

# 2015 YEARBOOK 

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# The Eastwood Cross Country Team would like to give Special THANKS to: 

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 John Colucci \& Bianca Cervantes
## 2015 Gúrls Cross Country MVP's



## Leli Fernandez

(\#4 All Time District Course)
(\#7 All Time Regional Course)
(\#8 All Time Nike South Course)

## Alexus Ordaz

(\#6 All Time District Course)
(\#10 All Time Regional Course)
(\#10 All Time Nike South Course)

## 2015 Boys Cross Country MVP



## Daniel Bernal

(\#1 All Time District Course)
(\#1 All Time Regional Course)
(\#4 All Time State Course)
(\#7 All Time Nike South Course)
(\#1 All Time NXN)

## EASTWOOD CROSS COUNTRY

MVP's From 1961 to Present

| 2015 Daniel Bernal | 2015 Alexus Ordaz/Lili Fernandez |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2014 Daniel Bernal/Jose Silva | 2014 Anna Mora |
| 2013 Brian Casillas | 2013 Anna Mora |
| 2012 Brian Casillas/Ryan Saenz | 2012 Anna Mora |
| 2011 Brian Casillas/Ryan Saenz | 2011 Anna Mora |
| 2010 Juan Blanco | 2010 Melanie Stires/Aimme Apodaca |
| 2009 Juan Blanco | 2009 Melanie Stires/Elyssa Garcia |
| 2008 Connor Buntyn | 2008 Elyssa Garcia |
| 2007 marco cassani | 2007 Maegen Stires/Jessica Payne |
| 2006 Oscar Solis/Tommy Daniel | 2006 Maegen Stires/Jessica Payne |
| 2005 Mike Pivarnick | 2005 Yadira Salazar/Maegen Stires |
| 2004 Mike Pivarnick | 2004 Yadira Salazar |
| 2003 Mike Pivarnick | 2003 Yadira Salazar |
| 2002 jesse abrams | 2002 Yadira Salazar |
| 2001 Chris Trevizo | 2001 Trisha Calderon |
| 2000 Ryan Omohundro | 2000 Tara McCune |
| 1999 Fernie Garcia | 1999 Desiree Araujo |
| 1998 Fernie Garcia | 1998 kelly martinez |
| 1997 Ben Munoz/Joel Padilla | 1997 kelly martinez |
| 1996 Mark Garner | 1996 kelly martinez |
| 1995 Mark Garner | 1995 Blanca Reyes |
| 1994 Mark Garner | 1994 Blanca Reyes |
| 1993 Mark Garner | 1993 Blanca Reyes |
| 1992 Gabe Ordaz | 1992 Blanca Reyes |
| 1991 Eric Flores/Tony Simonetti | 1991 Debbie Contreras |
| 1990 Eric Flores/Tony Simonetti | 1990 Debbie Contreras |
| 1989 Eric Flores | 1989 Eric Flores |
| 1988 Rick Oropeza | 1988 |
| 1987 Rick Oropeza | 1987 Bridgette O'Toole |
| 1986 Henry Garcia/Rick Oropeza | 1986MonicaSanchez/DianeGuttierrez |
| 1985 Joe Messer | 1985 Laura Rodriguez |
| 1984 Mike Montes | 1984 |


| 1983 Mike Montes | 1983 Julie Stone |
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| 1982 Mike Montes | 1982 Sheryl Grochocki |
| 1981 Ed Ochoa | 1981 Sheryl Grochocki |
| 1980 Ed Thomas/Ed Ochoa | 1980 Sheryl Grochocki |
| 1979 Leo Wallace | 1978 Gina Baca |
| 1978 David Knott | 1977 Corina Bonilla |
| 1977 Rick Beaty/John Ellis | 1976 Corina Bonilla |
| 1976 Jeff Gallegos | 1975 |
| 1975 Richard Puente | 1974 |
| 1974 Richard Puente | 1973 |
| 1973 Juan Ornelas | 1972 |
| 1972 Wayne Soza | 1971 |
| 1971 Doug Gentry | 1970 |
| 1970 Walter McCoy | 1969 |
| 1969 Robert Malphers | 1968 |
| 1968 Robert Malphers | 1967 |
| 1967 Charles Gaucin | 1966 |
| 1966 Bill Debberstein | 1965 |
| 1965 Bill Debberstein |  |



## 2015 Gúrls Cross Country Captian's



## Múranda Vega

(\#8 All Time District Course)
(\#20 All Time Regional Course)

Daniella Ruiz
(\#25 All Time District Course)
(\#28 All Time Regional Course)

## 2015 Boys Cross Country Captian's



## Matt Munoz

(\#9 All Time District Course)
(\#10 All Time Regional Course)
(\#18 All Time State Course)

## James Mclain

(\#19 All Time District Course)
(\#19 All Time Regional Course)
(\#22 All Time State Course)

## 2015 Newcomers of the Year



Sabrinaking 2015 Most Improved Runners


Noah Ward


Hannah Herrera

## 2015 Athlete / TeamAwards

Daniel Bernal-All-District,All-City,All-Region,Mile Split All-State,All-Nike South,City MVP Matt Munoz-All-District,All-City,All-Region $2^{\text {nd }}$ Team
James McLain-All-District, All-City
Gabe Armijo-All-City
Lili Fernandez-All-District,All-City
Alexus Ordaz-All-District,All-City
Hannah Herrera-All-District,All-City
Miranda Vega-All-District,All-City
Sabrina King-All-City
Samantha Martinez-All City
For the $3^{\text {rd }}$ year in a row Eastwood won $A L L 6$ DISTRICT TITLES, we are the only school in any sport in EI Paso to ever accomplish this 1 time, much less 3 times!!! For the $3^{\text {rd }}$ year in a row every athlete on this team is a DISTRICT CHAMPION!!!!




JV Girls $27^{\text {th }}$ in state Ranking

## 27 <br> El Paso Eastwood

(TX)

1) Daniella Ruiz
2) Francis Hernandez
3) Ariana Lezama
4) Cheyenne Escarcega
5) Nazanin Zaraei

Average Time: 21:37.49 Total Time: 1:48:07.46 $\quad$ 1-5 Split: 1:44.28
6) Allison Fajardo
7) Emily Cruncleton

## 28 <br> San Antonio Warren

JV Boys $14^{\text {th }}$ in state Ranking
${ }^{14}$ El Paso Eastwood (TX)

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1) Edgar Gonzalez <br> 2) Noah Ward <br> 3) Peter Lozoya <br> 4) Matthew Costello <br> 5) Ruben Friesenhahn
}

Average Time: 17:32.11 Total Time: 1:27:40.55
1-5 Split: 32.35

15 Keller (TX)

55 Mesa Mountain View High School (AZ)

1) Mitchell Jacobson
2) Eric Simoneau
3) Jacob Toller
4) Carson Klepinger
5) Jace Miller

Average Time: 16:01.02
Total Time: 1:20:05.10
1-5 Split: 1:18.40
El Paso Eastwood (TX)

1) Daniel Bernal
2) Matt Munoz
3) Gabrial Armijo
4) James Mclain
5) Dyian Godfrey

Average Time: 15:54.56 Total Time: 119:32 80
1-5 Split: 1:41.50
57 Jenks High School (OK)

1) Matthew Young
2) Cody Jones
3) Joseph Bingham
4) James Yanik

Varsity Boys 56 in Nation Ranking

16:14.60
$16: 37.80$
$15: 00.80$
15:18.70
16:14.20
16:16.80
16:42.30
$15: 2487$
15.4200

161790
$16: 22.33$

15:19.40
15:39.70
16:13.60

1:18.40
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## RUN MORE

Don't figure out how little you can run and stay fit - go for how much you can run and not overdo it. It's more than you think. Forget moderation! You're young and strong. Don't put limits on how far or how often you can run.

## RUN EVERY DAY

Make the question, "When can I run?" not "Will I run?" When that's normal, try running twice a day. Doubling is an easy way to get in more miles, and particularly effective in summer to avoid the heat of the day.

RUN WHEREVER YOU ARE
Run when you go to camp. Run when you're on vacation. Run on the days you're staying in a cheap hotel at your little sister's swim championship. Don't let anything stop you from running.

## RUN EVERYWHERE

Kenyans use running or walkirg as transportation, adding thousands of miles to their legs that Americans usually don't get. Run (or walk) to the store, run to work, run to the pool, run to your girlfriend's or boyfriend's house. If your family is going to the lake for the weekend, throw a bag in the car, tell them you'll meet them there and make it a long run.



## XC Champions Built on Summer Miles

Cross Country championships are won with hard work in the summer. Coaches have known this truism for as long as we have had the sport but it is a challenge to get this through to high school athletes that have so many things competing for their attention.
When discussing what made him a successful runner, former multiple world record holder Arturo Barrios talked about the "will to train." The interviewer corrected him that he must be referring to the will to win. Barrios told him he was not mistaken. Many athletes had the will to win but that is not enough, you must be willing to do the work necessary to be successful. It must be something you are committed to on a daily basis and that you will not let your attention be diverted from the ultimate goal.

## SUMMER HEAT CHALLENGE

The Texas heat makes training in summer particularly difficult, but also vitally necessary in order to have a chance for success. One component of summer runs is the ability to acclimatize oneself to the conditions. If a runner waits until school gets started it will take most of the regular season just to get the body properly adjusted to handle the conditions. In our increasingly sedentary lifestyle that takes place more and more indoors it also increases an athlete's susceptibility to heat issues when they do start running.

In surveying a number of the top coaches around the state there are several constants
to how they approach this time of year. All have a summer program for their athletes to follow. They rely on their team to hold fellow teammates accountable for the work and to not miss workouts. This time of year is crucial to team building and goal setting. The athletes have to rely more on each other with their training, even in getting together to run. It is that closeness and sense of common purpose that can grow into the necessary commitment to win.
Training programs at this time are most easy distance runs with some tempo type work mixed in. It is a time to build training volume at a lower intensity level. While no coach was mandating competitive racing during this time period, a number of them acknowledged that all or some of their athletes would run in a fun run or road race during the summer as a change of pace and to help use as a gauge to how their training was going.

## GOING CAMPING

Training camps are also becoming mot and more prevalent. For some teams it is brief getaway to cooler weather and perhaps some altitude, although no one is spending a long enough period to consider their worl true altitude training. New Mexico is popular destination for several programs. More teams are also looking at utilizing facilities closer to home.
One such place gaining notoriety Robert Ondrasek's running camp nea Caldwell. Top Tier Training was starte

## THE TIME IS NOW

In a recent lecture I attended featuring the Godfather of Sport Training, Vern Gambetta, he had a slide with a date, June 12, 2012. He asked what is significant about that date. After several moments of silence he answered, "this date will occur only once in history. You will never get a second chance at it." In a room full of coaches my age, the significance of that statement was not lost on us.

Young athletes need reminding that while the future may seem limitless to them right now, it will not always be so. The athletes that are truly successful seem to realize this point and are making the most of their training this summer. If the point needs further emphasis consider this, by the start of your junior year your high school career will consist of more yesterdays than tomorrows. Don't wait to make a difference in your future.

I wish all the athletes and teams great success in the coming season and hope that this summer will be a productive one for all.

