

RICHLAND COLLEGE THUNDERDUCKS ***NEWS RELEASE***

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THUNDERDUCKS BASKETBALL

The Thunderducks improved to 8-1 in Metro Athletic Conference play and finished the regular season undefeated at home with a 71-69 win against Cedar Valley College Wednesday night in a match-up of the top two teams in the MAC.

Despite playing with just seven players because of suspensions to three players resulting from an incident in last week's game at Mountain View College, the Thunderducks took a 42-34 lead into halftime. Cedar Valley fought back in the second half to take a two point lead, but with 4.4 seconds remaining in regulation, sophomore Marquis Hamlett hit a three-point shot to give Richland the one point lead. Hamlett would add a free throw to finish off the Suns 71-69.

Sophomore Lewis Lee finished with 20 points and 13 rebounds, while Hamlett also added 20 points. Fellow sophomore LeVar Lewis finished with 10 points.

The Thunderducks (22-6, 8-1) will finish the regular season Saturday, February 25 at Eastfield College with a chance to wrap-up the regular season title. With a win Saturday, the Thunderducks will earn the right to host the UPS Metro Athletic Conference post-season tournament. Tip-off for Saturday's game is 2 p.m.

Wednesday, February 22

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Cedar Valley College	34	35	69
Richland College	42	29	71