Women's Cross Country 2020-21 Recaps

Cross Country NJCAA 2020 National Championship hosted by Iowa Central Community College

November 14, 2020 @ 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Women's team finishes 12th in nation

The Jayhawk Cross-Country teams wrapped up the 2020 season at the NJCAA D2 National Championship in Fort Dodge, IA.

The Women's team finished in 12th place overall, led by Macy Whipple (Oakridge HS) who finished 39th in 21:01. The 12th place finish was an improvement on the 13th place ranking going into the meet. Also scoring for the Jayhawks was Faith Clark (Fruitport HS), Elizabeth Sible (Kent City HS), Hannah Finkler (Reeths-Puffer HS), and Alyssa Hussey (Reeths-Puffer HS).

"We feel really fortunate that we were able to complete a season safely in 2020", said Head Coach Mike Smith. "Because of the circumstances, both teams grew very close." Coach Smith continued, "I would like to extend a special thank you to Assistant Coach Katie Alfredson for taking such a positive leadership role and being a mentor to the athletes."

Cross Country MCCAA Championship & NJCAA Region XII hosted by Lansing Community College

October 31, 2020 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

The Muskegon Community College Cross Country teams competed in the NJCAA Region XII Meet at Grand Woods Park in Lansing, MI.

The Women's Team matched their ranking by placing 4th in the D2 race. They finished with two runners earning All-Region honors; freshman Macy Whipple (Oakridge HS) who finished in 5th place with a 21:01, and freshman Faith Clark (Fruitport HS) in 16th place at 21:56. Also scoring for the Jayhawks were freshman Elizabeth Sible (Kent City HS) in 22nd (22:08), sophomore Hannah Finkler (Reeths-Puffer HS) in 25th (22:21), and freshman Kaylin Meyers (Mona Shores HS) in 44th (26:22).

The next race for the Jayhawks will be at the NJCAA D2 Nationals in Fort Dodge, IA on November 14. The women will try to crack the top 20 ranking.

Cross Country-Jayhawk Invitational

October 17, 2020 @ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

A total of 24 teams, along with many unattached runners, competed in the Jayhawk Invitational on Saturday at University Park Golf Course. Calvin College won both team titles.

The Muskegon Community College women's team finished in 8th place, paced by Macy Whipple (Oakridge HS) who ran a 20:40, good for 19th overall. Also scoring for the women's team were Faith Clark (Fruitport HS in 22:06), Elizabeth Sible (Kent City HS in 22:14), Hannah Finkler (Reeths-Puffer HS in 22:25), and Alyssa Hussey (Reeths-Puffer HS in 27:22).

The Jayhawks will compete again on Saturday, 10/31 in the NJCAA Region XII meet at Grand Woods Park in Lansing, MI.

Cross Country at Firebird Invitational hosted by Kirtland Community College October 2, 2020 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

The Muskegon Community College Cross Country teams raced their third meet of the 2020 season at Kirkland Community College on the hilly Hanson Hills ski resort. The women's team finished 6th.

The women's team was paced once again by Macy Whipple (Oakridge HS), who finished in 21:47, good for 10th place. The team was missing two key scorers, however the remaining team stepped it up and raced well. Hannah Finkler (Reeths-Puffer HS) was the next Jayhawk across the line in 23:04, good for 22nd place. Also having strong races on this challenging course was Alyssa Hussey (Reeths-Puffer HS) in 45th and Kaylin Meyers (Mona Shores HS in 46th. Finishing out the scoring was Nena Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) in 54th.

The next competition for the Jayhawks will be Saturday, 10/17 when they host the Jayhawk Invitational at University Park Golf Course.

Cross Country at Jackson College Jets Classic

September 26, 2020 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

The Jayhawk Cross Country Teams traveled to Jackson College for their second meet of the season. The women finished in 4th place.

The Women's team stayed consistent in their season with another 4th place finish. Freshman Macy Whipple (Oakridge HS) lead the team with a fine 9th place finish. Sophomore Hannah Finkler (Reeths-Puffer HS), Freshman Elizabeth Sible (Kent City HS) and Freshman Faith Clark (Fruitport HS) were the next three Jayhawks across the finish line. Wrapping up the scoring for MCC were three more freshman, Kaylin Meyers (Mona Shores HS), Nena Williams (Reeths-Puffer HS) and Alyssa Hussey (Reeths-Puffer HS)

The Jayhawks will take a color tour trip up to Grayling on Friday, 10/2 to race at the Kirkland Firebird Invitational.

Cross Country at Skippers Invitational hosted by St. Clair County Community College

September 4, 2020 @ 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Jayhawk Women finish 4th

The Jayhawk Cross-Country team traveled to Marysville for their first competition of the 2020 season. Nine full teams and a few more partial teams participated on the windy course along the St. Clair River.

The women's team finished 4th overall, only one point away from third place finish. Running a very courageous race from the front in her first college meet was Macy Whipple (Fr/Oakridge HS) 21:13.8 with a 3rd place finish. Hannah Finkler (So/Reeths-Puffer HS) 22;29.3 was second for the team and earning her first ever collegiate medal. Also scoring for the team and pushing hard in their first collegiate races were Faith Clark (Fr/Fruitport HS) 23:09.5, Elizabeth Sible

(Fr/Kent City HS) 23:34.5, Kaylin Meyers (Fr/Mona Shores HS) 30:07.8, and Alyssa Hussey (Fr/Reeths-Puffer HS) 30:48.2.

The Jayhawks return to competition on Saturday, 9/26 at the Jackson College Jets Classic.