

Tigers open with 62-46 win over Highland in Battling Bulldogs Thanksgiving Tournament

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Edwardsville's boys' basketball team opened with a 62-46 win over Highland on Monday night in the Battling Bulldogs Thanksgiving Tournament at Waterloo.

Oliver Stephen had a hot hand, tossing in 19 points with four three-point conversions. **A.J. Epenesa** and **Mark Smith** added 14 points apiece. **Chryst Colley** also scored in double figures with 11 points.

Edwardsville blanked Highland 9-0 at the start of the game and led 14-9 at the end of the first quarter. The Tigers led 31-21 at the half and 50-33 at the end of the third period. Highland outscored Edwardsville 13-12 in the final quarter, but the Tigers hung on for the win.

Edwardsville, 1-0, plays in the tourney again tonight at 8 p.m against Carbondale, then returns to action in the tourney at 5:30 p.m. Friday against host Waterloo. At 5 p.m. Friday, the Tigers face Althoff.