BYU MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

NCAA Mountain Regionals
Nov. 13, 2026
Albuquerque, New Mexico
North Golf Course

MEN'S PREVIEW

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — No. 6 BYU looks to punch its ticket to the NCAA Championship meet as it races in the NCAA Mountain Regional Championships on Friday.

The Cougars are coming off a podium finish in the Big 12 Championship, led by senior James Corrigan and sophomore Tayvon Kitchen, who both placed in the top 15 and earned All-Conference honors.

Much like the Big 12 Championship, the Cougars will be running against a loaded field in the Mountain Region. It will be BYU's first look this season at No. 1 New Mexico, who enter the meet having swept the top seven spots in the Mountain West Championship. The Lobos won the Mountain Regional in 2025, with BYU finishing second. The field also includes No. 2 Colorado, who just won the Big 12 Championship.

The top two teams in each of the nine regions receive an automatic bid to the championship meet. The NCAA Division I Cross Country Subcommittee then awards 14 at-large bids based on overall season résumé, as well as placement at each team's respective regional meet. BYU received an at-large bid with a fourth-place finish at last season's regional meet.

New Mexico will host the meet for the first time since 2022, so it will once again be a new course for the Cougar harriers to learn. It will also be the first time this season that BYU will run a 10,000 meter race, the distance of the NCAA Championship meet the next week. The race will also include some of the top individual runners in the nation, including New Mexico's Evans Kiplagat and Colorado's Meshack Kipruto.

WOMEN'S PREVIEW

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - No. 1 BYU is ready to continue its postseason, taking on the NCAA Mountain Regionals in New Mexico on Friday, Nov. 13 at 11:00 a.m. MST.

While the Cougars' main goal is to qualify for the NCAA Championships next weekend, they also aim to avenge last year's Mountain Regional runner-up finish. A team victory from BYU would total six wins at the Mountain Regionals since 2000. It would also be the fifth year that the Cougars have been undefeated going into the NCAA Championships, the previous seasons being 2020-21, 2003, 2002 and 1998.

BYU's main competition will consist of No. 6 Northern Arizona, No. 7 New Mexico, No. 9 Colorado and No. 16 Utah. Unlike the Big 12 and NCAA Championship courses, this will be the first time the Cougars have competed on the North Golf Course at UNM.

The women are coming off a win at the Big 12 Championships on Halloween, where they outran No. 3 West Virginia by seven points and Jane Hedengren claimed the Big 12 individual title. Although Hedengren won't be racing this Friday, BYU will be led by Taylor Rohatinsky and Taylor Lovell, two of the Cougars who earned All-Big 12 honors after placing in the top 15 at the Big 12 Championships.

Also lining up for BYU are Karrie Baloga and Jenna Hutchins, who both finished in the top 25, as well as Zariel Macchia, Lily Alder and Macy Wingard, who placed in the top 35. Tessa Buswell will join the women in representing the Cougars after taking first in the white race at Pre-Nationals.

Rohatinsky is hoping to earn her third consecutive All-Mountain Region honors, while Lovell and Macchia are each looking for their second top 25 finish.

2026 BYU Cross Country Season

MEN'S SEASON

MEET	PLACE	POINTS
UVU INVITATIONAL	1ST	17
JOHN MCNICHOLS INVITATIONAL	1ST	71
NUTTYCOMBE	3RD	146
BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS	3RD	91

WOMEN'S SEASON

MEET	PLACE	POINTS
UVU INVITATIONAL	1ST	19
COWBOY JAMBOREE	1ST	32
INDIANA PRE-NATIONALS	1ST	84
BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIPS	1ST	56

COACHING STAFF



Ed Eyestone
Men's XC Head Coach



Diljeet Taylor
Women's XC Head Coach



Ryan Waite
Men's XC Assistant Coach

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

Name	Pronunciation	Year	Height	Hometown (Previous School)
James Corrigan	core-uh-gin	Sr.	5'9"	Los Angeles, California (Eagle Rock HS)
Carter Cutting		Jr.	5'10"	Wilsonville, Oregon (Wilsonville HS)
Max Davis		Jr.	5'9"	Flagstaff, Arizona (Skyridge HS)
Alex Garcia-Silver		Fr.	5'8"	Coos Bay, Oregon (Marshfield HS)
Isaac Hedengren	head-in-grin	Jr.	6'4"	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)
Liam Heninger		Fr.		Orem, Utah (Mountain View HS)
Jackson Henstrom		So.	6'1"	Draper, Utah (SLCC)
Noah Jenkins		Jr.	5'8"	Herriman, Utah (Southern Utah)
Hunter Kitchen		Jr.	5'7"	Kaysville, Utah (SLCC)
Tayvon Kitchen	tay-vin	So.	6'0"	Central Point, Oregon (Crater HS)
Land Lambert		Jr.	5'7"	Durango, Colorado (Durango HS)
Jefferson McMullin	mick-mole-in	So.	6'0"	Lehi, Utah (Lehi HS)
Dalton Mortensen		Jr.	5'4"	Bountiful, Utah (Bountiful HS)
Jake Orr		Jr.	6'6"	Draper, Utah (Corner Canyon HS)
Ethan Peterson		So.	6'0"	Farmington, Utah (Utah State)
Jacob Robison		So.	5'10"	Santa Ana, California (Foothill HS)
Malachi Schoenherr	shane-hair	Fr.	6'1"	Eugene, Oregon (Sheldon HS)
Danny Simmons		Fr.	6'0"	American Fork, Utah (American Fork HS)
Kyle Steadman		Fr.	5'7"	Orem, Utah (Mountain View HS)
Isaac Teeples		So.	5'10"	Kennewick, Washington (Kamiakin HS)