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# Rudy Alvarez Del Valle Invitational at Del Valle HS Meet 1 

| Place | NAME | B1B | TIME | AVG/KM | AVG/M |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-1 | Daniel Bernal | 72 | 15:15.22 | 3:03.04 | 4:54.58 |
| 3-3 | Matt Munoz | 484 | 15:49.18 | 3:09.83 | 5:05.51 |
| 17-16 | James McLain | 439 | $16: 37.58$ | 3:19.51 | 5:21.09 |
| 25-23 | Gabrial Armijo | 45 | 16:56.10 | 3:23.22 | 5:27.05 |
| 27-25 | Dylan Godfrey | 274 | 17:05.10 | 3:25.02 | 5:29.95 |
| 34-32 | Edgar Gonzalez | 285 | 17:15.85 | 3:27.17 | 5:33.41 |
| 38-36 | Leo Cazares | 128 | 17:21.03 | 3:28.20 | 5:35.08 |
| Top 5 Total: | 1:21:43 | Top 5 Avg: | 16:20.63 |  |  |
| 1-5 Split:5 | 1:49.88 | 1-7 Split:5 | 2:05.81 |  |  |

Place: 1
Varsify Girls TEAM: EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.
SCORE: 40


3V Boys TEAM: EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL



6:36.71
6:37.61
6:39.32

6:39.41
6:44.30

6:45.50
7:13.47
$20: 18.73$
1:07.27


## $9^{\text {th }}$ Grade Boys

3553 Kayn Quinones Fr EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL 1 3:43.42 11:54.93
7408 Andres Marquez Fr EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL 2 3:49.82 12:15.42
10250 Eddie Gallegos Fr EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL 3 3:52.66 12:24.51

9th Girls TEAM: EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
SCORE: 16
Place: 1


# Two-sport Lobo runs to win at invitational 

## By Felix Chávez

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Michelle Estrada rarely has any down time this time of the year as a multi-sport athlete at Mountain View High School.

Since early August, the junior has been on the Labos volleyball

team as a libero Country Invitational and held and on Friday on to win the 5 K race in a time night she had of 20:16.72.
"This was my first meet of the Bel Air.

On Saturday morning, she woke up early to run in the Cathedral/Loretto Academy Cross
year and it feels great to win," she said. "I started strong, then at about the two-mile mark, I broke away and held on. It was a tough race, there was good competition. I was a tired at the end,
but I just stayed strong. It's all about dedication. With volleyball going on, I have to run after practice on my own or at other times. I just hope to keep finding consistency in what I do."

Eastwood's Lilli Fernandez and Alexus Ordaz finished second and third respectively

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Daniel Bernal of Eastwood, left, and Michelle Estrada of Mountain View won the individual meet titles Saturday at the Cathedral/Loretto Cross Country Invitational. Bernal won in 15:45.68 while Estrada won in 20:16.72.

## Lobo

## FROM PAGE1

with times of $20: 26.97$ and 20.31.74. Ocean Stevens of Clint was fourth with time of $20: 38.50$, while Eastwood's Sabrina King rounded out the top five in a'time of 20:41.44.

Eastwood won the team title with 23 points, followed by Clint with 70 and Eastlake with 86 . It was the second straight team win for the Troopers to start the season.

On the boys side, Eastwood junior Daniel Bernal won his second straight individual title to start the season, covering the 5 K race in 15:45.68.
"I was happy with the win," Bernal said. "Moreímportantly we ran well as a team and we continue to do
well and showed improvement. Everyone is stepping up and working hard."

Eastwood's Matt Muñoz ran second in 16:13.07, while teammates James McLain and Gabriel Armijo ran fifth and sixth, respectively, with times of 16:56.73 and 16.58.23.
"Gabriel really improved a great deal from the first meet last weekend," Bernal said. "He’s worked hard to get better." San Elizario's Erick Arambula was third in 16:27.83, while Cathedral's Louie Barba was fourth in 16:34.10.

For the second straight week, the Troopers won the team title, this time with 33 points. Cathedral was second with 86 points, followed by Eastlake with 105 points.

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## Varsity Boys TEAM: EASTWOOD <br> SCORE: 33 <br> Place: 1

PLACE

| PLACE | NAME |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1-1$ | Daniei Bernal |
| $2-2$ | Matt Munoz |
| $5-5$ | James McLain |
| $6-6$ | Gabriel Armijo |
| $19-19$ | Dylan Godfrey |
|  | $=-$ |
| $26-26$ | Leo Cazares |
| $29-29$ | Edgar Gonzalez |

Top 5 Total:
1-5 Split:5

1:23:18
1:39.08

16:39.69
2:05.20

AVG/KM
3.0913
3:14.61
$3: 23.34$

Top 5 Avg
1-7 Split:5

15:45.68
16:13.07
16:56.73
16:58.23
$17: 24.76$
$===$

17:50.88
TIME

| 233 | $15: 45.68$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 254 | $16: 13.07$ |
| 251 | $16: 56.73$ |
| 232 | $16: 58.23$ |
| 241 | $17: 24.76$ |
|  | $=$ |
| 235 | $17: 42.58$ |
| 243 | $17: 50.88$ |

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
Cathedral/Loretto Invitational Saturday Girls Results 5K
INDIVIDIUAL :

1. Michelle Estrada, Mountain View,
20:16.72; 2. Lilli Fernandez, Eastwood, AVG/M 20:26.97; 3. Alexus Ordaz, Eastwood 20;31.74; 4. Ocean Stevens, clint,
20:38.50; 5. Sabrina King, Eastwood, 20:41.44; 6. Hannah Herrera, Eastwoo

| $5: 04.39$ | 20:41.44; 6. Hannah Herrera, Eastwood |
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|  | 20;46.21; 7. Miranda Vega, Eastwood, |


| $5: 13.20$ | 21:00.45; 8. Michelle Renteria, Horizon |
| :--- | :--- |

5:27.25 $\quad$ 21:16.14; 10. Samantha Martinez, East-
wood, 21:19.83
TEAM

| 3.23 .64 | $5: 27.74$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $3: 28.95$ | $5: 36.28$ |

TEAM
5:36.28 I. Eastwood, 23; Clint, 70; 3. Eastiake, 86; 4. Montwood, 112; 5. Bel Air, 125 Boys Results INDIVIDUAL

PLACE
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| $10-10$ |
| $12-12$ |

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NAME

| Lilli Fernandez | 210 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Alexus Ordaz | 220 |
| Sabrina King | 215 |
| Hannah Herrera | 214 |
| Miranda Vega | 230 |
| Samantha Martinez | 218 |
| Daniella Ruiz | 224 |
| $=$ | 217 |
| Diana Martell | 213 |
| Francis Hernandez | 216 |
| Ariana Lezama |  |

## SCORE: 23

TIME

| $20: 26.97$ |
| :--- |
| $20: 31.74$ |
| $20: 41.44$ |
| $20: 46.21$ |
| $21: 00.45$ |
| $==$ |
| $21: 19.83$ |
| $21: 42.83$ |
| $2=$ |
| $21: 57.63$ |
| $22: 19.58$ |
| $22: 31.57$ |

AVG/KM

| $4: 05.39$ |
| :--- |
| $4: 06.34$ |
| $4: 08.28$ |
| $4: 09.24$ |
| $4: 12.09$ |
|  |
| $4: 15.96$ |
| $4: 20.56$ |
|  |
| $4: 23.52$ |
| $4: 27.91$ |
| 4.30 .31 |

AVG/MI



## Canutillo Invitational at Canutillo MS Meet 3

Varsity Girls TEAM: EASTWOOD
SCORE: 37
Place: 1


Varsity Boys TEAM: EASTWOOD
SCORE: 47
Place: 1


| PLACE |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $2-2$ | NAME |
| $3-3$ | Noah Ward |
| $4-4$ | Ruben Frienhahn |
| $5-5$ | Chris Porras |
| $9-9$ | Jesus Ruiz |
| $=$ | Mathew Costello |
| $12-12$ | Adam Wallace |
| $15-15$ | Carlos Rodriguez |
| $==$ | Deric Gamboa |
| 16 | Pedro Guerra |
| 18 | Noah Jimenez |
| 60 | Isaiah Tinajero |
| 74 | Jaime Herrera |
| 86 | Chris Chinolla |
| 89 | Damian Soto |
| 93 | Fabricio Uribe |
| 111 |  |
|  |  |
| Top 5 Total: | $: 42.57$ |
| $1-5$ Split:5 |  |



Girls TEAM: EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
SCORE: 16
Place: 1

| Place | NAME | BIB | TIME | AVG/KM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2-1 | Jackie Spencer | 401 | 23:24.36 | 4:40.87 |
| 3-2 | Marcela Fernandez | 361 | 23:27.58 | 4:41.51 |
| 4-3 | Alexis Renovato | 392 | 23:47.75 | 4:45.55 |
| 7-4 | Victoria Castillo | 348 | 24:37.70 | 4:55.54 |
| 9-6 | Eliana Britton | 347 | 24:44.97 | 4:56.99 |
| 15-12 | Jaloany Ortrga | 388 | 25:18.78 | 5:03.75 |
| 20-15 | Cassandra Cazares | 350 | 26:46.90 | 5:21.38 |
| Top 5 Total: | 2:00:02 | Top 5 Avg: | 24:00.47 |  |
| 1-5 Split:5 | 1:20 | 1-7 Split:5 | 3:22.54 |  |






## Girls Varsity

| 7 | Fernandez, Lilli | Eastwood Hig | $19: 49.00$ | 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 10 | Herrera, Hannah | Eastwood Hig | $19: 58.00$ | 9 |
| 13 | Ordaz, Alexus | Eastwood Hig | $20: 13.00$ | 12 |
| 17 | King, Sabrina | Eastwood Hig | $20: 38.00$ | 16 |
| 22 | Vega, Miranda | Eastwood Hig | $20: 46.00$ | 21 |
| 25 | Ruiz, Daniella | Eastwood Hig | $21: 15.00$ | 24 |
| 26 | Hernandez, Francis | Eastwood Hig | $21: 22.00$ | 25 |

2 Eastwood High School Total Time: 1:41:24.00 Average: 20:16.80

## Boys Varsity

| 1 Bernal, Daniel | Eastwood Hig | 15:19.72 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 Munoz, Matt | Eastwood Hig | 15:53.13 | 3 |
| 10 Armijo, Gabriel | Eastwood Hig | 16:39.19 | 10 |
| 14 McLain, James | Eastwood Hig | 16:53.62 | 14 |
| 16 Godfrey, Dylan | Eastwood Hig | 16:58.87 | 16 |
| 34 Cazares, Leo | Eastwood Hig | 17:33.65 | 33 |
| 50 Gonzalez, Edgar | Eastwood Hig | 17:53.58 | 48 |

$1 \quad$ Eastwood High School $\begin{array}{lllllllll}44 & 1 & 3 & 10 & 14 & 16 & 33 & 48\end{array}$ Total Time: 1:21:44.53
Average: 16:20.91

