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ERA XC girls named state champs - AGAIN!

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The MAIS AAAAA East Rankin Academy (ERA) Patriot Cross Country Team concluded their 2022 season on Monday, October 24, at the MAIS State Finals at Choctaw Trails in Clinton. Coming into the final weekend as the No. 1 ranked MAIS girls' team and the No. 2 ranked girls' team in the entire state, public and private, the team defended their MAIS 5A state championship in a tie-breaker with Columbia Academy. By rule, the tie-breaker was decided by a team's sixth finisher, with Lady Patriot Kaylynn Ramirez in 16th place achieving that honor.

The state championship victory was led by sophomore Audrey Mayatte finishing fifth, and eighth grader Leah Collipp, finishing seventh, both girls earning All-State honors among the Top 10 finishers. Adding to Mayatte and Collipp's efforts

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ERA Cross Country varsity win Class AAAAA Girls' Cross County 2022 for second year in a row. Pictured (l to r) front row, are: Katie Lee Tadlock, Arin Hawk, Audrey Mayatte, Leah Collipp, Emily Williams, Emma Raines and Kaylynn Ramirez; back row: Lydia Collipp, Katie Simpson, Audrey Hawk, Lane Riemann, Lesley Scarberry, Abby Raines, Kylee Holifield and Rachel Smith.

Hurst receives white coat from MC School of Nursing

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Jalen Hurst, a graduate of Pelahatchie High School, received the iconic white coat from the Mississippi College (MC) School of Nursing in a recent ceremony.

Hurst's experience at MC School of Nursing held high accolades, "The Accelerated Program at MC is great for anyone considering a career in nursing. The professors are always there to help, and my nursing cohort are a great group of people to work with. My plan after obtaining my BSN is to work in the ICU and to become a travel nurse after gaining more experience here in the Central Mississippi area."

Taylor Martin remembers the emotions she felt as a nursing student when she first donned a white coat, emblematic of her chosen profession's obligations and responsibilities.



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Jalen Hurst received his white coat from the Mississippi College School of Nursing.

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The semester one coordinator and instructor wanted every student in the School of Nursing at Mississippi College to experience the same sense of pride when participating in the White Coat Ceremony in the B.C. Rogers Student Center.

"The ceremony is an iconic rite of passage for incoming nursing students at MC," said the Madison resident, who coordinated the event. "During the ceremony, I am reminded of the journey and the sacrifices each of them took to come here and fulfill God's calling."

The school's Young Alumni of the Year Award recipient - Brianna Pendegrass, a 2014 graduate of the school - was selected to serve as guest speaker. "I wanted the students to see someone who was in their place not too long ago

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