

JUNIOR COLLEGE BASKETBALL

LMC women drop opener at nationals

Red Hawks roughed up early, now in consolation bracket

By HP STAFF

The Lake Michigan College women's basketball team didn't start out well on Tuesday in the first round of the NJCAA Division II National Championships.

The Red Hawks lost 94-69 to Parkland College, and never were in the game.

"Oh, wow ... the first 9-10 minutes of the game, we didn't come out ready to play at all," said LMC coach Jason Cooper. "They took the game to us. We didn't respond."

Parkland (25-9), located in Champaign, Ill., led 52-29 at halftime. The Cobras moved and rebounded the ball well, recording 27 assists and 40 rebounds for

the game.

DeYahanna Styles' game-high 25 points paced LMC (26-6), which will face Essex County at 10 a.m. Thursday. LMC is now part of the consolation bracket.

"We need to win three games to get a placing, either seventh or eighth," Cooper said.

Lacorsica Metts had 12 points for LMC.

PARKLAND COLLEGE 94, LMC WOMEN 69

PARKLAND COLLEGE (94)

Erin Kelley 7 0-0 17, Aimee Iverson 2 0-0 4, Hannah Wascher 10 3-3 23, Nadine Vaughn 2 0-0 4, Jerica Hawkins 7 3-5 17, Kennedy Hartman 1 1-2 3, Jocie Klocke 4 2-2 10, Ashley Walker 2 2-2 6, Chelsea Cross 4 2-2 10. Totals: 39 13-16 94.

LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE (69)

DeYahanna Styles 8 6-6 25, Sabrina Trujillo 1 1-1 4, Lacorsica Metts 4 3-4 12, Kaitelyn Smith 2 2-2 6, Lexi Hobbs 3 1-1 7, Brittany Johnson 0 1-2 1, Michelle Briand 1 0-0 2, Nicole Decker 2 0-1 5, Sarah Huffman 2 3-4 7. Totals: 23 17-21 69.

Halftime — Parkland 52-29. 3-point goals — Parkland 3 (Kelley 3), LMC 6 (Styles 3, Trujillo, Metts, Decker). Total fouls — Parkland 20, LMC 14. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Parkland 40, LMC 28 (Metts 6, Decker 5). Assists — Parkland 27, LMC 13 (Styles 4). Turnovers — Parkland 15, LMC 17.

Records — Parkland 25-9, LMC 26-6.