

**Michaelis' Career Night Not Enough As MU Falls At Missouri State**

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Two in-state rivals collided in women's basketball action on Thursday night, with the Missouri State Lady Bears beating the Missouri Tigers 67-53 in Springfield.



Missouri lost despite career-highs from Mercer native Sierra Michaelis, who scored 14 points and added seven rebounds for the Tigers. The loss drops MU to 10-2 on the season. Missouri State led the visitors from Columbia by 15 points going into halftime, having led the entire first half. Michaelis had six points and four rebounds over the first 20 minutes. Missouri, on a hot shooting stretch from senior Bri Kulas was able to cut the Lady Bears lead to six points late in the game, but never got closer. The Tigers did find their shooting touch in the second half, hitting 5-of-10 three-point attempts.

Missouri opened the week with a an 82-70 win over Belmont University on Monday night in Columbia, with freshman Jordan Frericks scoring 14 points to go with 15 rebounds, Morgan Eye 16 points, and Morgan Stock 10 points. Kulas led MU in Monday night's win with a 27 point outing.

Mizzou returns to action at Mizzou Arena on Sunday, hosting the Western Illinois Leathernecks at 2:00 PM. Fans can participate in Family Funday beginning at 1:00 PM on the concourse. The event will feature a Mizzou "Bounce House", face painters, and a kid's craft activity. Following the game, fans can participate in an autograph session with Mizzou's sophomore class.