

## Boys finish fourth in Eastwood Relays



Photo Credit: Danielle DeFalco Above: Zach Kwiatkowski Below: Bryce Hesselbart



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LUCKEY — Eastwood High School's boys track and field team finished fifth Friday night in the Eastwood Relays.

The Eagles finished third in five events and scored 71 points. Findlay won the 12-team meet with 99 points, while Whitmer was second with 92, Sylvania Southview was third with 90 and Liberty-Benton was fourth with 71.

"We weren't great," Eagle head coach Brian Sabo said. "We didn't have a ton of PRs (personal records), but that's on the coaches. Maybe there's something we did or didn't do in the training, as coaches, or maybe we were a little bit tired from the week, and it's in the recovery. We'll take the blame.

"I can't fault the effort," Sabo added. "We worked on handoffs this week, and tonight they were fantastic. They tried things we were working on. It wasn't our effort. You try to go hard, and it's just not there. That happens."

Finishing third for Eastwood were:

- 4x100, team of seniors Zach Kwiatkowski and Ryder Boice, sophomore Bryce Koprowski-Kistner and junior Jake Limes, 45.51.
- 4x800, team of senior David Russell, and juniors Devin Good, Xander Ramsey and Cory Jay, 8:52.82.
- Pole vault, team of sophomores Dalton Hesselbart, Bryce Hesselbart and Wes Johnson, combined height of 32-6. Bryce Hesselbart and Johnson both had PRs, beating their previous bests of 10-0 and 8-6, respectively. Dalton Hesselbart tied his PR and tied for second individually in the event.
- Long jump, team of Koprowski-Kistner, senior Connor Oberhouse and sophomore Robbie Rothenbuhler, combined distance of 57-9. Koprowski-Kistner was third individually, while Oberhouse finished fifth.
- Shot put, team of senior Mason Steele, junior Nate Heskett and senior Gage Might, combined distance of 117-11.

Sabo said his team enjoyed the meet, highlighted by a large crowd, outstanding competition and the great amenities often reserved for pro meets.

The relays were being held for the first time in three years after they were canceled because of the COVID-19 pandemic last year and severe weather in 2019.

“The guys said they had fun, and they enjoyed the experience,” Sabo said. “It was great to see so many people at the meet. We appreciate the support.”

The Eagles have just one meet this week, hosting Fostoria and Lake in a Northern Buckeye Conference tri-meet on Tuesday.



Complete results of the meet are available at:

<https://www.baumspage.com/track/eastwood/relays/2021/Results%20to%20view.htm>