



The Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) and Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Announce the First-Ever Cross Country Regional Coach of the Year Awards

THSCA recognizes cross country coaches across Texas for their achievements for the 2022 UIL Cross Country Season.

San Marcos, Texas- The THSCA and Texas Farm Insurance announced the 2022 THSCA Cross Country Regional Coach of the Year awards. These awards recognize coaches across the state of Texas for their exemplary achievements in the 2022-23 UIL Cross Country Season.

“THSCA is very passionate about the celebration of our coaches. Creating the Coach of the Year awards is an amazing opportunity to highlight the elite coaches across Texas,” said Joe Martin, the Executive Director of the THSCA. “We’re excited to celebrate and honor almost 1,600 coaches across 23 different sports in Texas for their athletic accomplishments during the 2022-23 school year.”

Nominations are reviewed and chosen by the THSCA Awards Committee. The nomination process is open to every member of THSCA after the state championships in each sport. Each THSCA member is offered a chance to nominate a head coach and/or assistant coach to submit through the Member Portal. Nominations conclude to all members after two weeks. Each nomination is then handed over to the Awards Committee for scoring (by region). The Awards Committee ranks all nominations (ex. 1-25).

The 2022 THSCA Cross Country Regional Coach of the Year Awards Presented by Texas Farm Bureau Insurance are listed below. Please note these coaches will

have the opportunity to win the THSCA Coach of the Year in their respective sport in January of 2023.

Regional Head Coach of the Year

Boys Cross Country – 2A – *Jonathan Lira, Plains HS*
Boys Cross Country – 5A – *Crista Jones, Lubbock Monterey HS*
Boys Cross Country – 5A – *Logan Kelly, Lovejoy HS*
Boys Cross Country – 6A – *Justin Leonard, Southlake Carroll HS*
Girls Cross Country – 3A – *Rheanna Fagan, Whitesboro HS*
Girls Cross Country – 5A – *Carly Littlefield, Lovejoy HS*
Boys Cross Country – 4A – *Brandon Clemmons, Big Spring HS*
Girls Cross Country – 4A – *Wade Floyd, Andrews HS*
Girls Cross Country – 5A – *Josh Munson, College Station HS*
Boys Cross Country – 3A – *Josh Sypert, Eustace HS*
Boys & Girls Cross Country – 1A – *Gary Billingsley, McMullen County HS*
Boys & Girls Cross Country – 3A – *Gilbert Ruiz, Lytle HS*
Boys Cross Country – 5A – *Jorge Guerra, Sharyland HS*
Boys Cross Country – 6A – *Efrain Ambriz, Harlingen HS*
Girls Cross Country – 4A – *Graciela Campos, LaFeria HS*
Girls Cross Country – 5A – *Ariana Montalvo- Castillo, Harlingen South HS*
Girls Cross Country – 6A – *Eder Islas, Harlingen HS*
Boys Cross Country – 3A – *Shayla Rawls, Troy HS*

Regional Assistant Coach of the Year

Girls Cross Country – 6A – *Roxanne Farris, Highland Park HS*
Boys Cross Country – 4A – *Randall Shaw, Big Spring HS*

About the Texas High School Coaches Association

The Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) is the principal advocate and leadership organization for Texas high school coaches. The THSCA provides the highest quality representation, education, and services to Texas high school coaches and affiliate members by enhancing the professionalism of coaches and the schools they represent. The mission statement is simply this: To help and serve Texas high school coaches as they work to help and serve student - athletes. "HELPING COACHES HELP KIDS." For more information on THSCA visit www.thsca.com

About Texas High School Coaches Education Foundation

The mission of the Texas High School Coaches Education Foundation is to develop funds from a broadrange of donors to provide professional education programs that will strengthen, reinforce, and enhance professionalism in high school coaches throughout the state of Texas. These programs provide instructional material as well as training in character development to coaches in Texas at both the high school and middle school level and can directly impact the lives of over 1.5 million student athletes each year. The two established events are the Texas Coaches Leadership Summit and the R.O.C.K. Mentoring Workshop.

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