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Young Pleads Guilty in Drug Trafficking Case

JCMS 8th Grade Generals Make State KBC Sweet 16 Win - Runners Up in Gold Bracket



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Allison Young, 23, of McKee, KY appeared in Circuit Court before Judge Oscar Gayle House on Monday (Fet 26, 2024) to change her plen in Case #23-CR-00027-001. Young had been accused of complicity to traffic in a controlled substance, 1st offense (methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia. The penalty for complicity to traffic in a controlled substance can be anywhere from 1-5 years imprisonment. The penalty for possession of drug paraphernalia can be up to 12 months

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On January 17, 2023 Deputy Chris Baldwin observed a 2001 Ford 4-Door vehicle parked in the parking lot of the Bradshaw Hills Baptist Church. According to the uniform (SEE GUILTY - PAGE 11)

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I'm very proud of the 14 boys that made this team so special. They made history this weekend and throughout the year. It was honor and privilege to coach this group of boys and I'm thankful for their hard work and dedication all year. This group of boys are a great bunch also off the court and are good student athletes. This team has a great future in front of them. I also want to thank the family for their support and encouragement to the boys. Also, a big thanks to the assistant coaches for their commitment to

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The 8th grade Generals finished the season with 32 wins and 10 losses! They earned Into an grade Orderdas Inflasted the Season with 25 with and 10 to 10sSets 1sty cannot Runners-up in the 2024 All-A 13th Region tournament (3 yrs in a row), they were the Runners-up in the 2024 13th Region Middle School Tournament, they earned Run-er-Up in the 2024 Gold Bracket KBC, they advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in the 2024 KBC State Tournament. This group of student athletes amassed 76 total wins in 3 yrs at the JCMS!

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