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Indiana Fever guard Caitlin Clark controls the ball during Friday's first quarter against the host Dallas Wings.

## Clark scores 21 in first preseason game as a pro

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In her first action as a professional, Caitlin Clark did not disappoint as the former Iowa star scored 21 points for the Indiana Fever in a 79-76 preseason loss to the host Dallas Wings on Friday.

Clark, the No. 1 pick in last month's WNBA draft, scored 11 of her team's first 19 points and scored 16 in the first half. The NCAA's all-time leading scorer finished 6-of-15 shooting from the floor, including 5 of 13 from 3-point range, while adding three rebounds, two assists and two steals.

"My biggest goal coming into tonight was to

overtime. "I thought that's what I did. I think there's a lot to be proud of."

Despite playing on the road, Clark was cheered throughout the game, including an ovation when she was introduced as a starter. She hit her first two shot attempts, both 3-pointers, and hit four of eight 3-point attempts in the first half.

The Fever play one more preseason game Thursday against the visiting Atlanta Dream before opening the regular season on the road against the Connecticut Sun on May 14.

"There's a lot of good to take away from it. At the same time, it's a preseason game, so don't get too

# Irving's big 2nd half helps **Mays eliminate Clippers**

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Kyrie Irving scored 28 of his 30 points in the second half and the Dallas Mavericks advanced to the second round with a resounding 114-101 victory over the visiting Los Angeles Clippers in Game 6 of the Western Conference series on Friday night.

Luka Doncic recorded 28 points, 13 assists and seven rebounds for the fifth-seeded Mavericks. Dallas will meet the topseeded Oklahoma City Thunder in the next round.

"To be honest with you, I was physically tired and exhausted in that

first half," Irving said. "Playing defense at a high level will do that to you. I'm just grateful for my teammates picking me up. We came into halftime and it was ... 52-52, so it was anybody's game.

"Then we came out in the third quarter and I feel like we hit first and the rest was history for the rest of the game."

P.J. Washington added 14 points, Daniel Gafford had 13 and reserve Dereck Lively II contributed 10 points and nine rebounds for the Mavericks.

Norman Powell scored 20 points off the bench and Paul George added 18 for the fourth-seeded Clippers, who were without Kawhi Leonard (knee) for the third straight game and fourth time in the series.

"With our roster, we have enough to compete and be the last team standing, but health is a huge part of it," James Harden said. "The best ability is availability. ... For somebody like (Kawhi), he wants to be out there. He did everything in his power to be out there and compete with us. It's definitely frustrating for the entire group that had a pretty good regular season and had high hopes coming into the postseason."

Ivica Zubac tallied 17 points and 11 rebounds, Harden added 16 points,

13 assists and seven boards, and Terance Mann had 14 points for Los Angeles.

Dallas lost forward Maxi Kleber to a right shoulder sprain early in the second quarter.

The Mavericks shot 48.2 percent from the floor, including 12 of 36 from 3-point range. Irving made five 3-pointers and Washington added four.

Los Angeles connected on 41.5 percent of its attempts and was just 8 of 31 from behind the arc.

The Clippers eliminated Dallas in the first round of the 2020 and 2021 playoffs but barely put up a fight over the first 6 1/2 minutes of the fourth quarter.

## Magic forces Game 7 despite Mitchell's 50-point night

afternoon for Game 7 in a

series that has featured

the home team winning

the first six games. The

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Paolo Banchero scored 27 points and Franz Wagner added 26 as the host Orlando Magic forced a Game 7 in the Eastern Conference firstround series with a 103-96 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Friday.

Jalen Suggs sank six 3-pointers to highlight his 22-point performance for the fifth-seeded Magic, who overcame 50 points by Donovan Mitchell to even the best-of-seven series at three wins apiece. Orlando forced its first Game 7 since the 2009 playoffs.

The Magic will visit Cleveland on Sunday

### Legals

the fourth-seeded Cavaliers.

Despite missing a chance to advance in Game 6, Cleveland coach J.B. Bickerstaff exuded confidence heading into Sunday's win-or-go-home matchup.

"Our guys will be ready for the moment," Bickerstaff said. "Our guys have been really good at home. We don't expect that to change."

Mitchell scored all 18 of his team's fourth-quarter points, highlighted by a 3-pointer to forge an 89-89 tie with 4:01 to play. Banchero made a 3-pointer and a layup and Cole Anthony answered Mitchell's short jumper with a tip-in with 1:57 left to

boost Orlando's lead to 96-91.

Mitchell scored from the interior and sank a 3-pointer to pull Cleveland within four at 100-96 with 20.6 seconds left. Suggs made a free throw to extend the Magic's advantage and Evan Mobley failed to convert at the other end to effectively end the game.

"Everybody kept their head up; everybody was talking in every huddle, Banchero told Bally Sports Florida. "Gotta give credit to the whole team. It was such a special night. And we want to do it again."

Suggs converted a fourpoint play to stake Orlando to a 53-46 lead with 34.8 seconds remaining in the second quarter. Mitchell answered by scoring the final three points of the first half and nine of the first 13 for his team in the third quarter to give Cleveland a 62-55 advantage.

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#### winner of Sunday's game will advance to the conference semifinals to square off against the top-seeded

Boston Celtics. "This is the moment that you play for," Orlando coach Jamahl Mosley said about Game 7. "It's why you do it. You do it for these moments. So being on the road, Game 7, the ability to come together to continue to grow in each game. I think that what this group is looking forward to.'

Mitchell made 22 of 36 shots from the floor and fellow guard Darius Garland added 21 points for

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continue to be myself, play aggressive," said Clark, who missed a 3pointer at the buzzer that would've sent the game to

disappointed by it," Clark said. "Just go back and watch the film, learn from it, and get ready for our next one."

## **Bucks' Beverley** hits fan in stands with basketball

#### Los Angeles Times

Patrick Beverley could be facing discipline from the NBA after throwing the ball into the stands and hitting a woman during the Milwaukee Bucks' season-ending loss to Indiana on Thursday.

Beverley was caught on camera rising from his seat on the Bucks bench,

throwing the ball with two hands into the stands and hitting a woman in the head. The woman, sitting three rows behind the bench, did not appear to be the target. After another fan tossed the ball back, **Beverley** immediately fired it right back at him before being restrained by teammates.

Later on social media, Beverley wrote: "Exchanged between a fan and our ball club all night. We warned and asked for help all night. Not fair.'

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1. Sealed bids will be received for the Connie Griffith Energy Manage-ment System Replacement, in Lexington, Kentucky, 40508, until 1:30 p.m. local time on May 30, 2024, at the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority, 300 West New Circle Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40505, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Faxed or electronic bids will not be permitted

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Copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased at Lynn Blue Print dba Lynn Imaging, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, Kentucky, (859) 255-1021. Bid documents are to be directly purchased by bidders.

5. Pre-Bid Meeting: A Pre-Bid Meeting for GeneralContractors proposing to submit bids, will be held at **1:30 p.m., local time, on May 13, 2024**, at the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Housing Authority, 300 West New Circle Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40505. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is recommended for those making a proposal.

6. Bids shall be accompanied by Certified Check or Bid Bond, payable to the Owner, in an amount not less than 5% of Bid.

7. A lump sum bid is desired for the project

8. The successful bidder shall provide an acceptable 100% Performance and Payment Bond within ten (10) days of receipt of a Notice of Intent to Award Contract.

9. Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, and to waive any informality

10. Bids may not be withdrawn for sixty (60) days after Bid date. Faxed or electronic withdrawals will not be permitted.

11. MBE/WBE/DBE participation/partnership is strongly encouraged.

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