Hitchcock County too much for Eagles.

Brady's girls found themselves in a bonus situation early against a physical Loomis team Saturday night.

The Eagles were 12-of-20 from the free throw line on the evening, making exactly enough charity shots to beat the Wolves 42-30.

"It was a very physical game both ways," said Eagle coach Darren Tobey. "My girls certainly aren't afraid to get up in your face."

Brady fell behind early as Loomis took a 10-7 lead at the end of the first quarter.

The offense came together better in the second period and the Eagles carried a tight 17-14 advantage into halftime.

"We're struggling on offense a little," Tobey said. "I think the mental toughness and focus isn't quite where we want it to be."

Buckets finally started to fall for the Eagles in the second half as Brady pushed ahead for good.

Sophomore Megan Polt was the leading scorer with 13 points, including seven free throws. Senior Shaunna Scarrow added 10 points.

The win pushed the Eagles to 2-2 on the season after a 50-37 loss to 7-0 Hitchcock County on the road Thursday.

“We’re going to have to learn to take care of the ball better,” Tobey said of the loss to the Falcons. “We fell behind early and never really got rolling.”

Hitchcock County led 15-8 after one period but Brady closed the gap in the second quarter to allow the Falcons only a two-point cushion at halftime.

Then the wheels fell off, Tobey said. The Eagles scored just two field goals in the third quarter and had to play from behind the rest of the game.

“I think they’ve learned that we’re going to have to win games with our defense,” the coach said. “And we’re going to have to make the easy shots.”

Polt was again the high scorer with 13 points. Sophomore Courtney Widick chipped in 10.

The Eagle girls defeated Arnold in the opening round of the Maxwell Booster Tournament Monday 53-19 to move to 3-2 on the season and face state-ranked Stapleton/McPherson County Tuesday night.

Brady will host its own holiday tournament beginning Monday.

The girls face Paxton at 5:30 p.m. Monday while Wauneta-Palisade and Anselmo-Merna play at 2:30 p.m. in the other half of the bracket.

The consolation game is at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday with the championship at 5:30 p.m.