

# Pritchard scores 36 as the Celtics beat the Hawks 109-102

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BOSTON — Payton Pritchard scored 36 points, Jayson Tatum had 26 points and 12 rebounds, and the Boston Celtics beat the Atlanta Hawks 109-102 on Friday night.

Jalen Johnson scored 29 points and CJ McCollum had 21 for the Hawks, who came in 15-2 since the All-Star break, best in the Eastern Conference. Nickeil Alexander-Walker added 20 points but Atlanta's shooting touch faded as the game progressed after a strong start.

Boston played without All-Star guard Jaylen Brown, who was ruled out with Achilles tendinitis.

Behind Pritchard's spark off the bench and a dramatic swing beyond the arc, the Celtics caught the Hawks after trailing 25-9 in the first quarter. Boston made seven straight 3-pointers during the second quarter, but Johnson and Atlanta went into halftime up 60-55.

Fresh off an overtime victory over Eastern Conference leader Detroit, Atlanta entered the final quarter within striking distance of Boston, which has the East's second-best record. Tatum had a tough night from the field, missing 16 of 24 shots, yet his spinning drive to the rim gave Boston a 97-86 lead with 7:29 remaining.

## CLIPPERS 114, PACERS 113

INDIANAPOLIS — Kawhi Leonard made a jumper with 0.4 seconds remaining, and Los Angeles rallied from a 24-point deficit to beat Indiana.

Leonard finished with 28 points, reaching 20 for the 50th straight game. Darius Garland led the Clippers with 30.

Los Angeles was run off the floor early by the team with the NBA's worst record. The Pacers were a sizzling 8 for 11 from 3-point range in the first quarter, opening a 42-21 lead.

It grew to 45-21 early in the second before the Clippers stormed back for their fourth straight victory,



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**Boston Celtics guard Payton Pritchard celebrates after hitting a 3-point basket against the Atlanta Hawks during the second half of an NBA basketball game on Friday in Boston.**

ry, giving coach Tyrone Lue the 400th of his career.

Indiana had gone back ahead 113-108 on Obi Toppin's jumper with a minute to play. Leonard answered with a jumper, Garland made two free throws and the Clippers got the ball back after Pascal Siakam missed a jumper. They inbounded along the left side to Leonard, who dribbled into the middle and pulled up for the winner.

## CAVALIERS 149, HEAT 128

CLEVELAND — Max Strus scored 29 points, Evan Mobley had 23 and Jarrett Allen came back from injury to add 18, leading Cleveland to a win over Miami in the second matchup between the teams in three days.

Strus made six of his eight 3-pointers in a 22-point first half as the Cavs bolted to a 35-point lead. He made one just ahead of the halftime horn to put Cleveland ahead 81-46 and cap the team's highest scoring half this season.

The Cavs bounced back from a 120-103 loss to the Heat on Wednesday with a strong performance and matched the team record for points in a regulation game.

Allen's return provided a major spark. He missed 10 games with tendinitis in his knee. The 27-year-old's absence especially hurt on defense and deprived him time to build chemistry with star guard James

Harden, whose acquisition at the trade deadline has raised title hopes.

## THUNDER 131, BULLS 113

OKLAHOMA CITY — Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 25 points, and Oklahoma City used a 22-0 second-half run to power a win over Chicago.

The usually efficient Gilgeous-Alexander made just 8 of 24 shots. His teammates picked up the slack and helped the Thunder shoot 46.5% from the field. Gilgeous-Alexander still scored at least 20 points for a record 134th consecutive game.

Cason Wallace added 21 points for the Thunder, who were coming off a loss at Boston that followed a 12-game win streak. Oklahoma City got back on track, despite All-Star forward Chet Holmgren sitting out with a bruised right hip.

It was an important win for Oklahoma City, which is trying to hold off San Antonio for home-court advantage in the playoffs. The Thunder opened the night two games ahead of the idle Spurs with nine games to play and San Antonio holding the tiebreaker.

## ROCKETS 119, GRIZZLIES 109

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Kevin Durant scored 25 points and led a fourth-quarter rally as Houston pulled away from Memphis for a victory.