## Girls Open

| 4 Lezama, Ariana | Eastwood Hig | $22: 02.78$ | 4 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 Escarcega, Cheyenne | Eastwood Hig | $22: 20.15$ | 6 |
| 10 Stallings, Amanda | Eastwood Hig | $22: 35.74$ | 9 |
| 11 Sandoval, Skylar | Eastwood Hig | $22: 37.02$ | 10 |
| 13 Fernandez, Marcela | Eastwood Hig | $22: 58.73$ | 12 |
| 18 Spencer, Jackie | Eastwood Hig | $23: 18.90$ | 17 |
| 19 Cruncleton, Emily | Eastwood Hig | $23: 19.26$ | 18 |
| 21 Delgado, Emily | Eastwood Hig | $23: 56.78$ |  |
| 29 Vazquez, Valeria | Eastwood Hig | $24: 14.71$ |  |
| 30 Aguilera, Kathleen | Eastwood Hig | $24: 20.89$ |  |
| 39 Britton, Eliana | Eastwood Hig | $24: 41.38$ |  |
| 61 Cazares, Cassandra | Eastwood Hig | $25: 39.44$ |  |
| 62 Ortrga, Jaloany | Eastwood Hig | $25: 41.43$ |  |
| 71 Reyes, Natasha | Eastwood Hig | $25: 58.31$ |  |
| 83 Mercado, Ashley | Eastwood Hig | $26: 24.97$ |  |
| 84 Castillo, Victoria | Eastwood Hig | $26: 27.81$ |  |
| 99 Uribe, Maria | Eastwood Hig | $27: 18.42$ |  |
| 101 Fajardo, Allison | Eastwood Hig | $27: 23.66$ |  |
| 116 Gonzalez, Cecilia | Eastwood Hig | $28: 17.08$ |  |



## Girls OPEN Team Scores

1 Eastwood High School $\begin{array}{lllllllll}41 & 4 & 6 & 9 & 10 & 12 & 17 & 18\end{array}$
Total Time: 1:52:34.42
Average: 22:30.89

## Boys Open

| 1 Ward, Noah | Eastwood Hig | $17: 35.59$ | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 2 Lozoya, Peter | Eastwood Hig | $17: 38.82$ | 2 |
| 4 Friesenhahn, Ruben | Eastwood Hig | $17: 50.18$ | 4 |
| 5 Ruiz, Jesus | Eastwood Hig | $17: 58.60$ | 5 |
| 8 Porras, Chris | Eastwood Hig | $18: 11.85$ | 8 |
| 13 Quinones, Kayn | Eastwood Hig | $18: 24.69$ | 13 |
| 16 Gamboa, Deric | Eastwood Hig | $18: 33.71$ | 16 |
| 17 Wallace, Adam | Eastwood Hig | $18: 35.31$ |  |
| 22 Costello, Matthew | Eastwood Hig | $18: 46.15$ |  |
| 31 Marquez, Andres | Eastwood Hig | $19: 07.09$ |  |
| 37 Jimenez, Noah | Eastwood Hig | $19: 17.31$ |  |
| 44 Guerra, Pedro | Eastwood Hig | $19: 28.31$ |  |
| 76 Soto, Damian | Eastwood Hig | $20: 24.50$ |  |
| 77 Herrera, Jaime | Eastwood Hig | $20: 25.45$ |  |
| 84 Gallegos, Eddie | Eastwood Hig | $20: 33.37$ |  |
| 134 Gonzales, Cory | Eastwood Hig | $21: 54.93$ |  |
| 137 Uribe, Fabricio | Eastwood Hig | $21: 58.22$ |  |
| 138 Pastran, Damian | Eastwood Hig | $21: 58.95$ |  |
| 1 Eastwood High School | 20 | 1 |  |
| Total Time: 1:29:15.04 |  | 5 | 13 |
| Average: 17:51.01 |  |  |  |



## Desert Twilight AZ

## *Sweepstakes Boys

| Place | Athlete |  | Team |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | $\underline{\text { Bernal, Daniel }}$ | 11 | El Paso Eastwood |
| 8 | $\underline{\text { Munoz, Matt }}$ | 12 | El Paso Eastwood |
| 55 | $\underline{\text { Armijo, Gabrial }}$ | 10 | El Paso Eastwood |
| 59 | $\underline{\text { Mclain, James }}$ | 12 | El Paso Eastwood |
| 103 | $\underline{\text { Godfrey, Dylan }}$ | 10 | El Paso Eastwood |
| 129 | $\underline{\text { Cazares, Leo }}$ | 11 | El Paso Eastwood |
| 5 | El Paso Eastwood | 203 | $1+6+49+53+94$ (119) |

Girls 5000 m run Place NAME Team Time

| 10 | Alexus ORDAZ | EL PASO EASTWOOD | $19: 41.5$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 13 | Sabrina KING | EL PASO EASTWOOD | $19: 50.0$ |
| 14 | Liliana FERNA | EL PASO EASTWOOD | $19: 52.6$ |
| 24 | Miranda VEGA | EL PASO EASTWOOD | $20: 08.4$ |
| 28 | Hannah HERRERA EL PASO EASTWOOD | $20: 18.5$ |  |
| 34 | Samantha MARTINEL PASO EASTWOOD | $20: 29.6$ |  |
| 45 | Diana MARTELL | EL PASO EASTWOOD | $20: 46.5$ |

Boys Large School Freshman
4 QUINONES, Kayn FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 18:05
28 GALIEGOS, Eduardo FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 19:10
31 MARQUEZ, Andres FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 19:31
115 GONZALEZ, Cory Chris FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S...

## Girls Large School Freshman

14 SPENCER, Jackie FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 22:43
24 FERNANDEZ, Marcela FR EI PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 23:29
26 RENOVATO, Alexis FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 23:35
31 BRITTON, Eliana FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 23:52
51 CAZARES, Cassandra FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 25:14
55 ORTEGA SILVA, Jaloany FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S 25:28
59 REYES, Natasha FR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 25:56

## Boys Large School Open

17 WARD, Noah JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 17:25
21 LOZOYA, Peter JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 17:30
38 COSTELLO, Matthew SR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 17:41
46 GONZALEZ, Edgar SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 17:46
58 GAMBOA, Deric SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 18:02
64 PORRAS, Chris JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 18:04
66 RODRIGUEZ, Carlos JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 18:05
76 WALIACE, Adam SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S... 18:13
101 GUERRA, Pedro SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S...
103 JIMENEZ, Noah SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S...
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252 HERRERA, Jaime JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Boys Large S...
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24 RUIZ, Daniella JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S...
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52 LEZAMA, Ariana SR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 21:49
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93 STALLINGS, Amanda JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 23:10
96 SANDOVAL, Skylar SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 23:12
97 CRTJNCLETON, Emily SO EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 23:13
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328 URIBE, Maria JR EL PASO EASTWOOD Girls Large S... 27:01
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Cortez said he is not about to rest on his laurels with the District 1-6A meet two weeks away, where he looks to challenge the 2014 El Paso Times Runner of the Year, Eastwood's Daniel Bernal, who won the Desert Twilight XC Festival in Casa Grande, Ariz., on Friday night in a time of 15:00.80.
"With guys like Bernal, you have to memorize the course, see what you can do, get your strategy and just kind of pray because he is that good," Cortez said. "You just have to be mentally ready for the pain."

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dyestat Daniel Bernal from El Paso Eastwood TX passed Tyler Beauchamp of Saguaro AZ 45 feet from the finish line and won the top boys race at the Desert Twiliaht with 15:00. Margot Kelly Photo






## Boys 3.25 Varsity

15 Gonzalez, Edgar Eastwood Hig 18:25.94 14
24 Ward, Noah Eastwood Hig 18:36.1922
26 Lozoya, Peter Eastwood Hig 18:38.6724
29 Costello, Matthew Eastwood Hig 18:49.10 27
33 Ruiz, Jesus Eastwood Hig 18:56.86 31
34 Porras, Chris Eastwood Hig 19:02.21 32
38 Gamboa, Deric Eastwood Hig 19:14.6036
5 Eastwood High School 11814222427313236
Total Time: 1:33:26.76
Average: 18:41.36

Girls 3.25 Mile Run CC Varsity

| 14 Lezama, Ariana Eastwood Hig | 22:52.51 8 |
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| 17 Escarcega, Cheyenne Eastwood Hig | 23:00.40 10 |
| 18 Hernandez, Francis Eastwood Hig | 23:05.18 11 |
| 22 Zarei, Nazanin Eastwood Hig | 23:19.39 14 |
| 27 Stallings, Amanda Eastwood Hig | 23:56.24 17 |
| 32 Sandoval, Skyiar Eastwood Hig | 24:19.89 21 |
| 48 Delgado, Emily Eastwood Hig | 25:20.33 36 |

1 Eastwood High School 608101114172136
Total Time: 1:56:13.73
Average: 23:14.75

## Boys 3.25 Open

| 1 Friesenhahn, Ruben Eastwood Hig | 19:04.70 1 |
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| 8 Rodriguez, Carlos Eastwood Hig | 19:30.30 7 |
| 9 Guerra, Pedro Eastwood Hig | 19:30.79 8 |
| 20 Wallace, Adam Eastwood Hig | 20:04.49 19 |
| 26 Jimenez, Noah Eastwood Hig | 20:25.90 25 |
| 53 Tinajero, Isaiah Eastwood Hig | 21:17.98 43 |
| 73 Herrera, Jaime Eastwood Hig | 22:09.41 59 |
| 85 Uribe, Fabricio Eastwood Hig | 22:54.70 |
| 86 Soto, Damian Eastwood Hig | 22:56.42 |
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| 7 Cruncleton, Emily Eastwood Hig | 24:47.676 |
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| 12 Aguilera, Kathleen Eastwood Hig | 25:28.24 10 |
| 44 Mercado, Ashley Eastwood Hig | 27:46.20 36 |
| 71 Uribe, Maria Eastwood Hig | 29:25.89 53 |
| 88 Chinolla, Cat Eastwood Hig | 31:48.00 62 |

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1 Quinones, Kayn Eastwood Hig
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2 Marquez, Andres Eastwood Hig
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5 Gallegos, Eddie Eastwood Hig
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7 Herrera, Jaime Eastwood Hig
12 Jezbera, Michael Eastwood Hig
13 Gonzales, Cory Eastwood Hig
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16 Morales, Donovan Eastwood Hig
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21 Pastran, Damian Eastwood Hig
23:08.31

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Average: 20:41.50

## Girls Freshmen


1 Spencer, Jackie Eastwood Hig 1
2 Fernandez, Marcela Eastwood Hig 2
4 Renovato, Alexis Eastwood Hig 4
6 Cazares, Cassandra Eastwood Hig 6
7 Britton, Eliana Eastwood Hig 7
10 Reyes, Natasha Eastwood Hig 10
17 Ortrga, Jaloany Eastwood Hig 14
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 the defending district champion，and onship will come down to Mountain View， individual honors． Watch for Clint senior Issac Sanchez
to challenge Arambula and Cardoza for Watch for Clint senior Issac Sanchez 6 in the state，will give San Elizario all it The Clint Lions，which are ranked No． the improved health of junior Ulises Car－ late and gaining more confidence with







