



SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

JUNE 24, 2024

5:00 PM

EPISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1014 NORTH STANTON STREET

EL PASO, TEXAS

Videoconference Notice:

A quorum of the Board of Trustees will be physically present at the EPISD Administration Building, 1014 North Stanton Street, El Paso, Texas 79902, and it is the intent to have a quorum of the Board present at that location. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.127 if a quorum of the Board is physically present at the designated location, other Trustees may attend and participate in this meeting via videoconference.

Announcement of Meeting/Agenda

As Directed Under the Provisions of the

Texas Open Meetings Act,

Texas Government Code, Chapter 551

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board of Trustees should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board of Trustees is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., or Texas Government Code 418.183 (f), will be held by the School Board at the date, hour, and place given in this Notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice as the School Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

Subject of Meeting

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledges of Allegiance**
- 3. Recognitions**
 - A. June 2024 Staff Recognition
(To recognize staff for their commitment to District outcome goals)
- 4. Public Meeting**
 - A. Public Meeting to Discuss the 2024 - 2025 District Budget
(As required by Board Policy CE (Local) - Annual Operating Budget)
- 5. Action Items**
 - A. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Naming of El Paso High School Track Field
(To name the El Paso High School Track Field)
 - B. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Use of Fund Balance to Offset Anticipated Revenue Shortfall for the 2024-2025 School Year (Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance - \$12,059,904.00)
(Amendment will provide adequate funding for District operations)
 - C. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Use of Reserved Fund Balance to Allocate Additional Budget to Healthcare Program Fund (General Operating Reserved Fund Balance - \$4,200,000.00)
(Amendment will provide adequate funding for the Health Care Fund)
 - D. Approval of Use of Fund Balance for Extracurricular Student Activities Related Expenses, Audit Management Software, Gifted & Talented Program Redesign Costs, Academic and Instructional Materials/Services, Maintenance Related Equipment & Supplies, Transportation Replacement Plan and Capital Outlay for Districtwide Needs for the 2024-2025 School Year (Unrestricted Fund Balance - \$6,364,183.00)

(Amendment will provide adequate funding for District operations)

- E. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed 2024 - 2025 Employee Compensation Plan
(Information provided will assist in setting the District's compensation plan for the fiscal year)
- F. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed 2024-2025 Budgets for the General Operating Fund, Debt Service Fund and Food & Nutrition Fund
(To provide budget for Fiscal Year 2025, as required by Board Policy CE (Local) - Annual Operating Budget)

6. Adjournment

If not adjourned beforehand, the meeting will recess at 11:00 p.m. or within a reasonable time frame thereafter. If there is any unfinished business, the meeting will be reconvened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday of the following week to take up any such unfinished business.

Superintendent

The District condemns and prohibits discrimination, including harassment, against any employee on the basis of race, color, age, sex, religion, national origin, marital status, citizenship, military status, disability, genetic information, gender stereotyping and perceived sexuality, perceived or actual sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, or any other basis prohibited by law. Inquiries concerning the application of Title VI, VII, and IX, and Section 504 may be referred to the District Compliance Officer, Rosa Ramos, at (915) 230-2031; 504 inquiries regarding students may be referred to Kelly Ball at (915) 230-2856.

Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

June 2024 Staff Recognition

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(To recognize staff for their commitment to District outcome goals)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Public Relations

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Other

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Liza Rodriguez, Chief Communications Officer

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

SUMMARY:

The Board will recognize Ms. Cheryl Felder for her nearly 48 years of wholeheartedness and service to the students of the El Paso ISD.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

FUNDING SOURCE: ACCOUNT NO.:

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- IMMEDIATE:
- FUTURE/ONGOING:

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE:

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:



Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

Public Meeting to Discuss the 2024 - 2025 District Budget

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(As required by Board Policy CE (Local) - Annual Operating Budget)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Discussion

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Legal/Local Policy

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Martha Aguirre/Gloria De Leon/Walt Byers

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

Strategic Lever IV: Culture of Accountability - El Paso ISD cultivates a culture of transparency, care, and service.

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Texas Education Code Section 44.004 and Board Policy CE (Local) - Annual Operating Budget, a "Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget" must be published in accordance with law. The notice must be published at least ten (10) days prior to the actual meeting. The notice was published on Thursday, June 13, 2024. Policy also states that "any taxpayer of the District may be present and participate in the meeting."

Administration will present an overview of the 2024-2025 District's Budget. The Board of Trustees will then conduct an open forum for community input.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

FUNDING SOURCE: ACCOUNT NO.:

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- IMMEDIATE:
- FUTURE/ONGOING:

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE:

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Public Notice - 2024-2025 District Budget Adoption

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The El Paso Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:00 PM, June 24, 2024 in the Board Room, 1014 N. Stanton, El Paso Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and adopt the school district's 2024-25 budget. The 2024-25 tax rate will be adopted at a meeting in August 2024. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$0.7793/\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.3108/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories.

Maintenance and operations	-2.39 % decrease
Debt Service	21.72 % increase
Total Expenditures	-0.09 % decrease

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	<u>Preceding Tax Year</u>	<u>Current Tax Year</u>
Total appraised value* of all property	\$32,132,292,070	\$37,141,724,077
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$223,457,269	\$131,080,999
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$21,430,006,667	\$22,545,822,048
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$209,090,885	\$129,127,176

*Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$835,144,116

*Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	<u>Maintenance & Operations</u>	<u>Interest & Sinking Fund*</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local Revenue Per Student</u>	<u>State Revenue Per Student</u>
Last Year's Rate	\$0.8263	\$0.3108	\$1.1371	\$4,573	\$7,595
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.7721	\$0.3611	\$1.1332	\$5,037	\$7,490
Proposed Rate	\$0.7793	\$0.3108	\$1.0901	\$4,760	\$7,505

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
Average Market Value of Residences	\$226,515	\$262,035
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$101,675	\$125,399
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.1371	\$1.0901
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$1,156.15	\$1,366.97
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$210.82

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.1281. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of \$1.1281.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation; less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$80,000,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$16,000,000

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for paying the district's debt service.

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

**Board of Trustees****Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item**

TITLE:

Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Naming of El Paso High School Track Field

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(To name the El Paso High School Track Field)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Action**TO BE HELD IN:** Open Session**TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:****AUTHORITY FOR ACTION:** Legal/Local Policy**STAFF RESPONSIBLE:** Dr. Carla Gonzales and Joseph Manago**DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:**

Strategic Lever III: Destination District - El Paso ISD solidifies its position as El Paso's destination district.

SUMMARY:

On March 20, 2024, a Naming Committee met to begin the process of naming the El Paso High School Track Field. The process was driven by Board Policy CW (Local). As such, requests for nominations were advertised to the public from March 19, 2024, to April 4, 2024, through the District's webpage, Blackboard, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts. Additionally, a notice was posted on the Alumni Facebook page. The advertisement for naming the track field was not posted on the campus marquee as it is currently not operational.

A Naming Committee was convened on April 10, 2024, consisting of members from the El Paso High School Alumni Association, Booster Club, Campus Improvement Team, Community member, Parent Teacher Student Association, students, and the principal. At the meeting, the Committee reviewed the nominations submitted and conducted interviews to make a selection. A list containing the nominations is attached.

During the meeting, the Committee allowed members of the public to speak regarding the nominees (a list containing the names of the individuals that addressed the Committee is attached). At the meeting, the only group present spoke on behalf of Coach Danny McKillip. They spoke of Coach McKillip's mentorship, the key role he played in his team members' lives. During the span of over 41 years, and in addition to all the state championships he won, his students believed that his greatest contribution was his influence and impact on those he coached. The key role he played in his team members' lives helped them believe in themselves to ultimately achieve their goals.

Coach McKillip's contributions to the school and community are immeasurable and it is for this reason that the Committee selected him as the nominee to bring forward for the recommendation to name the El Paso High School Track Field in his honor. In the event of his passing before it is approved, the recommendation would be for the track to be named the Coach Danny McKillip Memorial Track and Field.

William Danny McKillip was the highest ranked individual during the Committee meeting held on May 3, 2024. The nominee receiving second place ranking was Christina Valenzuela and the nominee receiving third place ranking was Tony Zuniga.

The Operations Department anticipates the cost of the dedication plaque used for facilities, fields, etc. to be approximately \$3,500.00 for signage and installation.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees consider and accept the School Naming Committee's recommendation to name the El Paso High School Track Field, Coach Danny McKillip Track and Field.

FUNDING SOURCE: ACCOUNT NO.:

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- **IMMEDIATE:**
- **FUTURE/ONGOING:**

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS: N/A

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

N/A

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE:

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

	Description
▢	CW Local Policy
▢	El Paso High Naming of Track Field Process and Supporting Documentation
▢	Advertisement - Webpage
▢	McKillip, William Danny Resume
▢	McKillip, William Danny Nomination Forms EPHS Track
▢	McKillip, William Danny Nomination Forms Part 2
▢	McKillip, William Danny Miscellaneous Letter of Support
▢	Valenzuela, Christina - Nomination Forms EPHS Track
▢	Zuniga, Tony - School Nomination Forms EPHS Track
▢	Single Nominations EPHS Track

NAMING FACILITIES

CW
(LOCAL)

	<p>The Board shall name all schools, other facilities, and function areas whether new or existing.</p>
<p>TIME LINES</p> <p>NEW FACILITIES OR FUNCTION AREAS</p>	<p>When the Board awards a contract for construction of a school, other facility, or function area that requires naming, the Board may solicit recommendations for naming the school, facility, or function area 30 days after approval of the contract. The deadline for accepting recommendations shall be no later than 30 calendar days after nominations have been requested.</p> <p>Within 60 calendar days from the date of awarding the contract, the Board shall consider the recommendations.</p>
<p>EXISTING FACILITIES OR FUNCTION AREAS</p>	<p>The time lines for naming an existing school, other facility, or function area shall adhere to the requirements as specified by the Board.</p>
<p>GUIDELINES</p>	<p>The following guidelines shall be applicable to nomination submissions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A school, facility, or function area may be named after an individual. The individual must have made exceptional contributions to public education, preferably to the District or society.2. The individual must represent exemplary human qualities or serve as a model of excellence for the students who will attend the facility and should lend prestige and status to an institution of learning.3. The individual may be living or deceased.4. The individual nominated shall not be an employee at the time of consideration or selection of a name.5. Diversity shall be given consideration in selecting a school name.6. Schools, facilities, or function areas may also be named after geographic areas, landmarks, or academic-educational functions.7. Personal favoritism, political pressure, or temporary popularity shall not influence the naming of schools, facilities, or function areas.
<p>NOMINATIONS</p>	<p>All nominations for naming of a school, facility, or function area shall be submitted in writing to the Board or Board's designee. If the nomination is for an educational facility to be named after an individual, the justification shall include biographical data, significant contributions, and the rationale for the honor.</p>

NAMING FACILITIES

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(LOCAL)

MAJOR CAPITAL
DONATIONS

FACILITY

Upon approval of the Board, a facility may be named for an individual or group if a major capital donation has been made to the District for the facility by or on behalf of the nominated individual or group. A major capital donation is defined as the land for the facility or a donation of 50 percent or more of the total cost of constructing the facility.

PORTION OF A
FACILITY

Upon approval of the Board, a portion of a facility may be named for an individual or group if a major capital donation has been made to the District for the facility by or on behalf of the nominated individual or group. A major capital donation for the naming or re-naming of portions of facilities is defined as the land for the facility or a donation of 25 percent or more of the cost of constructing the facility or portion of the facility.

BUILDING ADDITION
OR FACILITY
RENOVATION

When a District building addition or facility renovation takes place, and interest has been expressed to name the addition or renovation, or when interest has been expressed to name an existing school facility, the principal shall convene a committee comprised of a member of the school's campus improvement team (CIT), PTA, booster club or other significant parent organization, alumni organization (if one exists), and a member of the school community (parent, business representative, or community member).

The committee shall solicit nominations through announcements in school/PTA newsletters, the marquee, and local newspaper announcements. The committee is advised to make a concerted effort to research a variety of stakeholders using more than one method of communication. A person making a nomination shall complete the District's school/facility name nomination form and shall return it to the principal or unit head. The committee shall convene and consider all nominations.

The committee shall submit a recommendation for the Board's consideration and shall include a second and third option. The principal or unit head shall coordinate this process through the appropriate associate/assistant superintendent or supervisor, who shall forward the documentation to the Superintendent for presentation to the Board for approval. Funding to provide signage for the building addition or facility renovation, that is not already budgeted, must be provided by an outside entity or must be submitted for a future budget consideration.

The facilities department shall compile a list of common signage (interior and exterior) cost estimates, including installation. The cost estimates shall be included as part of the District's school/facility name nomination form.

