

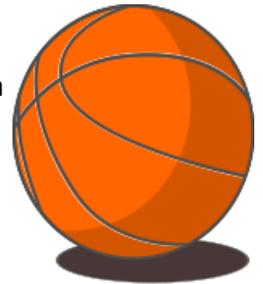
MOUNTAIN Kid Sports NEWS

Highlighting the Athletic Achievements of Loma Prieta & CTE Students

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Boys Basketball

The CTE 6th-grade team started the season against Dartmouth and Fisher – large schools with large, strong teams. Teams with a lot of players have a bit of an advantage, by being able to substitute in fresh players, while CTE has a small bench. The score in the Dartmouth match was CTE 18 to Dartmouth 35 and in the game against Fisher, 20-56. According to Coach Beckmann, “These first two scores do not reflect the boys' effort. For our first games of the season, the boys did very well, and considering that our practices have to be outside on the blacktop on small courts without the benefit of a real gym, I am very proud of how well they performed. There was strong passing, good ball stealing, and good positioning by our team.” The team consists of Kurt Beckmann, Mathew Fehr, Ethan Jeffery, Gabe McKay, Andrew Rogers, Eli Stephens, Steven Taylor and Loma 5th-graders, Theo Lohrer and Harris Campbell.



Wrestling

CTE Wrestling has the largest team in school history this year – 33 athletes! This committed group has put in serious time with long practices, weekend tournaments, and after school meets with other schools. Team captains Adrian Andres and Andrew Peck have led the way this season and CTE has had consistently turned heads throughout the league by how the team members carry themselves, the number of athletes competing, and their performance on the mat. The team has one dual meet remaining with Union and then League Finals on the 4th and 6th of December (Varsity and JV).

CTE had 11 wrestlers compete in the Mustang Classic last weekend - a tough tournament with lots of matches - and they all did outstanding! Ella Plautz and Alex Ceron both competed in the girl's tournament and each won first place in their brackets, earning CTE the second place finish for the whole tournament. Quite an accomplishment for just the two of them against much larger teams!

Sam Fulton took 8th-place and Cade Watson took 6th in intense varsity brackets and wrestled very well in some close and exciting matches. Alex Ceron stuck around for the later JV tournament and added a 2nd-place finish to her earlier first. Chris Ceron also took second. Coach Kissner said, “I am very proud of our first-year wrestlers who decided to compete in this challenging event and gain valuable experience on the mat. Matthew Lithgow took 2nd-place, Marcella Jones took 4th-place, Shawn Dattalo took 3rd-place in a very tough bracket, and Sam Willner wrestled four tough matches for three full rounds each and performed very well!”

A couple of Loma 4th-grade students also participated in this meet, with Corin Stammers earning 5th-place and Teddy Smith 6th-place in their brackets. These two were the only elementary aged athletes at the event. Said Coach Kissner, “The fact that each one of these athletes held their own and were able to compete with these experienced teams makes me very proud!”

