

**SCHEDULE**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1**  
**Baseball:** Lebanon at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. Woodburn at Central, 4:30 p.m.  
**Softball:** Dallas at Central, 4:30 p.m. Perrydale at Scio, 4:30 p.m.  
**Track and Field:** Dallas at Lebanon, 3:30 p.m. Central at Woodburn, 4 p.m.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2**  
**Track and Field:** Perrydale at East Linn Christian, 4 p.m. Falls City at Salem Academy, 4 p.m.  
**Boys Tennis:** Dallas at Central, 4 p.m.  
**Girls Tennis:** Central at Dallas, 4 p.m.  
**Softball:** Western Washington at Western Oregon (DH), 2 p.m.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3**  
**Baseball:** Western Oregon at Central Washington (DH), 1 p.m. Perrydale at Crow, 3 p.m. Dallas at Lebanon, 4:30 p.m. Central at Woodburn, 4:30 p.m.  
**Softball:** Perrydale at Crow, 3 p.m. Dallas at South Albany, 4:30 p.m. Central at Crescent Valley, 4:30 p.m.  
**Track and Field:** Western Oregon at Stanford Invitational, 9 a.m. Dallas at West Salem Titan Track Classic, 3 p.m. Western Oregon at San Francisco State Invitational, TBA.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4**  
**Baseball:** Western Oregon at Central Washington (DH), 1 p.m.  
**Softball:** Western Oregon at Saint Martin's (DH), 1 p.m.  
**Track and Field:** Western Oregon at Stanford Invitational, 9 a.m. Western Oregon at Linfield Jenn Boyman Memorial Invitational, 10 a.m. Western Oregon at San Francisco State Invitational, TBA. Western Oregon at Portland Spring Break Open, TBA. Falls City at Estacada Invitational, 10:30 a.m.

**MONDAY, APRIL 6**  
**Boys Golf:** Dallas, Central at Mid-Willamette Conference Tournament, Cross Creek Golf Course, Dallas, noon.  
**Girls Golf:** Dallas at Mid-Willamette Conference Tournament, Mallard Creek Golf Course, Lebanon, noon.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 7**  
**Baseball:** Woodburn at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. Lebanon at Central, 4:30 p.m. Perrydale at Country Christian, 4:30 p.m.  
**Softball:** Corvallis at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. Lebanon at Central, 4:30 p.m. Kennedy at Perrydale, 4:30 p.m.  
**Track and Field:** Dallas at Silverton, 3:45 p.m. Falls City at Scio, 4 p.m. Perrydale at Santiam, TBA.  
**Boys Tennis:** Dallas at South Albany, 4 p.m. Central at Crescent Valley, 4 p.m.  
**Girls Tennis:** South Albany at Dallas, 4 p.m. Crescent Valley at Central, 4 p.m.  
**Girls Golf:** Dallas at Mid-Willamette Conference Tournament, Springhill Golf Club, Albany, 1 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**  
**Baseball:** Dallas at Woodburn, 4:30 p.m. Central at Lebanon, 4:30 p.m.  
**Softball:** Dallas at Crescent Valley, 4:30 p.m. Silverton at Central, 4:30 p.m.  
**Track and Field:** South Albany at Central, 4 p.m.

**Schedules Subject to Change**

**STAT SHEET**

**14** The number of head coaches Western Oregon's men's basketball team has had since its inception in 1923.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

# Bergeson leaves for Regis

*Coach led Western Oregon to 69-45 record during four-year tenure*

**By Lukas Eggen**  
The Itemizer-Observer



**Bergeson**

MONMOUTH — After one of the most successful seasons in program history, the Western Oregon men's basketball team is in search of a new coach.  
Brady Bergeson accepted the head coaching position for Regis University's men's basketball team on Friday. "I would like to thank Pres-

ident Weiss, (athletic director) Barb Dearing, our fans, mentors, fellow coaches, and our WOU hoop community for supporting us for the past few years," Bergeson said in a statement. "I also want to thank our support staff, our alumni and most importantly our team. It has been a great team effort to have achieved at such historic levels. I have had the great honor to serve as head basketball coach for four years at an excellent university and for that I will be eternally grateful. I will always be a Wolf at heart and will share in the pride of all the future successes at WOU."  
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**By The Numbers**

**69**

The number of wins Western Oregon had during Brady Bergeson's four-year tenure at WOU.

**1**

The number of NCAA Division II Tournament appearances the Wolves made in four years.

**5**

The number of wins Regis' men's basketball team had during the 2014-15 campaign.

**CLASS 5A PREP GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD**

# Leaping ahead

*Sayer hopes to qualify for state in long jump, triple jump*

**By Lukas Eggen**  
The Itemizer-Observer

**Sayer File**

- Sophomore Kayley Sayer finished fourth in the long jump at the Mid-Willamette Conference District Championships in 2014.
- Sayer competes in the long jump, triple jump and has participated in several sprint events for the Dragons.
- Dallas' track and field team will compete at Lebanon Wednesday (today) at 3 p.m. and at the West Salem Titan Track Classic on Friday at 3 p.m.

DALLAS — Each time Dallas sophomore Kayley Sayer begins a jump, nothing else matters. For the briefest of moments, it's almost as if Sayer can do anything.  
"It's a fun feeling," Sayer said. "It's like you can fly a little bit."  
This season, Sayer is hoping to fly farther than ever, straight to the state track and field championships.  
Sayer is coming off a freshman campaign that saw her finish fourth in the long jump and fifth in the triple jump at the Mid-Willamette Conference District Championships.



Since that moment, she's spent the offseason working on making her sophomore season all about reaching her goal of qualifying for state.  
"Kayley worked extremely hard in the offseason in the weight room and in practices," Dallas coach Bill Masei said. "She is in better shape than most girls right now."  
Sayer won the long jump

at the Dallas Icebreaker on March 19 with a leap of 15 feet, 9 inches, a mark she didn't surpass in 2014 until May.  
"I worked on gaining more leg strength for my jumps," Sayer said. "I focused on the steps I need to do and making sure my technique is good."  
It was a long way from when Sayer began her track and field career in sixth grade, but she wasn't looking to run.  
"I heard from a lot of people that (jumps) were so much fun," Sayer said. "I had a sister who tried it and had a blast, so I thought why not give it a try?"  
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LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer

Dallas sophomore Kayley Sayer hopes to dominate the long jump and triple jump.

**CLASS 2A-1A PREP BASEBALL**

# Silver hopes to strike gold this season

*Experienced roster entering league campaign with confidence*



Senior David Silver catches during practice.

**By Lukas Eggen**  
The Itemizer-Observer

PERRYDALE — Perrydale senior David Silver likes to keep busy.  
Whether it is football, basketball, equestrian or a variety of other activities, Silver doesn't sit still for long.  
Yet, it's been baseball that's been Silver's favorite sport. Since he began playing t-ball nearly 12 years ago, baseball has been his go-to hobby.  
"I've had so much fun playing it through the years," Silver said. "I'm going

**Up Next**

- The Pirates played at St. Paul Tuesday after press time.
- Perrydale plays at Crow on Friday.
- The Pirates open Tri-River Conference play against Country Christian Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

"This is probably the best team that works together and is like a family since I've been here," Silver said.  
Expectations are high for Perrydale, which started the season 4-0. That's a far cry from his first season with the Pirates.  
When Silver joined the Pirates as a sophomore, he was a Kings Valley Charter School student. Perrydale was still learning coach Steve Mabry's system.  
Silver's arrival signaled a huge moment for the Pirates' baseball program.  
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