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## **Tigers in Pink**

This past week the cross country team was very busy. They competed in two invitational meets. The first being our very own Will County Championships at Channon Community Park which benefited the Joliet chapter of Pink heals. The day started strong with the Freshman/ Sophomore race where the girls placed first overall. Some highlights from the race included Ashley Lang's individual championship and Yessenia Suarez' third place finish. Coming in third for the Tigers was Bella Betlejeski. The whole F/S team put in an extraordinary effort to win the race. The varsity race was next with Maddie Blaauw placing 5th with a 19:07. Spirits were high as many girls achieved a season or personal best, including Daiyana Young who celebrated by dancing. The night ended with a very amusing mascot race. Representing Joliet West in the Tiger uniform was Sophomore Bene!

On Saturday the girls raced at the scenic Benet Academy invite. At the meet 15 girls ran their season bests. Varsity placed 5th overall at the meet with Maddie Blaauw placing 5th and Yessenia Suarez coming in 11th. The open represented Joliet West with three placers: Pamela Sanchez (7), Jessica Newby (12) and Ariana Short (13). The girls are ready to take on conference this upcoming Saturday!



Post mascot race at the will county championship





Placers at the Benet academy meet: M. Blaauw, A. Short, P. Sanchez, J.Newby and Y. Suarez.

## Senior Night

Congratulations and good luck to Seniors Daiyana Young, Danielle Paredes, Laruen Gratzke and MariaAngelica Martinez! Thank you for your years on the team!

"It was being a runner that mattered, not how fast or how far I could run. The joy was in the act of running and in the journey, not in the destination. "