Totals 28 2 7 2					
Score by Innings					
Heights	100	000	1	-2	72
LCC	011	001	x	-3	71
2B: Allen, Michael. HBP: Hochstedler.					
Heights pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
Letsinger	4	2	0	6	
Michael	2	1	1	1	
Strikeouts: Letsinger 2, Michael 2. Walks: Letsinger 3, Michael 2.					
Adams.					
NHS pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
Michael Stremlaw	4.0	1	1	1	
Lucas Stephen	0.1	3	3	3	
Jared Crandall	0.2	2	1	0	
Ty Haley	2.0	0	0	1	
Strikeouts: Stremlaw 6, Haley 4, Stephen 1, Crandall 1. Walks: Stremlaw 2, Crandall 3, Haley 2, Stephen 1.					

Hamilton Heights, ranked No. 9 in 3A, was edged out in the Hoosier Conference championship game by the host, 2A No. 3 Lafayette Central Catholic, 3-2 on Friday.

The Huskies scored the first run of the game in the top of the first inning. Jared Michael got home on Dean Mason's RBI groundout. The Knights tied the game in the second inning, then went ahead 2-1 in the third.

Central Catholic doubled in a run in the sixth inning for a 3-1 lead. Heights got a run back in the top of the seventh: Michael doubled on to base, then Cooper Vondersaar came in to run for him. Mason batted Vondersaar in with a right field hit to get the Huskies within one run, but the Knight got a strikeout to end the game.

Michael was 2-for-4 at the plate, while Sam Allen also hit a double.

Heights finishes second in the Hoosier Conference and is 14-8 for the season. The Huskies' next game is next Friday at Sheridan.

LAF. CENTRAL CATHOLIC 3, HAMILTON HEIGHTS 2					
Heights	AB	R	H	RBI	
Sam Allen	4	0	1	0	
Jared Michael	4	1	2	0	
Erik Malott	3	0	1	0	
Nate Hulen	2	0	0	0	
Dean Mason	4	0	1	2	
Joe Mayo	0	0	0	0	
Drew VanOeveren	4	0	0	0	
Brayden Elkin	3	0	1	0	
Lucas Letsinger	2	0	1	0	
Harrison Hochstedler	2	0	0	0	

Noblesville dropped a 6-5 HCC game to Brownsburg Friday at Don Dunker Field.

The Millers scored a run in the first inning when Conner Bloss doubled home Kolbi Kazmierski. Noblesville added three runs in the third inning: Dean White scored on an error, then Kazmierski got home on a passed ball. Luke Wilson hit a double to score Bryce Adams, and the Millers led 4-0.

The Bulldogs came back in the fifth inning to tie the game at 4-4. Noblesville jumped back in front in the bottom of the inning when Adams hit a sacrifice fly to score Mason Bohland. But Brownsburg scored twice in the sixth inning and held the lead from there.

Bloss was 3-for-4 at the plate, while White batted 2-for-3. Michael Stremlaw pitched four innings, striking out six.

The Millers are 11-14 and play to-night at Northwestern.

BROWNSBURG 6, NOBLESVILLE 5					
Noblesville	AB	R	H	RBI	
Dean White	3	1	2	0	
Kolbi Kazmierski	3	2	1	0	
Mason Bohland	3	1	0	0	
Conner Bloss	4	0	3	1	
Bryce Adams	3	1	0	1	
Luke Wilson	4	0	1	1	
Josh Kern	2	0	0	0	
Drew Niswonger	3	0	0	0	
Bryce Riggs	2	0	0	0	
Jacob Weiler	1	0	1	0	
Keegan Speek	0	0	0	0	
Totals	28	5	8	3	
Score by Innings					
Brownsburg	000	042	0	-6	52
Noblesville	103	010	0	-5	82
2B: Bloss, Weiler, White, Wilson. SB: Kazmierski 2, White 2, Kern. SAC: White,					

