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Shelby County Inv.

The Collins cross country team traveled across the county to compete in the Shelby County Invitational on their course on Sept. 3rd. The girls put all five scorers in the top thirty to finish second out of ten teams with 89 points. They were 31 points behind the winner and perennial powerhouse Lexington Catholic. The boys did not field a scoring team with some running the JV race instead.

For the girls, sophomore Katelynn Gaddis was the first Titan across the line in 22:28 for the 5K race to finish 14th. Freshman Sophie Bolin shaved over three minutes off her time last year going 22:40 to place 15th. Sophomores Grace Nelson (26th) and Michele Burgess (28th) teamed with junior Laura Vidourek (27th) to round out the Titan scoring.



(Photo – S. White)

Katelynn Gaddis finishes the 5K varsity race at the Shelby Co. Inv. on Sept. 3rd.



(Photo – S. White)

Sophie Bolin finishes strong at the Shelby Co. Inv.

On the boys' side, the top Titan was sophomore Nathan Janes who finished 12th in 18:33. Junior Eli Moreno (20th) was the next Titan across the finish line. Sophomore Chase Delaney, who blasted his personal best by 21 seconds finished 29th in 19:27.



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Nathan Janes at the one mile mark at the Shelby Co. Inv.



Eighth grader Reece Delaney got under the 20-minute mark in his high school 5K debut as he won the junior varsity race in a very respectable 19:50. Freshman George Diakhate was sixth in the JV race.



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Reece Delaney (300) shows relaxed confidence as he battled the entire race with Butler sophomore Matthew Mattingly (232) in the JV race. Delaney won out in the end when it counted as he finished ahead of Mattingly by six seconds.

Head Coach George Sanderlin said, "Even though we had several runners out, we had a good showing for our first meet. Our athletes who ran in the JV Reece Delaney, George Diakhate, and Grace White all placed well. That should give them the confidence they need to race strongly in our next races."

The Running Titans travel to the Creasy Mahon Nature Preserve in Goshen on Sept. 10th to compete in the Rumble Through the Jungle Invitational.

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