

LEBANON — Jessica Pace and TaCouya Allen each scored 18 points and Pace and Samantha Harper both grabbed 10 rebounds, leading Cumberland to an 85-38 victory over Hiwassee College in women's basketball action Monday night at the Dallas Floyd Recreation Center.

Pace scored eight of CU's first 12 points of the game and 12 of 21 in the opening eight-plus minutes for the Bulldogs (3-0). Hiwassee made just one field goal in the first 14 minutes of the contest and went scoreless for almost eight minutes in the middle of the period, going 0-for-8 with 10 turnovers during the stretch. Cumberland outscored the visitors, 18-0, during the dry spell for the Tigers, opening a 30-6 advantage.

Meanwhile Allen and Pace were filling up the nets for CU, with Allen hitting a pair of 3-pointers in the half and netting seven of nine points late in the period while Josette Campbell added eight points, including six of the last 11. CU shot 52 percent from the field and forced 13 Tigers turnovers, turning those into 14 points, and led 43-17 at intermission.

Cumberland added to the lead in the second half and did so while playing 14 players in the contest, 10 of whom scored and collected at least one rebound. Freshman Calamity Jane Coley came off the bench to post 12 points and four boards in 17 minutes and Campbell finished with 13 points.

Pace registered her second straight double-double and eighth of her career while making 8-of-10 shots from the field. She added four assists as well, just one behind team leader Briannica Tye, who handed out five helpers. Harper ended with six points and her 10 caroms, just the second double-figure rebound outing of her career.

Cumberland dominated action in the paint for the second straight contest, outscoring the Tigers 50-6 in the lane. CU also forced Hiwassee (0-1) into 23 turnovers, turning those into 28 points.

Cumberland plays an exhibition game Friday at Tennessee State at 7 p.m. and travels to Mobile, Ala., for a 4:30 p.m. tipoff versus Spring Hill College.