TIPTON 8, SHERIDAN 6					
Sheridan	AB	R	H	RBI	
Corbin Murray	4	1	0	0	
Cameron Hovey	3	1	2	0	
Silas DeVaney	2	1	1	1	
Collin McNair	2	1	1	1	
Cole Bales	3	0	1	0	
Christian Clausen	3	1	0	0	
Preston Weir	4	1	0	1	
Cole Macintosh	4	0	2	2	
Camden Spencer	2	0	1	1	
Totals	27	6	8	6	
Score by Innings					
Sheridan	002	000	4	-6	84
Tipton	050	003	x	-8	91
SB: C. Bales, DeVaney, Murray. SAC: C. Bales, DeVaney. HBP: McNair, Spencer.					
Sheridan pitching	IP	R	ER	H	
C. Bales	2.0	5	1	5	
DeVaney	3.1	3	1	3	
Zach Bales	0.2	0	0	1	
Strikeouts: C. Bales 2, DeVaney 2. Walks: C. Bales 1, DeVaney 1.					

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Softball

Sixth-inning comeback propels Carmel to win

The Carmel softball team made a big comeback in the sixth inning Friday against Terre Haute North, and that propelled the Greyhounds to a 10-8 win at Cherry Tree Softball Complex.

The Patriots led 3-0 midway through the third inning. The Greyhounds began the bottom of the inning with a home run by Lily Sullivan. Later, Carmel hit three consecutive doubles. Kylie Cunningham got the first one, then moved to third base when Megan Nichols hit a double. Sophie Esposito then came up and hit her double, scoring Cunningham and Nichols, and tying the game.

Two home runs put Terre Haute North ahead 7-3 in the fourth inning. The ‘Hounds got a run back in the fifth when Nichols hit another double, then scored after Esposito reached on error.

Carmel took control in the sixth inning by scoring six runs. The Greyhounds went on another double spree in the inning, starting with Cunningham’s left field double to score Ella Ohrvall.

Nichols cracked her third double of the day to send Cunningham home. Esposito doubled in Nichols, then would score herself. Caroline Roop hit yet another double, the fourth straight for the ‘Hounds.

That brought up Audrey Hussain, and she hit – a home run. Hussain’s center field homer scored her and Roop and put Carmel up 10-7. The Patriots scored a run in the top of the seventh, but Nichols caught a flyout to clinch the win.

Nichols had a perfect day at the plate, going 4-for-4. Cunningham was 3-for-4. Emmy Brown pitched three and two-thirds innings in relief for the win.

The Greyhounds are 12-9 and play this morning at Class 4A No. 5 Crown Point.

CARMEL 10, TERRE HAUTE NORTH 8					
Carmel	AB	R	H	RBI	
Ella Ohrvall	3	1	1	0	
Kylie Cunningham	4	2	3	1	
Megan Nichols	4	3	4	1	
Sophie Esposito	4	1	2	4	
Caroline Roop	3	1	2	0	
Audrey Hussain	4	1	2	2	

Hope McDonald	2	0	0	0
Ella Greenawald	4	0	1	0
Lily Sullivan	4	1	1	1
Totals	32	10	16	9
Score by Innings				
TH North	012	400	1-	8 12 1
Carmel	003	016	x-	10 16 3
HR: Hussain, Sullivan. 2B: Nichols 3, Cunningham 2, Esposito 2, Roop. SB: Cunningham, Esposito, Roop. HBP: McDonald.				
Carmel pitching IP R ER H				
Maddie Stacy	3.1	7	5	8
Emmy Brown (W)	3.2	1	1	4
Strikeouts: Stacy 3. Walks: Stacy 2.				

Hamilton Heights got off to a good start against Rensselaer Central Friday in the seventh-place Hoosier Conference game, and that sent the Huskies to an 8-3 victory.

Heights began with four runs in the first inning. Isabella Neiling scored the first run on Alayna Baber’s RBI ground-out. Hayley Greene then singled and moved to third base on Sydney Massicotte’s double. Both scored after Kaylee Rhoton reached on error. Morgan Ottinger came in to run for Rhoton, and she was sent home by a double from Kelsie Albright.

