

# Sports Update for the Week of Nov. 1, 2021

## Cross Country

*Dual District Champions!*

The Boys and Girls team rolled at the Wes-King District Championship at Lakewood HS on Oct 30<sup>th</sup>. BOTH Boys and Girls team took home 1<sup>st</sup> place and punched their tickets to the 4A State Championship in Pasco on Nov 6<sup>th</sup>. This is the **first time in school history** both Boys and Girls teams have won Districts in the same year. It is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time ever for the Boys team and 5<sup>th</sup> time for the Girls squad.

### **Girls Team**

The Girls came in tight favorites squaring off against the best the Kingco and Wesco league had to offer including State ranked #8 Issaquah, #9 Skyline, #10 Mt Si, and #12 Lake Stevens. The girls got out fast the first mile and never looked back, putting 4 in the top 11 places and 6 in the top 28, winning with only 52 points head of Issaquah and Skyline both with 78 points. With the Wolves super frosh leading the way finishing as Eastlake top 3 runners. With **Jane & Sally Roos** crossing the line side by side in a photo finish! EHS was represent by **Fiona Wolf 18:23 (3<sup>rd</sup>)**, **Sally Roos 18:52 (7<sup>th</sup>)**, **Jane Roos 18:52 (8<sup>th</sup>)**, **Alyssa Flindt 18:58 (11<sup>th</sup>)**, **Claudia Wolf 19:32 (23<sup>rd</sup>)**, **Ashley Lotzkar 19:39 (28<sup>th</sup>)**, **Erin Schmidlin 20:56 (47<sup>th</sup>)**.

### **Boys Team**

The Boys team race was as tight as any race can be. Coming off their stellar 3<sup>rd</sup> place Kingco finish, the Wes-King Boys Championship race featured many of the State's best teams, including #4 Issaquah, #5 Woodinville, and #11 Newport. **Ethan Pedersen** put on the running clinic breaking away from the field to easily win his 2<sup>nd</sup> Championship in as many weeks, finishing 1<sup>st</sup> in 15:27. The rest of the race would be an epic battle coming down to the final kicks in the last 200m between Eastlake and Issaquah. The announcers held the drama as they announced an TIE for 1<sup>st</sup> place between the two schools. In XC a tie is broken by the #6 runner from each team with the win going to the team with the higher placing 6<sup>th</sup> runner. The Wolves **Chris Lynn**, the birthday boy himself, finish a mere 6 places ahead of the Issaquah 6<sup>th</sup> man and secured Eastlake the victory over the Eagles. The Wolves were represented by: **Ethan Pedersen 15:27 (1<sup>st</sup>)**, **Noah Zahn 16:10 (7<sup>th</sup>)**, **Daniel Montano 16:32 (17<sup>th</sup>)**, **Justin Hom 16:41 (23<sup>rd</sup>)**, **Connor Hom 16:47 (31<sup>st</sup>)**, **Chris Lynn 16:50 (33<sup>rd</sup>)**, **Quinn Hulet 17:19 (50<sup>th</sup>)**.

Good luck at State on Saturday to the Cross Country Team!!

## Junior Varsity Football

JV Football at Bothell High School

November 1st

Bothell 25, Eastlake 17

The Wolves JV Football team traveled to Bothell High School for the 2nd time this year in their last contest of the season.

With the big varsity win fresh in their minds, the JV came out sluggish against the Cougars, falling behind 10-0 at halftime. After the coaches let the players stew at halftime, the team came out playing harder in the 3rd quarter. Junior running back Ben Carollo got things rolling with a tackle-breaking touchdown run. Later in the half sophomore running back Asir Jackson broke a run near the goal line. Sophomore

kicker Alex Dreher knocked through a field goal to tie the game 10-10. Bothell retook the lead but Ryder Jacobson found a weaving and stiff-arming Brady DiRamio for a long completion into the red zone. A few snaps later, Jacobson hit Jack Morgan with a touchdown pass to close the gap once again. Bothell scored one more time to pull ahead for good with the final score 25-17.

With the loss the JV Wolves ended their season 7-1. More important, the JV Wolves played deep in their roster every game. With so many players getting live game experience, the Wolves built depth and experience in advance of the varsity playoffs.

### **Girls Soccer**

Eastlake Soccer headed into the first round of District playoffs on Friday against Glacier Peak. The Wolves came out hot and didn't look back. Maia Tabion scored a hat trick on three beautiful crosses from Morgan Young and Lauren Lester into the box. This 3-0 win kept them in the winners bracket and gave Eastlake a chance at revenge against the rivals up the hill.