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 District 3－4A Here is a break down on what to ex－
pect in each district． Region 1 meet． dividuals in each district qualify for the 2－5A and 1－6A． The rolling schedule starts at 9 a．m． bock on Oct． 26

 Boys and girls in District 3－4A，1－5A
 Eight district cross country champi－
onships will be claimed Saturday morn－ el paso times

## VICTOR R．MARTINEZ


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 Michelle Renteria（10th fastest city time
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for the individual gold as well． top 2 into the district race with two of the city＇s sophomore Andy Martinez who come its top runner＇s senior Mike Flores and cis Horizon can jump right in there with | 0 |
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| 2 | tage with senior Donovan Decquir，soph Eastlake appears to have the advan


 District 2－5A ships．She will be going after her second
district crown．


 Ee determined Saturday at the Chamizal
National Memorial．



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$\qquad$ have the city＇s two fastest 5 K times，Ber－
 Eastwood＇s one－two punch of junior going after a fourth straight and eighth in district championship and the girls are The boys are seeking a fifth straight cross country program？ so more dominate than the Eastwood District 1－6A hopes to have the race of the season and
defend her district title． Goodman．Chapin senior Rachel Gallivan 릉
 state－qualifer Anisa Burciaga will be PR a possible challenge from defending
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 should come down to Irvin sophomore
its third tite in four years to Austin．


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 District 1－5A Lok．for Horizon，the defending
champion，and ranks to finish one－two
with Bee Air being the dark horse．


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Armendariz from Franklin and East－ down to Gomez from Socorro，Brianna ra．The race for individual gold will come Fernandez and Sabrina King，junior dividual meet winner． The through the entire season without an in－
 cept has never been more evident than若虽 （19：20．74）and Frankiin with seniors with the city＇s third fastest time Natalie Gomer who comes into the meet wood will be Socorro led by sophomore On the girl＇s side，challenging East－ Possible challengers are Cortez，Lujan 2014 El Paso Times Runner of the Year． and advance to regionals． junior Adam Cortez to take the third spot Look for Franklin and its top runner ners，juniors Brian Lujan and Jose vila－
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Simmons Park in Lubbock． indiv． 1 is chet 26 at Mae At stake：The top three teams and the top 10 Where：Chamizal National Memorial， 800 S． Saturday with District $3-4 \mathrm{~A}$ girls then boys，
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## District Meet at Chamizal

6A Girls 5000m

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| 6 | Herrera, Hannah | Sr | Eastwood Hig |
| 7 | Vega, Miranda | So | Eastwood Hig |
| 11. | King, Sabrina | So | Eastwood Hig |
| 12 | Martinez, Samantha | Jr | Eastwood Hig |
| 16 | Ruiz, Daniella | Jr | Eastwood Hig |
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Boys 5000m run

| 1 | Bernal, Daniel | Jr | Eastwood Hig |
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| 5 | Munoz, Matt | Sr | Eastwood Hig |
| 9 | McLain, James | Jr | Eastwood Hig |
| 13 | Armijo, Gabe | So | Eastwood Hig |
| 14 | Godfrey, Dylan | Jr | Eastwood Hig |
| 24 | Gonzalez, Edgar | So | Eastwood Hig |
| 32 | Cazares, Leo | Jr | Eastwood Hig |


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| $16: 26.72$ | $5: 28$ |
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| $17: 59.75$ |  |
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## Sub Varsity at Del Valle

## Girls 5k Run CC 9th

| 1 Spencer, Jackie | Eastwood Hig | $21: 06.67$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 Eernandez, Marcela | Eastwood Hig | $22: 04.19$ |
| 4 Britton, Eliana | Eastwood Hig | $22: 15.89$ |
| 5 Renovato, Alexis | Eastwood Hig | $22: 52.56$ |
| 6 Cazares, Cassandra | Eastwood Hig | $23: 00.95$ |
| 9 Vazquez, Valeria | Eastwood Hig | $23: 32.90$ |
| 11 Reyes, Natasha | Eastwood Hig | $23: 53.31$ |
| 24 Gonzalez, Cecilia | Eastwood Hig | $27: 29.99$ |
| 1 Eastwood High School | 15 | 1 |
| Total Time: $1: 51: 20.26$ |  | 3 |$\sqrt[4]{8}$| Average: $22: 16.06$ |
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1 Quinones, Kayn
2 Marquez, Andres
3 Gallegos, Eddie
12 Gonzales, Cory
18 Jezbera, Michael
23 Morales, Donovan
25 Pastran, Damian
1 Eastwood High School
Total Time: $1: 33: 15.16$
Average: $18: 39.04$

## Girls 5k Run CC Open







^'ədयexә the long runs and do more speed work," Bernal said. "My main goal is to
help my team get to state, and I think I can best do that by being the

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 about 30 seconds better than last year," Bernal said. "I trust in my championship by 25 seconds over Franklin's Adam Cortez. "My time was The boys were led by junior Daniel Bernal, who took the individual
 the Trooper cross country teams both took the team championships at For the fifth straight year on the boys' side, and the fourth for the girls, (http://eastwoodsabre.com/category/sports/) 20/10/2015, by staff (http://eastwoodsabre.com/author/staff/), in Sports Comments Off on Cross country teams sweep district 1-6A- again, e1445368750238.jpg)


# State Championship berths on the line at Region 1 meet 

## VICTOR R. MARTINEZ eL PASO TIMES

LUBBOCK - All that matters is finishing in the top four spots.

A fourth place team finish at today's Region 1 Cross Country Meet at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock means a trip to Austin for the UIL Cross Country State Championship.

The top four teams and the top 10 individuals not on one of the advancing teams qualify for the state championship Nov. 7 at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock, near Austin.
"The motivation to be on the top of the podium is always there," said Cesar Morales, coach of the defending Class 4A state champion San Elizario. "It still does mean something especially for these kids but our ultimate goal is to be in the best shape when we got to Round Rock and right now we are pretty healthy. Our main priorities right now are to stay healthy, don't get sick and qualify."

Also representing District 3-4A in the Region 1, Class 4A meet are Clint and Fabens. Clint finished second at last year's regional meet and fourth at state.
"We have improved so much this season, but so have the other teams in

## Meet

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chance of being top four at regional," McLain said. "I watch Milesplit closely and I see where other teams are and what they are doing. I look at the courses they run and based on the data that I have seen and how well we ran at Desert Twilight in Arizona, I think they have a shot."

Franklin and Coronado also advanced to regionals.

Individually, Eastwood junior Daniel Bernal comes into the meet with the nation's third fastest time (15:00.80 at the Desert Twilight Cross Country Festival in Casa Grande, Ariz).

He said he hopes to improve on his sixth place finish at last year's regional meet.
"It seems like our region is tougher than state," he said. "I know Reed Brown from Southlake is going to be tough and so is David Strome, the Class 6A champion from Colleyville Heritage, I know he is going to be pushing the pace. There are countless other guys that I'm really looking forward to racing with and against."
our region," Morales said. "We lost three of our athletes from last year's team, including our best runner. But our average times have been better every race. We're about 20 to 30 seconds better than last year but the other teams have improved also. The fact that we've improved doesn't mean it's going to be easy."

## Class 6A

Mike McLain and the Eastwood Troopers are no strangers to the region meet having advanced to Lubbock five straight years and 10 times out of the past 12 years.

The Troopers, who finished second at regionals last year, have advanced to the state meet three out of the past four years. Last year, Eastwood finished fifth at the state meet.

But to get out of what many experts consider the region of doom, Eastwood must find a way to finish in the top four against the likes of four-time defending state champion Southlake Carroll, Lewisville Hebron and upstarts Amarillo Tascosa and Midland High.
"We lost some extremely talented and hard-working runners but these kids have pulled something pretty good together and I think they have an excellent

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## Girls

The big question is who is going to be the first girl's team to advance to the state meet since Horizon did it in Class 4 A in 2013?

That's the year head coach Howard Prestwood led the Scorpions to the District 2-4A championship, a third place finish at the Region 1-4A meet and a sixth place finish at state.

The tasks might be a difficult one for Class 6A teams Eastwood, Franklin and Socorro.

Seven of the top 20 teams in the state will be in this race including an undefeated Marcus team that finished 1 through 7 at its district meet.

Eastwood is making its 10 th straight regional appearance.
"The team we ran at district only had one kid who ran at district the year before," said Mike McLain, Eastwood's head coach. "They ran really, really well. The competition in this region for the girls is just as difficult as it is for the
boys."


## Regionals

| Team Score (places): 176 | Team Score (times): 1:19:03.89 |  |  | Ave Time:15:48.78 |  |  |
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| 11897 Daniel Bernal | 11 | 1 | 1 | 14:41.70 | 14:41.70 | 0:00.00 |
| 21902 Matt Munoz | 12 | 8 | 9 | 15:20.63 | 30:02.33 | 0:38.93 |
| 31901 James McLain | 11 | 37 | 46 | 16:02.39 | 46:04.72 | 1:20.69 |
| 41896 Gabe Armijo | 10 | 43 | 89 | 16:05.88 | 1:02:10.60 | 1:24.18 |
| 51900 Edgar Gonzalez | 10 | 87 | 176 | 16:53.29 | 1:19:03.89 | 2:11.59 |
| 61898 Leo Cazares | 11 | (101) | (277) | 17:05.88 | 1:36:09.77 | 2:24.18 |
| 71899 Noah Ward | 11 | (136) | (413) | 17:42.90 | 1:53:52.67 | 3:01.20 |


| Team - El Paso Eastwood Team Score (places): 308 | Finish Position - 9 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1887 Alexus Ordaz | 11 | 50 | 50 | 19:23.76 | 19:23.76 | 0:00.00 |
| 2883 Lilly Fernandez | 10 | 58 | 108 | 19:32.44 | 38:56.20 | 0:08.68 |
| 3884 Hannah Herrera | 12 | 61 | 169 | 19:39.79 | 58:35.99 | 0:16.03 |
| 4889 Miranda Vega | 10 | 67 | 236 | 19:56.94 | 1:18:32.93 | 0:33.18 |
| 5885 Sabrina King | 10 | 72 | 308 | 20:03.95 | 1:38:36.88 | 0:40.19 |
| 6886 Samantha Martinez | 11 | (80) | (388) | 20:21.65 | 1:58:58.53 | 0:57.89 |
| 7888 Daniella Ruiz | 11 | (95) | (483) | 20:34.54 | 2:19:33.07 | 1:10.78 |


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## High school boys cross country

## Eastwood's Muñoz a team leader

## VICTOR R. MARTINEZ

EL PASO TIMES
When Eastwood High School's Matt Muñoz walked onto the East Side campus three years ago, he was a quiet, unassuming student-athlete looking to fit in.

He joined the state-ranked Troopers cross country team not knowing what to expect.
"When he came in, he was very tentative," said Mike McLain, the team's head coach. "He had to adjust to a new coaching staff, new teammates and a very different way of training that he never had before."

Muñoz immediately connected with his teammates.
"That's when his running started to go in a really good direction," McLain said. "Then he dove in head first and he bought into the training program. Every year he has been with us, he has shown more and more faith in what we are doing."

Muñoz, the lone senior, has been a varsity runner for three years and is about to make his second state appearance.

