

## **Dunk gets Ross rolling past Napoleon**

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NAPOLEON -- With 1:30 remaining in the third period of Friday's game, Ross's Shunnar Gamble stole a Napoleon pass and took it the length of the floor for a two-handed dunk.

The dunk put the Little Giants up and spurred a 10-point Ross run to pull away from the Wildcats en route to a 55-38 Greater Buckeye Conference win Friday.

"My team always yells at me for not dunking so when I dunk it gets them pretty excited," Gamble said.

Fremont Ross would end up scoring 21 of the final 25 points of the game, as they limited Napoleon to just 13 second-half points.

Little Giants coach Mark Gedeon credited the dunk for helping his team get over the hump and take control of the game.

"Especially when you have a young team, emotion comes into play a lot more than logic sometimes," Gedeon said. "We know Shunnar is a special player for us, I think that gave our players a lot more energy on the defensive end."

Gamble finished with a team-high 17 points while Jake Hiestand poured in 13 points, included three 3-pointers, and Nick Streaker added 10. Fremont Ross dominated the boards, outrebounding Napoleon 32-20.

Gamble said the win showed improvement from their recent performances.

"Our play was a lot better, we had a couple good practices this week," Gamble said. "I think it helped us get focused and play more as a team."

Jordan Myles finished with 11 points for Napoleon. Wildcats coach Tim Badenhop credited the Little Giants for their execution throughout the game.

"I thought they did a good job, they attacked us

inside where most teams should attack us," Badenhop said. "They did a good job adjusting to

what we were trying to do defensively and found openings."

Fremont Ross will begin tournament play on Tuesday against Ashland at Willard. Gedeon hopes to take the momentum of the win into its sectional matchup.

"This could springboard us a little bit, I think the last two weeks we've had some very good practices," Gedeon said. "I think our kids have been very positive, they've worked hard.

"Our last three games have all come against teams that are in first place in their respective leagues in Port Clinton, Marion, and Tiffin. The fact that we were able to at times play with those teams gives our kids some confidence but now we can get some confidence from seeing it on the scoreboard."