

Prepare a different crown. Class 1A will have a new state champion.

In a rematch of last year's title game, Newell-Fonda rolled past Springville 69-39 to start the 1A quarterfinals, ending the Orioles' championship run at three.

Springville had battled its way back to state despite returning only one of its top six scorers from last season, but the Orioles were no match for a veteran Newell-Fonda team. The Mustangs harassed the Orioles from the start with their aggressive defense and came up with 37 steals while forcing 43 turnovers.

Newell-Fonda bolted to a 13-2 lead 3 minutes into the game and was never threatened. All 15 players who suited up for the Mustangs got into the game and 11 of them scored.

Ella Larsen led the way with 12 points, Olivia Larsen scored 11 and Macy Sievers and Maggie Walker each had 10. Ella Larsen also grabbed nine rebounds, while Olivia had nine steals, the most in a game since the tournament went to five classes in 2013 and breaking her own 1A record of eight.

Lauren Wilson, one of two freshmen who started for Springville, led the Orioles with 10 points and nine rebounds and made all five of her shots. Another freshman, Savannah Nealman, scored nine for Springville.

The game matched the two most successful 1A programs in the state in recent years. Newell-Fonda, which beat Springville in the 2015 championship game, is in the tournament for the ninth time in the last 12 years. Springville, which beat Newell-Fonda 60-49 in last year's title game, made it for the fifth straight year and seventh time in the last 12 seasons.

Newell-Fonda moves into a semifinal at 1:30 p.m. Friday with a 25-0 record. Springville, which also beat Newell-Fonda for the 2008 state championship, finishes 16-10.