The Eastwood cross country team Muñoz, Daniel Bernal, James McLain, Gabe Armijo, Edgar Gonzalez, Leo Cazares and Dylan Godfrey - will compete in the Conference 6A UIL Cross Country State Championship on Saturday in Round Rock.
"It's been a big change this year, being the only senior," he said. "In the past, we had so many other people we could look up to."

Now, that person is Muñoz, who along with Bernal and James McLain, the coach's son, are leading a group of inexperienced but talented runners into the school's third state meet in four years.
"You don't want to be treated differently, but when it comes to people looking to someone to follow, you have to be that person, you have to step up and be a leader and be a responsible, mature person and be that team leader," Muñoz said.

Eastwood lost four runners - three to graduation and one who decided not to run - from its fifth-place state team from last year.
"The only people we had on varsity were me, Daniel and James," Muñoz said. "Daniel and I went into the season think-


SPECIAL TO THE EL PASO TIMES
Eastwood's cross country team is heading to state for the third time in four years. The team will race for a Class 6A medal at Saturday in Round Rock.

## State meet

Who: Eastwood boys cross country team Daniel Bernal, Matt Muñoz, James McLain, Gabe Armijo, Edgar Gonzalez, Leo Cazares and Dylan Godfrey - will compete in the Conference 6A UIL Cross Country State Championship.
When: 11:50 a.m. MST on Saturday in Round Rock, Texas.
ing we had to work together to make it to state because we weren't too sure about the team making it this year."

It wasn't until late in the summer that Bernal and Muñoz saw the team's potential.
"We saw the guys who had the potential to be on varsity running with James, putting in the work," Muñoz said. "We didn't know what the other teams had coming back, but we knew that we had a large group of guys.working hard and who wanted to step up and take on the responsibilities of being a varsity runner at Eastwood."

As the season progressed, so did the team's success.

After winning its fifth straight district crown, the Troopers went into the Region 1-6A regional meet down its fifth runner, who injured his knee playing club soccer.
"I knew that our team had run really well, but having lost our five runner and
having lost so many runners from last year, we were not as deep as we have been," McLain said. "As tough as our region is, it's the toughest in Texas. Usually, you're not going to survive something like that."

But Eastwood did and advanced to state by one point.

McLain credits that never-give-up attitude to his only returning lettermen Muñoz, Bernal and James McLain.
"Those three really had to change this year," the coach said. "All three of them stepped up in very different ways. They realized they had to after losing so many quality athletes. It was kind of like a three-headed monster. They nurtured and brought up the younger guys who improved a lot."

But without a doubt, Muñoz's leadership role has been key.
"Matt has been a great leader," McLain said. "Sometimes, you preach and preach just hoping the kids pick up something. You don't think they listen to you, but then all of a sudden, there's a situation when you realize they did hear you. It seems like when it's the seniors turn to stand up and take charge, instead of just taking care of themselves, they are taking care of their teammates, too."

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| Team - El Paso Eastwood | Finish Position-14 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team Score (places): 306 | Team (time <br> 1:30: | Score <br> s): <br> 17.38 |  | Ave Time | e:18:03.48 |  |
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| 12719 Matt Munoz | 12 | 16 | 16 | 17:07.98 | 17:07.98 | 0:00.00 |
| 22714 Daniel Bernal | 11 | 46 | 62 | 17:40.25 | 34:48.23 | 0:32.27 |
| 32718 James McLain | 11 | 63 | 125 | 18:04.13 | 52:52.36 | 0:56.15 |
| 42713 Gabe Armijo | 10 | 78 | 203 | 18:17.09 | 1:11:09.45 | 1:09.11 |
| 52717 Edgar Gonzalez | 10 | 103 | 306 | 19:07.93 | 1:30:17.38 | 1:59.95 |
| 62716 Dylan Godfrey | 11 | (107) | (413) | 19:11.07 | 1:49:28.45 | 2:03.09 |
| 72715 Leo Cazares | 11 | (111) | (524) | 19:42.83 | 2:09:11.28 | 2:34.85 |

## High school cross country El Paso runners hope to make mark at state meet



## FELIX CHAVEZ

El Paso has a rich history of teams and individuals doing well at the state high school cross country meet. On Saturday, at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock, several athletes will aim to make some history of their own.

In addition to the four schools who will have full teams competing, several individuals will represent their schools, including a handful of firsttime state qualifiers. One of those is Americas junior Brian Lujan. Lujan finished 10th at the regional meet with a time of $15: 18.60$. He will compete in Class 6A
"I find it as a great accomplishment to make state," Lujan said. "Some think it's the end when you make state, but I want to continue to do well. Doing well at district has certainly given me confidence. I feel like I ran well this season. Also, our district was really tough, and going up against the likes of Eastwood gives you a point of reference of where you are at."

Eastwood qualified as a team for this year's state meet and was the Dis-



## The Woodlands, TX

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## Team - Eastwood Running Club

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The country's elite runners - both team and individuals - will compete in Nike Cross Nationals, all who qualified through eight regional championships throughout the United States. The top two teams and top five individuals from each region advance to NXN.

The Woodlands XC Club and Carroll XC Club will represent the South Re-. gion, which includes Arkansas; Louisiana, Oklahoma, Mississippi and Texas. Eastwood Running Club finished sixth in the 26 -team race.
"Truly, because of the type of work ethic my team has, I am running for them and for all El Paso runners," he said. "I want more El Paso runners, more El Paso teams to compete at Nike South. There are some great juniors in El Paso, who are ready to take up the challenge next year."

Eastwood cross country coach Mike McLain said Bernal's national opportunity should be motivation for other distance runners and teams to run in these types of events.
"It's a big deal in a couple of different ways," McLain said. "It's big for our team. Going to Nike South events is a step in the right direction. Getting our kids' mindset on not only running in El Paso or even the state of Texas, but on a bigger national level like this."

Eastwood's boys and girls teams have been running at the Nike Cross South Regionals for five years.
"The first step is having our team go to Nike South every year," he said. "The second big step for our program was in 2012, when we finished fourth and were actually eligible for an at-large bid. We didn't get it, but just being in that top four was a big step. The next big step was Anna Moralast year being the first El Pasoan to be in the top 10."

Mora, who now runs at East Central University in Ada, Okla., placed eighth at the 2014 meet in a time 18:22.58, three spots away from qualifying for NXN.
"When kids see other people do it, they know it's possible for them," McLain said. "This year, with the boys going down there and finishing sixth, and with Daniel coming in the top five to become the first El Pasoan to make it to NXN, that's another huge step. Now, we made it to NXN and now we're ready for the next step, which is to qualify a team there."

Placing fifth at the Nike Cross South Regionals two weeks ago was a bit of atonement after a sloppy, muddy course at the UIL Cross Country State Championship on Nov. 7 in Round Rock created havoc for many runners, including Bernal.
"It wasn't raining as much as it did at state," Bernal said. "But, there was a lot of mud on the course. In the open races, it was pouring for like 30 minutes, and then it would stop for 15 minutes before it came back."

At state, Bernal entered the 6A race with the state's fastest time, but was pushed and trammeled in the first 150 meters of the race and was dead last.


VICTOR R. MÁARTINEZ IEL PASO. TIMES Eastwood cross country runner Daniel Bernal, right, is the first El Paso runner to advance to the Nike Cross Country National Meet.

## Bernal file

Who: Daniel Bernal
Position: A 17-year-old junior cross cross country at Eastwood High School, who is the first El Paso distance runner to advance to the Nike Cross Nationais in in Portland, Ore. When: 10:30 a.m. Saturday
Information: nxn.runnerspace.com

He eventually finished in 73rd place.
"I was carefully managing all my steps throughout the whole race," Bernal said of the Nike Cross South Regionals. "I was fearful that if I would speed up I would slip because I wasn't accustomed to the terrain and the mud. I didn't want to risk slipping like I did at state:"

Bernal, 17, said he managed the course, and himself, well.
"I knew I had to take off as hard as I could in the first 300 meters, and no matter what cost, I could not fall, that was my main goal," he said. "I accomplished that, I did not fall once. I tried to find as much dry ground as possible so I could speed up when I could."

His goal was not to win the race, it was simply to qualify:
"I knew what place I was in the entire race so I could secure a spot to nationals," he said. "I was very, very cautious. I was not thinking of leading the race. All I really wanted to do was advance to nationals."

McLain said he has talked to Bernal about what Nike Cross Nationals means for El Paso distance runners.
"He is getting ready to go to a level that no other El Pasoan has been to," McLain said. "He is getting ready to do something special. Nike treats these kids like royalty. It's amazing what Nike does for them. He is representing Eastwood and El Paso. He understands that. I don't think there is a better person to represent us than Daniel."

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## Nike Cross Nationals

December 05, 2015 @ Glendoveer Golf Course in Portland, OR
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## GET OUT HERE AT NIKE.COM/XC <br> Q\&A With Daniel Bernal! First El Pasoan Ever At NXN!



We asked to NXN qualifierDaniel Bernal some questions leading up to this weekends big race



1can tell you're worried. We've only finished the warm-up and you're not sure if you can run another step. The two loops around the soccer field, sprints (we call them strides, but I know that for you, today, they were a sprint), crunches and form drills are more exercise than you've ever done, and now you're wondering what might be in store for you and the rest of Group Six.

Group One is doing 7 miles and surging the hills, which will take longer, so that's why they're getting their workout first. If you like this, and you stay around, you might well be in Group One or Two someday. If you really love it, not just the running, but the delicate balance between solitude and camaraderie, and have the patience and the humility to keep at it, you'll be in Group One by next fall.

Don't worry about what the senior girls are wearing. That's juststuff you can buy, and it won't be cool for long anyway. But you should get some running shoes. The indoor soccer shoes you're wearing today will make it even more likely that you're not just going to ache, but hurt, after practice.
You chose the sport because you didn't make the volleyball team and heard we don't make cuts. It's true; we don't. We don't have to. By the end of the season, some of the freshmen will have quit, some will have invented injuries, some will be relieved at the league meet to cheer rather than endure more painful minutes, and one will be in the top seven.

