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(Neb.)-Western New Mexico Turns Back CSC, 75-65

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SILVER CITY, N.M. – Western New Mexico's Chad Carter scored 24 points and two others joined him in double figures as the Mustangs turned back road weary Chadron State College 75-65 Saturday night at Drag's Court.

The Eagles, now 1-14 overall and 1-10 in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, played in a double overtime game Friday evening at New Mexico Highlands and then arrived in Silver City, N.M., early Saturday morning.

On Saturday, CSC was also missing its second-leading scorer – Grant Stone – to an ankle injury and they lost starter Kendrick Holliman with an apparent shoulder injury in the first half.

However, the Eagles played well in a tightly contested game. The two teams traded the lead eight times and it featured six ties before Western New Mexico pulled away down the stretch.

In the second half, Western New Mexico (6-10, 5-7 RMAC) shot 48 percent from the field and made 12 of 15 from the charity stripe.

In addition to Carter's 24 points, Juan Suarez scored 12 points and Lucio Luttrell added 11 more.

Zac Bargen, who entered the weekend as the RMAC's leading scorer, led Chadron State with 20 points and added six rebounds and three assists.

Also for Chadron State, Kyle Vinich scored 14 points and had five rebounds, David Downey scored five points and grabbed a team-high seven boards and Dominique Watkins scored eight points.

Chadron State will host CSU-Pueblo and the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs Friday and Saturday in Chadron. Both men's games start at 8 p.m.

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