The Huskies scored twice in the fifth inning; Baber got home on an error and Albright batted in Greene. Heights got two more runs in the sixth when Massicotte doubled home Lily Roush and Greene.

Massicotte finished the game 3-for-4, while Neiling, Greene and Albright all had two hits. Roush got the pitching win.

The Huskies are 4-12 and host Lebanon at noon today.

HAMILTON HEIGHTS 8, RENSSELAER CENTRAL 3					
Heights	AB	R	H	RBI	
Isabella Neiling	4	1	2	0	
Lily Roush	3	1	0	0	
Alayna Barber	3	1	1	1	
Hayley Greene	4	3	2	0	
Sydney Massicotte	4	1	3	2	
Kaylee Rhoton	3	0	0	0	
Kelsie Albright	3	0	2	2	
Ashlyn Fletcher	2	0	0	0	
Kassidy Schakel	2	0	0	0	
Morgan Ottinger	1	1	0	0	
Natalie Newman	0	0	0	0	
Totals	29	8	10	5	

Score by Innings					
Rensselaer	001	200	0-3	7 3	
Heights	400	022	x-8	10 5	
2B: Massicotte 2, Neiling, Greene, Albright. SB: Greene. HBP: Fletcher.					
Pitching stats unavailable					

Guerin Catholic scored early and that helped the 3A No. 2 Golden Eagles to a 5-0 win at Western Boone on Friday.

Guerin Catholic began with two runs in the first inning. Ana Macha scored on Aliyah Dorsey’s sacrifice fly. Izzy Kemp hit a double, then got home when Lucy Schenk reached on error.

The Golden Eagles added two more runs in the second inning. Sarah Dille led off with a double, then scored after Dorsey reached on error, then Victoria Flores hit a sacrifice fly to send Julia Hartley home.

In the fifth inning, Schenk singled in Zoey Bussick. Schenk, Macha and Kemp all had two hits, while Alicia Flores smacked a fifth-inning double.

Alicia Flores pitched a complete game, striking out 18 and allowing only one hit and one walk.

Guerin Catholic is 17-1 and hosts North Central on Monday.

GUERIN CATHOLIC 5, WESTERN BOONE 0					
Guerin Catholic	AB	R	H	RBI	
Ana Macha	3	1	2	0	
Aliyah Dorsey	3	0	0	2	
Victoria Flores	4	0	1	1	
Izzy Kemp	4	1	2	0	
Alicia Flores	3	0	1	0	
Lucy Schenk	4	0	2	2	
Kirsten Mascari	4	0	0	0	
Sarah Dille	2	1	1	0	
Julia Hartley	3	1	1	0	
Lauren Wolfe	0	0	0	0	
Zoey Bussick	0	1	0	0	
Olivia Labus	0	0	0	0	
Totals	30	5	10	5	
Score by Innings					
Guerin Catholic	220	010	0-5	7 0	
Western Boone	000	000	0-0	1 3	
2B: Dille, A. Flores, Kemp, SB: Macha 2, Hartley. SAC: Dorsey.					
GC pitching IP R ER H					
A. Flores	7	0	0	1	
Strikeouts: A. Flores 18. Walks: A. Flores 1.					

Noblesville dropped a Hoosier Crossroads Conference game to Franklin Cen-

tral 4-0 on Friday. Ella White was 2-for-3 for the Millers, including a double. Noblesville is 17-5 and hosts Pendleton Heights today in a doubleheader.

FRANKLIN CENTRAL 4, NOBLESVILLE 0				
Noblesville	AB	R	H	RBI
Reis Sjolholm	3	0	0	0
Abby Harvey	3	0	0	0
Ella White	3	0	2	0
Cameron Grayson	3	0	0	0
Lauren DeRolf	3	0	0	0
Gabby Fowler	2	0	0	0
Scout Duplaga	2	0	0	0
Kinsey Pfeiffer	2	0	0	0
Myah Stuckey	2	0	0	0
Totals	23	0	2	0
Score by Innings				
Noblesville	000	000	0-0	2 2
Franklin Central	002	110	x-4	10 0
2B: White. SB: White.				
NHS pitching IP R ER H				
Grayson	6	4	4	10
Strikeouts: Grayson 2. Walks: none.				

