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Beaver boys basketball coach Garrett Bebermeyer must have wondered how his team would respond to playing the Laverne Tigers less than a week after getting shellacked by 41 points by the Tigers at the Buffalo Tournament. Even though they came up short of a win, his team was at least competitive with the No.8 Tigers this time, losing 60-47.

"We played much better than a week ago," Dusters coach Garrett Bebermeyer said. "just to at least be competitive was a step back in the right direction. But again our lack of depth and poor free throw shooting hurt us."

In the first quarter, Laverne took an early 17-13 lead. Both teams tightened up their defense in the second quarter, but Laverne was able to add one more point to their lead to make the score 30-25 at half.

The third was another tight quarter; with Laverne taking a 44-38 lead into the final stanza.

Laverne pulled away late by hitting their free throws when Beaver needed to foul late.

Laverne finished 15 of 25 at the line. Beaver was 9 of 19.

Kalen Gabel scored 13 to lead the Dusters. Garrett Weber scored 12, and Logan Baldwin 11.

Beaver will play at Southwestern Heights Tuesday.