

Athletes of the Week

For events spanning the entire season

Cross Country



Photo by Jena Bowers

Taylor Juarez, Essex Junior

Juarez was part of a two-athlete Trojanette team, and both showed well throughout the season. Juarez finished 39th at the state qualifying meet at Central Decatur in a time of 25:08. She broke the 25-minute barrier at both Shenandoah and Clarinda.

Football



Gabe Buttry, Shenandoah Sophomore

Buttry led the Mustangs with 385 rushing yards and six touchdowns in helping Shenandoah to its third straight playoff berth. Buttry was named Shenandoah's Offensive MVP Tuesday, Nov. 11, at the program's annual end-of-season banquet. He added 28 tackles on defense.

Volleyball



Kylie Valdez, Essex Senior

Valdez shared setting duties with classmate Mariska Kirchert and helped lead the Trojanettes to a six-win season. She recorded 37 digs and 27 aces on the season. She was a leader on and off the court in her final season with Essex volleyball.

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