NAMING FACILITIES

CW
(LOCAL)

NOTIFICATION /
DEDICATION


Only after Board approval, if the approved name is of an individual, the honoree (if living) and/or the honoree's family shall be formally notified and an appropriate dedication ceremony shall be planned.



EL PASO INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Campus/Department

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Sandra Rocha 

SUBJECT: Naming of El Paso High Track

DATE: May 3, 2024

The committee meeting for the naming of the track, at El Paso High School, were April 10, 2024.
The committee members were as follows:

Name	Department/Campus	Position
Rudy Davila	EPHS	Alumni Association
Galilea Velasco	EPHS	student
Steve Blumenthal	EPHS	Community member
Stephanie Camacho	EPHS	Alumni Association
Nici King	EPHS	Parent/PTSA
Lorena Hernandez	EPHS	Teacher/C.I.T.
Dr. Sandra Rocha	EPHS	Committee Chair (non-voting)

The following nominations were reviewed

- Danny Mckillip
- Christina Valenzuela
- Beto O'Rourke
- Diana Natalicio
- Henry & Gustavus Trost
- Jennifer Fong
- Francisco Contreras
- Francisco Martinez
- Tony Zuniga
- Tiger Track
- Rayce Karson Shamaley Kortz
- Nathan Casillas
- not after an individual

We recommend the El Paso High track be named the Coach Danny Mckillip Track and Field. In the event of his passing before it is approved, we recommend it be named the Coach Danny Mckillip Memorial Track and Field. All required documentation is attached.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 915-236-2505.



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El Paso High School Naming of the Track

Date: April 10, 2024

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	William Danny McMillip	Tony Zuniga	Francisco Contreras	Beto O'Rourke	Nathan Casillas	Henry & Gustavus Trost	Diana Natalicio	Rayce Karson Shramaley Korz	Jennifer Fong	Christina V. Valenzuela	Francisco Martinez	Tiger Track	Not after a person
COMMITTEE MEMBER	Total Scores												
Steve Bumenthal	98	43	10	55	no show current employee	10	0		0	42	10	25	0
Sarah Schwartz Gonzalez													
Lorena Hernandez	90	65	55	60		50	0		0	55	0	0	0
Stephanie Camacho	95	25	0	50		5	0		0	55	0	0	0
Nici King	100	40	20	0		0	0		10	60	0	0	0
Galilea Velasco	95	40	32	30		30	10		15	60	32	10	0
Rudy Davila	100	45	30	20		0	0		10	70	35	0	0
Total:	578	258	147	215		95	10		35	342	77	35	0
RANK	1	3	5	4		6	9		8	2	7	8	0

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
El Paso High School Naming of Track
Date: April 10, 2024


COMMITTEE MEMBER NAME: <u>Lorena Hernandez</u>	COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURE: 
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	C r i t e r i a	Recognition for Community Service (30 points)	Educational advocacy for El Paso High Students (25 points)	Degree to which nominee actions served as an inspiration to the El Paso High Community (15 points)	Exceptional awards for public and private service (10 points)	Connection to El Paso High Legacy (10 points)	Endorsements of support from prominent local, state, and federal agencies (10 points)	Total Points
Nominee								
William Danny Mckillip		25	25	15	5	10	10	90
Tony Zuniga		10	20	15	10	10	10	65
Francisco Contreras		10	10	15	10	10	0	55
Beto O'Rourke		30	0	0	10	10	10	60
Nathan Casillas								
Henry & Gustavus Trost		30	0	10	0	10	0	50
Rayee Karson Shamaley Korz								
Diana Natalicio		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Fong		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chrisitna V. Valenzuela		30	0	10	5	10	0	55
Francisco Martinez		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tiger Track		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not after a person		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
El Paso High School Naming of Track
Date: April 10, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBER NAME: Steven BLUMENTHAL COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURE: 

	C r i t e r i a	Recognition for Community Service (30 points)	Educational advocacy for El Paso High Students (25 points)	Degree to which nominee actions served as an inspiration to the El Paso High Community (15 points)	Exceptional awards for public and private service (10 points)	Connection to El Paso High Legacy (10 points)	Endorsements of support from prominent local, state, and federal agencies (10 points)	Total Points
Nominee								
William Danny Mckillip		30	25	15	8	10	10	98
Tony Zuniga		20	0	5	0	10	8	43
Francisco Contreras		0	0	0	10	0	0	10
Beto O'Rourke		10	20	5	10	10	0	55
Nathan Casillas								
Henry & Gustavus Trost		0	0	15	0	10	0	10
Rayce Karson Shamaley Korz								
Diana Natalicio		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Fong		0	0	0	0	10	0	0
Chrisitna V. Valenzuela		10	20	3	0	8	0	42
Francisco Martinez		5	0	0	5	0	0	10
Tiger Track		0	0	15	0	10	0	25
Not after a person		0	0	0	0	0	0	0



EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Date: April 10, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBER NAME: Gaile Velasco

COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURE: 

	C r i t e r i a	Recognition for Community Service (30 points)	Educational advocacy for El Paso High Students (25 points)	Degree to which nominee actions served as an inspiration to the El Paso High Community (15 points)	Exceptional awards for public and private service (10 points)	Connection to El Paso High Legacy (10 points)	Endorsements of support from prominent local, state, and federal agencies (10 points)	Total Points
Nominee								
William Danny Mckillip		25	25	15	10	10	10	95
Tony Zuniga		20	0	0	10	10	0	40
Francisco Contreras		5	0	5	10	10	2	32
Beto O'Rourke		15	0	5	5	5	0	30
Nathan Casillas								
Henry & Gustavus Trost		20	0	10	0	0	0	30
Rayce Karson Shamaley Korz								
Diana Natalicio		0	0	0	10	0	0	10
Jennifer Fong		0	0	5	0	10	0	15
Chrisitna V. Valenzuela		30	0	10	10	10	0	60
Francisco Martinez		5	0	5	10	10	2	32
Tiger Track		0	10	0	0	0	0	10
Not after a person		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
El Paso High School Naming of Track
Date: April 10, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBER NAME: Rudy Danilo

COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURE: [Signature]

	C r i t e r i a	Recognition for Community Service (30 points)	Educational advocacy for El Paso High Students (25 points)	Degree to which nominee actions served as an inspiration to the El Paso High Community (15 points)	Exceptional awards for public and private service (10 points)	Connection to El Paso High Legacy (10 points)	Endorsements of support from prominent local, state, and federal agencies (10 points)	Total Points
Nominee								
William Danny Mckillip		30	25	15	10	10	10	100
Tony Zuniga		15	0	15	10	5	0	45
Francisco Contreras		15	0	0	10	5	0	30
Beto O'Rourke		10	0	0	5	5	0	20
Nathan Casillas								
Henry & Gustavus Trost		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rayce Karson Shamaley Korz								
Diana Natalicio		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Fong		10	0	0	0	0	0	10
Chrisitna V. Valenzuela		25	10	15	10	10	0	70
Francisco Martinez		20	5	0	0	10	0	35
Tiger Track		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not after a person		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
El Paso High School Naming of Track
Date: April 10, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBER NAME: Stephanie Camacho COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURE: Stephanie Camacho

	C r i t e r i a	Recognition for Community Service (30 points)	Educational advocacy for El Paso High Students (25 points)	Degree to which nominee actions served as an inspiration to the El Paso High Community (15 points)	Exceptional awards for public and private service (10 points)	Connection to El Paso High Legacy (10 points)	Endorsements of support from prominent local, state, and federal agencies (10 points)	Total Points
Nominee								
William Danny Mckillip		25	25	15	10	10	10	95
Tony Zuniga		0	10	0	5	10	0	25
Francisco Contreras		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beto O'Rourke		25	10	10	5	5	5	50
Nathan Casillas								
Henry & Gustavus Trost		0	5	0	0	0	0	5
Rayce Karson Shamaley Korz								
Diana Natalicio		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Fong		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chrisitna V. Valenzuela		30	10	0	5	5	5	55
Francisco Martinez		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tiger Track		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not after a person		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
El Paso High School Naming of Track
Date: April 10, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBER NAME: Ned King COMMITTEE MEMBER SIGNATURE: [Signature]

	C r i t e r i a	Recognition for Community Service (30 points)	Educational advocacy for El Paso High Students (25 points)	Degree to which nominee actions served as an inspiration to the El Paso High Community (15 points)	Exceptional awards for public and private service (10 points)	Connection to El Paso High Legacy (10 points)	Endorsements of support from prominent local, state, and federal agencies (10 points)	Total Points
Nominee								
William Danny Mckillip		30	25	15	10	10	10	100
Tony Zuniga		0	10	10	5	10	5	40
Francisco Contreras		0	0	10	0	10	0	20
Beto O'Rourke		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nathan Casillas								
Henry & Gustavus Trost		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rayce Karson Shamaley Korz								
Diana Natalicio		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Fong		0	0	5	0	5	0	10
Chrisitna V. Valenzuela		15	10	15	5	10	5	60
Francisco Martinez		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tiger Track		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not after a person		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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1	Track Naming Community Meeting 4/10/2024	YOU WILL HAVE 3 MINUTES TO ADDRESS COMMITTEE
2	NOMINATOR'S FIRST AND LAST NAME	NAME YOU ARE RECOMMENDING
3	Manny Rodriguez	✓ Daniel McKillip
4	KEITH FOWA	✓ DANNY McKillip
5	Victor Norman	✓ Donny McKillip
6	Manny Diaz	✓ D. McKillip
7	Dan Fawcett	✓ D McKillip
8	FRANK S. SAZAR	✓ D McKillip
9	Alex Bustillos	✓ D. McKillip
10	Nicholas Lockebell	✓ D. McKillip (Called no answer)
11	Hugo A. Arreola	✓ ✓ ✓
12	TRUMAN WILLS	✓
13	GUORH MONTES - Nicholson	✓ Danny McKillip
14	Nathan Cap - Las	✓ D McKillip
15	Juan Martinez	✓ D McKillip
16	Alberto F. Segovia	✓ D McKillip
17	Eduardo A. Jaquez	✓ D. McKillip
18	Edoardo Del Campo	✓ D McKillip
19	Carmen Jaquez	✓ Coach McKillip!!!
20	Jesus Olmedo (rhuy)	✓ Coach McKillip
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Track Naming committee sign in Sheet

Printed First and Last Name	Role	Email	Signature
Rudy Duvila	Booster		Rudy Duvila
Garilea Velasco	Student		Garilea Velasco
Steven Blumenthal	Community		Steven Blumenthal
Stephanie Camacho	Alumni		Stephanie Camacho
Nici Kora	PTCA		Nici Kora
LORENA HERNANDEZ	TEACHER		Lorena Hernandez



Sign-In Sheet	
Activity Title: Purposed Name (El Paso High Track)	
Date: May 2, 2024	Time: 6:00 p.m.
School: El Paso High	

First and Last Name <i>Nombre y Apellido del Padre/Tutor</i>	Role <i>Relación</i>	Personal Email <i>Email Personal</i>
Rudy Davila	Booster	
Galilea Velasco	student rep.	
LORENA HERNANDEZ	TEACHER	
Steven Blumenthal	Community	

EL PASO HIGH SCHOOL TRACK FIELD RE-NAMING



El Paso ISD is thrilled to share with you an exciting opportunity to contribute to the ongoing evolution of El Paso High School. As we strive to uphold our values of inclusivity and representation, we are initiating a period for nominations for the renaming of our historic school's track field.

This initiative underscores our commitment to creating a campus environment that honors the diverse history and aspirations of our community. The track field holds a special significance, symbolizing not only physical prowess but also our collective spirit of unity and progress.

We invite our community to participate actively in this process by submitting nominations for the new name. This is your chance to shape the identity of our school and to recognize individuals or themes that resonate deeply with our shared values.

Once the nomination period concludes **Friday, April 4, 2024**, we will convene a community meeting to discuss the submissions and collectively decide on the most fitting name for our track field. Your voice is essential in this decision-making process, and we value your input immensely.

Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to the El Paso High School community. Together, let us continue to foster a culture of inclusivity and excellence that reflects the true spirit of our beloved institution.

