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Here are highlights from the IHSA Class 2A Boys Regional Meets based off the overall results submitted to the IHSA.

Olney Richland County Sectional

Taylorville Regional

Chris Cherry of Taylorville used a final kick to hold off Mahomet-Seymour's **Kyle Nofziger** to win the regional title by three seconds in running 15:35. Mattoon's **Brock Davee** was the only runner under 16-minutes in this race. Mahomet-Seymour was helped by a 2-4 finish from Nofziger and Joseph Scheele, then relied on a good 3-5 pack to help them win the team title with 48 points. That pack started with **Jonah Singer** (13) followed by **Taylor Fan** and **Joe Taylor** all finishing within five seconds of each other. The Bulldogs' top five split was 79 seconds. Richland County, led by a sixth-place finish from **Gavin Kirby**, placed second with 75 points. Champaign Central (87 points), Mattoon (113 points), and Urbana (131 points) also advanced week to Olney. Taylorville missed advancing by three points, Champaign Centennial by nine points.

Highland Regional

Mascoutah put five runners in the first 14 with a 45 second split on the group to help them win the regional championship with 50 points. Lance Miller led his team with a fourth-place finish. Marion had a strong effort to finish second (70 points). Carbondale (94 points), Troy Triad (124 points), and Highland (134 points) were the other team sectional qualifiers. **Alex Partlow** of Carbondale ran 15:17 to capture the individual title. Marion freshman **Dylon Nailey** was 12 seconds back finishing in second (15:29). **Tucker Poshard** of Carbondale (15:40), Mascoutah's **Lance Miller** (15:46), and **Joe Schwartz** of Waterloo (15:55) rounded out the top five.

Jacksonville Regional

The results from this regional demonstrate why Chatham-Glenwood is still the top Class 2A team in the state. The Titans only scored 20 points to win the team title. Glenwood had five runners in the top five led by the individual win from **Aidan Peterson**. It came down to a three runner pack in the front with Peterson having the advantage in the end. The senior ran 15:21 for the win two seconds ahead of his teammate **Thomas Herbst** and another second ahead of Rochester's **Matt Herren**. **Samson Dessalines** (4th), **Cameron Smith** (6th), and **Drew Verenski** (7th) rounded out their top five runners with only a 29 second split. Rochester (80 points) and Springfield (86 points) finished second and third. Lincoln and Bethalto Civic Memorial were the other sectional qualifiers.

Peoria Notre Dame Sectional

Morris Regional

Lemont placed four runners in the top eight and ahead of Geneseo's second runner and pack. It helped them score 35 points to win ahead of Geneseo's 45 point total. Lemont had a 71 second split on their top five, but only 34 seconds on the first four. Geneseo's **William Plumley** ran 16:15 to win by just a second ahead of **Nicholas Kania** of Lemont. **Ryan Hartman** of LaSalle-Peru was another 11 seconds behind in third (16:27) just ahead of Lemont's **TJ Polen** (16:28) and **Matt Clark** of Morris (16:30). Geneseo had five in the top 14 with a 60 second split on their group. The split from their second to fifth runners was only 21 seconds. Morris (72 points), LaSalle-Peru (111 points), and Marian Catholic (145 points) advanced to next week's sectional at Detweiller Park.

Metamora Regional

It was a tactical race with **Wilson Georges** of Bartonville Limestone and **Ian O'Laughlin** of Metamora running stride by stride matching moves. It was Georges who had the final move as he ran 14:43 for the win edging O'Laughlin by two seconds. Morton's **Josh Weeks** ran 15:07 to finish third. Morton edged Metamora 42 to 48 for the regional title. Morton placed four runners in the top 10, five runners in the top 16 to seal the win. Their top five split was 63 seconds. Metamora placed five runners in the top 17 with an 85 second split off the O'Laughlin finish. Peoria Notre Dame (99 points), Normal University (118 points), and Bartonville Limestone (131 points) finished third to fifth qualifying for next weekend's sectional meet.

Chicago Agricultural Science Regional

Brother Rice edged HL Richards 31 to 36 for the regional team title behind the 1-2 finish from **Eddie Burke** and **Mikey Corcoran**. Burke's winning time of 15:48 was 14 seconds ahead of teammate Corcoran. **David Olmos** of HL Richards ran 16:10 to finish third. Bremen (88 points), Oak Forest (104 points), and Evergreen Park (113 points) were the other three sectional qualifiers.

