

## SCHEDULE

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7**  
**Cross-country:** Central at Mid-Willamette 4-Way, at Avery Park, Corvallis, 4 p.m.  
**Volleyball:** Central at Crescent Valley, 6 p.m. Dallas at South Albany, 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 8**  
**Football:** Central at Lebanon, 7 p.m. Dallas at Corvallis, 7 p.m. Perrydale at Lone, 6 p.m.  
**Volleyball:** Perrydale at Falls City, 5:30 p.m. Western Oregon at Simon Fraser, 7 p.m.

**FRIDAY, OCT. 9**  
**Football:** Siletz Valley at Falls City, 7 p.m.  
**Volleyball:** North Douglas at Perrydale, 3 p.m. Damascus Christian at Perrydale, 6 p.m.

**SATURDAY, OCT. 10**  
**Cross-country:** Central, Dallas at George Fox Cross-country Classic, 10 a.m. Western Oregon at Western Washington Invitational, 10 a.m.  
**Football:** North Alabama at Western Oregon, 1 p.m.  
**Girls soccer:** Seattle Pacific at Western Oregon, 11 a.m.  
**Volleyball:** Dallas at Glencoe Tournament, 8 a.m. Western Oregon at Western Washington, 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY, OCT. 13**  
**Boys soccer:** Central at Silverton, 6 p.m. Crescent Valley at Dallas, 4 p.m.  
**Girls soccer:** Silverton at Central, 6 p.m. Dallas at Crescent Valley, 6 p.m.  
**Volleyball:** Lebanon at Central, 6 p.m. Corvallis at Dallas, 6 p.m. Falls City at Willamette Valley Christian, 6 p.m. Country Christian at Perrydale, 5:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 14**  
**Cross-country:** Central at Silverton, TBA. Dallas vs. Corvallis, Crescent Valley, and South Albany (at Dallas City Park), TBA.

**Schedules Subject to Change**

**QUICK HITS**

**Booster club raises \$26,000**

DALLAS — The Dallas Booster Club raised about \$30,000 during its annual auction dinner on Saturday at the Nesmith Reading Center.

Booster Club member Michelle Nelson said the organization will net about \$26,000, which will go toward Dallas High School athletics, including equipment and various projects.

The Dallas Booster Club auction featured a variety of items during a silent and live auction.

**STAT SHEET**

**3** The number of games Perrydale's football team has scored at least 60 points during the 2015 season. The Pirates scored 60 points twice and 80 once.

**4** The number of goals Antonio Rincon scored for the Central boys soccer team during the Panthers' 4-0 victory over Dallas to open Mid-Willamette Conference play on Monday.

## HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

# Jacobson leaves strong legacy at Dallas

Longtime teacher, coach and administrator worked in Dallas for nearly 40 years

**By Lukas Eggen**  
 The Itemizer-Observer

DALLAS — For nearly four decades, Ken Jacobson was synonymous with the Dallas School District.

From 1947 to 1983, Jacobson, who died on Sept. 29, worked as a teacher, coach, athletics director and school administrator.

Throughout his career he

had one common theme: help his students in any way that he could.

His first year as head coach of the football squad in 1954 didn't go quite as planned.

"The first year he was

head coach, we didn't win a game until the last game of the year," Gordon Kunke said. Kunke was a fellow teacher and coach at Dallas. He first started in Dallas two years after Jacobson. "We went over to Silverton on Armistice Day and won."

One year later, Jacobson led the Dragons to the state playoffs, falling to Vale in the



**Jacobson**

knew him best.

As an educator and a coach, Jacobson's greatest

A-2 state title game.

Jacobson's success as a coach comes as little surprise to those who

strength centered on his genuine desire to help his students learn and become better people.

"He had empathy for kids," Kunke said. "If they didn't have a good home life, he tried to give them more attention. He got along real well with the kids and they played hard for him."

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## PREP CROSS-COUNTRY

# Coach, seniors form bond

Cirino ready to say goodbye to first runners he coached in middle school



ELI CIRINO/for the Itemizer-Observer  
 Senior Darien Hume was one of the first runners Central coach Eli Cirino coached.

**By Lukas Eggen**  
 The Itemizer-Observer

INDEPENDENCE — Central cross-country coach Eli Cirino knows saying goodbye to any senior class is difficult. This year, four of the team's seniors — Jamie Smith, Darien Hume, Tucker Engle and Rex Omlid — will be especially hard.

The quartet of runners were part of the first team Cirino coached at Talmadge Middle School. The group has created a bond that surpasses anything they imagined.

Starting cross-country in middle school was never supposed to be anything serious.

"I'm surprised I'm even still doing this sport and built a lifestyle around this," Engle said. "This is not what I envisioned for myself, but I'm glad it's worked out this way."

Some, like Omlid, joined because of friends. Others, like Engle, did it as a way to stay in shape for other sports.

"I started out with Finkbeiner as my coach," Hume said. "He was a

nice, old man. He was a skilled coach, but really laid back. We had mileage that was really specific to us."

It was when Cirino took over the middle school program in 2011, the seniors' eighth-grade year, that things began to change.

He pushed his runners, challenging them to run farther than they thought they ever could.

"When Cirino started, I was honestly scared of him," Hume said. "I didn't know what it was to work hard yet."

He began to have more group runs instead of individualized distances and emphasized the importance of the training process.

"I want to help them to love running," Cirino said. "I don't just

want to get them into shape and then have them stop running when they're done with high school."

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## PREP CROSS-COUNTRY

# Bailey helps Pirates rush ahead

Running back/linebacker leads Perrydale to a 5-0 mark this season



LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer file  
 Keenan Bailey is one of Perrydale's top offensive threats.

**By Lukas Eggen**  
 The Itemizer-Observer

PERRYDALE — The Perrydale football team wasn't bashful when making its preseason goals entering the 2015 season.

"We wanted to do something big for Perrydale," senior running back/linebacker Keenan Bailey said.

The Pirates appear headed for just that with Bailey helping to lead the charge.

Perrydale enters its game at Lone on Thursday with a 5-0 mark overall and 3-0 in Special District 4 play. Bailey has been a major reason why.

The senior rushed for

**Up next**

- Perrydale defeated South Wasco County 80-12 on Friday to improve to 5-0 overall.

- The Pirates play at Lone Thursday at 6 p.m.

- Perrydale is one of three teams undefeated in league play in Special District 4.

three touchdowns and returned a kickoff for another score during an 80-12 victory over South Wasco County on Friday.

The previous week, Bailey had 354 yards and four touchdowns in a 36-34 win

over Dufur.

"The satisfaction is helping out the team," Bailey said. "Getting points on the board and helping us get toward that win is all that we need."

Bailey has had his fair share of touchdowns, but he's just as content pounding out yards.

"Some of my favorite runs were getting the short yards against Dufur," Bailey said. "When you get that first down, it's one of the biggest things and one step toward that touchdown."

Bailey has become a consistent and reliable option for the Pirates.

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