

# Edwardsville cross country girls third at Granite City Sectional, also results from other area teams

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Area girls cross-country teams and individuals took part in the IHSA sectional meets to determine which teams and individuals would reach next Saturday's IHSA state meet at Detweiler Park in Peoria. The top five teams and top seven individuals on non-qualifying teams advanced to the state meet.

Here's a look at Saturday's results:

### **CLASS 3A GRANITE CITY SECTIONAL**

Edwardsville's Abby Korak finished in eighth place with a time of 17:42.88 to help the Tigers to a third-place team finish at the Granite City Sectional at Wilson Park Saturday morning.

Yorkville took the team title with 26 points, led by individual champion Alyssa Edwards; her time of 16:52.00 set a course record by 40 seconds. Minooka was second with 73 points, followed by the Tigers (89), Lockport Township (117) and New Lenox Lincoln-Way Central (126) to round out the qualifying teams; Alton finished 17<sup>th</sup> with 500 points, while Granite City had runners competing as individuals on the day.

In addition to Korak, Melissa Spencer (ninth in 17:42.90), Abby Schrobiligen (14<sup>th</sup> in 18:02.71), Jaycie Hudson (22<sup>nd</sup> in 18:17.78) and Elise Krone (36<sup>th</sup> in 18:45.78) rounded out the scorers for EHS; Hannah Stuart (41<sup>st</sup> in 18:57.13) and Emiley England (55<sup>th</sup> in 19:26.10) also ran for the Tigers on the day.

Jessie Markel led the Redbirds with a 91st-place finish in 20:53.20; she was followed by Ainsley Redman (98<sup>th</sup> in 21:10.57), Lily Crader (99<sup>th</sup> in 21:11.26), Kellie Mans (103<sup>rd</sup> in 21:25.31) and Morgan Rauscher (109<sup>th</sup> in 21:51.83) to round out Alton's scoring, while Emma Vounard took 114<sup>th</sup> in 22:22.25. For the Warriors, Chessy Nikonowicz was 90<sup>th</sup> in 20:19.81, Claire Sykes was 105<sup>th</sup> in 21:03.37 and Emily Johnson was 123<sup>rd</sup> in 21:55.92.

## **CLASS 2A DECATUR MACARTHUR SECTIONAL**

Triad had two top-20 finishes on the day to take fourth as a team to move into the state meet next Saturday at the Decatur MacArthur Sectional at Hickory Point Golf Course in Decatur Saturday morning; Waterloo, led by Jenna Schwartz's 17:20.15 that won her the individual crown, took the team championship with 94 points, followed by Springfield (105), Chatham Glenwood (115), the Knights (116) and Mascoutah (140) to advance to the state meet; Jersey finished 18<sup>th</sup> with 508 points, while Civic Memorial had two runners compete as individuals.

Alyssa Kowalski finished 11<sup>th</sup> for Triad with a time of 18:55, followed by Maddie Keller (16<sup>th</sup> in 19:06), Alyssa Postma (22<sup>nd</sup> in 19:22), Madi Walter (27<sup>th</sup> in 19:36) and Sydney Hartoin (40<sup>th</sup> in 19:52) to round out the scoring; Samantha Kilzer (57<sup>th</sup> in 20:16) and Allison Dempsey (66<sup>th</sup> in 20:40) rounded out the runners for Triad.

## **CLASS 1A CARLINVILLE SECTIONAL**

Roxana finished 12<sup>th</sup> and Metro East Lutheran 21<sup>st</sup> in the Carlinville Sectional at the Macoupin County Fairgrounds Saturday morning and did not advance to the state meet; no individuals also advanced to state as well.

St. Joseph-Ogden took the team title with 56 points, followed by Tolono Unity (59), Champaign St. Thomas More (92), Staunton (100) and Teutopolis (198) all advanced to the state meet as teams; St. Thomas More's Fran Hendrickson took the individual crown in 17:44.05.

Michaela Tarpley led the Shells with a 34th-place finish in 20:14.55; she was followed by Jennifer Palen (55<sup>th</sup> in 21:10.99), Janelynn Werth (65<sup>th</sup> in 21:23.03), Delaney O' Donnell (91<sup>st</sup> in 25:20.14) and Bailey Isom (89<sup>th</sup> in 22:40.37) to round out the scoring; Jaidyn Peebles (101<sup>st</sup> in 23:21.68) and Victoria Tarpley (106<sup>th</sup> in 23:39.73) rounded out the scoring.

MEL was led by TeAunte Neal (97<sup>th</sup> in 23:15.84), with Olivia Badalamente (108th in 23:43.87), Morgan Ashauer (115<sup>th</sup> in 24:15.99), Angela Gausmann (127<sup>th</sup> in 25:28.40) and Mackenzie Westhoff (134<sup>th</sup> in 28:05.37) rounding out the MEL scoring; Mackenzie Jungeberg (13<sup>th</sup> in 28:42.05) also ran for the Knights.



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