EL PASO HIGH

TRADITION OF WINNERS



Resume Of
Danny McKillip

Danny McKillip

Home Address

**El Paso High
1600 N. Virginia
El Paso, Texas 79902
(915) 544-3459**

GENERAL SUMMARY

PERSONAL DATA:

Birthay: September 22, 1947
Place of Birth: Columbia, South Carolina
Wife: Sylvia Ann McKillip
Childern: Sean and Eric McKillip

EDUCATION

University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida
Physical Education 1966 to 1967
Minor: Biology
Transferred to University of Texas at El Paso

University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas
BA in Physical Education, 1971
Minor: Health/Biology
GPA: 3.27

University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas
MS in Physical Education, 1974
Minor: Health
GPA: 3.9

University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas
School Administration
Post graduate courses in Administration

Hialeah High, Hialeah, Florida
High School, 1966
GPA: 3.0

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

El Paso Independent School District
El Paso, Texas
Physical Education/Health 1970 to Present
Teacher/Coach

United States Government, El Paso, Texas
U.S. Customs 1972 to Present 1989
Inspector *AGENT*

University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas
Housing 1968 to 1971
Dorm Director/Counselor

PERSONAL

Personal Awards:

Three time State mile champion, Three time
State cross country champion, High School
All American, High School National Champion.
Western Athletic Conference Cross Country
Champion, Conference Champion in two mile,
NCAA CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPION TEAM 1969.
College All American in Cross Country
College All American in Track

Coaching Awards

Boys District Cross Country Champions:
1970, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1982, 1983,
1985, 1989, 1990

Runner-Up: 1973, 1976, 1979,

Boys Regional Cross Country Champions:
1970, 1971, 1972, 1983, 1989

Runner-Up: 1973, 1982, 1990

Boys State Cross Country Champions: 1971,
1983

Runner - Up: 1970, 1972,
3rd. in 1982

COACHING AWARDS

Girls District Cross Country Champions:
1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1988, 1989

Runner-Up: 1990

Girls Regional Cross Country Champions:
1979, 1980, 1981, 1989

Runner-Up: 1978,

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February 19, 1991

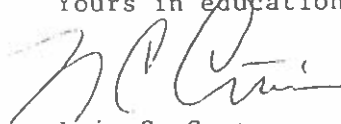
To Whom It May Concern:

I feel that Mr. Danny McKillip is an outstanding teacher. He is a professional in the teaching profession. He will not substitute quality and he demands that all of his students do their best. Mr. McKillip does his job equally well in the classroom as he does out in the field.

Mr. McKillip is proof that success creates success. He is consistent in the product he produces at El Paso High School. Year after year, his teams are state contenders. This is not accomplished through luck, but because of goals and many long hours of hard work. Students know that he demands their best and the end results is success.

The El Paso Independent School District would indeed be fortunate to have a Danny McKillip on each campus. Other coaches and teachers would profit and learn from Coach McKillip. He is, first of all, a professional teacher who also coaches. I can and will recommend him to you without reservation.

Yours in education,



Luis C. Cortes
Principal

Office of the Principal

Selection Committee:

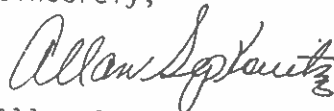
I am pleased to recommend Danny McKillip for consideration for induction into the El Paso Hall of Fame. Danny has all the qualities that would make him an outstanding inductee.

I have known Danny for eighteen years, and in those years he has experienced success in the classroom and in athletics. He is one of the finest cross-country coaches in the state of Texas, and his teams reflect his fine coaching. Under his coaching, they have won many championships.

Danny was an outstanding athlete in college and that is reflected in his coaching. He understands the young athlete. His coaching reflects that he is a technician and fundamentalist. Danny always has his athletes well-prepared. His athletes have the highest respect for his abilities and are truly devoted to the man and the program.

I cannot think of an individual that is more deserving of this prestigious honor. I recommend Danny McKillip as a 1991 inductee into the El Paso Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,



Allan Sepkowitz
Head Football Coach
Andress High School



February 18, 1991

College of Education
Educational Psychology
& Special Services

El Paso Sports Hall of Fame Selection Committee

Re: Nomination to Sports Hall of Fame

To whom it may concern:

I have known Dan McKillup as a college student and later as a coach and physical education teacher here in the city. Dan has always done what was requested plus exceptional extra effort. He is a person blessed with very high physical energy. He goes at a breakneck pace as a teacher, coach, and citizen.

I have observed Dan in recent years as a teacher. He does an excellent job. He has been a cooperating teacher (assigned a student teacher) for the University for a number of years. We consider his help with new teachers to be among the best in the community. His excellent record is public record. Dan is certainly deserving of the honor of being added to the "Hall of Fame." I recommend him without reservation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Don', is written over the printed name 'Don Hardin'.

Don Hardin
Professor of Kinesiology & Sport Studies
University of Texas at El Paso

El Paso, Texas
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EL PASO, TEXAS 79903

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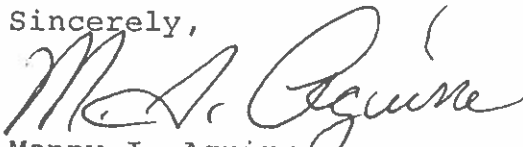
To Whom It May Concern:

I am honored to be able to recommend Danny McKillip for the Sports Hall of Fame.

I have known Mr. McKillip for more than 15 years and I have always known him to be a true professional who works meticulously at his endeavors. Besides being completely devoted to his athletes, he instills character and leadership qualities in them by stressing academics and good citizenship. He is an excellent role model and projects an enthusiasm that influences the average athletes to strive for perfection.

I recommend him without reservation.

Sincerely,


Manny I. Aguirre
Principal

El Paso Times

Mills at Kansas, P.O. Box 20
El Paso, Texas 79999
915 546-6100

Julio Lujan
Sports Department
February 28, 1991

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame
Selection Committee
El Paso, Texas

To whom it may concern:

I realize there will be many worthy persons nominated for possible induction into this year's hall. In the selection process please consider the entry of Danny McKillip, currently the cross country coach and head track coach at El Paso High.

Mr. McKillip more than exemplified his worthiness as an all-American distance runner while running for our home school, the University of Texas at El Paso. And he showed his love for El Paso by staying in the Sun City after graduation.

During his 21 years of high school coaching, he has displayed the same type of worthiness for induction into the athletic hall.

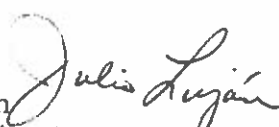
His cross country teams have been widely recognized by fellow coaches throughout Texas. And his success numbers speak for themselves, showing versatility to succeed not just with young men, but young women as well. Two of his four state champions in that time include the 1979 unbeaten girls team and the 1983 unbeaten boys team.

Even though El Paso High is limited by its enrollment numbers, Mr. McKillip has consistently shown quality coaching in track and field. All-stars like Tony Zuniga, Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Leti Arce, Manny Rodriguez, Ernesto Tamez, Arnold Plaza, Manny Ortiz, Eduardo Del Campo and most recently Gilbert Contreras, whose gold-medal, state-meet performance of two years ago has carried over to the University of Arkansas.

His cross country teams have placed seven times in the Top 3, and his team's district and regional accomplishments are numerous. That is one reason Mr. McKillip is currently the most El Paso-experienced track coach, and a worthy candidate for your consideration.

Respectfully yours:

Julio Lujan
Prep coordinator



Rodolfo Licon
Science Dept.
Austin High School
3500 Memphis St.
El Paso, Texas 79905

Dear Hall of Fame Committee,
I would like to take this opportunity to nominate a highly outstanding individual from the coaching ranks of the E.P.I.S.D. to become a member of the Hall of Fame. I personally nominate William D. Mckillip-Head of coach of Boys and Girls Cross-Country; Boys Varsity Track at El Paso High.

I have personally known this great American coach for 23 years. He grew up and attended High School in Miami, Florida in the middle 1960's. He received a scholarship from U.T.E.P. in 1967 in Cross-Country and Track where he became an All American and Olympian in 1968. I worked with him for 13 years as his assistant for Cross-Country and Track at El Paso High. As for today I still keep in touch with this good man.

I have seen him take his knowledge on running and pass it on down to every Student-Athlete he has ever come in contact with. Regionals in Lubbock, Texas and to State Finals in Austin, Texas every year of his Teaching/Coaching career. He has also been named by the El Paso Times and Herald Post Coach of the Year 2 times--1978-79 and 1990.

Coach Mckillip has constantly demonstrated his ability as a top Coach in the El Paso District by developing ordinary students into All-Americans and Olympic hopeful prospects. For example, Tony Zuniga-UTEP 1970's and Gilbert Contreras presently at the University of Arkansas. He has also molded Female Athletes to have confidence in themselves in everything they do. For example, Patricia Norman was All District, All Regionals and All State for the years 1978-81.

Coach Mckillip has inspired other Student/Athletes that graduate from El Paso High with top Honors such as Top 10 or the A-B Honor roll. Also, some of his Student/Athletes have recieved scholarships from Norte Dame, Cal Poly Tech Institute, Texas, Texas Tech, Baylor, SMU, UTEP, NMSU, and Navajo Jr. College. Today these Youngmen and Young women are Doctors, Engineers, Business men and Business women and Teachers. This is just to name a few because there are more and there will be more as long as Coach Mckillip continue to work with students.

I have no doubt that this Great American and Coach belongs in the Hall of Fame. He is an excellent Husband and father, not to mention, person, Coach, Friend and a credit to Texas Education. I certainly feel that El Paso, Texas would be greatly remissed to not take advantage of this opportunity to place one of our own deserving Great American and El Pasoan into the Hall of Fame. He has placed El Paso High and El Paso, Texas on the map as a feeding ground for major Universities.

Respectfully Yours,



Rodolfo Licon
Stephen F. Austin H.S.
Science Dept.
El Paso, Texas.

Office of the Principal

February 14, 1991

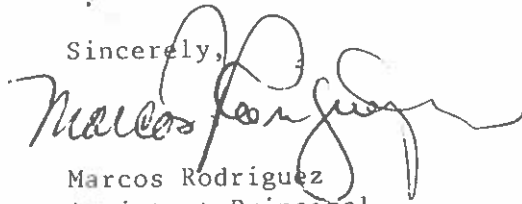
El Paso Hall of Fame Committee

It is my pleasure and honor to write this letter on behalf of Mr. Danny McKillip, teacher and track coach at El Paso High, who has been nominated for the El Paso Hall of Fame.

I have known Coach McKillip for over fifteen years and can honestly and truly state that Mr. McKillip is one of the nicest persons I have had the pleasure of knowing. He is an outstanding citizen, father and coach, and possesses one of the finest personalities seen in young people today. He continually shows initiative, persistence and has a keen intellectual capacity. Mr. McKillip is an outstanding man whose interest is his family and young students in El Paso.

In closing, Coach McKillip is an exceptional young man whose active participation in church and school activities is evident in his everyday life. He constantly demonstrates all the admirable qualities which are to be desired in young men today. It is my pleasure to recommend Coach Danny McKillip to the El Paso Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,



Marcos Rodriguez
Assistant Principal

1969
NCAA
CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
AT EL PASO



DANNY McKILLIP, JOHN BERNARSKI, KEN BREEN, BOBBY DOYLE,
KERRY PIERCE, PETE ROMERO, BOB WALLACE

NCAA
CHAMPIONS

All America

College Cross Country Team

This is to certify that

William Daniel McKillip
University of Texas at El Paso

*by his outstanding performance has qualified under
the standards of The United States Cross Country
Coaches Association as a member of the All America
College Cross Country Team for the year*

1969



Stanley H. Huntsman
President

The El Paso Times

ALL CITY TEAM

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT Danny McKillip of El Paso High

WAS SELECTED FOR
THE EL PASO TIMES ALL CITY TEAM

AT THE POSITION OF Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year

Frank Penille

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EL PASO HIGH CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS BOYS AND GIRLS

DISTRICT

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STATE

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INDIVIDUAL HONORS

ALL DISTRICT

Rene Norman
Danny Norman
Victor Norman
Juan Romero
Carlos Rodriguez
Tony Zuniga
Tiny Puga
Richie Pena
Debbie Dixon
Patsy Norman
Gloria Mejia
Lucy Bockman
Leti Arce
Martin Saenz
Polly Valdiviez
Gerardo Velasquez
Shanti Hedderson
Gilbert Contreras
Fred Salcedo
Angelica Marquez
Ernesto Tamez
Manny Rodriguez
Richard Gonzalez
Rogelio Gonzalez
Gisela Rosales
Mauro Dominguez

ALL REGIONALS

Rene Norman
Danny Norman
Victor Norman
Juran Romero
Carlos Rodriguez
Tony Zuniga
Gerardo Velasquez
Martin Saenz
Shanti Hedderson
Patsy Norman
Gloria Mejia
Lucy Bockman
Leti Arce
Shanti Hedderson
Gilbert Contreras
Rosie Aguilar
Cindy Vargas
Ernesto Tamez
Manny Rodriguez

ALL STATE

Rene Norman
Danny Norman
Victor Norman
Juan Romero
Carlos Rodriguez
Tony Zuniga
Martin Saenz
Gilbert Contreras
Rosie Aguilar
Patsy Norman
Gloria Mejia
Lucy Bockman
Leti Arce
Cindy Vargas
Ernesto Tamez
Manny Rodriguez

Tiger coach puts winning in proper perspective

By Vince Longford
El Paso Herald-Post

He may be the best recruiter of the masses west of the Statue of Liberty and east of Richard Simmons.

