

Portland Interscholastic League Winter Wrap Up

2021-2022



Winter Season Highlights

PIL District Champs, OSAA State Placers and Sports After High School

Despite the challenges of canceled seasons, competitions, and limited practice hours, PIL student-athletes continued to pursue their goal of winning District championships, competing in the OSAA state championships, and playing sports after high school.

This winter, the PIL had 13 student athletes sign a **National Letter of Intent** to play sports after high school. Lincoln had 11 of those athletes, with Cleveland and Roosevelt each sending an athlete off. Besides having the talent to compete at the collegiate level in their sport of choice, each student must also meet the NCAA initial eligibility requirements to be eligible to compete. See the list of athletes below, where they are going and what sport they will be playing.

Cleveland: Kyra Ly (Golf – Oregon State). **Lincoln:** Brady Kopetz (Football – Univ. of Colorado), Tucker Bowerfind (Track & Cross Country – Boston University), Kendall York (Track & Cross Country – Gonzaga), Aiden Smith (Track & Cross Country – Univ. of Oregon), Riley Cash (Track & Cross Country – Cal Poly), Owen Lotti (Lacrosse – Emerson College), Anna Whitworth (Lacrosse – Amherst College), Rowan Schnebly (Soccer – Stanford), Riley Buehler (Soccer – Wesleyan University), Niels Marais (Rowing – Sacramento State), Megumi Oishi (Fencing – Northwestern Univ). **Roosevelt:** Imarion Kelly (Football – Southern Oregon Univ)

Stay tuned for more NLI signees in our Spring newsletter!



OSAA Championships

The list below shows all PIL schools and individuals who competed for and won at the OSAA State Championships.

Swimming:

Lincoln Girls – 4th Place Overall

Girls Relay – 3rd Place (200 Freestyle)
Charlotte Ducanois – 6th Place (100 Free)
Lucy Rush – 9th Place (50 Free)
Katherine Adams – 1st Place (100 Breaststroke), 2nd Place (Individual Medley)

Jefferson Girls:

Hazel Derr – 1st Place (100 Backstroke), 4th Place (100 Yard Free)

Wrestling:

Cleveland Boys – 8th Place Overall

Cleveland Boys Individuals:

Sean Lee – 6th Place (113lbs)
Logan Medford – 3rd Place (138lbs)
Garrett Cappolonga – 5th Place (182 lbs)

Cleveland Girls:

Haley Vann – State Champion (120lbs)

Grant Boys Individuals:

Kai Tugawa – 4th Place (145lbs)

Girls Basketball:

Benson – 4th Place

Boys Basketball:

Roosevelt – 6th Place

Dance:

Cleveland – 9th Place (Show)
Grant – 5th Place (Show)
Lincoln – 9th Place

Winter Season Highlights

Boys Basketball

Regular Season Winners - Cleveland

Cleveland won its first PIL District Championship since 1962 and Roosevelt appeared in the state championships for the first time since 1958. The PIL had six (6) boys basketball teams compete in the OSAA state championships. Lincoln made it to the 2nd round, only to lose to Cleveland by 10. Benson made it for the first time since 2012 but fell short to Mountainside. Wells lost to West Linn in the 1st round, while Grant lost in the 2nd round to Beaverton by 1 point. Roosevelt and Cleveland advanced to the quarterfinals but both teams lost – Cleveland in overtime and Roosevelt by 1 point at the buzzer. Roosevelt went on to beat Cleveland in the consolation bracket by 4, for a chance to play for 4th / 6th place. They lost by 4, taking home the 6th place trophy.



Roosevelt Boys Basketball after playing South Medford and taking home the 6th place trophy.

Fox 12 Oregon did a story on Christian Green, Cleveland boys basketball player and standout athlete. Green uses basketball as an outlet, where he doesn't have to worry about other responsibilities. Check out the full article here:

<https://www.kptv.com/2022/01/28/family-is-heart-cleveland-hs-basketball-program/>

Girls Basketball

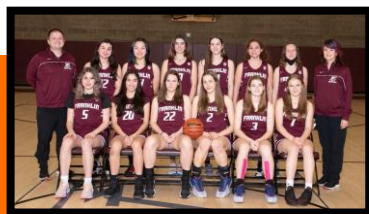
Regular Season Winners – Benson

The PIL had five (5) girls basketball teams compete in the OSAA state championships. Wells beat McMinnville, only to fall short to Barlow in round 2. Grant lost to West Linn in Round 1, while Cleveland lost to West Linn by 1 point in round 2. Jefferson beat Bend and Benson beat Southridge in the first round. The two played each other in round 2, with Benson advancing from a 2 point win. Benson defeated Lakeridge, 60-51, taking home the 4th place trophy.

