

# Lady Eagles flying high, wins over three district foes

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**SHEPHERDSVILLE** – One of the first rules for a team on the way up is to win the games that you are supposed to win.

The North Bullitt Lady Eagle softball program did just that last week, mowing through three opponents that this spring the green and gold are better than. The combined 62-3 scores in those game proved the obvious.

In coaching parlance, the Lady Eagles took care of business last week.

With the three wins over 23rd District rivals last week, North Bullitt ran its winning streak to six games after starting the season 2-8.

After not playing any games over Spring Break, the Lady Eagles returned to action and beat Southern 20-1 on Tuesday before taking down Moore 19-0. That set up a showdown with Bullitt Central on Thursday that was expected to be competitive. It was not as North Bullitt scored six times in the top of the first and rolled to a 23-2 win.

“We are starting to come together,” first-year North Bullitt head coach Terrence Bruner said following the win over Bullitt Central. “We just needed some time to jell. They are getting more experienced. We want to be the most competitive team we can be in the post-season.”

The Lady Eagles might need more time than a single spring to compete with Sixth Region powers Bullitt East and Mercy (a team they will play at home on Monday), but they could develop into a team on the next tier when late May rolls around.

“We know they are the standard,” Bruner said of Mercy and Bullitt East. “If we want to get to the top, we have to go through those teams. They are well coached and have good players. Our girls have grown. We are putting bricks down and building something.”

While there are still a few options out there, North Bullitt is most likely going to be a number two seed when the



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**North Bullitt senior Kylie McRoberts has good week in the circle and at the plate**

Super Regional draw is held in a few weeks for the Sixth Region Tournament.

Against Bullitt Central on Thursday, the Lady Eagles seized the momentum and never let up. After scoring six runs in the first inning, the green and gold added nine more runs in the third. The end came in the top of the fifth when North Bullitt added seven more runs. The game was stopped after Bullitt Central batted in the bottom of the fifth.

(The two scorebooks in intra-county games rarely match up and that was certainly the case in this game. This story will use each team's own stats for offensive production.)

North Bullitt collected 22 hits in the win, including six hits for extra bases against three different Bullitt Central pitchers. The big blast was a home run by senior Kyle McRoberts. The Lady Eagles also got a triple from senior Paige Brooks. McRoberts also had a double as did Madeline Whiteside, Annabelle Price and Kaigen Kamber.

Whiteside finished the game with five hits and scored four times while driving in three runs. McRoberts had three hits and drove in five runs. The Lady Eagles also got three hits each from Kamber and Price. Two hits



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**Bullitt Central pitcher Scarlett Marcum is a little late with the tag at the plate against North Bullitt**

were collected by Brooks, Amree Hammons and Abby Harris.

McRoberts got the win in the circle as she worked the entire game. The senior did not allow an earned run while striking out seven and walking just one.

Bullitt Central finished with four hits in the game with the only extra base hit being a double by Alyvia Spears. The Lady Cougars scored single runs in the first and third frames. The only two runs were scored by Spears and LaDonna Whitaker.

Whitaker started the game doing the pitching for the Lady Cougars, but she got just one out before first-year Bullitt Central head coach Andy Swanson brought in Bella Nelson who pitched four innings. Scarlett Marcum got two outs as she also pitched.

The Bullitt Central pitchers only walked five batters so it was North Bullitt hitting the ball that led to the lopsided score.

There was a delay in the second inning when Whitaker suffered an injury after moving to first base. A pop fly along the first base line ended up with three Bullitt Central defenders and the North Bullitt hit all colliding. Whitaker stayed down, but did walk off the field on her own, but she did not return to action.

## NORTH WINS TWO MORE

Before facing Bullitt Central on Thursday, the two

previous days were not any more of a challenge for the Lady Eagles. On Tuesday they cruised past Southern on Tuesday and then Moore 19-0 a day later.

Against Southern, The Lady Eagles were up 6-0 after two innings and then blew the game open with 14 runs in the third inning. The Lady Eagles scored a run in the bottom of the third before the game was stopped.

North Bullitt showed on nine hits in this game, but the green and gold walked 13 times and the Lady Trojans had six errors as they never changed the pitcher.

Price had a pair of triples in the road win and Brooks had one. Kamber added a double. Price finished with three hits while two hits were collected by Brooks, Kamber and McRoberts.

McRoberts was the winning pitcher as she worked all three innings. The senior allowed just one hit and the one run was unearned.

It actually got worse on Wednesday against Moore. North Bullitt scored 12 runs in the first inning and added seven over the next two frames before the game ended. All nine of the outs against North Bullitt came with the Lady Eagles having runners leave the base early and being called out, a sportsmanship

method used by coaches in blow out games.