On Tuesday night, the Wolves traveled to Skyline in a winner to state game. Early in the game, Maia Tabion drew and made a penalty kick giving Eastlake a 1-0 lead. However, with just minutes left in the first half, Skyline scored the equalizer. Both teams battled in the second half and at the end of regulation stayed tied sending them into a Golden Goal overtime and potential Penalty Kicks. The Wolves and Spartans battled back and forth and both had chances to put the ball away. With about 30 seconds left in the game, the Wolves capitalized with a cross from Morgan Young to Maia Tabion to put the ball in the back of the net to excitedly end the game. This game propelled the Wolves to state and gave them a chance to compete for the District Championship.

On Thursday, the Wolves headed to Issaquah to play for the championship. Jaelyn Byeman got an early goal for the Wolves, putting one in the back of the net off a Kira Prologo free kick. Issaquah got the equalizer at the end of the first half. The Eagles went up in the second half and scored two more goals giving them a 3-1 lead with 17 minutes left in the game. The Wolves were far from giving up and threw everything they had up top to get as many chances as they could at the goal. Jaelyn Byeman notched her second goal with an absolute rocket in the corner leaving the Wolves still down by one. With 4 minutes left in the game, Kayla Smith sent in a beautiful ball to Maia Tabion who turned at the 6 yard box and slotted the ball in the corner to tie it up 3-3. With the energy and momentum on Eastlake's side, the Wolves continued to fight. Maia Tabion got the ball with less than 2 minutes left and took a shot at the goal. The Eagle's keeper bobbled the ball and it skirted into the goal. The Wolves were up 4-3 and held on to win the District Championship! Truly a game for the ages.

The Wolves will play their first State game (round of 16) next week on Tuesday or Wednesday. Opponent and Location are TBD.  
Go Wolves!!

### **Volleyball**

#### **Varsity**

The Varsity Wolves Volleyball team finished the regular season tied with Skyline for the final spot from the Crest Division in the KingCo Tournament. That necessitated a best of 3 tie-breaker/loser out match on Saturday morning. The Wolves got out to a quick start winning the first set 25-21, but the Spartans picked up their play winning the second set 14-25. In a back

and forth deciding set the Wolves were able to capitalize on some timely defense and serving to secure a place in the KingCo Tournament 25-20. Sophomore Setter Lindsey Desai led the Wolves with 4 aces, and Senior Middle Hitter led the team with 9 kills on 18 attacks. Outside Hitters Nora Myre (Junior) and Ella Neubauer (Freshman) chipped in 7 kills each, while Sophomore Libero Jess Martin paced the defense with 17 digs.

Immediately after their tie-breaker win the Wolves faced the Bothell Cougars in the first round of the KingCo Tournament. Though the Wolves lost in 3 sets (24-26, 19-25, 21-25) they made the hosts work for their wins. Junior Defensive Specialist Rachael Carey led the team with 3 aces against Bothell, while Junior Right Side Derin Yilmaz and Sophomore Middle Hitter Krista Kostoff tallied 2 stuff blocks each.

After the loss, the Wolves played Inglemoor in a loser out match. Eastlake was up to the challenge in their third match of the day winning in 4 sets (25-15, 25-14, 22-25, 25-13). Jess Martin served an amazing 8 aces with Freshman Setter Ali Phipps serving 5 of her own. Kostoff and Neubauer each had 9 kills while Brandt had 6.

Eastlake played its next KingCo Tournament match against North Creek on Tuesday night. In an extremely close match that lasted almost 3 hours the Wolves came up short 31-29, 22-25, 19-25 and 24-26. Nora Myre had 15 kills, Finley Johnson had 14, Ella Neubauer had 11 and Grace Brandt had 10. Both Jada Mohamed and Lindsey Desai each had a pair of aces. The Eastlake defense was outstanding notching 12 blocks on the night while also rating an impressive 2.3 serve receive measure on a scale of 3.

The Wolves finished off the KingCo Tournament facing Newport in the 5th/6th place match on Thursday at Bothell HS. Eastlake outlasted the Knights winning in 5 sets - 25-20, 22-25, 25-16, 17-25, 15-11. Freshman setter Ali Phipps had 3 Aces, and Senior Middle Hitter Grace Brandt had 10 kills. Three players rated over a 2.0 on a 3 point scale for Serve Receive - Nora Myre, Jess Martin and Ella Neubauer, and Sophomore Middle Hitter Krista Kostoff recorded 4 stuff blocks. The victory secured 5th place in the KingCo Tournament and placed the Wolves as the #7 seed in the District Tournament that matches KingCo and WesCo teams.

The Wolves play in the District 1/2 Tournament starting on Saturday. Eastlake will play Kamiakin in a loser out match at 12pm at Lake Stevens HS. The winner of that match will play again on Saturday at 2pm against the host Lake Stevens.