When Danny McKillip started coaching at El Paso High 14 years ago, 12 youngsters came out for cross country.

Today the count is 85, freshmen through seniors, girls and boys, the largest such program in the state, McKillip says.

"The thing about cross country," reasons the 36-year-old El Paso High coach, "is that it doesn't matter what size you are or even how much you weigh. We had a girl who weighed 250 pounds. She came out just to lose weight and lost 110 pounds."

He's also had youngsters with cerebral palsy and asthma on his teams. But he's had champions, too — two teams of boys and two teams of girls.

This season the EPHS boys, who run together as if bound by a very short rope, are favored to win the cross country crown in Austin in November.

The movement begins with McKillip and assistant Rudy Licon talking to the eighth grade students, a plus he has over other high schools in that they're on campus at El Paso High. But anyone idle in the halls or at lunchtime with free time after school is fair game.

"The first response we get is, 'I hate to run.' But we convince them we can make running fun. Of course, our program has been very successful, that helps, too."

Two years ago the body count was 65. He wouldn't mind next year if it's more than 100. Just keep 'em coming.

Even if it means that he and his wife sometimes have to take their own cars to haul the freshmen to an out-of-town meet.

Eighty-five won't fit in one bus and McKillip believes, "If they train five days a week, everyone should compete on Saturday. We enter meets where we have people in the first 10 places and in the last 10 places, but that's fine as long as they compete."

What McKillip coaches is not so much cross country as Coping 101, stressing academics (team members are "preferred" to make A's and B's, with adjustments for non-English speaking students), nutrition and health (getting sick before the district meet can sabotage a year of work for a youngster) and teamwork.

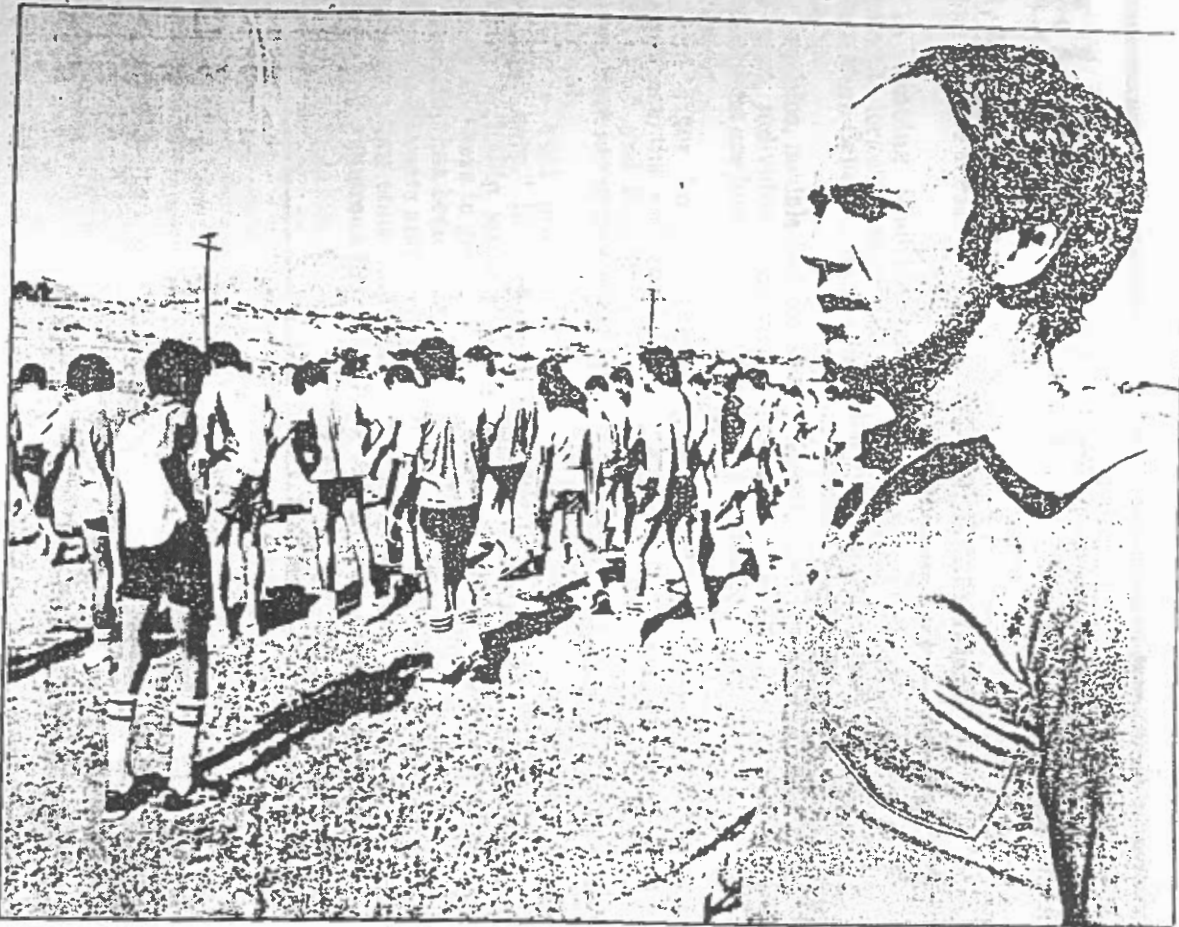
"We run as a team and we're dedicated to the sport," says Manny Rodriguez, one of the Tigers' top five, interchangeable parts of the Big Striped Machine. "You don't feel all that pressure; you can run and think about other things."

Ernie Tamez, whose Tiger paws usually are first in meets, says EPHS is successful this season "because we are very, very competitive, anytime we go on a run or in school." Coach McKillip "has disciplined us, he knows what he wants us to do, and if we do it we'll be all right."

But football is still the king of autumn, even though "I think the cross country teams have given El Paso High a name," Tamez says. "We're not that well thought of, but it will come."

But what if this group — Tamez, Rodriguez, Manny Ortiz, Eduardo Del Campos, Arnold Plaza, Francisco Diaz, Vaughn Granados and Tim Gil-

See CROSS COUNTRY, Page E-2



Herald Post photo by Robert Gutierrez

Danny McKillip has turned El Paso High into a perennial cross country power in 14 years as head coach.

El Paso High's tradition of winners

By Randy Weinglass

Special to the El Paso Times

Cross country

A winning tradition oozes from the locker rooms of the El Paso High School cross country teams.

Trophies, medals and posters of past individual and team champions are just about everywhere.

The Tiger boys and girls teams are the defending District 1-5A and Regional champions. Both are in good positions to repeat.

"We're real proud of our tradition here," El Paso coach Danny McKillip said. "It took nearly 25 years to get it."

McKillip has been at El Paso High for 25 years and his teams have won four state championships and numerous individual titles.

This season, the girls team is led by senior Rosie Aguilar and sophomore Gisela Rosales.

Aguilar won the district meet last season and finished second at regionals. She finished 10th in the Texas Class 5A State Meet in 1989.

Aguilar, ranked as the No. 1 runner in the city, hasn't been beaten this season, winning five individual titles.

Names like Patsy Norman, Leti Arce and Tony Zuniga are legends in the city's cross country scene and McKillip sees Aguilar in the same light.

"She's moving up the ladder on the all-time greats," McKillip said.

FINAL RESULTS

THE 18th STATE HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

December, 1971

CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP

		<u>School</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Division	I	Clear Creek (League City) Richardson	18 71	Max Blansit James Blackwood
Division	II	Austin (El Paso) Arlington High	32 56	Doyle Watkins Gerald Richey
Division	III	Irvin (El Paso) Edinburg	29 50	Norman Phillips Andy White
Division	IV	El Paso High Burbank (San Antonio)	14 54	Dan McKillip Roy Gee
Division	V	Bishop Lynch (Dallas) Strake Jesuit (Houston)	35 46	Brent Thorne Jerry Martinez
Division	VI	Falfurrias High Fabens High	14 63	Patrick C. Romero D. Joe Williams
Division	VII	Canutillo Mason High	22 36	Julius Lowenberg D. W. Behrens
Division	VIII	Strickland (Denton) Sam Rayburn (Pasadena)	53 76	Ken Garland Willie Raby
Division	IX	Thomas Astro-Belles (Houston) Ft. Worth Track Club	18 41	Herman Goldberg Jay A. Myers

RECORDS (NEW COURSE)

Division	I	Williams, Darrell	Clear Creek (League City)	9:35	(1971)
Division	II	Cromeans, Rodney	Lanier (Austin)	9:43	(1971)
Division	III	Stewart, Al	Pearce (Richardson)	9:22	(1971)
Division	IV	Fischer, Reed	Highland Park (Dallas)	9:33	(1971)
Division	V	Jindra, Don	Lewisville	9:55	(1971)
Division	VI	Martinez, Gilbert	Falfurrias	9:59	(1971)
Division	VII	Ramon, Gilbert	Mason	10:23	(1971)
Division	VIII	Meador, Dale	Strickland (Denton)	10:35	(1971)
Division	IX	Abernathy, Susan	Thomas Astro-Belles (Houston)	5:21	(1971)

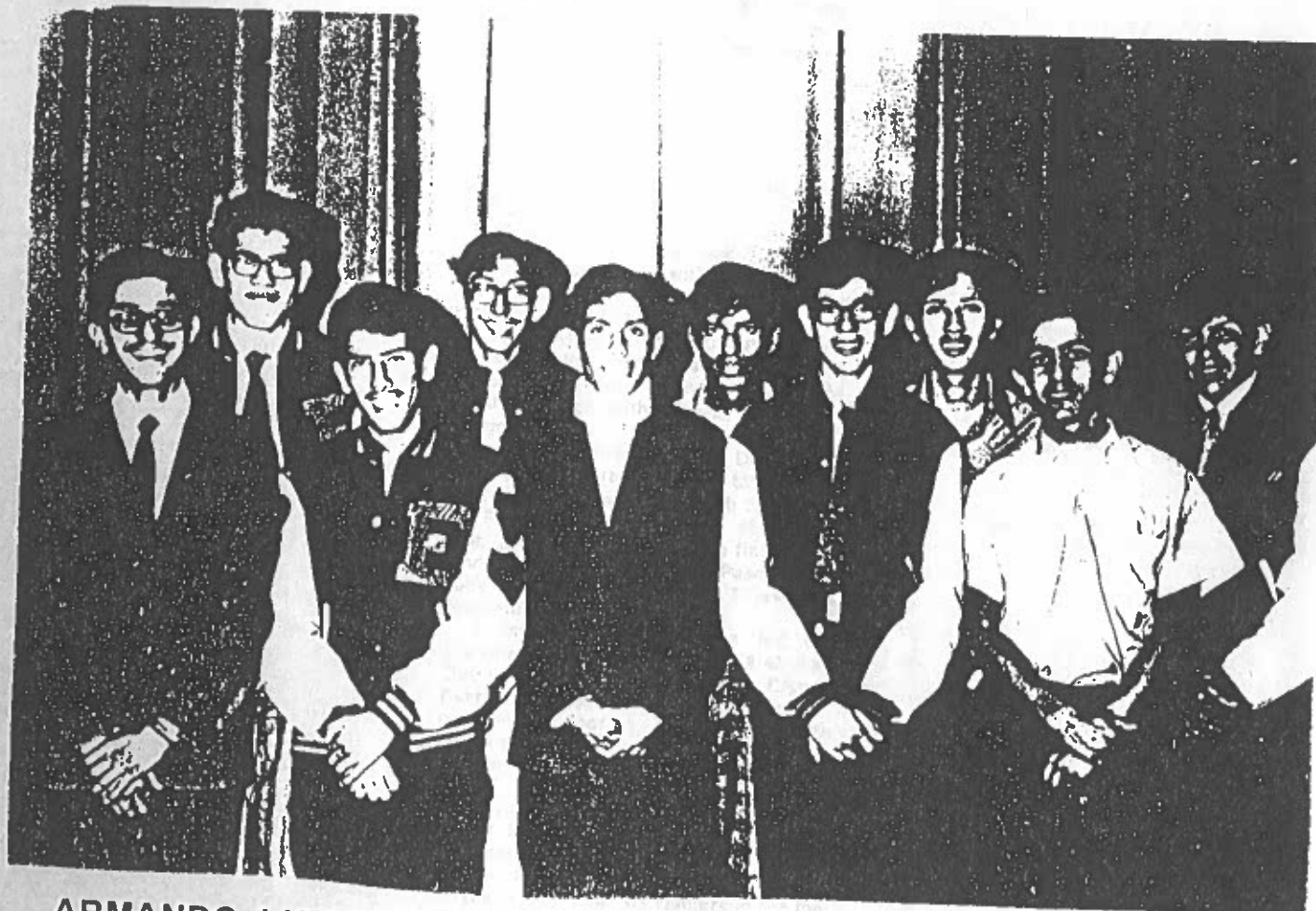
OVERALL STATE RECORD

Stewart, Al	Pearce (Richardson)	9:22	(1971)
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1971 TEAM SCORES