Between now and then, though, you'll change. Maybe you'll lose the weight that left you terrified of flag football in middle school PE, or maybe you'll run, with that weight, farther than most of your classmates ever will. You'll experience intensepre-race nausea on the way to each dual meet, and you'lil laugh until your face hurts on the bus ride home. When the team wins the league meet, the thrilled first-year coach, fresh out of college, will insist on carrying all of the team's bags. When you try to carry your own, because you didn't even run, he'll refuse to let you. And you'll feel like part of a team.
You'll get nervous for the banquet. Although you know you won't win any awards, deep down, you'll hope against hope that maybe, somewhere for improvement or even just suf-fering-through-it-ness, there's an award for you You'll try to keep a calm, disinterested face and you'll almost succeed in keeping your bottom lip from quivering when the freshman award goes to someone else.
Later, you'll have exhilarating races and you'll have heart-crushing disappointments. Some of this disappointment will be genuine, and some, you'll know, even at the time, is adolescent showmanship. You'll score points at the state meet and, later, a year will go by when you don't PR once. Your cross country team will win the state meet by one point, and then, a year later, without having graduated a single person in the top eight, will finish a distant second.
In this time, though, the warm-up will have become just that. The daunting run assigned to Group Six will have become the pre-meet trot, a route so easy it feels like you haven't even run. You'll probably always hate strides, or at least, doing them in front of the football team, finishing well behind runners you know you could trounce in a race, your shoulders high, and arms pumping, but never quite getting the hang of turnover.
Atgraduation, your teammates will be among the few peopie you're truly sad to leave, and for years, when some of you run in college, and even more of you return to your parents' homes each summer, they'li also be the only people with whom you keep in touch. And, at 29, when you've been coaching a team of your own for years and are beginning to wonder how many more Saturday mornings you want to spend hearing a gun go off, it'll be these people, the teammates you missed homecoming with, ate pasta with, whose parents watched you run mile after mile around the disintegrating track, whose bags your young, stunned, thrilled coach also carried, these young runners, that you want to write. RT

Sixteen years ago, after getting cut from the freshman volley ball team, Amanda Parrish dragged herself over to cross country practice. After 24 seasons as a long-distance runner she's currently a high school English teacher and boys and girls track coach in Connecticut. shire and read about times of athletes he

# Chasing vs. Racing 

 Some runners chase fast times during the collegeseason, others learn how to race. By MATT MCCUE
 believes some of his runners can beat. But, after weighing the tradeoff of a week's worth of missed Ivy League classes and the threehour time difference, he chooses to work with nearby coaches to set up a fast race in the area.

Estrada's case is the opposite of D'Agostino's. In 2011, he set his 5K. PR of 13:26.94 at the Payton Jordan Cardinal Invitational, the third-fastest time in the NCAA last year. But at nationals, he finished fifth against a tough field in 13:38.36.
"When you go to California you don't even think at all. You just latch on to the pack," he says, comparing the time trial in Stanford to the championship in Des Moines. "The stress and anxiety kick in during championship season, and you're second-guessing yourself because you know it's going to be tactical."

In previous seasons, Estrada has peaked for only two meets. He'd built a big base after indoor nationals and used Mt. SAC as a tune-up for Stanford's Payton Jordan meet in early May. After that he'd return to heavy training and run through conference and regionals before NCAAs.

This season he plans to experiment with all sorts of strategies and distances to prepare for races this spring, with the notion that he'll be peaking for NCAAs and the Olympic trials in late June. He no longer gets too caught up in

There's somethingmagical about racing in California in the spring. The wind dies down at sunset, the barometer drops and spectators slip on jackets. As the bright track lights pierce the darkness, an endless stream of distance runners sets PRs.
"When we go to California, it doesn't matter if I get last in my heat as long as I run a PR," says Northern Arizona senior Diego Estrada, summing up a popular viewpoint that puts a premium on fast times. Fast times are necessary to qualify for big meets, but can a runner benefit from focusing on the podium and not the clock? After all, championship races rarely turn into time trials.

Dartmouth sophomore Abbey D'Agostino didn't make it to California in 2011. Her best reg-ular-season $5 \mathrm{~K}, 16: 23: 50$, came at the Raleigh Relays in late March. That put her $65^{\text {th }}$ on the regular-season leader board.

Yet at season end, D'Agostino kicked to win the Ivy League outdoor $5,000 \mathrm{~m}$, navigated her way into the top three in her East Preliminary Round 5K heat and broke through at nationals in Des Moines, finishing fourth in 15:40.69, smashing her PR.
"There were so many different types of races I encountered, and I gained confidence from knowing that whatever happens I'm going to be able to adapt and react," she says. In Des Moines, where pace didn't matter as much as
place, D'Agostino stayed with the leaders until they began changing gears over the last three laps. At that point, D'Agostino had only one obvious strategy: Go with them. "Splits were pretty irrelevant," she says.
The 2008 men's $5,000 \mathrm{~m}$ followed a similar script. Colorado standout Brent Vaughn blitzed a midseason 13:18 at Stanford and was the $5,000 \mathrm{~m}$ favorite. Villanova's Bobby Curtis didn't have impressive marks on paper - his season best 5 K was 14:02 from a meet in Princeton, N.J., as he ran in tactical races in unpredictable conditions in the East. (He did, however, post a 3:40.25 1500 m that season.) At nationals, Curtis dropped a 60-second last lap to win in 13:33.93, while Vaughn wound up third in 13:39.44.
"If you look at who went 1-2-3 at outdoor nationals in the 5 K last spring, it was three East Coast kids," says D'Agostino's coach, 1996 Olympic marathoner Mark Coogan. "There must be something to racing on the East Coast. The weather is never perfect, so to begood you need to be really tough and have the ability to approach racing as a competition and not as a time trial."
"It's mare satisfying to go into a race to race it versus racing against the clock." - Abbey D'Agostina
whatever times he can run on the West Coast.
"I time-trialed a 13:26 in ideal conditions and thought I could win nationals," he says. "But a guy from the East had been running 13:50 in tactical races, and he goes out there and wins NCAAs. It's very deceiving."
Sometimes, though, there are no substitutions for the kind of pace runners can hit in California. This year the Mt. SAC Relays are on D'Agostino's radar. The goal, however, will remain the same. "It's more satisfying to go into a race to race it versus racing against the clock," D'Agostino says. "It's more the intent of the sport." $\mathbf{R T}$

# Estrada, Bernal 

 city's top runners
## Bernal

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Southwest meet in Arizona, a second consecutive District 1-6A championship and a Region 1-6A crown where he ran a seasonbest 14:41.70.

He also placed fifth at the Nike Cross South Regionals on Nov. 11 in The Woodlands to advance to the 12th annual Nike Cross Nationals (NXN) in Portland.

When Eastwood coach Mike McLain saw Bernal run the first day of summer workouts two years' ago, he knew he was going to be special. "Whenever we see a kid, we try to look at that runner four years from now," McLain said. "When we set up a training program, we don't do it for that one season, we try to visualize where we want to take him physiologically four years from now." It is for that reason, Bernal did not run his freshman year. "We try not to rush our freshman too much," he said. "It should be fun when you're a freshman. You're learning to run properly and learning to be part of a team, you don't want to have all that stress and pressure to achieve like you do when you hit the varsity level."

Bernal has always had a "thing" for distance running and swimming. He says his best swimming events were the distance races. "I ran and swam the summer between my 7th and 8th grade year," he said. "That's when I took running more seriously and I pushed swimming aside. I stopped swimming completely and fully focused on running my second semester freshman year." It was one of the toughest decisions Bernal had to make in his young life. "All of my freshman year, every single day after cross country practice I would drag myself to swim practice and at every practice I would ask myself if I really wanted to do this," he said. "My genetics are not made for swimming. Only hard work could take me so far because I'm not the tallest guy, I'm not the broadest guy, I'm not the guy with the largest feet and hands with the longest torso." He was realistic about potential scholarship offers in the future.
"There was a point in the decisionmaking process where I would cry because this team (Aqua Posse) had giving me so much in my 11 years," he said. "I had to move on, that's life." And with one more year left, life could not be any better.


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The El Paso Times' cross country runners of the year are Michelle Estrada, Mountain View and Daniel Bernal of Eastwood.

## INSIDE

## All-City boys, girls cross country

San Elizario boys team proved last year's state championship run was no fluke earning back-to-back state titles. In girls cross country, zero teams and only seven athletes qualified for the state meet.

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Junior snags honor

## for 2nd year in a row

## VICTOR R. MARTINEZ

EL PASO TIMES
Eastwood junior Daniel Bernal has, only been running competitively for five years.

He was never a USA Track \& Field prodigy.

Competitive swimming was more of his thing. He swam for the El Paso Aqua Posse and head coach Jack White.

He was pretty good at it too. When he was 13 years old, he was ranked 8 th in Texas in the 200 breaststroke.

But one day while sitting in a seventh grade class at Desert View Middle School, the cross country coach asked if anyone was interested in running long distance.
"I didn't even know what cross country meant,", said Bernal, holding back his laughter. "She explained it to me and I thought, 'why not?"'

For the past two seasons, Bernal's performance on the course has left his opponents thinking he should have stayed in the pool.

For the second consecutive year, Bernal is the El Paso Times Runner of the Year.

Bernal won seven meets this fall including the Nike Cross National Pre-


MARK LAMBIE / EL PASO TIMES The El Paso Times' All-City Cross Country team members are, from left, Sebastian Moreno, El Dorado, Brian Lujan, Americas, Erick Arambula, San Elizario, Adam Cortez, Franklin, foreground, Ulises Cardoza, San Elizario, Louie Barba, Cathedral and Matt Munoz, Eastwood.

## All-City Boys Cross Country team



MARK LAMBIE /EL PASO TIMES
The El Paso Times' All-City Girls' Cross Country team are, from left, Andrea Abeyta, Hanks, Lili Fernandez, Eastwood, Brianna Armendariz, Franklin, Natalie Gomez, Socorro, Anisa Burciaga, Canutillo, Ocean Stevens, Clint and Rachel Gallivan, Chapin.

# All-City Girls Cross Country team 

Lili Fernandez, sophomore, tastwood. She was the top runner on the top team in the city. She was second at the District 1-6A meet.

Matt Munoz, senior, Eastwood:
City's fourth fastest time 15:18.70. Finished in 11th at the Region 1-6A meet and 25th at the state meet.

Second team: Jessica Dominguez, junior, Socorro; Michelle Renteria, senior, Horizon; Skyler Goodman, freshman, Chapin; Miyah Ray-Morales, freshman, El Paso High; Alexus Ordaz, junior, Eastwood; Brooke Woodson, junior, Jefferson; Hannah Herrera, senior, Eastwood.

Second team: Stephen Alvarez, senior, Socorro; Anthony Cordero, junior, Franklin; Mike Flores, senior, Horizon; Osman Reyes, junior, Coronado; Michael Contreras, junior, Franklin; Jose Villalobos, junior, Americas; James MeLain, junior, Eastwood.

Honorable Mention: Breona Pinkney, sophomore, Jefferson; Roxana Reza, senior, Jefferson; Sabrina King, sophomore, Eastwood; Haley Gonzalez, sophomore, Montwood; Miranda Vega, sophomore, Eastwood; Ayla Lopez, senior, Franklin; Letizia Hernandez, senior, Eastlake.

Honorable mention: Cristian Hernandez, 12, Socorro; Gabriel Armijo, sophomore, Eastwood; Issac Sanchez, senior, Clint; Aaron Gillam, sophomore, Irvin; Matthew Boswell, senior, Chapin; Donovan Decquir, senior, Eastlake; Adrian Morales, junior, Tornillo.

