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CFAUSD Advocates for New Duo Division in Cross Country

Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District (CFAUSD) is pleased to announce that, in collaboration with the Bergeman family and other cross-country representatives, we are bringing forward a proposal to create a new duo division for cross-country competitions within the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) framework.

As the District, we have advocated for the creation of a duo team component in cross country since our duo racers started participating. We have always believed that their participation has shed light on the need to increase accessibility and promote greater participation from all students while adding a fun new dynamic to the sport. We are thrilled that a contingent of statewide coaches and the WIAA are now receptive to considering this change.

In the coming months, we look forward to continued discussions with the WIAA and fellow coaches to hammer out the details around implementing duo cross-country races. It is our hope that we can formally roll out this new division for the 2024 cross-country season. We are confident it will be a positive change that keeps cross country engaging and inclusive for student-athletes across Wisconsin.

We thank the statewide community for working with us and the Bergeman family to bring more options and accessibility to this great sport.

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