KOIN 6 highlighted Lincoln Girls Basketball player, Julia Calvin. She missed out on her sophomore year of club basketball due to COVID-19, and then missed her junior year of playing high school basketball with an ACL tear. Check out the full article here: <https://www.koin.com/sports/high-school-spotlight/lincoln-high-schools-julia-calvin-perseveres-after-acl-injury/>



Benson Girls Basketball after beating Lakeridge to take 4th place at the OSAA State Championships.



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Wrestling

Regular Season & District Winners - Cleveland

The PIL District Wrestling Tournament took place on February 18th – 19th at McDaniel HS. A 16-man, double elimination bracket was seeded. Cleveland boys won the PIL District Wrestling title for the 11th year in a row.

Haley Vann, Cleveland girls wrestler, was the state champion for the 2nd time at 120lbs. Cleveland boys took 8th place in state. Sean Lee (113lbs) placed 6th, Logan Medford (138lbs) placed 3rd, and Garret Cappalonga (182lbs) took home the 5th place trophy.



Junior Haley Vann was awarded the 2022 OSAA Girls' NW Regional Outstanding Wrestler.

Kai Tsugawa (145lbs) from Grant HS placed 4th at the state championships.

Benson had 4 wrestlers compete in the PIL District Championships and all 4 won a medal and advanced to the OSAA State Championships. Simon Shuelvitz was the PIL Champion at 126lbs. Angel Werner placed 4th at the Girl's District Tourney and qualified for the State Championships but was unable to compete due to an injury.

Lincoln saw 4 PIL finalists and 3 others who finished in the top 6 at the District Tournament. At the OSAA State Championships, Nico Farinola (freshman) and Mack Dolich (senior) made it past day 1, competing with the top 12 athletes in the state. This was the first time two Lincoln Cardinal wrestlers moved on to day 2 of the state championships in recent history.



Swimming

Regular Season & District Winners – Lincoln

Lincoln Girls was led by senior swimmer Katherine Adams, finishing 4th in state overall. Adams was named the Female Athlete of the 6A State Swim Meet. As a freshman, Adams finished 5th in state in the 100 Breaststroke and helped the 200 Medley Relay team finish 8th and the 400 Freestyle Relay finish 6th. She improved her sophomore year at the state level, finishing 4th in the 200 IM and 3rd in the 100 Breaststroke. Despite missing out on her junior season due to the pandemic, she qualified for the Olympic Trials in the 200 Breaststroke. This year, she helped the girls team finish 4th in state and set personal records in the 200 IM and 100 Breaststroke. She will be swimming at USC next year.



Photo by: Jonathan House – Katherine Adams swims the 100 breaststroke at Dishman Pool.

Jefferson's Hazel Derr, senior, has earned a 4.0 GPA throughout her entire high school career. She has qualified for and competed at the OSAA state championships every year, taking home the championship trophy this year in the 100 backstroke. She placed 4th in the 100 yard freestyle and was ranked #2 in Oregon for 2022. At the PIL District Meet, she set a personal



record in both of her individual events. She was named to the USA Swimming Scholastic All-American team and participated in the Junior Nationals in Texas this year. Derr will be swimming at the University of California, Santa Barbara next year



Youth Sports

The PIL Offers Youth Wrestling, Boys Basketball & Girls Basketball During the Winter Season

The PIL offers the biggest youth sports program in the state. Current offerings during the fall are football, volleyball, and cross country. Winter season offers boys and girls basketball and wrestling, with the spring season offering track & field & baseball. Teams are organized by clusters, and youth coaches are paid a stipend after passing PPS employment requirements.

