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St. Cecilia Academy cross country coach and athlete honored

St. Cecilia Academy cross country state champion Emily Peters was named to *The Tennessean* All-Mid-State Cross Country 1st Team and Coach Teresa Marchetti was named *The Tennessean* Mid-State Cross Country Coach of the Year.

The honors come after a banner season for the St. Cecilia Academy Cross Country Team. The team won second place in state and first in the region for the TSSAA Division II A. Emily Peters, a freshman, won the state individual championship with a 19:34.60 run in the 5000m at TSSAA State Cross-Country Championships.

“It was great; kind of unbelievable both in terms of the team and my individual accomplishments,” Emily said of her first season as a Scarab. The state champion said Coach Marchetti helped guide the team all season and never doubted their abilities.

“She was really encouraging,” Emily said of Coach Marchetti. “She helped motivate our whole team. She pushed us and she knew we could do it.”

Emily said her goals for next year are to keep improving her times and to do more cross training to grow stronger.

St. Cecilia Academy is Nashville’s oldest private high school founded in 1860 by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia Congregation. The Academy has been named to the Top 50 best Catholic high schools in the U.S. list five times since 2004. Eighty-five percent of the 53 Class of 2010 members were offered college scholarships totaling \$5.5 million. That equals an average of over \$100,000 in offered college scholarships per graduate.

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