

Cougar News

October 29, 2018

Coaching Positons:

The boys' 5th/6th and 7th/8th grade basketball teams will start practice today. However, coaches are still needed for the teams to be able to continue their seasons. WCA has a great group of boys that is energetic and eager to work hard! If you or someone you know is qualified and interested please email the Athletic Department at wcacougars1@yahoo.com or call the office at 517-437-2000 to set up an interview. Go, Cougars!

Basketball start dates:

- 5th/6th grade boys' first practice will be on Monday, October 29th from 3:30 – 5:00 P.M.
- 7th/8th grade boys' first practice will be on Monday, October 29th from 3:30 – 5:30 P.M.
- Varsity boys' first practice will be on Monday, November 5th from 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
- Varsity girls' first practice will be on Monday, November 12th from 6:00 – 7:40 A.M.
- 5th/6th grade girls' first practice will be on Monday, January 7th from 3:30 – 5:00 P.M.
- 7th/8th grade girls' first practice will be on Monday, January 7th from 3:30 – 5:30 P.M.

Please, be sure your son/daughter has his/her updated physical health form turned into the office before the first day of practice. The 7th/8th grade and varsity teams are required to wear their PE uniform for each and every practice. If additional uniforms need to be ordered, please contact Mrs. Arnold as soon as possible with your order.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to *Evan Randall* for earning his place at the MHSAA State Championship this coming Saturday at the Michigan International Speedway!

Thank you, senior fall student-athletes, for your dedication and hard work while representing your school!

Alexis Donahue – Cross Country, *Mary Harman* – Volleyball, *Robert Jackson* – Football, *Jon Lehman* – Soccer,

Alyssa Phillips – Cross Country, *Evan Randall* – Cross Country, *Lacy Saunders* – Soccer, *Marcus Scrivens* – Soccer, *Annabelle Springborn* – Volleyball, *Nick Todd* – Cross Country, *Ruben Vlad* – Soccer

On the Cougar calendar:

Tuesday, October 23rd:

- Varsity volleyball in the MHSAA District Tournament at Hillsdale Academy taking on Pittsford at 7:00 P.M.

Saturday, November 3rd:

- Varsity cross country's *Evan Randall* competing in the MHSAA State Championship at Michigan International Speedway at 9:00 A.M.

The week of October 22nd in review:

On Tuesday, the varsity volleyball team traveled to Tekonsha. After the game Coach Dryer stated, “The Lady Cougars fell short of a win against the Indians. Final scores were 17-25, 23-25 and 23-25. Although the ladies were able to keep the scores close we really struggled with fluency when receiving the ball and getting it properly to the setter. That first pass is imperative to our offense. Without a strong defense we cannot execute our attack. We had very few successful hits throughout the night and ultimately that, along with low communication, is what cost the team a win. We have to keep working towards confidence during competition. They have the tools and the talent is there but, commanding their court is their challenge. We’ll keep pushing forward because that’s what we do!

On Friday, the 7th/8th grade volleyball team played at home taking on Jackson Preparatory. After the game Coach Crowder stated, “We wanted to finish our last season game strong and we did just that with a 25-10, 25-15, and 15-7 win over Jackson Preparatory. The girls fought through emotions and really showed up to play. Rianna Vincent and Shae Arnold served well over 10 aces a piece between the three sets and were 99% on the serving line. Faith Miller and Lexus McCallister both had a couple strong hits along with Rianna playing strong at the net. I could list something great each girl did during this game because they all played so well! I cannot believe our season has come to an end. I couldn't be more proud of my girls and I'm so very thankful for the season we had together. These girls will always be my “goldfish” girls and will forever hold a tender spot in my heart. Thank you girlies for such a great volleyball season!”

On Friday, the varsity volleyball team played at home taking on Jackson Preparatory. Coach Dryer stated after the game, “The end of season has come with a lot of obstacles for our small team. From injury to absence and the addition of adding a libero, we haven’t had the needed time to settle into new rotations. Although the Cougars put up a good fight we did fall short of the win. There were many exceptional volleys throughout the three set match but service errors and communication really hindered our scoreboard. Final scores for the night were 13-25, 21-25, 15-25.

On Saturday, the varsity cross country team competed in the MHSAA Regionals at Hudson. The team ran hard and was competitive. Most had personal records for their times on the course! Crossing the finish line and earning the ticket to the MHSAA State Championship was Evan Randall! Congratulations Evan, your Cougar Nation is proud of you!

Sincerely,
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