

Fisher knocks off Lady Saxons, 72-64

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ALFRED, NY St. John Fisher defeated the Alfred University women's basketball team, 72-64, Saturday afternoon at the McLane Center. Alfred (1-7, 0-2 Empire 8) led at the half, 38-33, thanks to 44-percent shooting and a 22-13 rebounding edge. After AU scored the first bucket of the second half to take a 40-33 lead, the visiting Cardinals went on a 17-0 run to take a 50-40 lead with 13:10 left in the game. Alfred pulled to within four points, 66-62, with 50 seconds left, but Fisher made six-of-six shots from the foul line down the stretch to put the game away. For the game, Alfred held a 44-31 rebounding edge, but Fisher shot 47 percent from the floor, including 43 percent on three-pointers, to only 39 percent for AU (25 percent from behind the arc). Junior guard Melanie Jackson (Andover, NY/Wellsville) led Alfred with 17 points to go with six rebounds and a steal. Sophomore forward Alysha Dias (Rochester, NY/Greece Olympia) had 16 points, eight rebounds, two steals and two assists, while sophomore forward Danielle Cooper (Reading, PA/Reading) added 10 points and a game-high 10 rebounds. Allison Boehm netted a game-high 19 points and a team-leading eight rebounds, four steals and three assists to pace Fisher (6-3, 2-1 Empire 8). Mary Kate Comfort added 14 points, five rebounds and a pair of blocks, and Lyndsay Murphy chipped in with 10 points, three assists and three steals. Alfred is in action next on Friday, Jan. 4, at 6 p.m. at Nazareth.