

The Uniform I Wear! FTTF Invitational September 10th, 2022

Sometimes, there are things that are bigger than ourselves. On Saturday at the FTTF Invite, I realized the history of our program is long and has its own story. For me, the story can be traced through the uniforms we wear. While the style may change, there is one thing in common. The school & teammates we represent! Our uniforms might say Glenbard South, or Raiders, or even what we wear today, South. I still remember the feeling I had when I put on my very first uniform. It was thrilling. I had the chance to represent our team, my teammates, & our school. Our first Girls Cross Country team can be traced back to the very first year it was offered in the state of Illinois in the fall of 1979. Glenbard South's very own Madlyn Morreale won the very first IHSA Girls Cross Country State Championship! Pretty cool if you ask me. That started an unbroken streak of Raider Girls Cross Country up to yesterday, when Lauren Price, Taylor Koenig, Mary Kate Pinkelman, Ava Benes, Mariela Flores, Simone Witort, and Diana Kalvelage, ran in the FTTF Invitational! These girls not only represented the present, they also honored the past by wearing a Glenbard South uniform that have been worn by so many previous generations! It will be this team's legacy, to prepare the path for future Raider Girls Cross Country Teams! You're making history, or Herstory! Saturday featured the debut of Diana and Simone who were running for the first time this year! Both girls gave us a glimpse of what their future holds. Lauren Price is getting back to normal after an extended illness, and Taylor, Mary Kate, Ava, and Mariela all turned in PR days with Taylor running a career best 22:34.8, improving her previous best by over 30 seconds! Taylor Koenig is our Raider of the Meet! Well done ladies!

