

## PRESS RELEASE

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## **Oldham Co. Kickoff Meet**

The Running Titans traveled to Eastern H.S. on Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> to complete in the Oldham Co. Kickoff Classic. The boys finished 13<sup>th</sup> out of 19 teams with 12 points. The Titans got fourth place finishes from senior Kiya Langford in the 800 (2:05.85) and junior Jack Fuhrmann in the 3200 (PR 10:50.62). Sophomore Chase Delaney finished fourth in the 3200 with a 10:54.01 PR. Sophomore Nathan Janes cleared nine feet in the pole vault for fifth place and freshman Jacob Kimbler tied his PR at 5-4 to finish seventh in the high jump.



Jack Fuhrmann en-route to a personal record (PR) in the 3200 at the Oldham Co. Kickoff Classic.

The Collins' girls scored 36 points to finish sixth out of 17 teams due to a strong field event showing. Senior Makayla Wilson finished fifth in both the shot put and discus. Her discus throw of 95-3 upped her own school record by almost four feet. Eighth-grader Faith Nelson upped her PR in the triple jump going 30-7 for fourth place and the number six mark in Collins history. Sophomore Claire Turpen put up the number seven mark in Collins history as she sailed over a PR 4-6 to place seventh in the high jump.





*Faith Nelson executes the jump phase in the triple jump at the Oldham Co. Kickoff Meet. Nelson got a PR in the event.* 



Claire Turpen clears a PR 4-6 for seventh place in the high jump.

On the running side, the girls got points from three athletes and a relay team. Freshman Ziara Taylor scored a PR with the number seven time in Collins history of 54.08 in the 300 hurdles to finish second. Sophomore Emma Kendall was another second place finisher for Collins. She went 5:28 in the 1600. Sophomore Katelynn Gaddis got her career second best time by going 12:30.38 in the 3200 for fourth place. The girls' 4 X 400 relay team of freshmen Sofia Leon and Maleah Wilson, Nelson, and Kendall ran an exciting race. Kendall took the baton for anchor leg about eight meters down on nemesis Tula Fawbush of Oldham Co. Kendall stalked Fawbush all the way down the backstretch. Then she let it rip going into



the final curve and passed Fawbush at the top of the curve with 150 meters to go. Kendall held off Fawbush down the homestretch to give the Titans second place with a 4:28.35 clocking which is the second best outdoor time in school history.



Ziara Taylor ran a PR in the 300 hurdles for a second place finish.

Titan Head Coach George Sanderlin said, "We had many PRs today. Just watching our girls execute on the 4 X 4 with our eighth grader Faith closing the gap on third leg and Emma's terrific anchor just shows how hard these girls have been working. There's still a lot left in the tank."

The Running Titans' will host the Bojangles Bullskin Relays on April 1<sup>st</sup> which will be the *KYMileSplit Meet of the Week* with a live broadcast. Field events start at 10:00 with running events at 12:45 PM. The meet will feature a "first-ever in Kentucky HS track & field" – a mascot 50 yard dash.

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