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South and West opened the seventh grade girls basketball season Tuesday, and the Warriors were able to chalk up wins against their cross-town rivals.

West's Ashleigh Antrim scored 14 points in the A-game to lead West to a 29-7 win.

South competed in the first quarter in their home gym with two buckets from Arely Venezuela and a free throw from Mikayla Zapien, but two baskets from Antrim and baskets from Whitney Hay and Khiley Davis gave the Warriors an 8-5 lead.

West scored six unanswered points in the second quarter to take a 14-5 lead.

Both teams struggled in the third quarter with an Antrim free throw being the only point scored, and West had a 15-5 lead.

Warriors open season with crosstown victories at South

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But the Warriors blew the game open in the fourth with 14 points to South's two for the 29-7 win.

Antrim led all scorers with 14, Hay scored six, Katiara Polvon scored three, and Davis, Charlee Johnson and Alondra Ochoa each had two.

Valenzuela led the Apaches with four points, and MiKayla Zapien added three.

In the B-game, Laila Garcia led the Warriors to a 23-0 win with 10 points, Esmeralda Rodriguez scored six, Alondro Ochoa scored four and Shay Wiltshire had three.

South struggled to shoot the ball and did not score, and after falling behind 13-0 at half, the Apaches played a solid defensive quarter, holding the Warriors to two points in the third.

But West was able to get back on track in the fourth quarter for eight points and a 23-0 win.