The win was a no-hitter for Hammons. Eight of the nine outs were by strikeout. Hammons did hit one batter.

The North Bullitt offense had 13 hits and were helped by six walks, four hit batters and seven errors. Brooks and Price each had a pair of doubles in the win. Doubles were also hit by Ava Kenney, Whiteside and Mya Davis.

Starting the week with an 8-8 record, the Lady Eagles have only two games this week as they will take the weekend off. There is then the game against Mercy at home on Monday at 6 p.m.

## CENTRAL WINS EARLY

The week actually started well for Bullitt Central as the team won a pair of games before the team's trajectory turned.

On Monday, the maroon and gray turned back Jeffersontown 14-4 in five innings. The Lady Cougars led 7-1 after two innings and then scored six times in the bottom of the sixth to end the contest.

Whitaker had a pair of triples in the win while Spears hit one triple. Bullitt Central only had six hits, two each by Spears and Whitaker as the Lady Chargers walked a dozen batters. Spears drove in four runs and Whitaker three.

In the circle, Whitaker was the winning pitcher as she allowed seven hits with only two of the runs being earned. She finished with four strikeouts and did not walk a batter.

A day later, it took a full seven innings, but Bullitt Central went on the road and defeated Fort Knox 12-8. The Lady Cougars had an 11-1 lead midway through the fourth inning before the base team scored six times in the bottom of the inning.

Bullitt Central finished with 10 hits in the game. Olivia White had a triple while

doubles were hit by Ava Geary, Ashlynn Leonhardt, Lily Smith and Spears. Leonhardt, White and Maddy Rock each had two hits. Rock drove in a pair of runs while both Leonhardt and Spears each scored three times.

Following the loss to North Bullitt, the Lady Cougars made a long trip to McLean County on Saturday for a double-header. Each game last just six innings as Bullitt Central lost both games 16-6 and 22-11.

The first game was tied at 5-5 after the top of the fifth, but then McLean County pulled away. Bullitt Central only had two hits in the game including a double by Nelson. The Lady Cougars did walk eight times.


Three pitchers worked for Bullitt Central in this game with Marcum starting and going four innings before turned the ball over to Nelson who went 1.2 innings. Peyton Sizemore also pitched the setback.

In the second game, McLean County scored ten times in the bottom of the first and then scored seven times in the sixth to end the game early.


Bullitt Central did have eight hits in this game including a triple by Marcum and a double by Khloe Snow. Geary and Marcum each had two hits. Two runs were driven in by Marcum, Smith and Snow.

Marcum pitched into the sixth inning in this game before Nelson came in. After her injury in the North Bullitt game, Whitaker did not play in the two games on Saturday.

The Lady Cougars now have a 8-9 record to start this week. The team had a winnable district game earlier this week against Moore and will play at Christian Academy on Thursday. Early next week they will go on the road for a game on Tuesday at Breckinridge County and the next day against Fairdale.



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**ALLISON BALL**  
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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Jerry Summers, Bullitt County Judge/Executive  
The Honorable Walt Sholar, Bullitt County Sheriff  
Members of the Bullitt County Fiscal Court  
**Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

**Opinions**  
We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts and Disbursements - Regulatory Basis of the Sheriff of Bullitt County, Kentucky, and the Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Fund Balances of the Sheriff's Operating Fund and County Fund with the State Treasurer - Regulatory Basis for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

**Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting**  
In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the receipts and disbursements of the Bullitt County Sheriff and the receipts, disbursements, and fund balances of the Bullitt County Sheriff's operating fund and county fund with the state treasurer for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws as described in Note 1.

**Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles**  
In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinions on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles section of our report, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Bullitt County Sheriff, as of December 31, 2024, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

**Basis for Opinion**  
We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* (GAS), issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Program for County Fee Officials* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Bullitt County Sheriff and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

**Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles**  
As described in Note 1 of the financial statements, the financial statements are prepared by the Bullitt County Sheriff on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky, to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material and pervasive.

**Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**  
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statement, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Bullitt County Sheriff's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

**Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statement**  
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

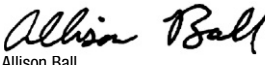
In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bullitt County Sheriff's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Bullitt County Sheriff's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.


We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we have identified during the audit.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**  
In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 19, 2026, on our consideration of the Bullitt County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Bullitt County Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.


Respectfully submitted,

  
Allison Ball  
Auditor of Public Accounts  
Frankfort, KY

February 19, 2026  
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**Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting**  
In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the receipts and disbursements of the Bullitt County Clerk and the receipts, disbursements, and fund balances of the Bullitt County Clerk's operating fund and county fund with the state treasurer for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws as described in Note 1.

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**Basis for Opinion**  
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