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|  | Boys District Course All Time Top Ten list |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name | Time | Date |
| 1. Daniel Bernal | $15: 23.84$ | 2015 |
| 2. Brian Casillas | $15: 34.55$ | 2013 Horizon Golf Course |
| 3. Mike Pivarnick | $15: 38$ | 2005 |
| 4. Paul Garcia | $15: 41$ | 2005 |
| 5. Brian Casillas | $15: 43.40$ | 2012 |
| 6. Ryan Saenz | $15: 44.68$ | 2012 |
| 7. Richard Mora | $15: 47.93$ | 2012 |
| 8. Ruben Campos | $15: 54.18$ | 2013 Horizon Golf Course |
| 9. Jose Silva | $15: 57.23$ | 2013 Horizon Golf Course |
| 10.Matt Munoz | $16: 02.72$ | 2015 |
| 11. Elias Leija-Garza | $16: 03.55$ | 2011 |
| 12. Paul Truax | $16: 05.51$ | 2013 Horizon Golf Course |
| 13. Fernie Garcia | $16: 07$ | 1999 |
| 14. Steven Rios | $16: 08.43$ | 2012 |
| 15. Mike Orszulak | $16: 12$ | 2005 |
| 16. Stephen Wallace | $16: 19.46$ | 2012 |



|  | Regional All Time Top Ten |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name | Time | Date Accomplished |
| 1. Anna Mora | $17: 10.85$ | 2014 |
| 2. Vanessa Parra | $18: 22.21$ | 2014 |
| 3. Eden Buntyn | $19: 11.60$ | 2014 |
| 4. Lilly Fernandez | $19: 15.51$ | 2014 |
| 5. Alexus Ordaz | $19: 23.76$ | 2015 |
| 6. Elise McLain | $19: 34.67$ | 2014 |
| 7. Carissa Pinion | $19: 38.30$ | 2012 |
| 8. Hannah Herrera | $19: 39.79$ | 2015 |
| 9. Dominique Blancas | $19: 44.78$ | 2014 |
| 10. Miranda Vega | $19: 56.94$ | 2015 |
| 11. Rhiannon Cleveland | $19: 57.35$ | 2012 |



Regional All-Time Top Ten

|  | Regional All-Time Top Ten |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name | Time | Date Accomplished |
| 1. Daniel Bernal | $14: 41.70$ | 2015 |
| 2. Jose Silva | $15: 15.12$ | 2014 |
| 3. Brian Casillas | $15: 19.30$ | 2013 |
| 4. Deric Martinez | $15: 19.54$ | 2014 |
| 5. Matt Munoz | $15: 20.63$ | 2015 |
| 6. Richard Mora | $15: 37.73$ | 2012 |
| 7. Mike Pivarnick | $15: 42$ | 2003 |
| 8. Mike Montes | $15: 43$ | 1984 |
| 9. Juan Blanco | $15: 45$ | 2010 |
| 10. Ruben Campos | $15: 46.80$ | 2013 |
| 11. Chris Wallace | $15: 47.06$ | 2014 |
| 12. Ryan Saenz | $15: 47.56$ | 2011 |
| 13. Paul Truax | $15: 51.58$ | 2014 |
| 14. Joe Messer | $15: 55$ | 1984 |
| 15. Steven Rios | $15: 58.89$ | 2012 |
| 16. Marco Cassani | $16: 01$ | 2007 |
| 17. James McLain | $16: 02.39$ | 2015 |
| 18. Tommy Daniel | $16: 03$ | 2007 |



|  | State All-Time Top Ten |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Name | Time | Date Accomplished |
| 1. Anna Mora | $18: 09.59$ | 2014 Harder RR Course |
| 2 Vanessa Parra | $19: 52.08$ | 2014 Harder RR Course |
| 3. Eden Buntyn | $20: 08.15$ | 2013 |
| 4. Carissa Pinion | $20: 16.08$ | 2013 |
| 5. Diana Martell | $20: 26.34$ | 2012 |
| 6. Dominique Blancas | $20: 47.51$ | 2013 |
| 7. Alexus Ordaz | $21: 05.27$ | 2013 |
| 8. Rhiannon Cleveland | $21: 09.03$ | 2012 |
| 9. Elise McLain | $21: 12.54$ | 2013 |
| 10. Cassandra Serrano | $21: 31.29$ | 2013 |
| 11. Christina Delgado | $21: 53.63$ | 2012 |

## Boys State Course All-Time Top Ten List

Round Rock Course Run Since 1996


|  | State Top Ten |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name | Time | Date Accomplished |
| 1. Ryan Saenz | $15: 53.05$ | 2012 |
| 2. Jose Silva | $15: 54.02$ | 2014 Harder RR course |
| 3. Brian Casillas | $15: 55.39$ | 2012 |
| 4. Daniel Bernal | $15: 57.46$ | 2014 Harder RR course |
| 5. Richard Mora | $16: 08.50$ | 2012 |
| 6. Mike Montes | $16: 09$ | 1984 Georgetown |
| 7. Ruben Campos | $16: 14.82$ | 2013 |
| 8. Joe Messer | $16: 18$ | 1984 Georgetown |
| 9. Paul Truax | $16: 23.97$ | 2013 |
| 10. Steven Rios | $16: 34.40$ | 2012 |



|  | Nike South Top Ten |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name | Time | Date Accomplished |
| 1. Anna Mora | $18: 22.58$ | 2014 Muddy slow course |
| 2. Carissa Pinion | $20: 11.43$ | 2013 |
| 3. Vanessa Parra | $20: 26.32$ | 2012 |
| 4. Eden Buntyn | $20: 36.95$ | 2013 |
| 5. Dominique Blancas | $20: 41.70$ | 2013 |
| 6. Rhiannon Cleveland | $20: 51.24$ | 2012 |
| 7. Diana Martell | $20: 57.80$ | 2013 |
| 8. Lilly Fernandez | $21: 03.39$ | 2014 Muddy slow course |
| 9. Elise McLain | $21: 06.96$ | 2012 |
| 10. Alexus Ordaz | $21: 10.50$ | 2013 |



## Nike South Top Ten

Name

1. Brian Casillas
2. Ryan Saenz
3. Richard Mora
4. Jose Silva
5. Steven Rios
6. Ruben Campos
7. Daniel Bernal
8. Deric Martinez
9. Stephen Wallace
10. Matthew Munoz
11. Caleb Buntyn
12. Paul Truax
13. Anthony Molina
14. Elias Leija-Garza
15. Alex Blanco

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16:39.87 2013
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16:52.91 2012
16:52.96 2013
17:03.88 2012
17:04.18 2013
17:14.67 2015
17:18.47 2011
17:37.05 2012

Eastwood Track and Field District Championships 28 Total


Eastwood Cross Country District Championships 19 Total

1983 Boys /1983 Regional 3rd place / 1983 7th place State
1984 Boys/1984 Regional 5A Champs / 1984 3rd place State
1986 Boys District 2nd, Regionals 2nd and State 11th.
1987 Girls/Regional Champs Girls/3rd State Girls
1988 Girls
2006 Girls
2007 Girls
2008 Girls
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2011 Boys/ 2011 2nd Reginals/ 2011 6th State/ 2011 8th Nike South
2012 Boys\&Girls/Boys 3rd Regional/Boys 4th State/Boys 4th Nike South
2013 Boys \& Girls/Girls 8th,Boys 9th Nike South
2014 Boys \& Girls Boys 5th State, 8th Nike South
2015 Boys \& Girls, Boys 6th Nike South

High school athletes, more than seasoned rumners, are susceptible to mental lapses that affect their racing.

BY LIAM BOYLAN-PETT
Doug Soles, the cross country and track coach at Creat Oak High School in Temecula, California, remembers Wrace a few years ago when one of this toprunners was supposed to finisti in the top 10. She didn't make the top 100. "What in the world just happened?" he remembers thinking. Asit turned out, the teen was struggling with a range of pressures, which included trying to run at a high lovel. Soles and his coaching staff worked with her, and eventually she started racing the way she was capable of, based on her workouts. The mind, like the body, can be trained. Here are three psychological pitfalls that commonly plague high school, as well as adult, runners, and some coaching strategies for



## Crippled by <br> Pre-race Nerves <br> Giving Up Midway

## What It Looks Like

$\rightarrow$ A runner is talking about everything that could go wrong, spreading negative thoughts and worries to teammates (even if it's not intentional) and making comments about the weather, the course, the competition, or anything else that might be tough.

## The Cure

$\rightarrow$ Pre-race jitters are standard. Runners should expect them-and even welcome them as a sign that they care enough to put forth an effort that causes some discomfort. "It's very normal to be nervous," says Brittney Lanehart, cross country and track coach at Smithson Valley High School in Spring Branch, Texas. "Nerves mean you have an opportunity to do something great."

But when a runner sets lofty goals and harbors fears of letting others down, it can suck energy away from racing. For Soles, the solution is to integrate pressure into practices by frequently exposing his runners to race pace. "We work on getting kids to a point in practice where they feel so comfortable that the race is an afterthought," Soles says. "We're going to be so dialed in to the concept of running that pace that we're not worried about anything else."

Runners who get psyched out by the expectations they feel from the team and from themselves often benefit from being reminded of the difference between dreams (what they hope will come true) and goals (targets that they can be confident of hitting based on workouts).

## What it Looks Like

$\rightarrow$ A runner expects to be top-five in a race, but midway through she finds herself in 20 th. Instead of finishing with a strong second half, she slows to a jog and finishes in 35th.

## The Cure

$\rightarrow$ Soles teaches athletes how to talk to themselves midrace, especially if they are struggling. These internal triggers will check the impulse to give up when the going gets tough.

Great Oak runners are trained to say two things to themselves at the 1-mile mark of a cross country race: "I feel great" and "Time to move up." At the 2-mile mark, Soles tells them to
ask themselves, "How bad do you want it?" He doesn't wait until race day to give these instructions; they've been ingrained from preseason runs and early meets. "Everybody fears a test they haven't studied for, but not one they have the answers for," Soles says.

Focusing runners on the effort of each moment and the specifics of their mechanics (breathing, turnover, stride), rather than on the miles remaining, can curb self-doubt and help athletes endure the bad patches, when they feel they are failing.

## Lingering Bad-Race Blues

## What It Looks Like

$\rightarrow$ All week after the race, the runner talks about what he can't do and why he wasn't faster. He seems to forget about any of the races that went well earlier in the season.

## The Cure

$\rightarrow$ For the first 24 hours, let the young athlete feel like the bad race is an earthshattering event. Then discuss the race to pinpoint the problem.

Next, move on. "The hardest part with these kids is that one bad race can stick in their mind more than 10 great races," Lanehart says. So she finds positives to help build their confi-

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dence. "As long as your effort is high," she tells her runners, "there's still going to be physiological advancement."

