

***Daily Leader staff report***

The Liberal West Middle School Lady Warrior 8th graders took on Garden City Kenneth Henderson on Monday afternoon. The Lady Hawks picked up a sweep of West, as the A-team downed the Lady Warriors 39-27 and the B-team beat West 28-11.

The West A-team went toe-to-toe with Henderson, trailing 16-11 at halftime and 29-17 at the end of the third period.

Kelly Ramirez led the Lady Warriors defense in the fourth quarter as West out-scored Henderson 12-11 in the final frame.

“We took a big step in becoming a competitive team,” said coach Pat Knott. “We were ready for the challenge and showed we could play with a good team, we still need to execute the little things and make free throws.”

Kelly Ramirez led the way with 12 points, Yvette Vasquez added 5 points, Starr Bayer chipped in 4.

The Lady Warrior 8th A-team falls to 1-2 and will play host to Hugoton today at 4 p.m.

**Henderson 8th B ..... 28**

**West 8th B ..... 11**

The Lady Warrior B-team fell behind 8-1 early, but rallied in the second quarter and trailed just 12-7 at halftime.

The key was good defense and timely steals for West.

Henderson went on a 12-2 run to break the game open in the third quarter before holding the Lady Hawks to four in the final frame.

The loss was the West B-team’s first of the season.

Yvette Vasquez led the way with 5 points and Hannah Roberts chipped in 3.