This winter, wrestling had 172 participants compete during the youth season. Cleveland had the highest number, with 49 youth wrestlers. Boys basketball was just short of reaching 1,000 youth participants for the season, with girls basketball just under 600. The Youth Sports program is an integral part of staying competitive at the high school level. It offers younger students an opportunity to try different sports, make new friends, stay active and gain mentors through their coaches.

For more information on the PIL Youth Sports program, visit www.pilathletics.com.



The PIL Needs Volunteers!

Interested in serving as a volunteer? Pursuing a possible career in athletics? Email mawalton@pps.net to get on our volunteer list!

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Dance & Drill

PIL City Championship Winners – Lincoln

The PIL had 3 dance teams compete this winter, with all 3 placing in the top 10 at the state championships. Lincoln took 1st place in the PIL City Championship competition. There was no PIL Fall Festival this year but each team competes at different competitions around the state.



The Lincoln Cardinals took 9th at the OSAA State Championships

The Cleveland Tenacity Dance team took 9th overall in Show, with freshman dancer, Xitlali Ramirez placing 6th place in Drill Down. Team manager / assistant coach Criss Haneberg was awarded the DDCA (Dance & Drill Coaches Association) Lifetime Achievement Award for 40+ years of service in the Oregon Dance Team world and decades of coaching Dance at Cleveland. Her daughter, Coral Burgess is currently a dance coach with Cleveland.



Criss Haneberg being given her award and Cleveland dance team members performing at the OSAA State Championships. Photos by Al Ramirez.

PIL All League Selections

Boys Basketball

1st Team All-League

Adrian Moseley – Grant
Moroni Seely-Roberts – Lincoln
Terrence Hill – Roosevelt
Jackson Cooper – Cleveland
Kavon Bradford – Benson
Malachi Seely-Roberts – Lincoln

2nd Team All-League

Christian Green – Cleveland
Donatello Tupper – Roosevelt
Andre Lawrence – Grant
Leo Sewell – Wells
Utrillo Morris – Roosevelt
Lawson Vella – Cleveland

Honorable Mention

Nick Digiulio – Wells
Raysean Seamster – Roosevelt
Graham Eikenberry – Lincoln
Chance White – Roosevelt
Moses Farmer – McDaniel
Dylan Douanghrachanh – Benson
Max Von Arx – Grant
Sean Chris Tresvant – Cleveland
Sawyer Heald – Lincoln

Player of the Year:

Adrian Mosley – Grant

Coach of the Year:

Dondrale Campbell - Cleveland

Girls Basketball

1st Team All-League

Mahogany Chandler-Roberts - Benson
Charlotte Richman - Wells
Abrianna Lawrence - Jefferson
Malaya LeSueur - Benson
Ava Arias - McDaniel
Eboni Clay - Grant

Second Team All-League

Eliza Digiulio – Wells
Julia Calvin - Lincoln
Addy Huss - Cleveland
Charisma Johnson - Jefferson
Mauriana Hashemian-Orr - Benson
Eve Hart - Wells

Honorable Mention

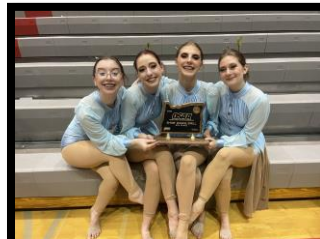
Onna Brown - Benson
Olivia Hinck - Benson
Sadie Kloeppel - Cleveland
Kamakila Waiwaiole - Cleveland
Malia Waiwaiole - Cleveland
Maya Bryant - Franklin
Chauncy Andersen – Jefferson
Morgan Miller - Lincoln

Player of the Year

Mahogany Chandler-Roberts - Benson

Coach of the Year

Anthony Levrets - Wells



The Grant Gendrills took 5th place in Show at the OSAA State Championships.

SAVE THE DATE!

The 9th Annual PIL Open Golf Tourney is **WEDNESDAY, JULY 20TH**
Pumpkin Ridge Golf Course

Email jenkinsh@pps.net for more info.

All proceeds help fund the PIL Youth Sports Program (PILYSP), College Access Program (assisting PIL seniors in participating in collegiate athletics), equity funding for low SES schools & their feeder Middle Schools to support historically underserved populations, & growth and expansions of athletic opportunities (lacrosse, soccer, & softball).

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