According to Michael Sachs, a sport psychologist at Temple University, a cleansing ritual practiced by the entire team can help. It may sound corny, but write about a bad race on a piece of paper and then rip it up and throw away the pieces. A written goal, he says, posted inside a locker or on a chalkboard, can help focus a teen runner on why he's training and the outcome he's seeking. It


Boys District Team Averages

| 1.2012 | $15: 56.78$ | Saenz,Casillas,Mora,Rios, Wallace,Silva,Buntyn |
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| 2.2013 | $15: 58.91$ | Casillas,Campos,Silva,Truax,C.Wallace,Munoz,Martinez |
| 3.2011 | $16: 14.96$ | Saenz,Casillas,Mora,Rios,Buntyn,Leija,Blanco |
| 4.2014 | $16: 16.08$ | Bernal,Silva,Truax,Munoz,C.Wallace,Martinez,McLain |
| 5.2005 | $16: 16.40$ | Pivarnick,Garcia,Orszulak,Romero,Rivera,Rodriguez |
| 6.1984 | $16: 18.4$ | Montes,Messer,Garcia,Frias,Medivil,Aranda,Urrutia |
| 7.2015 | $16: 21.0$ | Bernal,Munoz,McLain,Armijo,Godfrey,Gonzalez,Cazares |
| 8.2004 | $16: 46$ | Pivarnick,Molinar,Garcia,Rojas,Rodriguez,Swearingen,Orszulak |
| 9.2007 | $16: 53.54$ | Cassini,Daniel,Solis,Blanco,Avila,Buntyn,Arvizo |
| 10.2006 | $16: 57.68$ | Solis,Daniel,Cassani,Romero,Buntyn,Hernandez,Rivera |



Girls District Team Averages

| 1.2013 | $19: 28.28$ | Mora,Pinion,Buntyn,Parra,McLain,Blancas |
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| 2.1987 | $?$ | Otoole,Sanchez,sarabia,Gutirrez, Wordyla,Rojo |
| 3.2012 | $19: 52.21$ | Mora,Pinion,Parra,Cleveland,Blancas,McLain |
| 4.2015 | $20: 07.0$ | Fernandez,Ordaz,Herrera,Vega,King,Martinez,Ruiz |
| 5.2014 | $20: 08.35$ | Mora,Parra,Fernandez,Martell,Buntyn,McLain,Blancas |
| 6.1986 | $?$ | Gutirrez12:14,Sanchez12:14,Rojo12:32,Ryanal12:50 |
| 7.1988 | $21: 47(13: 15.8)$ | Sanchez,Sarabia,Gutirrez,Silva,Rojo |
| 8.2006 | $21: 59(13: 22.8)$ | Stires,Payne,Mylius,Hernandez,Cevera,Aguirre,Macias |
| 9.2007 | $22: 00(13: 23.21)$ | Payne,Stires,Garcia,Stires,Cevera,Mylius,Davila |
| 10.2009 | $22: 02(13: 24.49)$ | Stires,Garcia,Delgado,Baca,Regalado,Apodaca,Stewart |



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| 1.2014 | $15: 24$ | Bernal,Silva,Martinez,Munoz,C.Wallace,Truax.McLain |
| 2.2015 | $15: 48.78$ | Bernal,Munoz,McLain,Armijo,Gonzalez,Cazares |
| 3.2012 | $15: 52.37$ | Casillas,Mora,Saenz,Rios,Wallace,Buntyn,Silva |
| 4.2013 | $15: 54.55$ | Casillas,Silva,Campos,Truax,Munoz,C.Wallace,Martinez |
| 5.2011 | $16: 04.41$ | Casillas,Saenz,Rios,Leija-Garza,Buntyn,Mora,Blanco |
| 6.1984 | $16: 13$ | Montes,Messer,Garcia,Arranda,Frias,Mendivil,Urruita |
| 7.1986 | $16: 17.4$ | Garcia,Oropeza,Agness,Urrutia,Sotelo,Cordova,Flores |
| 8.2007 | $16: 21.19$ | Cassini,Daniel,Solis,Buntyn,Blanco,Avila,Arvizo |
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| 10.2006 | $16: 48.65$ | Solis,Daniel,Cassani,Romero,Buntyn,Hernandez,Rivera |



Girls Regional Team Averages

| 1.2014 | $18: 42$ | Mora,Parra,Buntyn,Fernandez,McLain,Blancas,Martell |
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| $? 1987$ | $?$ | Otoole 11:23,Gutirrez 12:04, Sarabia 12:14 |
| 2.2012 | $19: 31.29$ | Mora,Parra,Pinion,Cleveland,Blancas,,McLain |
| 3.2013 | $19: 34.65$ | Mora,Parra,Buntyn,Pinion,McLain,Blancas,Ordaz |
| 4.2015 | $19: 43.38$ | Ordaz,Fernandez,Herrera,King,Martinez,Vega,Ruiz |
| 5.2010 | $20: 30(12: 28.39)$ | Stires,Apodaca,Lara,Baca,Stewart,Cuellar,Pinion |
| 6.2006 | $20: 35(12: 31.93)$ | Payne,Mylius,Stires,Garcia,Aguirre,Cevera,Macias |
| 7.2007 | $20: 36(12: 32.42)$ | Stires,Payne,Stires,Cevera,Garcia,Mylius,Davila |
| 8.2009 | $20: 46(12: 38.15)$ | Stires,Garcia,Delgado,Baca,Davila,Apodaca,Regalado |
| 9.2011 | $21: 03(12: 48.43)$ | Mora,Apodaca,Parra,Pinion,Cuellar,Blancas,Miramontes |
| 10.2008 | $21: 13(12: 54.93)$ | Stires,Apodaca,Garcia,Stewart,Macias,Regalado,Davila |



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| 1.2012 | $16: 22$ | Saenz,Mora,Casillas,Rios,Wallace,Silva,Buntyn |
| 2.2014 | $16: 28$ | Silva,Bernal,Truax,C.Wallace,Munoz,McLain,Martinez |
| 3.1984 | $16: 34.8$ | Montes,Messer,Garcia,Urrutia,Arranda,Mendivil,Frias |
| 4.2011 | $16: 46.40$ | Casillas,Garza,Saenz,Rios,Mora,Buntyn,Blanco |
| 5.2015 | $18: 03.48$ Muddy | Munoz,Berna1,McLain,Armijio,Godfrey,Gonzalez,Cazares |
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| 5.1986 | $18: 21.2$ | Oropeza,Agness,Cordova,Sotelo,Garcia,Flores |



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| 2.2013 | $16: 35.2$ | Casillas,Silva,Campos,Munoz,Truax,Martinez |
| 3.2014 | $16: 48$ | 8thSilva,Bernal,Martinez,C.Wallace,Munoz,Truax,McLain |
| 4.2011 | $17: 10.26$ | Casillas,Saenz,Rios,Garza,Buntyn,Mora,Blanco |
| 5.2015 | 18.37 .45 MUDDY | 6thBernal,Munoz,McLain,Armijo,Godfrey,Gonzalez,Cazares |



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| 1.2013 | $20: 09$ | Mora,Pinion,Parra,Buntyn,Blancas,Ordaz,McLain |
| 2.2014 | $20: 24$ | Mora,Parra,Buntyn,Fernandez,Martell,Blancas,McLain |
| 3.2012 | $20: 26.63$ | Mora,Pinion,Parra,Cleveland,McLain,Martell,Blancas |
| 4.2015 | $23: 49.80$ MUDDY | Fernandez,Martinez,King,Herrera,Ruiz,Ordaz,Lezama |

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The Eastwood High School cross country team starts off on a tempo run around Eastwood/Album Park Monday afternoon. The 67 -person team works out at the park about once weekly, said coach Mike McLain. The group was to hit a certain pace for a fast-enhanced run to compensate for the day's heat, said McLain, who has been the school's ceross country coach for 14 years. "It's a great school," he added.

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## Hundreds of runners take on YMCA Turkey Trot



COURTESY OF DALE LAVERTY Hundreds of runners braved the rain during the YMCA of El Paso's annual Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning. Luis Romero (in all green), a senior at Texas A\&M University-Commorce, outkicked Eastwood High School senior Matt Muñoz in the final seconds to win the 5K race. Romero, a 2012 graduate of Montwood High School, finish in 16 minutes, 36.1 seconds, while Muñoz finished in 16:38.0. More than 1,300 runners took part in the 39th annual 5 K run and 3 K walk. For complet


Once a trooper always a trooper

## HIGH SCHOOL SIGNEES

# El Paso-area athletes sign with small colleges 

Times staff report
Several area high school athletes will continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level at non-Division I schools.

- Eastlake defensive back Billy Cuellar will play football at UTPermian Basin, which is beginning a new program. He helped the Falcons to a pair of playoff wins in Class 5A last season.
- Coronado wide receiver Josiah Moreno will play for Friends University in Wichita, Kan. Friends University is an NAIA school.
- Eastwood cross country standout Anna Mora will continue her career at East Central University in Ada, Okla. She was the El Paso Times' All-City Girls Cross Country Runner of the Year last fall.
- Eastwood cross country runner Vanessa Parra will also continue her running career at East Central University in Ada, Okla.
- Eastwood cross country and
track and field runner Deric Martinez will run for South Plains College in Levelland, Texas. He was an El Paso Times All-City performer as a senior.
- Eastwood cross country and track and field runner Jose Silva will also continue his career at South Plains College. He was an El Paso Times All-City performer as a senior.
- Socorro football player Miguel Provencio, who played tight end for the Bulldogs, will play football for Valley City State in North Dakota.
- Socorro football player Michael Lujan, who played offensive tackle for the Bulldogs, will continue his football career at Wayland Baptist.
- Chapin softball player Krystal Andrade will continue her career at Paris Junior College.
- Fabens volleyball player Kimberly Dickson will continue her career at Cisco Junior College.

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## Eastwood

## runner stays

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## By Lenny Lurada

## El Pusa Times

Mike Pivamick is is throwback, a leam-oriented attlete who can make a ono-honded catch of a cothall, nail a 3 -point shot even con you dirwo wo the mile.
He played football his frest)man year at Eastwood, and if it weren't for Mike McLain, people could be reading about Mike Divemicl the wide receiver.
But as it turned ous the funior was persuaded to run cross country. It wasn't a bad choice. Actu ally, be's the best in El Paso.
"Coach Mclain would pull me out of class, quite frequently, my freshruartyear and tried ro get me to cur cross country. It was a naisance, but after a white I realized that he had a lot of confidence in me To see that was amazing I stid Id give it a shot, and it surptised me that he was right."
Tivo years later. Plyarnick trill be partaipating in his secondte gional cross commey meet this Saturday in Lubbock and looking mo make his first trip to the Class $5 A$ etate championships.
He's won seven meets this season, and his gold at Saturday's District 1-5A championships led the Troopers to a thard-place team finish. As a sophomore, he pliced no worse than 10th in all his local races.
Considering Pivamicl's success, it's hard to imagine be al most didn't give the sport a chance.
I was a typical meathead. My friends and I had won back-toback foothall championships (at Eastwood Middle School), and we thought we'd be untouchable in high school", said Pivarnick, who also played on a champlonship haskerball team.
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time 1.600 -meter champ as a middie schooler and placed secona ion the 300 -meter hurdles at dlstrici his eighth-grade year
"His middleschool times let me know some of his potential I was pretry perbistent." Mclay said
The coach ried ood final time. and the last-difeh attempt paid off.
"One reme he showed me all of his scholarship letters (from high school while at Hanks). He had them in a big box," Pivarnick recalled. "The last time he tried to convince me, he showed me a box of all his district tegional and stak medals. It was kind of impressive to see all that ${ }^{\text {" }}$
Since then. Pivamich has begus his awn collection of medals Be hals a silver from the 2003 district championships and hopes to add a bigger ano this weckend by itaproving on last ycar's 17th-place regional finish.
"He's a competion. Fe's going to get in that race and he's going to get afferat, which will give him a very good shot, McLall saich.
Pivarnick certurnly has that shot - an opportunity to make even more rumners wish fre'd have stayed on the Poorball field; not listened to his presuasive coachis kepe well clear of treir sport of choice
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