

Lancers' defensive focus pays off

Reichle gets her points, but Weber falls short against Layton again

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There is a reason why Erin Reichle is the No. 1 scorer in the state 5A ranks and No. 3 statewide.

As good as Reichle is, it's impossible to win a ballgame playing 1-on-5.

The league-leading Lancers knew Reichle, who has signed with Dixie State, would get her points. So Layton High focused on containing the Warriors other players.

Reichle accounted for more than half of Weber's points Tuesday, but only two other players scored and the Lancers held on for a 47-43 Region 1 victory and a season sweep of the 5-A runner-up Warriors.

With its second straight win, Layton — 6-3 in its last nine games — remained in a first-place tie with Davis with four games remaining.

Reichle, a senior point guard, splashed in a game-high 25 points on 9-of-22 shooting, including 1 of 3 on three-point attempts. She grabbed four rebounds, dished off two assists and swiped five steals for Weber, which is 3-7 in its last 10 after a 6-1 start.

The Lancers' Maddi Smith drew the defensive assignment versus Reichle.

"She was really tough. I thought I did pretty well on her," Smith said. "It came down to the hedges and the help I got defensively.

Reichle, the lone Weber player to shoot free throws (6 of 7), went scoreless the final 5:11.

Hannah Charlton went 5 of 9 from the floor — 3 of 7 from deep — for 13 points with one steal for the Warriors, who shot 42.1 percent (16 of 38) and were 35.7 percent (5 of 14) from 3-point range with just 10 turnovers.

"One of our goals was to play a full game today," said Smith, a junior small forward. "I think we did better than we have been, but we're still not there yet.

"We calm down after we get a lead and don't



GAME SUMMARY

Weber	7	11	13	12	-	43
Layton	14	12	11	10	-	47

WEBER (43) – Erin Reichle 9-19 6-7 25, Hannah Charlton 5-8 0-0 13, Maren Ulrich 0-2 0-0 0, Hanna Buswell 2-5 0-0 5, Abbie O'Neill 0-2 0-0 0, Hayley Nelson 0-0 0-0 0, Kandice Jensen 0-0 0-0 0, Alyssa Potter 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 16-36 6-7 43.

LAYTON (47) – Ashley Price 1-3 1-2 3, Meagan Sorenson 1-2 2-2 4, Taylor Moore 1-4 0-0 2, Cassidy Anderson 5-8 0-0 13, Maddi Smith 5-8 1-2 14, Jaden Anderson 2-9 0-0 4, Livia Treseder 3-5 1-2 7. Totals 18-39 5-8 47.

Total fouls: Layton 12, Weber 11. **Fouled out:** None.

Three-point goals: Weber 5-15 (Charlton 3, Reichle, Buswell), Layton 6-11 (Anderson 3, Smith 3).

Rebounds: Layton 28 (Anderson 9), Weber 12 (Reichle 4).

Turnovers: Layton 14, Weber 7.

Hannah Buswell looks for a teammate to pass the ball.

look to score," she said. "We just took what the defense was giving us; they played mostly zone."

The 16-year-old Smith scored a team-high 14 points on 5-of-8 shooting, including 3 of 3 from downtown, with six boards, two assists, one steal and no turnovers.

Cassidy Anderson hit 5 of 8 shots for 13 points — 3 of 5 on three-point attempts — with four rebounds and one assist for Layton, which shot 46.1 percent (18 of 39) and was 54.5 percent (6 of 11) from deep with 16 turnovers.

The Lancers' Jaden Anderson grabbed 10 rebounds, including seven offensive boards, and had four points. Treseder went 3 of 5 from the floor for seven points with one board, three assists and four steals.

"Our whole focus was trying to shut Reichle down," Smith said. "I always draw the tough defensive assignment. In games like this, I was more worried about defense."