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## MSHS Cross Country teams compete at Richard Spring Invitational



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It can be said, Mahomet-Seymour's boys' crosscountry runners did their best on Saturday at the Richard Spring Invitational, at Peoria's Detweiler Park.

All 16 Bulldogs who ran registered season-best 3-mile times. Thirteen of them produced lifetime bests.

The youth on the team prompted coach Neal Garrison to enter a number of his typical varsity runners in the 359-runner freshmen-sophomore race.

Kyle Nofziger was the third-place finisher, running the 3-mile course in 15 minutes, 51.1 seconds. His time was the 14th fastest by any M-S sophomore at any race in the 50-year history of the program.

M-S placed 16th in the freshmen-sophomore standings with 445 points. Meet champion Deerfield had 88 points.

Other Bulldog entries were Joseph Scheele (23rd in 16:26.3), Hayden Grotelueschen (94th in 17:13.8), Josh Wilcoski (137th in 17:40.5), Jonah Singer (190th in 18:08.8), Taylor Fan (191st in 18:09.0) and Gage Williams (197th in 18:15.8).

In the vareity race M-S didn't have enough runners to



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be scored as a team.

The Bulldogs' competitors were Joe Taylor (283rd in 17:23.5), David Wilcoski (332nd in 17:53.6) and Caleb Dowers (336th in 17:55.4). There were 446 runners in the varsity race.

In the 673-runner open division, M-S' Ben Wallace was 199th in 18:39.8.

Other teammates in that race were Karsten Waisath (206th in 18:44.1), Chase Misenheimer (386th in 20:24.4), John Tender (403rd in 20:38.8), Avery Seaman (512th in 21:52.1) and Alex Carpenter (619th in 24:03.2).

M-S ended 34th in the open race with 994 points. Meet champion Elmhurst York had a score of 63.

Squad members who achieved their career-best 3-mile times were Carpenter, Dowers, Fan,
Grotelueschen, Misenheimer, Nofziger, Scheele, Taylor,
Tender, Waisath, Wallace, Josh Wilcoski and Williams.

Seaman made his season debut, running with a cast on his arm. Carpenter was running his first competitive 3-mile race.

M-S will return to action on Tuesday, Oct. 15 in the Apollo Conference meet at Lake of the Woods.