

The IHSA Boys State Championship Served Up In A Snap



IHSA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

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1A Was Filled With Excitement-

Going into the year the 1A Boys race was filled with question marks. For the first time since 2013, we did not have a returning runner in 1A that ran 14:30 the year prior. The fans came in expecting a battle between seniors **Christopher Collet** of Seneca and **Garrett Dixon** of Monticello and it turned out to be that way here. The two went through the first mile around 4:50 and the second mile in 9:50. In the next half-mile, Dixon would fade after his surges to rid Collet failed. Collet ended up putting 11 seconds on Dixon in the last half mile to take home his first state title and winning in 14:45. Dixon settled for the runner-up spot in 14:56. The battle for third through fifth was quite a distance behind for throughout the race. Robinson junior **Negus Bogard** held on for third in 15:06. Senior **Jackson Stewart** of Decatur (St. Teresa) took fourth in 15:07. Junior **Dawson Smith** of Rock Falls held on strong against several foes to close out the top five in 15:10.

The battle for the three-team trophies had a different outcome than some expected. #1 Clifton Central was the favorite to walk away with the team title, but many thought it would be a close battle between them and #2 Monticello. Unfortunately, the Sages had to settle for third. That wasn't the case with the Comets easily defeating the Owls by 50 points. They were challenged by #3 Elmwood only beating them by four points to take home the program's first title.

TEAM SCORES

PLACE	TEAM	POINTS	SCORERS	TIMES
1	Central High School (Clifton)	139	9+10+23+45+52 (101+107)	0:49 1-5 Split 15:42 Avg

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2	Elmwood High School	143	17+19+30+37+40 (54+92)	0:22 1-5 Split 15:47 Avg
3	Monticello High School	189	2+41+42+43+61 (73+99)	1:19 1-5 Split 15:50 Avg
4	Stanford Olympia High School	219	32+35+38+44+70 (75+133)	0:29 1-5 Split 16:00 Avg
5	Urbana University High School	226	14+31+33+46+102 (108+138)	1:22 1-5 Split 16:00 Avg



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2A Winners Turned Out To Be How Many Predicted It-

Coming into the year there were only two boys in the individual race for and their names were senior **Mathias Powell** of Mahomet-Seymour and junior **Adam Gilbreath-Glaub** of Metamora. After an early-season illness to Gilbreath-Glaub, it opened the door for Powell to be the clear favorite for the title and as soon as the race started it was academic. Powell stayed back with the pack for just a mile that rolled through in 4:50. Soon after things began to change when he shifted gears and pulled away from the field to win in a personal best 14:31. Runner-up junior **Nathan Schmitt** of Lake Forest took second in 14:47. The standout senior admitted to not knowing much about the new classification coming into the season. However, he was grateful for the placement as he held off junior **Anthony Farmer** of Burlington Central, junior **Charlie Smith** of Antioch, and senior **Nick Doud** of Bloomington. These five were the only ones to break 15:00.

#1 Chatham-Glenwood survived one of the highest winning point finals in recent history to down #2 Springfield 153-161. Bloomington rounded out the team trophy winners in third with a total of 167.

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PLACE	TEAM	POINTS	SCORERS	TIMES
1	Chatham-Glenwood High School	153	4+9+19+39+82 (90+140)	1:13 1-5 Split 15:33 Avg
2	Springfield High School	161	6+23+26+41+65 (115+152)	0:58 1-5 Split 15:38 Avg
3	Bloomington High School	167	3+20+25+46+73 (97+126)	1:13 1-5 Split 15:37 Avg
4	Kaneland High School	168	5+15+45+48+55 (78+84)	0:50 1-5 Split 15:37 Avg
5	Dixon High School	176	8+10+28+53+77 (98+128)	1:03 1-5 Split 15:38 Avg

3A Was The Race Of The Day-

With no definitive favorite coming into the state meet as in past years, the unknown entity added some excitement. There were as many as five names with a legitimate opportunity to take home the prize. The first mile was about as quick as any this season opening in 4:39-4:40 for the leaders. Senior **Tommy Brady** of Maine South led as expected and junior **Josh Methner** of Hersey tagged along. Though there was a strong pack early on, by two miles it was a two-man race between Brady and Methner. They were clear of the field through two miles in 9:27. Methner would get the best of Brady again and more importantly win his first state title in 14:11. Chicago Whitney Young senior **Sam Rivera** took second in 14:24. Downers Grove North senior **Jack Roberts** zipped past a few runners just before the finish line to finish in fourth ahead of senior **Rory Cavan** of Glenbard West 14:29.88-14:29.98

The team race was what was expected with #1 Wheaton Warrenville South coming out on top with a score of 116 points. #3 Hersey came in second place with a score of 156 points and #6 Neuqua Valley surprised many by taking third with a total of 159 points.

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1	Wheaton Warrenville South High School	116	6+10+11+44+45 (53+118)	0:37 1-5 Split 14:50 Avg

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2	Hersey High School	156	1+15+22+42+76 (149+163)	1:09 1-5 Split 14:51 Avg
3	Neuqua Valley High School	159	14+16+20+40+69 (87+135)	0:32 1-5 Split 14:56 Avg
4	York High School	185	7+21+32+47+78 (134+150)	0:49 1-5 Split 14:59 Avg
5	St. Charles East High School	187	17+18+29+50+73 (74+89)	0:28 1-5 Split 15:01 Avg

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