

WISCONSIN VALLEY CONFERENCE STUDENT-ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln Senior Austin Tisland



WVC SPORT(S): Cross Country, Basketball and Track & Field.

FAVORITE CLASS: AP Social Studies

BEST ADVICE RECEIVED FROM A COACH: "Stop thinking so much"
"You'll be fine" "Get out of your head" or "Pick your head up"

FAVORITE PLACE TO COMPETE AT IN THE WISCONSIN VALLEY CONFERENCE AND WHY?

At home, especially on the cross country course and track because I receive plenty of support. Outside of Wisconsin Rapids, I am most excited to compete in Stevens Point at Standing Rocks for cross country and at SPASH for basketball.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS MEMORY:

My favorite memory involves winning the large schools cross country meet at Marshfield. To cap off a day in which I received several pieces of exciting news, the Rapids boys cross country team had its most successful meet in several years!



WHAT TWO CHARACTERISTICS MAKE YOU A GOOD TEAMMATE OR LEADER:

Hardworking, I lead by example and encourage. I try to build up my teammates realistically, commending efforts, verbally encouraging them and acknowledging when they can do better, emphasizing their potential.

COLLEGE OR POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS:

I have no plans yet, but I am considering the military or a military academy, but I am just trying to trust God. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths." (Proverbs 3:5-6).

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE QUOTE:

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me" - Psalm 23:4

BEST ADVICE YOU WERE GIVEN AS AN INCOMING FRESHMAN:

"Everything will work out for good in the end"

COACHES NOMINATING THOUGHTS:

Austin is a self-starter that is very driven to succeed. He pushes himself to the maximum and he is willing to put in all of the hard work necessary to be successful. He has his own personal goals and he puts in extra time to work towards achieving them. While he is very driven to be the best he can be, he is a very team oriented person. If someone else does a good job or does better than him he congratulates them and is happy for them. He respects other people's efforts. He is also a leader and is willing to step up and put himself in front of the team to lead them when others might not feel comfortable to do so. He is an all around nice guy and he tries to make everyone feel welcome.