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Ducks oust Wolverines
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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tyler Dorsey’s teammates call him “Mr. March.” Yeah, that fits. Dorsey scored 20 points and made the go-ahead layup with 1:06 left, and third-seeded Oregon held on to end No. 7 Michigan’s dramatic postseason run with a 69-68 victory in a Midwest Regional semifinal on Thursday night.
“We lean on him right now,” the Ducks’ Dylan Ennis said. “He’s playing his best basketball, and it’s coming at the right time!”
Dorsey’s recent surge has been timely, for sure. He’s scored 20 or more points in six straight games, a stretch that has seen Pac-12 player of the year Dillon Brooks struggle with his shot.
Oregon didn’t have the win secured until Derrick Walton Jr., who had carried the Wolverines (26-12) the last three weeks, was off with his long jumper just before the buzzer.
For the Ducks (32-5), it’s on to the Elite Eight for the second straight year. Lima Senior graduate Xavier Simpson had an assist for Michigan.
Late games
Thursday night’s games between Kansas and Purdue and Arizona and Xavier ended after deadline.

Gonzaga 61
West Virginia 58
SAN JOSE, Calif. — Jordan Mathews hit the go-ahead 3-pointer with under a minute to play and top-seeded Gonzaga survived a tough shooting night for both teams to beat No. 4 seed West Virginia 61-58 Thursday night to advance to the West Regional final.
On a night that featured 51 fouls and only 34 made baskets, Mathews delivered the big shot that sent the Bulldogs (32-1) to their third Elite Eight in school history.
It didn’t come easily. West Virginia (29-8) had three shots to tie the game but Tariq Phillip missed a shot from the lane and Jevon Carter missed two 3-pointers after Silas Melson made one foul shot. The Mountaineers rebound both

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COLUMBUS — Perry marched into unexplored territory but the prime parcel of real estate belonged to The Wellington School when the Jaguars beat the Commodores 68-47 in a Division I state semifinal game at the Wellington School on Thursday night.
With 6-foot-9 inch Dustin Harder and 6-7 Noah Berry in its lineup, Wellington presented Perry with a challenge it had not had to contend with on its way to its first appearance in a boys state basketball tournament.

The Jaguars owned the lane and took Perry out of its comfort zone after the Commodores got off to a blazing start and grabbed a 30 lead just over two minutes into the game.
But, with Perry leading 18-15 after one quarter, the game shifted dramatically in Wellington’s direction when it ran off 13 unanswered points to start the second quarter to take a 28-18 lead.
By halftime, the Jaguars were up 32-23 and never led by fewer than 10 points the last 14 minutes of the game.

PERRY RALLY

Perry plans to have a welcome home celebration for the boys basketball team at 4 p.m. Sunday in the west wing gym.

Solomon Pierre-Louis led Wellington (20-7) with 16 points and Harder tied a Division I state semifinal record with 21 rebounds. Onsin Mondor’s 13 points led Perry (24-4) and Plumlee Gardner scored 14 points.
“They’re good. They’re athletic and they’re so long they can get you out of what you want to do,” Perry coach Matt Tabb said.
“When you’ve got to go against 6-9 and 6-7, it’s going to affect your size. We’re not accustomed to playing height like that and it affected our shots. It’s hard to find shots out on the floor when you’ve got that kind of height,” Mondor said. “Their size is so much different in person than it is on film.”
Perry was 17 of 67 on field goals (26 percent) and was 8 of 28 on 3-pointers. Wellington hit 47 percent on field goals.

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Perry’s Plumlee Gardner puts up a shot against during a Thursday’s Division IV State Semifinals at The Wellington School at Ohio State’s Value Center Arena.

Perry’s Jhakay Lane-Jenner drives against Wellington’s Solomon Pierre-Louis during a Thursday Division IV State Semifinal at Ohio State’s Value Center Arena.