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A slow start in Tuesday's C1-11 subdistrict basketball opener was hard to make up for the Chase County girls, as they lost a 45-23 contest to Gothenburg.

The loss in Lexington ended the Lady Longhorns' basketball season with a 7-18 record.

Gothenburg, the top seed in the tournament, went up 17-0 in the first quarter before the Lady Longhorns could score.

Chase County's first points came with just 12 seconds left in the first when Makala Bartels hit a bucket and was fouled. She hit the free throw, and Chase County trailed 17-3 as the quarter ended.

The deficit was too much to make up as the game finished.

No. 3 seed Ogallala and No. 2 Cozad faced off in the other game Tuesday. Ogallala won, 41-35, and will meet Gothenburg tonight (Thursday) for the C1-11 subdistrict title.

The C1-11 winner Thursday will advance to districts where they will meet the C1-12 winner for a trip to the state tournament Feb. 28, March 1-2.

A full recap of Chase County's subdistrict game will follow in next week's issue.