

Lady Eagles State Semi-Finals Champions



STATE SEMI-FINALS CHAMPS -- The Lady Eagles defeated the Bishop Lady Badgers 78-41 on Saturday afternoon in the State Semi-Finals at the Delmar Fieldhouse in Houston. Fairfield advances to take on the Brownfield Lady Cubs in the State Finals on Wednesday, March 10, at 2pm at the Alamodome in San Antonio. Pictured are (back) Charlee Brackens, Jenny Pina, Avery Thaler, Te'Yalla Simpson, Essence Watkins, McKinna Brackens, Emori Davis, Cooper Lawley, (front) Kaylee Billock, Addie Cox, Breyunna Dowell, Makensy Isaacs, Jarahle Daniels, Shadasia Brackens, and Ally Robinson.
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2020 - 2021 Fairfield Lady Eagles			
#2	Guard	Ally Robinson	Jr.
#3	Guard	Jarahle Daniels	Jr.
#5	Guard	Charlee Brackens	Fr.
#10	Post	Breyunna Dowell	Jr.
#13	Post	Avery Thaler	Fr.
#14	Guard	Kaylee Billock	Sr.
#20	Point Guard	Shadasia Brackens	Soph.
#21	Forward	McKinna Brackens	Soph.
#22	Forward	Makensy Isaacs	Jr.
#23	Guard	Emori Davis	Jr.
#25	Post	Te'Yalla Simpson	Sr.
#30	Guard	Jenny Pina	Sr.
#33	Post	Essence Watkins	Sr.
#34	Guard	Addie Cox	Fr.

Lady Eagles looking for second state championship

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The Lady Eagles are heading to the Class 3A state basketball championship after defeating the Bishop Lady Badgers 78-41 in the State Semi-Finals on Saturday.

Fairfield will match-up with the Brownfield Lady Cubs in the State Finals on Wednesday, March 10, at 2 p.m. at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

The Lady Eagles are looking to claim their second state championship in a row. Last year, Fairfield defeated Dal-

las Lincoln 76-51 in the State Semi-Finals and Argyle 40-39 in the State Finals to bring home the Class 4A state championship.

"I am so proud of the girls for earning another opportunity to play in the state championship," Coach Sally Whitaker said on Saturday afternoon. "It's really hard to get to this point, but they have continued to work together and they deserve a chance to compete for another state title."

Fairfield enters the State Finals this year with a 27-2 overall record as Brownfield enters the game with a 29-1





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McKinna Brackens shoots a free throw for the Lady Eagles in the State Semi-Finals on Saturday. Brackens is ready to compete in her second State Championship on Wednesday.

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Lady Eagles defeat Bishop 78-41 in State Semi-Finals

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Fairfield punched their way to the State Championship after defeating the Bishop Lady Badgers 78-41 in the State Semi-Finals on Saturday at the Delmar Fieldhouse in Houston.

The win moves the Lady Eagles to 27-2 as they match-up with the Brownfield Lady Cubs. Brownfield defeated Ponder 51-48 to advance to the State Championship with a 29-1 record. The Class 3A State Championship will be played on Wednesday, March 10, at 2pm in San Antonio at

Brackens ready to compete in State Championship

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Sophomore McKinna Brackens is headed to her second State Championship game this Wednesday, March 10, as the Lady Eagles take on the Brownfield Lady Cubs in the Class 3A State Championship.

"Playing for the Lady Eagles is a privilege and gives you a sense of pride," Brackens said. "Playing for Coach Whitaker makes you want to win for her and all the hard work she's putting into us."

In the Regional Finals this year, Brackens had 21 points for Fairfield. On Saturday, in the State Semi-Finals, she scored 14 points for the Lady Eagles.

Brackens was named the Class 4A Most Valuable Player last year as a freshman in Fairfield's 40-39 victory over Argyle. Brackens hit the game-tying basket at the buzzer to tie the game at 34 and to send the championship game into overtime. She averaged 12 points and 11.5 rebounds for the Lady Eagles during the state tournament last year.

Brackens has been playing basketball since she was a seven-year-old second grader. She has a passion and love for the game of basketball.

When asked why she loves playing basketball, Brackens said, "I love the fast pace of it and how one play could change the whole game."

Brackens is proud to be a

member of the Lady Eagles basketball team and is excited that her team shares the same vision for the program.