Lake Villa Lakes Community Sectional

Antioch Regional

A young regional race with the top four finishers underclassmen and two of them freshmen. **Bryan Vale** of Grayslake Central is having a good junior season. He continued it Saturday by running 15:54 for the individual win. Prairie Ridge freshman **Will Gelon** ran 15:56 to finish second. Vale's freshman teammate **Trey Sato** ran 16:09 to finish third. The 1-3 finish helped Grayslake Central win the regional title with 47 points and five runners in the top 23. Vernon Hills, led by the fifth-place finish from **Alex Utsis**, scored 65 points to finish second. Lakes Community (76 points), Prairie Ridge (108 points), and Wauconda (146 points) were the final three teams to advance to next week's sectional back on this course. Grayslake North missed qualifying by seven points while Antioch missed by ten points.

Belvidere Sectional

Crystal Lake Central had the edge with four runners in the top ten and their top five within the first 16. The Tigers scored 39 points while running 71 seconds on their scorers. The first four split was 53 seconds. Woodstock (69 points) and Belvidere North (88 points). It was close for the final two sectional spots. Marengo (120 points) and Freeport (132 points). Crystal Lake South missed by four points. Boylan Catholic missed by eight points. **Peter Walsdorf** of Marian Central Catholic will enter next week's sectional race as the favorite. The senior ran 15:13 winning by 31 seconds ahead of Crystal Lake Central's **Karson Hollander**. **Luke Chaffin** of Marengo and **Aidan Schleutermann** of Woodstock with both timed at 15:45.

Kaneland Regional

Defending 2A state champion Kaneland defended their course winning this regional with 63 points. Two points separated the next three teams with Burlington Central (78 points), Hampshire (79 points), and Sycamore (80 points) finishing in that order. Marmion Academy (112) was the final qualifying team. Kaneland placed five runners in the top 18 led by the third place finish from **Isaiah Dallal**. The split from Dallal to fifth runner **Logan Cunz** was 47 seconds. **Cadyn Grafton** of Dixon ran 15:38 to win the regional title. Notably absent was his teammate **Brock Drengenberg** who apparently did not run. Last year's fourth-place 2A state finisher ran the week before at the Big Northern Conference Meet crossing the line with his teammate Grafton together. Isai Morales of Hampshire ran 15:50 to finish second just ahead of Kaneland's Dallal (15:54).

Chicago Latin School Sectional

Wheaton St. Francis Regional

Benet Academy used a second-place finish from **Niklas Anderson** and then an eight second split from their second through fifth runners to help them win the regional title with 35 points. The Redwings placed five runners in the top ten. St. Francis, led by the third-place finish from **Luke Orwig**, scored 53 points to finish second. Fenwick, paced by a 4-5 finish from **Zac Daley** and **Grayden Rill**, scored 62 points to finish third. Glenbard South (98 points) and Hinsdale South (102 points) finished fourth and fifth. **Julian Watson** of Hinsdale South was the regional champion running 16:00 winning by eight seconds ahead of Benet's Anderson.

Chicago St. Ignatius Prep Regional

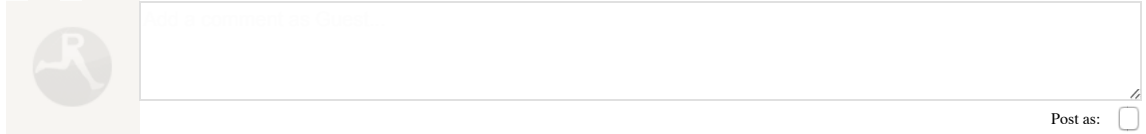
It was a sweep for host St. Ignatius Saturday afternoon at Lincoln Park. They claimed the first seven spots for the win with a perfect 15 points. Twin brothers **Zach** and **Nick Kiley** finished within a second of each other with Zach getting the win in 15:54. The top five split for the team was only 20 seconds. Payton Prep (58 points) finished second followed by Solorio Academy (83 points), Lindblom (143 points), and Mt. Carmel (154 points). De La Salle Institute missed making sectionals by seven points.

Chicago Mather Regional

St. Viator, led by the individual win by **Michael Schumacher**, won the regional championship with 55 points. Schumacher's time of 15:29 was just five seconds ahead of second-place **Yasir Hirsi** of Mather. Niles Notre Dame finished second (70 points) ahead of Mather (75 points), Senn (89 points), and St. Patrick (138 points) advance to the Lincoln Park Sectional next Saturday.

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