MS Girls Play Close with Bobcats By Anette Hernandez

The Golden Plains Middle School girls basketball team extended their record to 5-3 with a 23-21 win over the Western Plains/Healy Bobcats at Ransom on January 20.

The girls worked hard and stayed with the Bobcats as they scored six points in the first quarter, while the Bobcats had a one point lead 7-6. The Lady Bulldogs scored two points in the second quarter with a basket by Braylee Knowles, 8th grader, and ended the first half trailing the 'Cats 8-15.

In the third quarter the Lady Bulldogs added another nine points including 6 from Anais Cepeda, 8th grader, and 3 from Brenlynn Rath, 6th grader. The Bobcats added 6 to maintain a 21-17 lead.

The Bulldogs came back strong in the 4th quarter and added 6 additional points with a three point shot from both Cepeda and Rath while the defense kept the Bobcats from scoring. The Bulldogs ended the game with the win23-21. Game points came from Cepeda 12-including three three-point shots, Rath 6-including two three-poiters, Knowles 4, and Kailee Wessel 1.

"We didn't have a great offense in the beginning, but our defense was good," said Anais Cepeda. "I hope we continue to push ourselves throughout the season and work on shooting the ball more often." The girls will finish their regular season on February 3 in Rexford against the Weskan Coyotes before entering the WKLL league tournament.