"We work well together because we all have the same goals and wants for this team," Brackens said. "We all have the same hunger for the State Title."

When asked about competing in the State Championship again this year and if it gives her more confidence since she was named MVP last year, Brackens said, "It actually makes it more nerve wracking because people now have high expectations for us so we have to live up to those expectations. I expect my team and I to work hard and do our best to clinch the victory."



Coach Sally Whitaker talks it over with her girls before beginning the third quarter of the State Semi-Finals on Saturday. Fairfield defeated Bishop 78-41 to advance to the State Championship.

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Jarahle Daniels lays-up a basket for Fairfield against Bishop in the State Semi-Finals at the Delmar Fieldhouse in Houston on Saturday. Daniels had 18 points for the Lady Eagles.
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Junior Breyunna Dowell shoots a basket over a Bishop player in the State Semi-Finals on Saturday. Dowell led the way with 29 points for the Lady Eagles.
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Shadasia Brackens puts up a basket for the Lady Eagles in their 78-41 victory over Bishop in the State Sem-Finals.
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Breyunna Dowell and McKinna Brackens play defense for the Lady Eagles in the State Semi-Finals on Saturday against Bishop. Jarahle Daniels waits down court to play defense as well.
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Essence Watkins shoots a shot over the Lady Badgers in the State Semi-Finals on Saturday at the Delmar Fieldhouse in Houston.
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A look at the Lady Eagles run to the State Championship

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After becoming the Class 4A State Basketball Champions last season, the Lady Eagles have their eyes on the gold again this season after dropping down to Class 3A. The Lady Eagles entered the playoffs with a 21-2 overall record. Their two losses were to 4A Brownsboro 64-58 and 5A Bryan Rudder 72-64. Fairfield made it look easy this season dominating everyone in district play and claiming the District 20-3A title with an undefeated 14-0 district record. The Lady Eagles defeated the Cameron Lady Yoes in the Bi-District Championship at Bryan High School 89-31. Breyunna Dowell led the way for Fairfield with 22 points. Jarahle Daniels added 19 points, Shadasia Brackens 17 points, McKinna Brackens 10 points, Essence Watkins 8 points, Emori Davis 6 points, Te'Yalla Simpson 3 points, and Charlee Brackens and Makensy Isaacs 2 points each. In the Area Champion-

ship, Fairfield knocked-off the Whitney Lady Wildcats 75-49 at Robinson High School. Breyunna Dowell led the way for the Lady Eagles with 27 points. Jarahle Daniels added 19 points, Shadasia Brackens 17 points, Emori Davis 3 points, Charlee Brackens, Avery Thaler, McKinna Brackens, and Essence Watkins 2 points each, and Te'Yalla Simpson 1 point. Fairfield took on the West Trojans at Riesel High School in the Regional Quarterfinals and brought home a huge 82-42 victory. Breyunna Dowell and Shadasia Brackens led the way for Fairfield with 19 points each. Jarahle Daniels added 17 points, Emori Davis 10 points, McKinna Brackens 7 points, Te'Yalla Simpson 6 points, and Avery Thaler and Essence Watkins 2 points each. In the Regional Semi-Finals, the Lady Eagles dominated the Huntington Devillettes 72-25 at Crockett High School. Jarahle Daniels led the way for the Lady Eagles with 21 points. Breyunna Dowell added 18 points, Shadasia Brackens 12 points, McKinna Brackens 10 points, Avery Thaler and Te'Yalla Simpson 4 each, Essence Watkins 2 points, and Addie Cox 1 point. Fairfield took on the Lexington Lady Eagles in the Regional Finals at Bryan High School and brought home a 65-29 win to claim the Class 3A - Region III title and advance to the Final 4 along with Brownfield, Ponder, and Bishop. Breyunna Dowell led the way for Fairfield with 23 points. McKinna Brackens added 21 points, Shadasia Brackens 13 points, Jarahle Daniels 7 points, and Te'Yalla Simpson 1 point. Fairfield entered the State Semi-Finals against the Bishop Lady Badgers with a 26-2 record. The Lady Eagles defeated the Lady Badgers 78-41 at the Delmar Fieldhouse in Houston to advance to the State Championship. Breyunna Dowell led the way for the Lady Eagles with 29 points. Jarahle Daniels added 18 points, McKinna Brackens 14 points, Shadasia Brackens 11 points, Te'Yalla Simpson 6 points, and Essence Watkins 2 points.

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