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>TOTAL PTS.</u>
1	El Paso High	2 - 3 - 4 - 5	14
2	Burbank (San Antonio)	6 - 9 - 16 - 23	54
3	Castleberry (Ft. Worth)	7 - 28 - 31 - 42	108
4	Forest Park (Deaumont)	8 - 36 - 37 - 40	121
5	Alamo Heights (San Antonio)	14 - 27 - 38 - 45	124
6	Dickinson High	12 - 22 - 35 - 57	126
7	Highland Park (Dallas)	1 - 19 - 52 - 71	143
8	Deer Park High	32 - 33 - 34 - 50	149
9	J. Frank Dobie (Houston)	30 - 41 - 43 - 47	161
10	Mesquite High	18 - 25 - 54 - 65	162
11	J. W. Nixon (Laredo)	24 - 39 - 80 - 81	224
12	Memorial (San Antonio)	29 - 62 - 73 - 95	259
13	La Marque	46 - 61 - 78 - 100	285
14	Edgewood (San Antonio)	89 - 94 - 112 - 123	318
15	Dulles (Stafford)	55 - 72 - 99 - 101	327
16	John Marshall (San Antonio)	49 - 63 - 103 - 115	330
17	San Marcos High	70 - 76 - 104 - 118	368
18	Holmes High (San Antonio)	56 - 83 - 117 - 120	376
19	Brazoswood (Lake Jackson)	60 - 106 - 107 - 108	381
20	Del Valle High	74 - 119 - 125 - 126	444

1971
STATE CROSS COUNTRY
CHAMPIONS



ARMANDO LUEVANO, RENE NORMAN, CARLOS RODRIGUEZ,
TONY ZUNIGA, JUAN ROMERO, LUIS MONTOYA,
DANNY NORMAN, RUBEN PEREZ, RALPH STAPLETON,
JOHNNY ACOSTA

EP Schools "Shine" In CC Meet

Special to EL PASO TIMES

SAN MARCOS, Tex. —El Paso area cross country teams totally dominated the state Cross Country Championships which were held here Saturday. El Paso schools swept four of the seven divisions in the state tournament.

Austin, Canutillo, Irvin and El Paso High each won their respective divisions. Burges took third, Fabens placed second and Andress took sixth in their classifications.

Burges High School took third place honors in Division I with a team total of 77. Clear Creek, near Houston, won the division with a fine team total of 18.

Austin's Panthers won Division II with 32 team points. Midland High School took third with 90 points. Robert Murry led the Panther charge with a fourth place finish in time of 10:02.

Irvin High School blasted Division III competition with a team total of 29. Andress High took sixth with 121 to give El Paso a solid domination of the division. Bernard Ford was top finisher for Andress, coming in 25th. El Paso school's took first and sixth place out 22 teams in competition.

Irvin's Emilio Hernandez led the Rockets with a third place in 9:49. Ray Davis finished seventh in 9:54. Claude Barron and George Rodriguez rounded out Irvin's scorers in ninth and 10th places respectively.

The Tigers of El Paso High School burned Division IV competition with a team score of 14 points. This set a state record for the all-time low team score in the state cross-country meet. Perfect score is 10.

The Tigers had six runners in the top 13 and had five in the top 10. Tony Zuniga paced the EPHS sweep in second place. Juan Romero finished third with teammate Danny Norman close behind in fourth. Luis Montoya finished in fifth place to give the Tigers a virtual clean sweep of Division IV.

Fabens High School nailed second place in Division VI with a team score of 63 points. Martin Zavala led the Wildcats with an eighth place finish in 10:37. Tenth place went to Oswaldo Gonzales followed close behind in 10:45.

Canutillo High streaked to its second straight state championship. The Eagles blasted Division VII competition with a team score of 22 points. Ray Duarte placed second in the division with a time of 10:25. Fernie Lopez took fifth with 10:29. Rosendo Hernandez 10:42 time was good for seventh position. Joe Carrasco and Rubin Gallegos finished in eighth and 10th respectively.

1978 STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS



PATSY NORMAN, MARGARITA SOLOZANO, MARTHA RAMIREZ,
GLORIA MEJIA, MARIANNE BLAKENSHIP, TOMASA MENDEZ,
LENOR DEJONG

1978 CROSS COUNTRY STATE CHAMPIONS

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EPHS Girls Take State; Bowie Loses Tie-Breaker

By JOHN LAIRD
Times Sports Editor

EL PASO, Texas — The complete emotional spectrum, ranging from ecstatic celebration to frustration, was evident among El Paso representatives at the state cross-country championship here Saturday as they slunked wearying back onto the long ride home, there was only one feeling: pride in their city's cross-country program and its proven superiority over the rest of the state. The greatest pride belonged to the girls of El Paso, who overcame tremendous odds to win the state championship. Bowie topped a phenomenal two-year rebuilding program under Coach Benny Brooks by beating Clear Lake League City in points for the title and falling short of the crown after a tie-breaker system was applied. The tremendous impact was made by the Sunnysiders at the Southwestern University cross-country track, which featured a grueling race for the first half-mile. In addition to El Paso High girls' championship, Bel Air (fifth and 17 of the top 30 girl finishers) and the city of El Paso. And, in boys, El Paso was followed by sixth-place and 10th-place Andress with 20 El Paso finishing among the top 79. Norman, who last year became the

first freshman ever to win the state individual title, again led the EPHS girls, but was tipped at the wire in her bid for a repeat title by a stampeding Kathy Vetter of Richardson. "Winning the individual state title last year as a 11-year-old was a tremendous accomplishment for Patsy," El Paso Coach Danny McKillip pointed out. "But this is almost equal to that in personal satisfaction for Patsy. In a way, this is even better, because it's a team victory and she's such a great team competitor."

"This is such a well-deserved reward for our girls. I thought we had a chance for this, because we had all our girls back from last year."

Joining Norman in the championship effort were Margarita Solorzano (17th placed), Martha Martinez (35th), Gloria Mejia (36th), Marianne Blankenship (43rd) and Tomasa Mendez (44th).

"We missed Monday and Tuesday workouts this week because just about all of our girls were sick," McKillip added. "But they were awfully determined today." Solorzano, who underwent an appendectomy in mid-season and finished 30th at regionals, played a large part in the victory, improving to 17th for the big state meet.

Bowie's puzzled and frustrated Brooks quickly noted: "As far as I'm concerned, we're the co-champs because there's no team



NORMAN



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down here that had a better score than we did. My understanding was that they would go to the fourth-man results to break ties, then they told me today they would use the sixth-man rule. We were supposed to have received notification in the mail, but nobody I know has ever seen it."

Still, though, Clear Lake would have won by the fourth-man rule (21st to 38th) had it not won by the sixth-man rule (43rd to 64th).

"The biggest factor down here is always nerves," Brooks added. "So many kids get too nervous when they get to the state meet, but I thought all of our boys ran well. This is the first time ever in this part of the state for all

but two them, too."

"They deserved the championship," Brooks concluded.

Taking part in Bowie's impressive showing were two runners who finished 41st and 15th to get the Bears' scoring off to a good start. Richard Diaz took 14th, while Alfredo Trejo was close behind in 15th. Also for Bowie, Carlos Gonzalez finished 17th, followed by Rodrigo Ramirez (38th), Juan Camacho (41st) and Rex Bear (64th).

Best among the El Paso boys, however, was Carlos Guerrero of Austin, who finished eighth in a spirited race that saw Clear Lake's Schott Jones take top honors over Lubbock Monterey's Curtis Conaway. Clear Lake established scoring momentum with three runners among the top 12.

Rudy Camacho of Jefferson finished a strong 18th, while Andress' Dwayne Gray (32nd), Austin's Ricardo Salcedo (45th), Ysleta's Alfonso Rosales (47th) and Coronado's Joe Espindola (50th) all finished in the top 50.

Other finishers from El Paso included Austin's Tony Licon (51st), Austin's Jose Diaz (54th), Andress' Daniel Colon (61st), Andress' Armando Velasquez (67th), Andress' Gilbert Tapia (71st), Austin's Jose Rodriguez (73rd), Austin's Hilario Favela (76th), Bowie's Jose Artega (79th), James Wilkinson of Andress (83rd), Sergio Soto of Andress (85th), Bel

Air's Sergio Oaxaca (90th) and Austin's Julian Marquez (96th).

Clear Lake and Bowie each earned 12 points atop the A Division standings, followed by Pasadena Dobie (21), Elmhurst (37), San Antonio Burbank (44), El Paso Andress (151), Brownsville Hanna (134), Clear Creek (183), Denton (138), El Paso Andress (135), Richardson Pearce (268) and El Paso (268).

El Paso's winning girls' race was won by Vetter (11th) and Norman (17th) were the only girls to break 12 minutes in the two-mile event. Edgingburg was second at 12:10 while Bel Air's 12:11 total trailed Highland Park at 11:4 and Clear Lake at 12:0. Panther power Amarillo Tascosa took eighth at 12:54.

Other girls finishers from El Paso included Bel Air's Eloisa Morales (second best among EP girls with 15th finish), Bel Air's Lupe Carreon (18th), Riverside's Laura Bernal (26th), Leti Corral of Bel Air (28th), Juana Ferris of Andress (38th), Bel Air's Pat Alvarado (41st), Coronado's Emily Casillas (55th), Bel Air's, Maggie Gonzalez (64th), Nancy Reyes of Bel Air (75th), El Paso's Lenor De Jong (78th) and Julie Galen of Bel Air (80th).

Carreon has won two 2-AAAA individual titles and finished second at regionals, while Alvarado came back after an earlier ankle injury. Carreon took 14th at last year's state meet, while Reyes, Gonzalez and Morales all are state meet veterans.

EP girls now noticed

By JULIO LUJAN
Times Staff Writer

About this time last year few people knew there were girls running cross country in El Paso. Even fewer knew El Paso High's girls had the makings of Texas' state champions. They know now.

Last season, three-time city champion Patsy Norman was nosed out at the wire for the state meet gold medal by Kathy Vetter of Richardson Berkner. But her silver medal performance made the difference as the Tigers edged Edinburg 98-102 for the Texas crown; Edinburg's first girl came in 20th.

"There's no comparsion with last year," El Paso High track coach Danny McKillip says. "Patsy made the difference last year (in winning state). That was 19 points less than Edinburg."

This time around for Saturday's state championships at Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, the Tigers not only have Norman back, but they're blessed with freshman star Lucy Bockman and tough junior Gloria Mejia, the silver and bronze medalists at the Nov. 17 regionals in Lubbock.

On top of that, the back runners have been pretty hard to stop, too. Last week sophomore Marcee Contreras, freshman Leti Arce and senior Marianne Blankenship finished 15th, 16th and 17th, respectively. EPHS's seventh runner Martha Martinez took 29th, beating out the fifth runners from both runnerup Coronado and third-place Bel Air.

"We treating it like any other meet," McKillip says. "After last week, they should be right there. The girls are up for this one. They want to win the state meet."

"Patsy wants to win the individual title, too. She's going to push the pace and Bockman's going to chase her. Martha has been sick this season. But when you're seventh girl can beat out other teams' fourth and fifth girls, that's great."

Of the seven EPHS runners seeking the second consecutive state title and 11th straight victory in a two-season span, four have run on the Georgetown layout. Norman, Martinez, Mejia and Blankenship finished 2-35-36-43 in '73 to go well with former Tiger runner (now at UTEP) Margarita

Solorzano's 17th.

McKillip isn't worried about Bockman, Contreras and Arce having such an important role in the top five.

"Gloria believes she has a chance for all-state," McKillip explained. "And Lucy will be right with Patsy. Marcee and Leti ran their best race last week (the first time they had run at the hilly Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock)."

"Marcee has really been coming along. I think if the season went further, she'd be much higher. Marianne should be my fourth girl. Last week, after she finished right behind Marcee and Leti, I asked why she didn't pass them. 'They're my own teammates' was her reply. Those three girls are really doing it for us."

Winning at the state level isn't strange to Norman, who won the gold medal there as a freshman. The mature runner has won nine straight meets this year, has clinched the District 1-A AAAA first-place medal the last three years, one silver medal at regionals as a freshman and two regional first-place awards.

Norman has been able to attack the first gradual hill, which McKillip says doesn't appear to have too much significance unless runners get caught in the uphill stretch while the leaders are heading downhill on the opposite side, picking up the pace.

"It separates the runners," McKillip explains. "It's a long, gradual climb, I'd say 300 yards . . . and then it goes downhill. If you're still going up hill while everybody is picking up the pace downhill, it could put you behind."

