

RIT downs the Lady Saxons in their second match-up of the season

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ROCHESTER - The Alfred University women's basketball team was defeated by host RIT, 58-53, Saturday afternoon in Empire 8 conference play. The Lady Saxons (6-5, 0-2 Empire 8) managed to maintain a close game, however RIT (3-5, 1-1 Empire 8) entered the locker room at halftime with a 33-27 lead, and controlled the remainder of the second half earning their victory. Junior guard Melissa Buck (Savannah/Clyde-Savannah) led Alfred with a team-high 13 points including three 3-pointers and adding four assists. Senior forward Brandi Backus (Mt. Upton/Gilberstville-Mt. Upton) had 12 points and four rebounds while freshman forward Theresa Coddington (Amherst, NH/Souhegan) chipped in with eight points and a team-high six rebounds. The Tigers were paced by Karli Couchman who had a double-double including a game-high 19 points and 11 rebounds. Noelle D'Estries also added 13 points and three rebounds assisting in the win. The Lady Saxons will next compete at home on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 6 p.m. against the Pitt-Bradford Panthers.