Sheridan fell to North Miami 3-0 in a Friday game at Biddle Park.

Riley Reed and Addyson Ream both had two hits for the Blackhawks. Allie Delph pitched four innings, striking out five.

Sheridan is 4-6 and plays at the Indiana School for the Deaf Round-Robin today.

NORTH MIAMI 3, SHERIDAN 0				
Sheridan	AB	R	H	RBI
Katy Crail	4	0	1	0
Riley Reed	3	0	2	0
Taylor Bates	3	0	1	0
Addyson Ream	3	0	2	0
Caitlin Neese	3	0	1	0
Makayla Clark	3	0	1	0
Kendra Blankenship	3	0	1	0
Emma Settles	0	0	0	0
Jacquelynne Bates	3	0	0	0
Allie Delph	3	0	0	0
Totals	28	0	9	0
Score by Innings				
North Miami	000	030	0-3	8 0
Sheridan	000	000	0-0	9 0
Sheridan pitching IP R ER H				
Delph	4	3	3	7
Ream	3	0	0	1
Strikeouts: Delph 5, Ream 4. Walks: Delph 3.				

Grosjean stuns field with NTT P1 Award at GMR Grand Prix

Talk about making an entrance. Former Formula One driver Romain Grosjean won the NTT P1 Award for the GMR Grand Prix on Friday afternoon on the Indianapolis Motor Speedway road course, making ripples across the motor-sports world by earning his first career NTT INDYCAR SERIES pole in just his third start.

Rookie Grosjean turned a top lap of 1 minute, 9.4396 seconds in the No. 51 NURTEC ODT Honda during the Firestone Fast Six final round of qualifying. This was Grosjean’s first open-wheel pole since he claimed the top spot in GP2 -- the final ladder series leading into Formula One -- in May 2011 at Istanbul, Turkey.

Frenchman Grosjean, 35, came to the NTT INDYCAR SERIES this season with Dale Coyne Racing with RWR after 10 seasons in Formula One. His F1 career ended in a fiery crash last November in Bahrain in which he escaped an inferno with serious burns to his hands, endearing himself to fans around the world with his optimistic spirit during his recovery.

“Amazing,” Grosjean said. “When I saw the (first qualifying) group I was in, I was like, ‘Oh, dear, if we can get out of the first group, we’re going to be OK,’ and we did. That last few laps, we were on it. What

a day for us. “I’m happier than I have been in a very long time.”

Grosjean will lead the 25-car field to the green flag on the 14-turn, 2.439-mile road course Saturday afternoon. Live coverage of the 85-lap race starts at 2 p.m. on NBC and the INDYCAR Radio Network.

Two-time series champion Josef Newgarden will join Grosjean on the front row after a top lap of 1:09.5665 in the No. 2 Snap-on Tools Team Penske Chevrolet. It’s Newgarden’s best starting position this season.

Jack Harvey continued his strong start to the season by qualifying third at 1:09.6528 in the No. 60 AutoNation/Sirius XM Honda. Season-opening race winner Alex Palou will start fourth after a lap of 1:09.7118 in the No. 10 The American Legion Honda.

Scott McLaughlin was the second rookie in the Firestone Fast Six, and he will start a season-best fifth after a lap of 1:09.7140 in the No. 3 PPG Team Penske Chevrolet. Conor Daly rounded out the top six at 1:09.8662 in the No. 20 MannKind Chevrolet, also his best qualifying performance this season.

This was the first INDYCAR pole for the Coyne team since 2018, when Sebastien Bourdais took the top spot at Phoenix

Raceway.

“When you look at his resume and how great he was before he got into Formula One, and Formula One is such a team performance issue, we knew he could win races and we knew he could win poles,” team owner Dale Coyne said of Grosjean. “He’s proven it today.”

The Firestone Fast Six was almost as noteworthy for the drivers who didn’t make the cut as those who competed for the NTT P1 Award.

