

183:38, 11 Dos Pueblos (Goleta)
 184:03, 12 Rolling Hills 184:24, 13
 Santa Barbara 184:25, 14 Millikan
 (Long Beach) 185:22, 15 Arcadia
 185:42.

State High School X-C Rankings

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Final 1981 season cross country rankings with location of school (if different from name of school) and section given in parentheses. Section abbreviations: CC - Central Coast; Cen - Central; LA - Los Angeles; NC - North Coast; Nor - Northern; Oak - Oakland; SD - San Diego; SF - San Francisco; SJ - Sac-Joaquin; So - Southern. Southern Section schools are listed with class (e.g. So4A) because nearly half the state's schools are located within that section.

BOYS:

- 1 Mater Dei (Santa Ana, So3A)
- 2 Leigh (San Jose, CC)
- 3 Crescenta Vly (La Crec., So4A)
- 4 El Toro (So4A)
- 5 Santana (Santee, SD)
- 6 Los Gatos (CC)
- 7 Valhalla (El Cajon, SD)
- 8 Saratoga (CC)
- 9 Barstow (So2A)
- 10 Fountain Valley (So4A)

Honorable Mention
 (alphabetically) -- Bella Vista (Fair Oaks, SJ), Bellarmine (San Jose, CC), Camarillo (So4A), Canyon (Canyon Country, So3A), Castro

Valley (NC), Clovis (Cen), El Dorado (Placentia, So4A), Lick (San Jose, CC), Madera (Cen), Newbury Park (So4A), Palos Verdes (Palos Verdes Estates, So4A), San Pedro (LA), San Ramon (Danville, NC), Santa Barbara (So4A), Thousand Oaks (So4A), University (Irvine, So4A), Villa Park (So4A).

GIRLS:

- 1 University (Irvine, So4A)
- 2 Foothill (Tustin, So4A)
- 3 Tustin (So4A)
- 4 Costa Mesa (So4A)
- 5 Terra Linda (San Rafael, NC)
- 6 St. Francis (Mt. View, CC)
- 7 Mira Costa (Mhntn Bch, So3A)
- 8 Newbury Park (So4A)
- 9 Carondelet (Concord, NC)
- 10 San Marino (So3A)

Honorable Mention
 (alphabetically) -- Bishop Montgomery (Torrance, So3A), Clovis (Cen), Del Oro (Loomis, SJ), Edison (Huntington Beach, So4A), El Dorado (Placerville, SJ), Fountain Valley (So4A), Laguna Beach (So3A), Monte Vista (Spring Valley, SD), Redwood (Larkspur, NC), Thousand Oaks (So4A), Valhalla (El Cajon, SD), Walnut (So3A).

BOYS NOTES: Mater Dei won the Southern Section 3A with a time 4 seconds faster than Crescenta Valley won the 4A title with, and Crescenta Valley has approximately 40 seconds of "wasted time" after No. 1 runner Jeff Holyfield. Leigh, the Central Coast Section and NorCal champ, looked very good at the Kinney meet, which received a lot of weight but

was not the ultimate decider. Crescenta Valley had runners Nos. 1, 2, and 4 at Kinney and by plugging in approximate times for the missing runners didn't quite have enough to surpass Leigh. El Toro, 3rd at SS 4A meet, won it all at the prestigious Mt. SAC Invitational, beating 5 of the ranked teams. Santana, San Diego Section champ, was second in a lower-quality race at Mt. SAC but beat league-rival Valhalla (which was second at Mt. SAC) by just 2 points at section.

GIRLS NOTES:

No one team was anywhere near University, possibly the best team in the nation, as they won their own section meet by over 4 minutes. Terra Linda's performance at the Kinney meet helped forge what was believed much before: that the Southern Section is by far the state's toughest section. The rankings reflect that by giving the first four positions to the SS. Third-place Tustin beat NorCal champ Terra Linda by 1:40 at the Kinney.

GUIDELINES:

Though teams will sometimes point towards peaking for different meets, the most emphasis was put on section and NorCal meets. Big Invitationals got notice but mostly as a reference to season-long performance for each school. The Kinney Western Regional was considered a big invitational but received extra emphasis (but not as much as a section meet) because it is nearest in

time to most schools' section meets. It is hoped that the Kinney meet will attract the state's best teams each year to help determine these rankings until an official state meet is instituted.

SOUTHERN SECTION TOP FIFTEEN TEAM TIMES (Sectional Prelims and Finals)

At Mt. SAC

BOYS:

1	Mater Dei (Santa Ana)	79:21
2	Crescenta Valley (La Crescenta)	79:25
3	El Toro	80:45
4	Barstow	80:53
5	University (Irvine)	80:54
6	Fountain Valley	80:57
7	Santa Barbara	81:01
8	Canyon (Canyon Country)	81:02
9	Camarillo	81:03
10	Newbury Park	81:08
11	Thousand Oaks	81:13
12	El Dorado (Placentia)	81:23
13	Villa Park	81:25
14	Palos Verdes	81:29
15	Montebello	82:13

GIRLS:

1	University (Irvine)	92:25
2	Foothill (Santa Ana)	96:28
3	Costa Mesa	96:52
4	Tustin	97:24
5	Mira Costa (Manhattan Beach)	97:48
6	Newbury Park	98:03
7	Walnut	98:50
8	Fountain Valley	99:01
9	Thousand Oaks	99:08
10	San Marino	99:16
11	Bishop Montgomery (Torrance)	99:47
12	Edison (Huntington Beach)	99:56
13	Laguna Beach	99:58
14	Bishop Amat (La Puente)	101:09
15	Dos Pueblos (Goleta)	101:11