PERSONAL 8K RECORDS

Name	Time	Meet
James Corrigan	22:29.7	2024 Big 12 Championships
Tayvon Kitchen	22:37.3	2026 Nuttycombe Classic
Noah Jenkins	23:06.1	2025 Gans Creek Classic
Isaac Hedengren	23:21.2	2023 Big 12 Championships
Dalton Mortensen	23:23.8	2026 Nuttycombe Classic
Hunter Kitchen	23:28.2	2026 Nuttycombe Classic
Max Davis	23:29.0	2025 Gans Creek Classic
Jefferson McMullin	23:48.8	2026 Nuttycombe Classic
Land Lambert	23:53.5	2026 Nuttycombe Classic
Carter Cutting	24:06.6	2026 Nuttycombe Classic
Malachi Schoenherr	24:12.6	2026 Nuttycombe Classic

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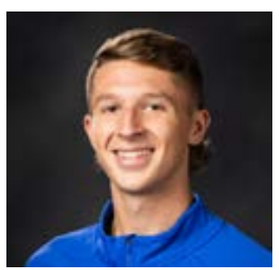

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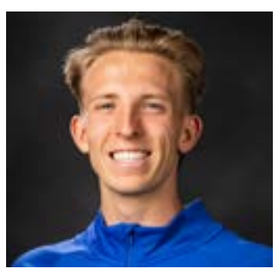

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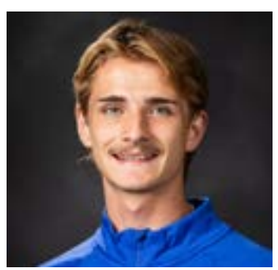

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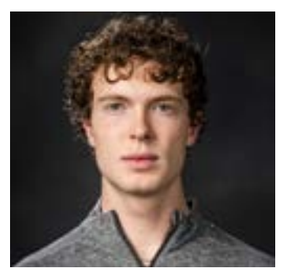

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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

Name	Pronunciation	Year	Height	Hometown (Previous School)
Lily Alder		Fr.	5'6"	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)
Vanessa Alder		Sr.	5'6"	New Windsor, New York (Northern Arizona)
Karrie Baloga	buh-loh-guh	Sr.	5'7"	Syracuse, Utah (Syracuse HS)
Millie Bayles	bay-less	Fr.	5'6"	Silverado, California (Trabuco Hills HS)
Lilly Beshears	bee-shears	Fr.	5'8"	Rogers, Arkansas (Rogers HS)
Tessa Buswell	buzz-well	Jr.	5'6"	San Diego, California (Poway HS)
Lexi Goff-Thompson		Sr.	5'2"	Highland, Utah (Lone Peak HS)
Jane Hedengren	head-in-grin	So.	5'11"	Provo, Utah (Timpview HS)
Jenna Hutchins		Sr.	5'3"	Johnson City, Tennessee (Science Hill HS)
Emerald Kehr	care	Sr.	5'7"	Salt Lake City, Utah (LSU)
Taylor Lovell	love-uhl	Sr.	5'9"	Gilbert, Arizona (Perry HS)
Zariel Macchia	zar-ee-elle mock-ee-uh	So.	5'9"	Mastic Beach, New York (William Floyd HS)
Addie Meldrum		Jr.	5'2"	Highland, Utah (Lone Peak HS)
Nelah Roberts	knee-luh	Jr.	5'7"	Idaho Falls, Idaho (Skyline HS)
Taylor Rohatinsky	row-a-tin-skee	Sr.	5'6"	Highland, Utah (Lone Peak HS)
Macy Wingard		Fr.	5'3"	Aubrey, Texas (Braswell HS)

PERSONAL 6K RECORDS

Name	Time	Meet
Jane Hedengren	18:29.6	2025 Big 12 Championships.
Nelah Roberts	19:22.9	2025 NCAA Championships.
Taylor Rohatinsky	19:29.8	2025 NCAA Championships
Taylor Lovell	19:35.4	2025 NCAA Championships
Lexi Goff-Thompson	19:46.5	2025 Missouri Pre-Nationals
Zariel Macchia	19:50.3	2025 NCAA Championships
Karrie Baloga	19:53.7	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals
Jenna Hutchins	19:54.5	2023 Big 12 Championships
Tessa Buswell	20:27.5	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals
Lily Alder	20:29.0	2026 Cowboy Jamboree
Macy Wingard	20:35.6	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals
Emerald Kehr	20:40.2	2025 Missouri Pre-Nationals
Addie Meldrum	20:50.9	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals
Vanessa Alder	21:01.3	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals
Lilly Beshears	21:04.6	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals
Millie Bayles	21:08.0	2026 Indiana Pre-Nationals

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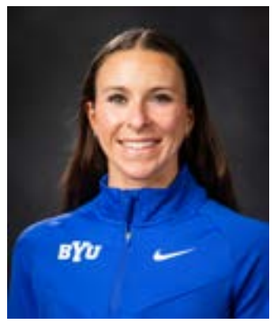

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