Four-time GMR Grand Prix pole winner Will Power didn’t advance to the final round after spinning between Turns 12 and 13 early during the second round of qualifying with a loose-handling No. 12 Verizon 5G Team Penske Chevrolet. 2014 series champion and three-time GMR Grand Prix winner Power will line up 12th, his lowest position in eight career starts in this event.

“At least we’re 12th – that’s better than St. Pete, 20th,” Power said. “It’s so crazy how the car can change so much from session to session. I made a mistake. I’m very frustrated at myself.”

A handful of other series heavyweights didn’t advance from the first round of qualifying, including the top two drivers in the championship standings, Scott Dixon and Pato O’Ward. Dixon will start 16th in the No. 9 PNC Bank Chip Ganassi Racing Honda, while O’Ward will line up 18th in the No. 5 Arrow McLaren SP Chevrolet.

Also starting in the back half of the field are 2016 Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge winner Alexander Rossi (14th), reigning Indy 500 winner Takuma Sato (17th), 2012 series champion and 2014 Indy 500 winner Ryan Hunter-Reay (19th) and four-time INDYCAR SERIES champion Bourdais (20th).

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# NBA standings

Friday scores  
Washington 120, Cleveland 105  
Denver 104, Detroit 91

Philadelphia 122, Orlando 97  
Utah 109, Oklahoma City 93  
Memphis 107, Sacramento 106

Dallas 114, Toronto 110  
Houston 122, L.A. Clippers 115  
Golden State 125, New Orleans 122

## Eastern Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
e-Philadelphia	48	23	.676	-
x-Brooklyn	46	24	.657	1.5
c-Milwaukee	45	25	.643	2.5
x-Atlanta	40	31	.563	8.0
x-Miami	39	31	.557	8.5
x-New York	39	31	.557	8.5
pi-Boston	35	35	.500	12.5
pi-Charlotte	33	37	.471	14.5
pi-Indiana	33	37	.471	14.5
Washington	33	38	.465	15.0
Chicago	30	40	.429	17.5
Toronto	27	44	.380	21.0
Cleveland	22	49	.310	26.0
Orlando	21	50	.296	27.0
Detroit	20	51	.282	28.0

## Western Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
x-Utah	51	20	.718	-
x-Phoenix	49	21	.700	1.5
x-Denver	47	24	.662	4.0
x-L.A. Clippers	47	24	.662	4.0
x-Dallas	42	29	.592	9.0
Portland	41	30	.577	10.0
L.A. Lakers	40	30	.571	10.5
pi-Golden State	38	33	.535	13.0
pi-Memphis	38	33	.535	13.0
San Antonio	33	37	.471	17.5
New Orleans	31	40	.437	20.0
Sacramento	31	40	.437	20.0
Minnesota	22	48	.314	28.5
Oklahoma City	21	50	.296	30.0
Houston	17	54	.239	34.0

x - Clinched playoff spot / pi - Clinched play-in / e - Clinched Eastern Conference / nw - clinched Northwestern Division

# Major League Baseball standings

Friday scores  
Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox 2  
Chicago White Sox 3, Kansas City 1  
Pittsburgh 3, San Francisco 2, 11 innings  
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 3  
Boston 4, L.A. Angels 3  
Chicago Cubs 4, Detroit 2  
Tampa Bay 3, N.Y. Mets 2  
Philadelphia 5, Toronto 1

Houston 10, Texas 4  
Oakland 6, Minnesota 1  
Atlanta 6, Milwaukee 3  
Colorado 9, Cincinnati 6  
Washington 17, Arizona 2  
Seattle 7, Cleveland 3  
San Diego 5, St. Louis 4  
L.A. Dodgers 9, Miami 6

## American League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	24	16	.600	-
N.Y. Yankees	21	17	.553	2.0
Toronto	20	17	.541	2.5
Tampa Bay	21	19	.525	3.0
Baltimore	16	22	.421	7.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chi. White Sox	23	14	.622	-
Cleveland	21	15	.583	1.5
Kansas City	17	21	.447	6.5
Detroit	13	25	.342	10.5
Minnesota	12	24	.333	10.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
Oakland	24	16	.600	-
Houston	22	17	.564	1.5
Seattle	19	20	.487	4.5
Texas	18	22	.450	6.0
L.A. Angels	16	21	.432	6.5