"It's a good thing we train hills daily. The course is an excellent cross country course. It separates the real runners from the other kids."

IN THE CHUTE — Bel Air's girls first put El Paso on the map during the 1977 state meet as the Highlanders finished third with 127 points behind runnerup Tascosa (118) and Amarillo High, which won with 60 points . . . That was the exact way the girls' teams finished at the regional run. Amarillo High, which finished fifth during the Nov. 17 regional meet, took third at state in '75 and won the state crown in '76, beating Austin Lanier 43-65.



WITH A SMILE—El Paso High's girls state cross country champions are nothing but smiles now that they're running for simple enjoyment. From left, Marianne Blankenship, Leonor DeJong, Martha Martinez, Tomasa Mendez,

Gloria Mejia, Patsy Norman and Margarita Solorzano.

—(Times staff photo by John Costello)

Race Over, EP Girls Running For Fun

FOR AN ENCORE the girls cross country state champions from El Paso High have turned to . . . what else, running. But this time the Tigers are doing it mostly for fun.

"It's sort of a relaxation period," said El Paso coach Danny McKillip. "You can take your running without the meet pressure. You can enjoy your running a lot more. What we're doing now is working on mileage."

After running nine months to attain the ultimate goal in any prep sport, sophomores Patsy Norman and Gloria Mejia, freshman Tomasa Mendez, juniors Marianne Blankenship and Martha Martinez, and seniors Margarita Solorzano and Leonor DeJong are nothing but smiles.

Four years ago the sport first came into the University Interscholastic League picture, getting a mostly negative response. The word from skeptics was "two miles is too far for girls to run" and "girls shouldn't be running this, they don't have the stamina."

During the first two seasons, the negative thinking got some support as Austin Lanier wrapped up the first state crown with 48 points. Amarillo High, who earned the state title in '76, ran third in the initial state meet.

Bel Air High's girls, coached by Gary Mazzio, first broke the ice for the El Paso schools, getting third last season at regionals and third again at state behind two-time state champ Amarillo High and runnerup Tascosa.

With the Highlander girls and El Paso Tigers taking 1-2 in regionals, the stage was set for a run at the state crown. McKillip said it after the regional sweep, "I think Bel Air and us are going to give people a run for their money."

That, the Tigers did.



Julio Lujan

Times sports writer

THE PIECES fell right in place. With the talented and graceful Norman running strong again following her state championship as a freshman, running in 11:47, all the Tigers needed was the balanced effort from the younger runners to win.

Norman of course didn't win as an individual, getting second in 11:49 to Kathy Vetter of Richardson Berkner (11:48) — but more important, she won with a team.

"It was quite an accomplishment," recalls McKillip. "To run four years and then win the state championship, it is something."

For McKillip, once a standout distance runner at the University of Texas at El Paso, winning state brought back some memories. In his first year at the track helm, McKillip's cross country squad won state behind names like Juan Romero, Rene Norman (Patsy's brother), Carlos Rodriguez, Juan Acosta, Ruben Perez, Armando Luevano and Luis Montoya.

"That year (1970) we were pretty heavily favored going into the state meet," added McKillip. The state meet then was broken down according to school population as opposed to the present set-up by classes. And it was not part of the UIL program, simply handled by the Parks and Recreation department in Austin. In 1972, El Paso, Irvin and Aus-

tin won their divisions at state.

"We put all seven runners in the top 10 places," McKillip continued. "I felt all along this year that if Margarita came through we'd be in the running. Gloria and Tomasa responded well. The girls were nervous but they were confident. I didn't put too much pressure on them and they went on and did it."

THE STATE FINISH: Solorzano ran 17th, Mejia 38th, Mendez 44th, Martinez 35th, DeJong (who missed part of the season; 78th and Blankenship 43rd. The team totals after independent runners were taken out: El Paso High 98, Edinburg 102 Highland Park 114.

"I was surprised," said McKillip. "I knew Bel Air was strong and Edinburg had been running well. It was going to be happy to finish in the top five."

Except for Patsy Norman (the fifth member of the Norman family under the coaching of McKillip), El Paso High's squad was new to state level girls competition.

"The main thing was they stayed together," the Tiger coach said.

Now the girls are running together for fun and for preparation for the 1979 track season in the spring. Norman will again run the mile, Solorzano will try the mile and half-mile, Mejia will enter in the quarter and half-mile, Blankenship will be part of the relay teams, Martinez will run the sprints. That's right, Mendez will be in the 440 or 880 run along with DeJong.

"Working with girls, it's so much different," McKillip noted. "It's a whole different ball game."

Danny McKillip will tell you: different, but full of rewards.

RESULTS OF THE STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS DECEMBER 10, 1978

CONFERENCE A GIRLS' TEAMS

<u>Place</u>	<u>Team Points</u>	<u>School</u>
1	98	El Paso High
2	102	Edinburg
3	114	Highland Park (Dallas)
4	120	Clear Lake (League City)
5	121	Bel Air (El Paso)
6	129	Churchill (San Antonio)
7	143	Lanier (Austin)
8	158	Tascosa (Amarillo)
9	168	Elsik (Alief)
10	233	Berkner (Richardson)
11	276	McCullough (Garner)
12	283	North Mesquite (Mesquite)

CONFERENCE A GIRLS' INDIVIDUALS

<u>Place</u>	<u>Name and School</u>
1	Kathy Vetter, Berkner (Richardson)
2	Patsy Norman, El Paso High
3	Carrie Mullaney, Highland Park (Dallas)
4	Lisa McDerstin, South Garland (Garland)
5	Maria Michalik, Clear Lake (League City)
6	Kelley Beverly, Garner - Richardson
7	Danya Goidor, Clear Lake - League City
8	Barbara Willis, Churchill - San Antonio
9	Dawn Adams, Ramos - San Antonio
10	Laura Jordan, Highland Park Dallas
11	Barbara Boileau, Southwest - Ft. Worth
12	Marilyn Flynn, Lee - Daytown
13	Ellen Luce, Highland Park - Dallas
14	Carla Boling, Lanier - Austin
15	Eloise Marillas, Bel Air - El Paso
16	Lisa Gonzales, Carroll - Corpus
17	Margarita Solomano, El Paso High
18	Lupe Carreon, Bel Air - El Paso
19	Lisa Ruiz, Lanier - Austin
20	Anita Garcia, Edinburg
21	Louana Winters, Edinburg
22	Chris Henke, Elsie - Alief
23	Juana Calvillo, Edinburg
24	Jean Gentlemen, Tascosa - Amarillo
25	Mary Lemart, Alief
26	Louana Bernal, Riverside - El Paso
27	Mary Leslie, Glencita - Highland Park - Dallas
28	Letty Corral, Bel Air - El Paso
29	Sally French, Lanier - Austin
30	Diana Perez, Edinburg
31	Terry Owens, Mesquite
32	Michelle Pichler, Churchill - San Antonio
33	Tracy Williams, Churchill - San Antonio
34	Dale Witt, Tascosa - Amarillo
35	Martha Martinez, El Paso High

RESULTS
UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET
November 15, 1980

CONFERENCE AAAAA GIRLS

Teams

<u>Place</u>	<u>Team Points</u>	<u>Town, School</u>
1	86	League City, Clear Lake
2	93	El Paso
3	118	Dallas, Highland Park
4	120	Edinburg
5*	124	El Paso, Bel Air
6*	124	McAllen
7	144	Alief, Elsie
8	168	El Paso, Coronado
9	201	Pasadena, Dobie
10	209	San Antonio, Churchill
11	264	Richardson
12	279	Fort Worth, Haltom

*based on 6th finisher

Individuals

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Name, Town, School</u>
1	11:09	Chris Meeks, Alief Elsie
2	11:20	Patsy Norman, El Paso
3	11:20	Lisa Ellis, San Antonio Churchill
4	11:22	Mary Leslie Clements, Dallas Highland Park
5	11:25	Kimberly Cloud, Plano
6	11:26	Kirstyn Jorgenson, San Marcos
7	11:28	Janice Reina, San Antonio Jay
8	11:28	Sarah Triem, Pasadena Dobie
9	11:28	Eileen Reina, San Antonio Jay
10	11:32	Heidi Zieglschmid, League City Clear Lake
11	11:32	Maria Medina, El Paso Bel Air
12	11:32	Ann Eaton, El Paso Burges
13	11:34	Toya Castillo, McAllen
14	11:35	Wendy Irwin, Dallas Highland Park
15	11:40	Dee Dee Rylance, League City Clear Lake
16	11:40	Leti Arce, El Paso
17	11:43	Maricela Leal, McAllen
18	11:47	Missi Steele, Alief Elsie
19	11:48	Debbie Noel, Richardson Pearce
20	11:49	Anita Garcia, Edinburg
21	11:50	Jennifer Cullen, El Paso Coronado
22	11:51	Dora Jean Luna, Edinburg
23	11:52	Beth Miller, Conroe McCullough
24	11:53	Maria Michalik, League City Clear Lake
25	11:54	Kelly Heverly, Richardson Pearce

1979 STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS



PATSY NORMAN, LUCY BOCKMAN, GLORIA MEJIA, MARIANNE
BLANKENSHIP, LETI ARCE, MARCE CONTRERAS, MARTHA MARTINEZ

RESULTS
UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET
December 1, 1979

CONFERENCE A GIRLS

Teams

<u>Place</u>	<u>Team Points</u>	<u>School (Town)</u>
1	72	El Paso
2	94	McAllen
3	103	Clear Lake (League City)
4	107	Memorial (Houston)
5	132	Highland Park (Dallas)
6	153	Bel Air (El Paso)
7	155	Coronado (El Paso)
8	175	Edinburg
9	189	Spring Branch (Houston)
10	241	Churchill (San Antonio)
11	272	Richardson
12	303	Mesquite

Individuals

<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Name, School, (Town)</u>
1	11:34	Patsy Norman, El Paso
2	11:37	Margarita Salinas, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo (Pharr)
3	11:40	Lisa Ellis, Churchill, (San Antonio)
4	11:43	Mary Clements, Highland Park (Dallas)
5	11:46	Chris Maeks, Elsie (Alief)
6	11:47	Maricela Leal, McAllen
7	11:53	Lucy Bockman, El Paso
8	11:53	Dee Dee Rylance, Clear Lake (League City)
9	11:53	Marilyn Flynn, Lee (Baytown)
10	11:54	Gloria Mejia, El Paso
11	11:55	C. J. Willoughby, Memorial (Houston)
12	12:02	Jenny Cullen, Coronado (El Paso)
13	12:03	Juanita Farris, Andress (El Paso)
14	12:03	Maria Michalik, Clear Lake (League City)
15	12:05	Lisa Gonzales, Carroll (Corpus Christi)
16	12:05	Kimberly Cloud, Plano
17	12:06	Heidi Zieglschmid, Clear Lake (League City)
18	12:08	Anita Garcia, Edinburg
19	12:09	Sarah Triem, Dobie (Pasadena)
20	12:09	Lisa McCorstin, South Garland (Garland)
21	12:09	Beth Miller, McCullough (Conroe)
22	12:09	Suzanne Sheffield, Plano
23	12:12	Irma Torres, Coronado (El Paso)
24	12:13	Lisa Tames, Spring Branch (Houston)
25	12:17	Dana Tinkle, Highland Park (Dallas)
26	12:18	Maria Medina, Bel Air (El Paso)

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PATSY NORMAN, LUCY BOCKMAN, GLORIA MEJIA

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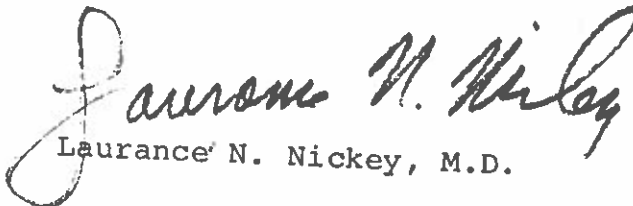
Coach Danny McKillip
El Paso High School Varsity Track Coach
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Dear Coach McKillip:

All too often it seems that on occasion the "Harriers" of El Paso High School seem to be put behind other sports in importance. Let me assure you that there are lots of folks that are very proud of you and your runners. They are outstanding. You have done a supergood job for a super-good bunch of kids!

Every cordial best wish.

Yours sincerely,


Laurance N. Nickey, M.D.

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cc: Mr. Burton Johnson
Principal
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Coach Dan McKillip
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Dear Coach,

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you and your girls for bringing the second State Championship to the home of the El Paso High Tigers. The pride that your team has shown all year has been tremendous.

Your feats will long be remembered and may the athletic endeavors of your girls carry over and make them better leaders in the society of tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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December 3, 1979

Dan McKillip
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Dear Dan,

Congratulations to you and your squad on another State Championship. As you and I both know, back to back championships just don't happen. It is a real tribute to your coaching ability and to the dedication of your team.

