

**Mav Wrestlers Drop 31-16 Decision at #17-ranked Ft. Hays State
(Torisk, Laiminger, and Blasdel Post Victories)
(January 5, 2008)**

Mesa State wrestlers faced nationally ranked Ft. Hays State Saturday afternoon in Hays, Kansas, falling to the Tigers 31-16. The loss dropped MSC to 1-6 overall and 0-2 in RMAC competition. It is the second nationally ranked opponent the Mavs have faced in two days. Mesa lost to #1-ranked Neb.-Kearney Thursday.

At 135 pounds MSC's **Jason Blasdel** picked up the Mavs first six points of the dual winning by forfeit. FHSU won by forfeit at 133 pounds.

Taylor Torisk won a major decision for the Mavs at 149 pounds, defeating Hays' Josh Pfannenstiel 20-7.

Andy Laiminger pulled the Mavericks to within six points (16-22) with a fall over Shawn Kuhlman in a time of 3:25 at the 184 pound weight class. It marked **Laiminger's** second fall of the season.

Fort Hays was victorious at 141, 157, 174 and 197 weight class. The Tigers picked up forfeits at 133, 165 and 285 pound class.

MSC's **Shane Smith** dropped a 13-3 decision to nationally ranked (#8) Danny Grater.

Shawn Hart (174 pounds) lost a hard fought battle to Blake Malloy of Ft. Hays. **Hart** fell in double overtime 3-5 on a Malloy takedown in the sudden victory period. **Hart** won his match Thursday night at Neb.-Kearney.

At 197 pounds **Brandon Mohr** dropped a 6-7 decision due to Hays' riding time accumulated in the match.

MSC will travel to San Francisco for two matches January 10 in the bay area. MSC will face Menlo College in the afternoon and take on RMAC foe San Francisco State Thursday night.

**Final Results
Fort Hays St. 31, Mesa St. 16
Saturday at Hays, Kansas**

125 pounds: **Jason Blasdel, Mesa**, won by forfeit
133 pounds: Blake Fisher, FHSU, won by forfeit
141 pounds: James Annon, FHSU, dec. **Keith Johnson**, 11-5
149 pounds: **Taylor Torisk, Mesa**, major dec. Josh Pfannenstiel, 20-7
157 pounds: Danny Grater, FHSU, major dec. **Shane Smith**, 13-3
165 pounds: Troy Lussenhop, FHSU, won by forfeit
174 pounds: Blake Malloy, FHSU, dec. **Shawn Hart**, 5-3 (2OT)
184 pounds: **Andy Laiminger, Mesa**, pinned Shawn Kuhlman, 3:25
197 pounds: Troy Gonzales, FHSU, dec. **Brandon Mohr**, 7-6
285 pounds: Dustin Martin, FHSU, won by forfeit

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