Jabari Smith Jr. added

21 points and 16 rebounds and Amen Thompson had 18 points as Houston ended a two-game slide. Durant also had 10 assists.

Olivier-Maxence Prosper led the Grizzlies with a career-high 31 points and had seven rebounds. GG Jackson and Javon Small each added 14 points as Memphis lost its fifth straight and 13th in its last 14.

## RAPTORS 119, PELICANS 106

TORONTO — Scottie Barnes had 23 points and 12 assists, Jakob Poeltl had 18 points and 11 rebounds, and Toronto beat New Orleans.

RJ Barrett, Sandro Mamukelashvili and J'Kobe Walter also scored 18 points apiece for the Raptors, and Brandon Ingram added 13.

Zion Williamson scored 22 points for New Orleans on 9-for-13 shooting from the field and 4 for 4 from the foul line. Saddiq Bey added 19 points.

The Raptors won for the second time in three outings to remain in sixth place in the Eastern Conference, a full game ahead of the idle Philadelphia 76ers. The top six teams automatically make the playoffs in each conference.

The Pelicans lost their fourth in a row overall and fifth straight on the road. They were without top scorers Trey Murphy III (ankle) and Dejounte Murray (Achilles). Immanuel Quickley (Achilles) was absent from the Toronto lineup.

## NUGGETS 135, JAZZ 129

DENVER — Nikola Jokic had 33 points, 16 rebounds and 12 assists, Cam Johnson and Jamal Murray combined for four 3-pointers in the final 2:20, and Denver rallied from 13 down in the fourth quarter to beat Utah.

Murray finished with 31 points two nights after scoring a season-high 53. Jokic had his fourth straight triple-double and 31st of the season to help Denver avoid a costly loss

in the tight Western Conference playoff race.

The Nuggets are in fourth place, a game ahead of Minnesota and a half-game behind the Los Angeles Lakers.

Kyle Filipowski led Utah with 25 points but was scoreless in the fourth quarter when Denver rallied from a 120-107 deficit. Jokic started the comeback with a layup, Tim Hardaway Jr., who finished with 21 points, hit a 3-pointer and two free throws that made it 124-121.

After Ace Bailey made a baseline jumper, Jokic hit a turnaround and Johnson tied it with a 3-pointer. The teams traded threes before Johnson, who had 12 points, put the Nuggets ahead for good with another from deep with 46 seconds left.

## WARRIORS 131, WIZARDS 126

SAN FRANCISCO — Kristaps Porzingis had 28 points and eight assists, Gui Santos made a pair of free throws with 11.4 seconds remaining, and Golden State held off Washington for the win.

Brandin Podziemski added 22 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists to help the Warriors win a third straight game for the first time in nearly two months. Santos scored 27 points, Gary Payton II had 15 and Pat Spencer scored 13.

Rookie Will Riley had 22 points, five rebounds and five assists for the Wizards, who were trying to win back-to-back games after ending a franchise record-tying 16-game losing streak by beating the Utah Jazz on Wednesday.

Bilal Coulibaly added 21 points while Bub Carrington had 16 points and five assists.

Playing their 24th consecutive game without star Stephen Curry, the Warriors led the majority of

the game until the Wizards made a late surge in the fourth quarter.

## MAVERICKS 100, TRAIL BLAZERS 93

PORTLAND, Ore. — Marvin Bagley III scored 26 points off the bench and Cooper Flagg had 24 to lead Dallas past Portland, snapping a five-game skid.

Naji Marshall had 19 points and five steals for the Mavericks, who had dropped seven of their previous nine games on the road and bounced back from a 142-135 loss at Denver on Wednesday night. Bagley had nine rebounds and Flagg four steals for Dallas.

Truce Holiday scored 23 points and Deni Avdija had 20 points and nine rebounds for the Trail Blazers, who had their two-game winning streak stopped and fell below .500 at 37-38. Portland, which has clinched a playoff spot and is currently in ninth place in the Western Conference, had won five of its previous six to get back to .500 for the first time in over two months.

## LAKERS 116, NETS 99

LOS ANGELES — Luka Doncic had 41 points and eight rebounds while also picking up his suspension-triggering 16th technical foul during the Los Angeles Lakers victory over Brooklyn.