Sincerely,


Ted Banks
Head Track Coach

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BEAR RICHARD DIAZ

Bowie, EPHS capture regional crowns

By JULIO LUJAN
Times Staff Writer

LUBBOCK, Texas — The name of this park is Mae Simmons. Mae Simmons' challenging hills were not enough. The cold, brisk air was not enough. Even the competition was not enough to hold back Saturday's overwhelming regional cross country victories by El Paso's unbeaten high school teams, Bowie and El Paso High.

Richard Diaz, Bowie's hard-running senior, stayed shoulder to shoulder with Sergio Oaxaca of Bel Air the last 200 yards to make it a sprint to the finish for the gold medal.

Diaz nosed out Oaxaca 9:33.7 to 9:33.8, setting the stage for Bowie's awesome 28-39 team championship

over the runnerup Highlanders.

El Paso High's girls wrapped up their ninth straight victory of the season in the same fashion as Patsy Norman took the lead atop the steep hill and held on for the gold medal, timed in 11:39.3.

Norman's underclassmen teammates, Lucy Bockman and Gloria Mejia, followed through in times of 11:47.9 and 12:01.1 to settle the silver and bronze medals; Marcee Contreras and Lettie Arce insured the 35-point triumph with 15th and 16th individual places. Marianne Blankenship capped the Tiger bid as sixth girl by finishing 17th.

"I didn't think I'd be this happy at a regional meet," said an elated Nor-

man afterward. "Last year's race wasn't as team oriented."

"This season we've grown closer together. It was so fantastic seeing them all together."

That was the underlying factor to the tough two-mile course, which included two hilly loops divided by a stream. The first steep hill, 150 yards after the start, broke up the 73-man field.

Bowie's defending champions moved up together across that half-mile distance overlooking the two loops and the stream.

"We got out good," Coach Bennie Brooks said. "The back men moved up atop the hill well. Actually, all of them ran well. Even my freshman

Tony Cordero, he got 32nd. That was super."

Brooks got a solid effort out of Alfredo Trejo, who grabbed the bronze medal in 9:42.8, then Isidro Ramirez brought up the rear with a fifth-place time of 9:50.4. Rex Bear managed 11th in 10:02.0 and Walter Jones anchored the Bears' second straight regional title with a 13th, clocked in 10:04.2.

"I thought we were sitting in good shape by the time we got to the second hill," Brooks went on. "When it flattened out, we took off. Diaz was 20 yards back when he made up the ground on Oaxaca."

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TIGER PATSY NORMAN

Prep harriers

Norman, Diaz
anchor All-CityBy JULIO LUJAN
Times Staff Writer

Patsy Norman of El Paso High and Richard Diaz of Bowie, who led their respective teams to high school girls' and boys' state championships, anchor *The El Paso Times* 1979-80 All-City Cross Country Selections, being chosen the season's most outstanding runners.

Benny Brooks
...coach of year

Norman went unbeaten during the 10-meet season, winning the District 1-A AAA gold medal for the third straight year. From there, the 5-foot-6 junior turned in heads-up performances in winning her second straight regional meet and beating the 104-runner field at state for the gold medal. That was Norman's second gold at state; she also earned a silver in 1978.

Diaz, a 140-pound, 5-11 senior, came on strong down the stretch, winning his second straight 1-A AAA race, taking the regional gold medal and finishing a close fourth at state.

Norman was instrumental in the Tigers' unbeaten season and second straight state crown while Diaz paced the Bears to a determined 49-point victory at state after a runnerup finish in 1978. For both teams' unbeaten seasons and state championships, 10th-year coach Danny McKillip of El Paso High and third-year coach Benny Brooks of Bowie are selected respective coaches of the year.

The Tigers dominated the All-City girls' selections, placing freshman Lucy Bockman, the season's pleasant surprise, and much-improved junior Gloria Mejia on the front. Norman, Bockman and Mejia were the only girls to make all-state from El Paso after finishing first, second and fifth in 1-A AAA and first, second and third at regionals.

Bowie, meanwhile, landed Diaz, junior Alfredo Trejo and senior team captain Rex Bear, who made a 360-degree turnaround in one season going from 14th at state as a junior to 15th in the 49-92 victory over runnerup Bel Air.

The rest of the girls' all-city crew: Juanita Farris, a sophomore from Andrews, missed making all-state by three places (first 10 get the honor) after getting third in district and fourth at regionals; Pat Alvarado, a four-year letterman from Bel Air, won the 2-A AAA gold medal, took all-regional honors with seventh and was 29th at state; Coronado senior Susie Mitcham, who ran fourth in district and fifth in regionals before having her only bad race of the season at state; Kate Ebert, Irvin's senior transfer and six at district (missed regional qualifying by one spot), and Riverside's tough-running senior Diana Daly, all-district and all-regional.

The boys' squad includes: Bel Air's all-state senior Sergio Oaxaca, the two-time gold medalist in 2-A AAA and silver medal winner in regionals; and Austin's senior Carlos Guerrero, twice all-state and fourth in district and regionals.

The back people: Bel Air sophomore Ruben Gonzalez, who ran second, 12th and 11th in the big meets; Austin junior Patrick Kettner, who finished fifth and 10th and did not run at state because of illness; and Martin Saenz, who led El Paso High to a second-place finish in 1-A AAA, taking eighth.

RICHARD DIAZ
...most outstanding boyPATSY NORMAN
...most outstanding girl

SERGIO OAXACA



LUCY BOCKMAN



ALFREDO TREJO

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Gloria Mejia EPHS
Juanita Farris Andrews
Pat Alvarado Bel Air
Susie Mitcham Coronado

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Back Runners

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Number One

The proud State Cross Country champions, Eduardo de Campo, Luis

Rivera, Manny Rodriguez, Ernie Tamez, Manny Ortiz, Arnold Plaza,

Tim Gilmore, and Coach Danny McKillip, display their State, District,

and Regional trophies.

EL PASO HIGH 1983 STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

FRANCISCO DIAZ, EDUARDO DEL CAMPO, LUIS RIVERA,
MANNY RODRIGUEZ, ERNESTO TAMES, MANNY ORTIZ,
ARNOLD PLAZA, TIM GILMORE, COACH DANNY MCKILLIP

EPHS boys take state

By Richard Luna
Times staff writer

GEORGETOWN — For the past three years, El Paso's representatives to the state high school cross country meet had fallen short in their quest for a team championship. The drought ended Saturday afternoon at Southwestern University in Georgetown.

The El Paso High boys scored 60 points to dethrone two-time defending state Class 5A champion Conroe McCullough, which scored 70 points. It was the first team title for an El Paso team since Bowie won in 1979.

But that was not all. Riverside's Bobby Aguirre ended his flashy high school career by taking individuals honors in the boys 3-mile run. Aguirre covered the course in 15 minutes, 22 seconds, well ahead of San Antonio Churchill's Tony Martinez, who finished in 15:47.

It was Aguirre's second state championship as he won on the same course as a sophomore.

In all, Saturday was El Paso's best showing at state in three years as 29 El Pasoans received medals — eight of those gold. In the boys' division, Burges finished a strong third behind El Paso High and McCullough. The Mustangs scored 74 points to earn bronze medals.

In the girls' division, Burges and Coronado tied for second place, but the Mustangs won the silver medal on the sixth-runner tiebreaker (five runners are scored for team standings) and Coronado took the bronze. League City Clear Lake won the girls race with 71 points.

"It was time to take a state championship back to El Paso and make the city proud of us," Tiger Coach Danny McKillip said. "What a relief. This team had the best overall depth of any team I've had for a while and that was the difference. We were so strong through six runners. It feels good to win this thing."

"There's nothing like the feeling when you see those kids' faces. Their goal has been accomplished. There's a lot of good runners in the state and to win the biggest class, that's a tribute to these kids."



— Times file photo

Danny McKillip claimed his fourth state title as coach.

Aguirre savors victory 4D

won back-to-back titles in 1978-79.

The Tigers were in good shape from the start. Going up the first long and tiring hill, McKillip was concerned that his team not go out too quick.

"That has a tendency to take your breath away," he said. "Then when I saw Manny (Rodriguez) and Ernie (Tamez) up there, I felt pretty good. McCullough had three right there, but the rest of ours were right behind and I knew we had a real good chance. We just had to hold on."

And the Tigers did. With Rodriguez finishing fifth and Tamez 15th, they needed only to run strong in the middle. Manny Ortiz broke into the top 20 (19th) and Francisco Diaz and Arnold Plaza placed 37th and 40th respectively. That was important because Eduardo Del Campo, the squad's No. 4 runner, tripped well before the mile mark, losing a shoe, and was never able to make up ground.

But the Tigers didn't need it.

Burges was paced by Richard Perez, who placed fourth, and Able Romo finishing 12th. Its back runners ran strong and came up only two points short of McCullough.

One other El Pasoan finished in the top 10. Ysleta's Danny Lopez was eighth.

El Paso runners have to be proud

DANNY MCKILLIP knows what it takes to coach a team to a state high school cross country championship, and he knows it's not easy.

McKillip has coached at El Paso High 14 years. In that time, the Tigers have won two girls' state titles, two boys' titles and have had three individual champions. Saturday in Georgetown (just north of Austin), the Tiger boys won the state championship, ending a four-year quest that was fueled by McKillip's hunger to win for himself as much as for his team.

"It's hard to win a state championship in any sport," McKillip said. "Sure, you hope an El Paso football team or basketball team will, but if they don't, El Paso (the city) has this to be proud of."

"It's difficult enough to win every week in El Paso, much less to win at regionals and state, and this is the epitome of it all."

For El Paso's contingent of nearly 50 state-meet qualifiers, Saturday was one of their finest days. Besides the El Paso High boys winning the state title, the Burges boys placed third and Riverside's Bobby Aguirre closed out his cross country career by winning individual honors. It was the second time the Ranger runner had won a gold medal, also winning state as a sophomore.

Three other El Pasoans finished in the top 10 — Burges' Richard Perez (fourth), EPHS's Manny Rodriguez (fifth) and Ysleta's Danny Lopez (tenth).

The Burges and Coronado girls tied for second in the team race with Burges earning the silver medal on the sixth-place tie-breaker. Three El Paso girls placed in the top 10 — Coronado's Celina Terrazas (fifth), Socorro's Margie Bernal (sixth) and Andress' Donna Laverly (10th).

There also were several gutsy performances. One was by Burges' Georgina Gonzalez. Slowed down all week by a cold, Gonzalez was asked by Coach Paul Alsup before the race if she wanted to drop out.

She didn't and she was the difference for Burges. Gonzalez was the sixth runner, beating Coronado's sixth runner by one place to give her team the silver medal. The young sophomore runner simply did not quit.

Another gutsy run was by El Paso High's Eduardo Del Campo. All season long, he had been the Tigers' No. 4 runner. At the regional meet last week, he was sick, but ran anyway, finishing 54th. His confidence a little down, he wanted a good run at state, but early in the race was knocked down in a crowd and lost one of his shoes.

But he likewise did not give up and ran the entire 3 miles over a rugged course, finishing 47th. He did not figure in the team scor-



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Times Sports Writer

ing, but the other Tiger runner picked up the slack and Del Campo's medal was just as deserved.

EL PASO High's performance was expected. McKillip began developing the squad four years ago and last year went to state for the first time, finishing third. This year, with a senior squad that was both experienced and talented, the Tigers rolled undefeated to the state crown.

The two team leaders, Ernie Tamez and Manny Rodriguez, knew last year they had a chance to win. "We knew that if we all stayed together and trained in the summer, we'd have a chance," Rodriguez said. "We had some bad races, but I'm happy we won and that's what counts."

Tamez was the team's front runner until late in the season, but he was not disappointed. "The team came first," he said.

Now for an encore. This year's qualifiers were El Paso's strongest in three years. That was the last time an El Paso team won a state title. This year's group also is for the most part a senior group. That would lead one to believe next year looms as a down year. Not necessarily so.

"We'll use this as incentive for next year," McKillip said. "We'll use it to get the kids out and working hard because it can be fun. It's tough to win a state championship and it takes work."

The teams of the future for El Paso could be the Burges and Socorro girls and the Eastwood boys. Burges will return five of its seven members next year as the second-best team in Texas. Socorro, with all underclassmen and talented runners like Bernal, accomplished its goal this year. The Bulldogs, who placed fifth, wanted to qualify so the team could experience the state meet and prepare for a serious run at the title next year, following the example set by El Paso High.

The Eastwood boys followed the same pattern. The Troopers had just one senior aboard and will return a veteran squad next year that placed seventh in the state. But the experience of competing with Texas' best and seeing the joy of winning will be a factor.

"For the first time, I can call my wife (Sylvia) and tell her how we did," McKillip said. "She's suffered just as much as I have this season (they were married in May). It feels good to be able to do that."

