Pritts wins Metro Spotlight Award

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Cedar Rapids Prairie senior Mitch Pritts is the winner of the Metro Spotlight Award for high school boys this week, the Metro Sports Report announced Sunday.

Pritts has established himself as one of the top distance runners in Iowa. He helped Prairie capture the Class 4A state cross country title last fall in Fort Dodge and placed in three events at the Class 4A state track meet last May.

Pritts began the 2014 season by winning the 3200 in 9:44.59 at the Dickinson Relays in Cedar Falls on Tuesday.

Here is our Question-&-Answer session with Mitch Pritts:

MSR: What is your favorite individual highlight in sports?

MITCH: My favorite individual highlight would have to be winning the Cedar Rapids Invitational this past cross country season just because everything came together for me during that particular race.

MSR: What is your favorite team highlight in sports?

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MITCH: My favorite team highlight would have to be winning the state cross country meet this past fall. I remembered my freshman year when I missed out being on the team that won our first state title, so it was nice to officially run on a state championship team.

MSR: What are your future goals in sports?

MITCH: My future goals in sports would include running in college and maybe making it to NCAA's during some point in my college career.

MSR: Who has had the biggest influence on your sports career?

MITCH: A lot of people have had large influences on my career. My parents have always been supportive of me, as well as my teammates and former teammates. Of course I wouldn't be where I am today without my coaches in Coach Schwarz and Coach Young.

MSR: What are your favorite classes in school?

MITCH: My favorite classes in school would have to include Spanish and anatomy.

MSR: What has been your favorite community service project?

MITCH: My favorite volunteer project would have to be Peer Tutoring within our school, helping out students with studying and homework.

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