Austin Reaves scored 15 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter while the Lakers finally pulled away from the young Nets to secure their 11th victory in 12 games. LeBron James added 14 points and eight assists for the Lakers in their return from a 5-1 road trip that has put them in third in the Western Conference standings.

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The City of Owensboro is seeking reputable contractor(s) to demolish multiple properties within the city. Specifications for the above are on file and may be downloaded from the City's online Bonfire portal at <https://owensboro.bonfirehub.com>. Bids must be submitted through the Bonfire portal on or before 2:00 P.M. prevailing local time on April 16, 2026, at which time bids will be opened and publicly read aloud via Microsoft Teams meeting. The Team meeting link can be found on the Bonfire portal. The City of Owensboro reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularities in said bids. This advertisement was paid for by the City of Owensboro using taxpayer dollars in the amount of \$107.25  
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Notice is hereby given that the Owensboro Riverport Authority is requesting proposals to purchase a new Terminal Yard Tractor. Copies of the Request For Proposals are available from the Owensboro Riverport Authority, by contacting Michelle Payne, Purchasing Agent, at [mpayne@owensbororiverport.com](mailto:mpayne@owensbororiverport.com). All proposals shall be submitted in accordance with requirements set forth in the RFP and shall be received at 1771 River Road, Owensboro, KY before 2:00 p.m., (CST), April 14, 2026. All late proposals will be returned unopened. Emailed proposals are not accepted. Owensboro Riverport Authority reserves the right to postpone, accept or reject any and all proposals and to waive any informality in the bid process as Owensboro Riverport Authority deems in its own best interest.



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The City of Owensboro ("City") is seeking a qualified company to provide uniforms for use by applicable City personnel. Regional Water Resource Agency (RWRA) may also purchase items from this contract. All items will be awarded to one successful bidder. All equivalents or alternates **must** be approved by the City's Purchasing Manager before bid opening. Any bidder wishing to substitute any item must proceed with one of the following options as listed in the RFB by 5:00 PM CT, April 17, 2026. Specifications for the above are on file and may be downloaded from the City's online Bonfire portal at <https://owensboro.bonfirehub.com>. Bids must be submitted through the Bonfire portal on or before 2:00 P.M. prevailing local time on May 1, 2026, at which time bids will be opened and publicly read aloud via Microsoft Teams meeting. The Team meeting link can be found on the Bonfire portal. The City of Owensboro reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularities in said bids. This advertisement was paid for by the City of Owensboro using taxpayer dollars in the amount of \$312.00  
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**Regional Water Resource Agency (RWRA)**, the municipal wastewater (sewer) utility located in Owensboro, KY, is accepting applications for the position of **Accounts Receivable/Board Clerk**.

This position is primarily responsible for the Accounts Receivable functions including billing, collections, and maintaining files. This position serves as liaison between the Executive Director/Agency staff and Board of Directors, as well as works closely with Board Counsel. This position also performs clerical as well as administrative duties and may handle special projects and assignments.

### Essential Job Duties:

- Performs accounts receivable functions, communicates with other departments to gather data, prepares billing, and generates invoices for customers, such as industries that have sewer meters, transported waste, lab testing, etc.
- Collects outstanding Accounts Receivables by contacting vendors for payment
- Serves as Clerk to the RWRA Board and joint City-County Rate Review Board
- Administers property, casualty and liability insurance claims and maintains insurance claim files; reviews insurance claims with adjuster and/or underwriter; participates in quarterly and annual insurance review meetings; participates in insurance renewal process
- Keeps Insurance Policies up to date, and reviews Certificates of Liability Insurance submitted by contractors for adequate coverage

### Job Preferences and Requirements:

- Position requires an associate's degree in business administration or accounting
- Two to three years of accounting and/or business-related experience is required
- One to two years of experience in legal, government or public utility is preferred

### Job Specifics:

- Full-time, non-exempt position
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  - Medical, Dental, and Vision insurance
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### Application Process:

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- RWRA's website: [www.rwra.org](http://www.rwra.org)

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- Email to: [jobs@rwra.org](mailto:jobs@rwra.org)
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