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Profile: Ashland Kittens

The Kittens of Paul Blazer High School in Ashland dominated girls' high school basketball from 1921 to 1929 and did "more to put Ashland on the map than any or all of the city clubs."* They won 232 games, including five state championships (1921, 1922, 1924, 1928, 1929) while losing only 16 games, including one state championship. After the Kentucky High School Athletic Association stopped holding a girls' state tournament, Ashland played for one more year. In 1933, the Kittens went undefeated in 17 games, only to end with its first home loss in a decade. The Paintsville Comets, runners-up to Woodburn in the 1932 state championship, beat the Kittens 12-11.

*Kiwaniis president speaking in 1921. Quoted in the Ashland newspaper.



The 1921 Ashland Kittens. (Photo from *The Daily Independent*.)