

### \*\*\* MEDIA ALERT \*\*\*

# Abby Vanderkooi and Josh Methner Capture First Place Titles in 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Foot Locker Cross Country Championships Midwest Regional Presented by Eastbay

**RACE HIGHLIGHTS:** 

Abby Vanderkooi of Freemont, Mich. and Josh Methner of Mount Prospect, Ill. won the Foot Locker Cross Country Championships (FLCCC) Midwest Regional today. In the girls' championship race, Vanderkooi, now a two-time FLCCC National Finalist, claimed the title in 17:17.8. Zofia Dudek of Ann Arbor, Mich. placed second in 17:20.5, and Taylor Ewert placed third finishing in 17:24.9. Ewert and Riley Stewart (6<sup>th</sup> place) will join Vanderkooi in San Diego as two-time FLCCC National Finalists. Katelynne Hart (4<sup>th</sup> place) is a three-time FLCCC National Finalist.

In the boys' championship race, Josh Methner of John Hersey High School won the title in 15:46.7. Michael Hancock, of Dearborn, Mich., placed second in 15:51.3, with Nathan Walker of Fremont, Mich. finishing third in 15:52.6. Joining Methner in being a FLCCC two-time National Finalist are Zachary Stewart (5<sup>th</sup> place), Evan Bishop (6<sup>th</sup> place), Brendan Favazza (7<sup>th</sup> place) and Carter

Solomoan (9<sup>th</sup> place).

WHEN/WHERE: Saturday, Nov. 30, 2019

UW-Parkside in Kenosha, Wis.

**COURSE/WEATHER:** 5,000-meter course; muddy conditions; 38 degrees

**NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:** The top 10 boys and the top 10 girls in the championship

races qualify to compete against runners from the Northeast, South and West Regional meets in the Foot Locker Cross Country Championships National Finals, on Saturday, Dec. 14 at Morley Field, Balboa Park in San

Diego.

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(see attached chart for race results)

## 2019 Foot Locker Cross Country Championships – Midwest Regional Results University of Wisconsin – Kenosha, Wis.

### **Boys**

Place	Name	Hometown	High School	Time
1)	Josh Methner	Mount Prospect, Ill.	John Hersey High School (12)	15:46.7
2)	Michael Hancock	Dearborn, Mich.	Divine Child High School (12)	15:51.3
3)	Nathan Walker	Fremont, Mich.	Fremont High School (11)	15:52.6
4)	Bob Liking	St. Charles, Ill.	St. Charles East High School (12)	15:53.2
5)	Zachary Stewart	Brighton, Mich.	Brighton High School (12)	15:53.8
6)	Evan Bishop	East Grand Rapids, Mich.	East Grand Rapids High School (12)	15:54.5
7)	Brendan Favazza	Clarkston, Mich.	Clarkston High School (12)	15:57.1
8)	Jack Spamer	Brighton, Mich.	Brighton High School (12)	15:58.2
9)	Carter Solomon	Canton, Mich.	Plymouth High School (12)	15:59.3
10)	Parker Wolfe	Denver	Cherry Creek High School (11)	15:59.7

### **Girls**

Place	Name	Hometown	High School	Time
1)	Abby Vanderkooi	Fremont, Mich.	Muskegon Western Michigan Christian High School (10)	17:17.8
2)	Zofia Dudek	Ann Arbor, Mich.	Ann Arbor Pioneer High School (12)	17:20.5
3)	Taylor Ewert	Beavercreek, Ohio	Beavercreek High School (12)	17:24.9
4)	Katelynne Hart	Glen Ellyn, Ill.	Glenbard West High School (12)	17:34.6
5)	Annalyssa Crain	Bloomington, Ind.	Edgewood High School (11)	18:04.2
6)	Riley Stewart	Englewood, Colo.	Cherry Creek High School (10)	18:04.2
7)	Tatum David	Olney, Ill.	Richland County High School (9)	18:04.4
8)	Analee Weaver	Stillwater, Minn.	Stillwater High School (11)	18:09.8
9)	Daniella Santos	Hilliard, Ohio	Hilliard Darby High School (12)	18:12.3
10)	Audrey DaDamio	Bloomfield Hills, Mich.	Ernest W. Seaholm High School (11)	18:14.7

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