



West's Britton Abbott battles for a rebound Tuesday against South. The eighth Warriors defeated their cross-town rival Apaches, 50-7. Daily Leader photo/Rustin Watt

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The eighth grade matchup between the cross town rivals South Middle School and West Middle school was far from the typical makings of a rivalry game. The Warriors held the Apaches from reaching double digits in the matchup and put up 50 on their cross-town rivals in a 50-7 Warrior win.

"We played a great game," Warriors head coach Zimmerman said. "We played up tempo and were in transition, played in your face defense and just got after it, and it worked well."

The Warriors jumped on top early leading at the end of the first quarter 22-4.

From there West's press and sticky fingered defense held the Apaches with a basket for two quarters stretching their lead to 40-4 by the end of the third quarter en route to their 50-7 dominating victory.

## **West 8th dominates**

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“It feels good to win this sort of matchup and carry that with you,” West’s Britain Abbott said. “Tonight was the last time we got to play against each other before everyone mixes and becomes Redskins or goes their separate ways. It was a good experience to play in the rivalry and I think we all had a lot of fun doing it.”