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Piper Powerlifting Sweeps 4A State Competition

The Piper High School Powerlifting team competed at the 4A State Championship on March 5 at Wellington High School. The Pirates had a strong showing and beat out 14 mens teams and 14 womens to sweep the championships for both categories. In addition to their team accomplishments, individual athletes brought home 23 gold medals, 19 silver and 24 bronze.

"Coming into this season we knew that our womens team had a great opportunity to repeat as State Champions and they did not disappoint!" said head coach Kevin Coker. "Our senior girls took on the challenge of

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leading a growing team through hard work and dedication. Our mens team had the greatest challenge coming into this season. The 2021 mens team finished as the state runner-up after bringing home the state title in 2020. While we had great results the last two years from our lifters in the 173 pound classes and above, it was our lightweight lifters who really carried the torch for us this year. Of our 71 team points, 58 of those points came from our lightweight lifters."



Bowling Finishes 10th at State Competition

Piper competed at the 5A-1A State tournament for the 13th straight season on March 4 in Wichita. PHS took a 6 member team to



compete in the boys division that consisted of one senior, two juniors, a sophomore, and two freshmen. The team was ranked 12th headed into competition and came away from the tournament with a 10th place finish. In addition to the team competition, freshman bowler Cambria Anderson competed individually in the girls division, finishing 55th overall. The bowlers gained great experience and completed their goals for the season.



Wrestling Takes 5 to 5A State Meet

Five members of the PHS wrestling team qualified to compete in the 5A State Tournament in Park City, KS on February 25-26.

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Wrestlers Ja'Diz Simmons (106), Makao Groneman (113), Payton Mills (126), Nick Hoover (132), and Sawyer Vas (170) all earned the right to compete. They faced tough competition but Simmons and Vas made it to the second day of competition.



Boys Swim Team Finishes 18th at State

The boys swim team finished a great season with an 18th place finish at the State competition in Topeka in the middle of February. The event featured 35 teams from across the state. Several new school records were set at the meet. In addition to setting new school records, the 200m Medley Relay, 200m Free Relay team, 400m Free Relay team and individual Ian Hein in the 100m Breaststroke all made it to the finals.



Mock Trial

Piper High School recently competed in their first Kansas Bar Association Regional Tournament ever, and placed as the 3rd overall best school in our region. Mock Trial is a speech/debate competition where students are given case materials and must construct a case to make against other schools. These kids have been working nearly every advisory and often outside of school to learn how to make arguments like attorneys in front of actual Kansas attorneys and judges.

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