## National League

East	W	L	PCT.	GB
N.Y. Mets	18	14	.563	-
Philadelphia	21	18	.538	0.5
Atlanta	18	20	.474	3.0
Miami	17	21	.447	4.0
Washington	15	19	.441	4.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
St. Louis	23	16	.590	-
Milwaukee	20	19	.513	3.0
Chi. Cubs	18	19	.486	4.0
Cincinnati	17	19	.472	4.5
Pittsburgh	16	22	.421	6.5
West	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Francisco	23	15	.605	-
San Diego	22	17	.564	1.5
L.A. Dodgers	21	17	.553	2.0
Arizona	17	22	.436	6.5
Colorado	15	24	.385	8.5

# WNBA standings

Friday's games  
New York 90, Indiana 87  
Connecticut 78, Atlanta 67

Phoenix 77, Minnesota 75  
Dallas 94, Los Angeles 71

## Eastern Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Connecticut	1	0	1.00	-
New York	1	0	1.00	-
Chicago	0	0	.000	0.5
Washington	0	0	.000	0.5
Indiana	0	1	.000	1.0
Atlanta	0	1	.000	1.0

## Western Conference

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
Dallas	1	0	1.00	-
Phoenix	1	0	1.00	-
Las Vegas	0	0	.000	0.5
Seattle	0	0	.000	0.5
Minnesota	0	1	.000	1.0
Los Angeles	0	1	.000	1.0

## McCowan earns double-double . . . Ionescu's 3 sends Liberty past Fever in season opener

Third year Fever center Teaira McCowan added 11 points and nine rebounds in the second half to her impressive 2021 debut. Fourth year Fever guard Kelsey Mitchell followed up with 16 of her team-high 23 points in the final 20 minutes, but with 5.8 seconds remaining in the first regular season game of the 2021 WNBA season, Indiana needed one stop to force its first overtime game since July 19, 2019.

Liberty guard Sabrina Ionescu inbounded the ball to Kylee Shook in front of the Fever bench, only to come back around a screen and deliver the final blow with a long 3-point shot to give New York the 90-87 win against the Fever. Ionescu's 25 points, 11 assists and six rebounds helped snap Indiana's three-game winning streak against the Liberty (1-0) on Friday night.

Indiana (0-1) went on a 9-2 run to take the 84-81 lead with 1:32 remaining in the game after Mitchell knocked down her only made basket from beyond the arc at Barclays Center. Friday was Mitchell's 22nd career game with at least 20 points and the second straight season-opening game scoring at least 20.

McCowan reminding everyone of her rookie season dominance as she notched her 17th career double-double ending with 22 points and 16 rebounds. The 16 rebounds tied for the third most boards

pulled down in a regular season game in her young career and was only two points shy of tying her career-best scoring total for a game.

McCowan had plenty of help inside as the Fever outrebounded New York 45-28 on Friday night. McCowan and Jantel Lavender were the first pair of Fever teammates to collect at least seven offensive rebounds in the same game in franchise history. Lavender finished with nine points and 10 rebounds in her Fever regular season debut. Her first basket of the night in the first quarter pushed her past 2,500 points in her career.

Jessica Breland came off the bench to lead the Fever reserves with eight points and four rebounds. Tiffany Mitchell added seven points and climbed the Fever leaderboards in the process. Her 3-for-3 clip from the charity stripe gave her 425 made free throws pushing her to fourth in franchise history for most made free throws. She only trails one of the newest Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame inductees, Tamika Catchings (2,004); Briann January (560) and Tammy Sutton-Brown (444).

For New York, Betnijah Laney poured in a game-high 30 points on 11-for-18 shooting, while rookie Michaela Onyenwere contributed 18 points and five rebounds in her first regular season game.

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