

Wood River Wins Third National Cross-Country Ski Education Foundation Boys High School Championship in Past Six Years. Truckee Wrenches Girls Title from Alaska for the First Time.

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The Wood River High School won its third National Cross-Country Ski Education Foundation High School Championship in the past six years this past week in Lake Placid, NY at the Junior Olympic Championships. The Wood River boys won the title like they have in the past, with their amazing depth. They built a thirteen-point lead over Service after the first day's classic race. Jackson Harris and Luke Pletcher paced the team in the classic race with an 11th and 6th place finish in their age classes. Wood River then held off a hard charge by Service and Truckee in the skate race, this time paced by David Vanderpool, Reid Pletcher and Alex Hamlin. All three boys placed in the top ten in their age groups in the skate race. Defending champion Stratton Mountain School got strong skiing out of national champion Brett Bedard, but they did not have enough members to score in the meet.

The Girls National High School trophy has never traveled out of Alaska in its six years of existence. Last year Traverse City almost played David, leading after the skate race and coming close to unseating Alaskan Goliath Service, but couldn't quite do it. This season Service and Traverse City came in as favorites, but they were shocked by California's Truckee High School. Truckee was not on anyone's radar before the Junior Olympics, but led my Maisha Goodpaster's second place in the classic race they built up a commanding lead after day one. Whitney Prosor and Kara Lapoint also skied into the top fifteen in their age classes for Truckee. Traverse City made a hard charge in the skate race, as Cassidy Edwards and twins Julia and Anna Coulter placed in the top ten. But Truckee's trio all skied into the top fifteen again to win their first National title by a scant six points.

National High School Championship – Boys Teams			Skate Score	Classic Score	Total
1	Wood River H.S.	Hailey, ID	281	274	555
2	Service H.S.	Anchorage, AK	277	261	538
3	Truckee H.S.	Truckee, CA	268	249	517
4	Durango H.s.	Durango, CO	252	260	512
5	Boulder H.S.	Boulder, CO	242	251	493
6	Chugiak H.S.	Chugiak, AK	255	211	466
7	Keen Valley H.S.	Kenn Valley, NY	211	243	454
8	St. Louis Park H.S.	St. Louis Park, MN	205	211	416
9	Summit H.S.	Summit County, CO	206	209	415
10	Steamboat Springs H.S.	Steamboat Springs, CO	228	181	409
11	Traverse City H.S.	Traverse City, MI	152	198	350
12	Hayward H.S.	Hayward, WI	156	171	327
13	Lander H.S.	Lander, WY	152	169	321
14	Casper H.S.	Casper, WY	161	154	315
15	Marquette H.S.	Marquette, MI	166	139	305
16	Fairport H.S.	Fairport, NY	99	133	232

National High School Championship – Girlss Teams			Skate Score	Classic Score	Total
1	Truckee H.S.	Truckee, CA	269	279	548
2	Traverse City H.S.	Traverse City, MI	282	260	542
3	Stratton Mtn School	Stratton, VT	244	255	499
4	Community School	Sun Valley, ID	255	233	488
5	Summit High H.S.	Summit County, CO	262	214	476
6	West Valley H.S.	Fairbanks, AK	245	216	461
7	Service H.S.	Anchorage, AK	221	238	459
8	Wood River H.S.	Hailey, ID	213	225	438

9	Durango H.S.	Durango, CO	193	236	429
10	Mesabi East H.S.	Aurora, MN	178	207	385
11	East H.S.	Anchorage, AK	181	195	376
12	Bozeman H.S.	Bozeman, MT	182	183	365
13	Pinedale H.S.	Pinedale, WY	168	179	347
14	Lander H.S.	Lander, WY	160	147	307
15	Hopkins H.S.	Hopkins, MN	169	125	294
16	Casper H.S.	Casper, WY	81	68	149