

Rethwisch qualifies for 3A state meet

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CENTER JUNCTION - The Xavier boys cross country team and Marion's Peter Rethwisch claimed spots in next week's Class 3A state meet during Thursday's state qualifier at Jones Park in Center Junction.

The top three teams and top 10 individuals qualified for the state meet, which will be held Sat., Oct. 27, at Kennedy Park in Fort Dodge.

The Xavier boys finished second in a tight three-way race. Mount Vernon-Lisbon was first with 59 points, followed by Xavier with 68 and Fort Madison with 69. Marion was a distant fourth with 121 points.

Xavier was led by Jacob Schmitt and Luke Koechner, who finished fifth and sixth, respectively. Grant Hunt was 12th, Steven Culpepper 13th and Evan Gradoville 32nd.

Rethwisch finished seventh to qualify as an individual. Colton Forster was 14th, Isaac Smith 27th, Cole Kuethe 28th and Jacob Manderscheid 45th for Marion.

Isaac Steffensmeier of Fort Madison won the boys race in 16 minutes, 47 seconds. He finished 48 seconds ahead of second-place Austin Springsteen of Mount Vernon-Lisbon.

Xavier was sixth and Marion 10th in the girls race. Neither the Saints nor Indians had a top-10 finisher.

Davenport Assumption, Solon and Fort Madison claimed the top three spots in the girls race. Lauren Benzing of Solon won the race.

CLASS 3A STATE QUALIFIER
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Boys (5k)

Teams

1. Mount Vernon-Lisbon 59, 2. Xavier 68, 3. Fort Madison 69, 4. Marion 121, 5. Solon 142, 6. Mount Pleasant 174, 7. Davenport Assumption 175, 8. Clear Creek Amana 191, 9. Anamosa 238, 10. Maquoketa 256, 11. DeWitt Central 257, 12. Keokuk 373, Washington, Iowa no score

Top 10 Individuals

1. Isaac Steffensmeier (Ft. Madison)	16:47
2. Austin Springsteen (MV-Lisbon)	17:35
3. Dain Gerber (Anamosa)	17:41
4. James Wenzel (MV-Lisbon)	17:43
5. Jacob Schmitt (Xavier)	17:44
6. Luke Koechner (Xavier)	17:50
7. Peter Rethwisch (Marion)	17:55
8. Nick Guzman (Ft. Madison)	17:55
9. Ben Alcorn (CCA)	17:56
10. Jack Murray (CCA)	17:57

Xavier - 5. Jacob Schmitt 17:44, 6. Luke Koechner 17:50, 12. Grant Hunt 18:06, 13. Steven Culpepper 18:07, 32. Evan Gradoville 18:35, 37. Jonathan Francois 18:42, 38. Daniel Pape 18:42

Marion - 7. Peter Rethwisch 17:55, 14. Colton Forster 18:08, 27. Isaac Smith 18:30, 28. Cole Kuethe 18:31, 45. Jacob Manderscheid 18:55, 46. Hunter Reifschneider 19:01, 53. Justin Arebaugh 19:33

Girls (4k)

Teams

1. Davenport Assumption 41, 2. Solon 64, 3. Fort Madison 96, 4. Mount Vernon-Lisbon 111, 5. Mount Pleasant 135, 6. Xavier 148, 7. Clear Creek Amana 203, 8. DeWitt Central 205, 9. Anamosa 214, 10. Marion 218, 11. Washington, Iowa 324, Maquoketa no score

Top 10 Individuals

1. Lauren Benzing (Solon)	15:42
2. Sarah Steffensmeier (Ft. Madison)	16:13
3. Elizabeth Mallon (Assumption)	16:16
4. Alex Smith (Solon)	16:23
5. Maddie Hinsley (CCA)	16:40
6. Kendra Schmidt (MV-Lisbon)	16:42
7. Molly Gilchrist (Assumption)	16:44
8. Mallory King (Assumption)	16:46

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| 9. Ann Froeschle (Assumption) | 16:49 |
| 10. Kaylee Alvarez (Ft. Madison) | 16:53 |

Xavier - 12. Marinna Schroud 17:07, 28. Sydney Oakley 17:45, 30. Madeline Bailey 17:49, 37. Sarah Chicchelly 18:06, 41. Allison Pitz 18:15, 47. Lauren Smith 18:32

Marion - 13. Madison Bach 17:09, 46. Ellen Cannon 18:26, 48. Tara Zumwalt 18:38, 54. Sam Livingston 18:56, 57. Grace Ehlinger 19:18, 60. Abby Kolarik 19:35