

# WILDCAT ROAR



For the entire Wildcat community at Carolina Day School



Westray Keeler '21



Caroline Barton '25



## CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON FOR OUR WILDCAT ATHLETES

BY CAROLINE BARTON '25

The varsity track team competed in the conference meet at Asheville School on Wednesday, May 5, 2021. The Carolina Day team won the girls 4x800m relay race, while individual runners and jumpers also had strong showings. Senior Lia Sprouse won the 3200 with a time of 12:12 and Katie Rudins '22 came in second with a time of 12:29. Erin Hovendon '22 placed first in the girls 800m run, finishing in a speedy 2:24. Caroline Barton '25 crossed the line three seconds later to secure second place in 2:27. 8th grader Caroline Barton was also the conference champion in the girls 1600m. Abigail Crowder '21 was second in both the long jump and the high jump, getting PRs in both events.

On the boys side of things, the 4x400 relay team was second in the conference behind Asheville School. Nick Schussler '22 was fourth in 300m hurdles with a time of 45.25. Graham Ryan '21 was fourth in the 400m dash, crossing the line at 55.67. The track team members who have qualified for the state meet will travel to Forsyth Country Day School in Winston-Salem on May 15. Full results from the conference meet can be found on page 3 of this newsletter.

Girls varsity and JV soccer competed recently as well. The JV team played at Mount Pisgah Academy on April 28 to finish out the season. An early goal got the Wildcats out in front and the excitement was felt all over the field. The team played hard and never let up; a theme of their season. The coaches were so pleased and proud of the girls this year as they showed up every game ready to give their best performance. Varsity soccer played in the first round of the championship season and although they lost, showed their perseverance, grit, and commitment to one another all throughout the game.

The varsity baseball team capped off a strong season with a 15-0 shutout against Bethel Christian Academy. The Wildcats offense was led by Henry Tutera going 3 for 3 with 3 runs batted in. Seniors Nate Roberson and Bennett Slosman both went 1 for 3 with Roberson driving in 1 run and Slosman picking up 2 rbi. Carolina Day also got runs batted in from Martiste Mills, Levi Ellison, Seth Caldwell, Finn McCartney, Lily Everette, and Roan Dunn. On the mound, Seth Caldwell '21 closed out his career with a dominant performance finishing the complete game shutout. Caldwell struck out a career-high 13 batters in the game. In the spring season, the Wildcat Baseball Club was led by senior Bennett Slosman hitting .476, fellow senior Nate Roberson hitting .447, and 6th grader Henry Tutera hitting .406. Senior Seth Caldwell led the Wildcats in runs batted in, driving in 13 on the season. 8th grader Martiste Mills led the Wildcats having a perfect season on the basepaths going 12 for 12 in stolen bases. Seth Caldwell picked up 2 of the wins for the Wildcats on the mound while Nate Roberson picked up the other 2 wins. Caldwell led the team in strikeouts, racking up 40 over 27 innings pitched. Roberson struck out 27 batters over 16 innings pitched. The pitching staff also picked up quality innings from 9th-grade contributors Lily Everette and Garen Hardin.

**Congratulations, Wildcats!**  
**What a strong end to a successful season**

# MEET OUR NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: TAUNI BUTTERFIELD

BY WESTRAY KEELER '21



Starting in the fall, CDS will have a new athletic director: Tauni Butterfield. Butterfield has a degree in Physical Education, Recreation, and Health, as well as a Masters in Therapeutic Recreation. Additionally, she's taught PE for 35 years and worked as an athletic director for 30 years. Butterfield has many goals for the program, and we can't wait to see her progress!

Next year, she plans to work on equipping and prepping the weight room, implementing changes to make the Middle School athletic program more competitive, and supporting all of our coaches. In the long term, she hopes to introduce new sports to CDS (like lacrosse!) and build on other programs like Basketball, Baseball, Girls Golf, etc. She also plans on developing a stronger PE curriculum for the whole school, and hopes to build and improve athletic facilities (a track and tennis court are at the top of her list).

"I think everyone should be part of a team. You learn so much about yourself working closely together, you learn patience, resilience, problem-solving, and most of all you learn that the team is bigger than the individual," she says. "I see all of this at CDS."

Above all, she wants all members of the community to know how excited she is to become a Wildcat. She promises to support all the students and is excited about what the program will accomplish!

# EDITORS' CHOICE: ZACH'S 100 MILES

BY WESTRAY KEELER '21

At age 17, Zach Philip has decided to make an incredible commitment. He has decided to run a hundred miles in an effort to raise \$100,000 for the Open Doors of Asheville's To and Through Program.

In the U.S., there are thousands of students of color who don't have access to better learning opportunities. Open Doors is an organization working to eliminate the race-based achievement gap. Zach has decided he feels passionate about what Open Doors is doing for his community and wants to do all he can to help further Open Doors' mission.

Despite playing varsity soccer, golf, and basketball, Zach has never been much of a distance runner. However, Zach's dad, brother (Ryan Philip '20), and friend (Connor Mailander '21), have each done 100-mile runs for charities of their choice, inspiring Zach to do the same for Open Doors.

"I train usually, three to five days a week. I've run around 500 miles in 2021," he remarks.

Zach will begin his run on June 5th.

For more information, you can visit @100for100\_zach on Instagram.



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# SENIOR WILDCAT HOT SEAT

20 questions in 60 seconds



**Henry Broshar**

Class of 2021

Varsity Track and Field

Attending Appalachian State University!

Watch his interview Now!



# WILDCATS MAKE THEIR PRESENCE KNOWN AT STATES!!

**Erin Hovendon '22, Caroline Barton '25, Lia Sprouse '21, Ashlyn Browne '21**

Our wildcats run an impressive 9:59 to earn the 4 x 800m relay title in the NCISAA D2 State Championship! No. 11 this season and NCISAA No. 3!

**Erin Hovendon '22**

has a second first-place showing when she outruns everyone else in the 800m race

**Lia Sprouse '21**

runs an 11:25 to place 2nd in the 3200m event

**Abigail Crowder '21**

jumps a 4'6" mark to take 2nd place in the girls high jump

**Noah Mraz '22**

makes an impressive showing throwing 3rd in the discus

**Caroline Barton '25**

runs a PR of 5:14 for a second place on the podium in the mile



## WAY TO GO CATS!

## END OF THE YEAR ATHLETIC AWARDS 20-21



Intro  
Fall  
Winter  
Awards

**Watch Now!**



Spring  
Awards  
Seniors  
Alumni

**Watch Now!**

