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Hillsdale Academy Track Teams Win MITCA D4 State Championships
Boys win their first and girls their fourth MITCA D4 team state championships

Hillsdale, Mich. — On May 29, the Hillsdale Academy track teams competed in the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association (MITCA) division four state championship meet at Mt. Pleasant High School, both winning the championships.

This is the first MITCA team state championship for the boys and fourth for the girls, their first since 2011. The boys defeated Carson City, the team that would go on to win the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) state championship a week later. The girls defended their number one power ranking spot all year and won the championship by 200 points, the largest margin of victory at a team state meet. On June 5 the girls went on to be runners-up by six points at the Lower Peninsula MHSAA division-four track state finals in Hudsonville, a first in top-two placement at the MHSAA State finals for Hillsdale Academy.

“The MITCA state championship displayed how much these kids love winning together and how special this program is,” said Mike Roberts, Hillsdale Academy athletic director and track coach. “Winning this team meet is a testament to the strong culture that the kids have been inspired by, continue to uphold, and inspire their younger peers with.”

The Hillsdale Academy Colts have a roster of 54 track athletes, drawing from a pool of 80 high-school students.

“The teams’ victory at the MITCA team state championships was momentous for the athletes and the whole high school,” said David Diener, Hillsdale Academy headmaster. “Despite last year’s season being canceled, the kids have returned to competition incredibly well, and I am very proud of their resilience.”

Both teams also won the SCAA championship this year and were escorted into town by the Hillsdale City Police and Fire Department to celebrate and honor their victory at the MITCA team state championship meet.

About Hillsdale Academy: Hillsdale Academy is an independent, classical K-12 school located at 1 Academy Lane on the campus of Hillsdale College. A rigorous course of study is combined

with the strong conviction that the biblical and classical virtues are necessary in the formation of the American citizen. Indeed, the school was established out of the conviction that modern American education was in need of profound reform. For more information, visit academy.hillsdale.edu.

About Hillsdale College

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