He'd like to make that call again next year.

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TEAM NAME

SCORE

1	EL PASO	60 POINTS
2	CONROE MCCULLOUGH	70 POINTS
3	EL PASO BURGESS	74 POINTS
4	LEAGUE CITY CLEAR LAKE	138 POINTS
5	MISSION	149 POINTS
6	SAN ANTONIO CHURCHILL	170 POINTS
7	EL PASO EASTWOOD	194 POINTS
8	SAN ANTONIO JAY	196 POINTS
9	CARROLLTON TURNER	198 POINTS
10	CONROE	223 POINTS
11	LONGVIEW	234 POINTS
12	ARLINGTON	285 POINTS



Ronald K. McLeod, Ed.D.
General Superintendent

November 16, 1983

Mr. Danny McKillip

Dear Danny:

It is with a sense of pride that I offer my congratulations to you and your El Paso Tigers on the state championship in the Class 5A high school cross country at Southwestern University in Georgetown. This victory brings great honor to El Paso High School Tigers, our school district, and the city of El Paso.

Watching our students grow and improve from day to day is very gratifying, but seeing them compete and capture state crowns is the ultimate in high school coaching. What a sense of great accomplishment you must feel this fourth time around and how fortunate you and your students are to be No. 1 in Texas.

I know that your coaching ability and knowledge plus your willingness to put in many extra hours played a major role in the success of your team, and I want you to know I appreciate it.

Please convey my congratulations to your state champs, and my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

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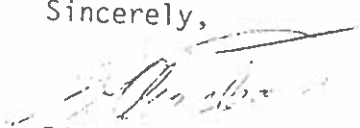
Dear Coach McKillip,

Congratulations on winning the Cross-Country State Championship! Not only have you honored your school but the city of El Paso as well.

I can assure you that the West Area Staff is as proud of you and your athletes as your own high school administration, parents, and students. On behalf of the West Area Staff, please convey our sincere best wishes to each and every one of the members of your track team for their undoubtedly great athletic and sportsmanship conduct.

Again, congratulations. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,


Richard L. Olmstead
Associate Superintendent

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cc: Burton Johnson, Principal, EPHS

EPHS boys figure to run away in 1-5A



Ernesto Tamez paces
El Paso High.

By Richa
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Since 1977, El Paso High has walked away from the District 1-5A high school cross country championships with a first-place trophy and that streak is unlikely to be broken this year.

The Tiger boys have been untouchable all season and are heavily favored to win their second straight team title Friday afternoon when the 1-5A meet takes place at Coronado.

First race is at 3 p.m. with four races (two freshman, two junior varsity) before the girls' and boys' varsity teams take the field. The top three teams and first five individuals in each varsity division advance to the Region I meet Nov. 5 in Lubbock.

The Tigers have been nothing less than terrific with a veteran squad that last season placed third at the state meet and returned every member of that team this year. No other team has come close to challenging, "but we've been pushing each other," Coach Danny McKillip says. "The lineup has changed every week and we've always had different front-runners."

That intrasquad competition has been so fierce that one member of the state squad will not run at district Friday.

"We're probably the best-prepared we can be," McKillip says. "The kids know winning district is the first stepping stone for going to state and we want to go back. We would have to run extremely poorly for someone to catch us."

El Paso High has a solid lineup that includes Ernesto Tamez, Manny Rodriguez and Manny Ortiz, a trio of tough runners. Eduardo Del Campo, Arnol6 Plaza, Francisco Diaz and Tim Gilmore are proven backups.

The Tigers' toughest challenge should come from Burges, which also has a tough front three in Richard Perez, Abel Romo and Victor Ruiz.

"Basically, the only way for us to beat them is for our top two runners to beat their first one," Burges Coach Paul Alsup says. "We would need a very, very good performance."

Defending regional champion Austin, which has been improving of late, could make a run at a regional berth with Stacey Spencer and Aaron Martinez leading the way.

The individual champ should come from one of the top three teams.

Unlike the boys, the girls' team race will be on the other extreme. One point, and possibly a tie-breaker, could determine whether Coronado defends its title or Burges takes it away.

Burges has been the top team all season, losing to injury-prone Coronado just once. Coronado has strong front-runners in Cathie Koss and Celina Terrazas, but Burges has solid grouping that Coronado must break up.

"We have to put five girls in the top 11," Alsup says, "and we could help ourselves with our sixth and seventh runners beating their fifth girl."

Coronado Coach Jeff Dember says that's exactly what his team must prevent. "We're confident that Cathie and Celina will be up front, and that will counter my fifth girl being a little back, but she (fifth girl) has to be in the top 20 for us to have a chance."

Andress' Donna Laverty will be out to defend her individual title and will be challenged by Jefferson's Claudina Navarro.

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MAURO LOPEZ, ROSIE AGUILAR

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SANCHEZ, COACH McKILLIP, ADRIAN MORENO, RICHARD GONZALEZ,
MAURO DOMINGUEZ, ROGELIO GONZALEZ

Zuniga Takes State

Tony Zuniga, a senior, took the state Cross Country Meet Saturday, December 9, 1972 with a record breaking victory time of 9:38, and has gone undefeated through the entire season. In last year's state meet Tony completed the race in second place with a time of 9:33. The meet took place in Austin, Texas.

In preparation for the State race, Tony had two days workouts. Coach Danny McKillup recommended that Tony go on this special workout schedule so that he would get the necessary rest he needed.

Zuniga enjoyed the trip to Austin. He had experienced an airplane ride and when asked about it, he stated, "I had an eye on the airplane stewardesses and tried to keep my mind on the race."

The course in Austin was around "Town Lake" and continued on along the banks of the Colorado River. He started out with a 40 yard lead and maintained the lead through the finish.

Tony's best time last year was 9:05 in the Andress Invitational Cross Country Meet, and he was the number one man this year.

In last year's district competition he came in sixth place, due to an injury to his left leg. He was not supposed to run for four weeks, but since State was only two weeks away, he held on with his second place in State. There was no regional meet for El Paso High last year.

Tony was approached by a coach from Texas University in Austin, concerning his desire to attend the University and get into the Cross Country team there.

Right now, he plans to start preparing for track season and wait around for possible scholarships.



FROM TIGER TO MINER — El Paso High miler Tony Zuniga signs his national letter of intent to attend University of Texas at El Paso on a track scholarship as Danny McKillup, his coach at El Paso, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Zuniga, look on. Zuniga added the Class AAAA mile title to his cross-country championship earlier this month.
(Staff Photo by Luis Villalobos)



STATE CHAMP AND INSTRUCTOR—El Paso High miler Tony Zuniga (left) and his coach Danny McKillup are shown here after their victorious return from the state track meet in Austin where Tony won the class AAAA mile with a time of 4:15.2. (Herald-Post Photo by Bill Thompson)

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FACES IN THE CROWD

EL PASO HIGH'S "PATSY NORMAN"

FACES IN THE CROWD



FRANCISCO JAVIER OLIVERAS
RIO PIEDRAS, PUERTO RICO

Francisco, 17, a right-handed pitcher for the Yabucoa Canecutters of the Amateur Baseball Federation, set a league record with 21 strikeouts in a nine-inning game. This year he whiffed 142 batters in 105 innings.



LYNN LUCZKOWSKI
NORWALK, CONN.

Lynn, who graduated recently from Norwalk High, received credit for all of her school's undefeated softball team's 22 wins. In pitching the Bears to the Class LL state title, she had 191 strikeouts in 153 innings and an 0.34 ERA.



ROY McADAM
BROWNVILLE, N.Y.

McAdam, a senior at Hobart College, led the Statesmen to the NCAA Division III lacrosse title with a goal and an assist in his team's 11-8 win over the Cortland (N.Y.) State Red Dragons. He had 43 goals and 21 assists this season.



DEANNE LAVATAI
HONOLULU

Deanne, 10, won eight gold medals and one bronze and was named outstanding swimmer at the Sakamoto Invitational in Wailuku. She set 10-and-under meet records in the 50-meter fly (34.99), 100 fly (1:17.4) and the 200 IM (2:51.65).



EDWARD DELANO
DAVIS, MASS.

Delano, 75, a retired highway maintenance supervisor, completed his third transcontinental bicycle trip in 10 years when he pedaled 3,100 miles from Davis to his 50th reunion at Worcester (Mass.) Polytechnic Institute in 34 days.



PATSY NORMAN
EL PASO

Patsy, a junior at El Paso High, set a girls' state record in the 1,600-meter run (4:56.5) at the Class AAAA state meet in Austin. She earlier won her second Texas girls' cross-country title with a time of 11:34 over a two-mile course.

Learner-Lunged Bea Tests Her Limits

by Angelo Pokluda

Sitting nervously and fidgeting with her fingers, Patsy Norman does not appear to be the fastest female high school miler in the state. Her petite frame and long brown hair do not lend her appearance to that of an athlete. Nonetheless, she has achieved more honors her junior year than most high school seniors hope for during their four-year careers.

"I really don't think I am that good," she says modestly. But good would have to be an understatement when speaking of the two state crowns in cross country and the state mile championship she now has in her possession. She also boasts numerous district and regional titles that she literally ran away with.

Patsy attributes much of her success not only to the fine coaching of El Paso High Coach Daniel McKillip, but also the inspiration and con-

fidence that her classmates and admirers bestow upon her. People do care whether I win. They don't take me for granted, others may think."

"People tell me I hope you do it for them." The junior's popularity has increased so that it is not uncommon for her outside of school to recognize and stop to say hello.

This recognition not only helps her mentally for competition but also provides a community pride that carries with her to out of town.

"I like El Paso a lot," she says about her hometown. "People that I give the city good recognition and that sort of thing makes me good. At the out of town me say 'You live way out there?' I take it jokingly because I'm from El Paso and Texas."

Although El Paso is considered most central and east Texas part of Texas that should belong to New Mexico, it does have a favorable reputation as being one of the ideal training areas for most national and international distance and athletes. Norman favors this because of its moderately high altitude, arid climate and mild winters.

On the track she is superb. In other activities she considers herself mediocre, but in class, her instructors consider her to be a model student. Her name is frequently on the roll and she receives praise for class participation.

She originally did not plan to compete in the college ranks. Instead,

wanted to study in the field of engineering. "I was not that serious about it (running). I could not picture myself running at the collegiate level."

However, after experiencing the fruits of success and never doubting the gospel of her coach, Patsy's attitude towards collegiate racing took a positive swing. "Coach McKillip convinced me to at least try it for a year or two. If I do well I stay, and if I don't, well, at least I tried."

A very shy girl, who shuns publicity and the limelight, she frequently avoids recognition outside of school. Her bashfulness is more a Dr. Jeckyl and Mr. Hyde problem for when she gets on the track, no matter who is watching, she instantly becomes a crowd pleaser. "When I'm on the track I concentrate on the race and not putting on a show for the spectators." During one race, Patsy recalls, her concentration became slightly diluted. She fooled herself into believing that she could catch an opponent who had passed her. She never caught that runner and had to settle for second place.

The Norman family has a tradition of producing fine athlete-students. One instructor commented that all of Patsy's brothers were involved in athletics and also very capable

scholastically. These two qualities are seldom found in the same person.

Her motivation is always there. She has to psych herself to practice and "get out there." But the motivation is not all that powers her 100 pound plus frame. Somewhere in that learner-lunged beauty is a spur. A reminder that you can only go as far as you limit yourself. As an eighth grader, she first ran sprints, but failed miserably. Then she became interested in distance running. The challenge slowly began to develop her talents.

And Patsy has showed near excellence. Her graceful strides and seemingly effortless pace over Rim Road or up North Mesa are the products of many hard hours and long miles. Her awards and state-wide recognition have repeated themselves in newspapers and area track magazines.

Coach McKillip fondly describes Patsy as a literary work. "Poetry in motion, as she runs through the streets of El Paso in her training to be number one, and to keep El Paso High number one."

School recognition is no longer the long sought after goal. That goal has long since been achieved. She plans to remain at the top and to pursue a fast approaching college career.

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Patsy Norman and Cross Country Coach, Daniel McKillip.

No sweat

Norman runs for fun

WINNING ISN'T everything. The drive to become No. 1 is often time-consuming, disheartening and painstaking. The dividing line between a winner and a loser is sometimes thinner than a piece of paper.

Just think, there were eight finalists in the men's 100-meter dash at the 1976 Olympic Games. The gold medalist beat the last-place finisher by less than half a second. It's too close for comfort.

Here at home, 16-year-old Patsy Norman, the spirit of championship cross country running at El Paso High, has been able to do what she does best — run for fun. Winning is just a side effect.

"A lot of people think it's an awful lot of work," she said. "They can't believe I'm doing all this work, especially since the rewards in cross country are few. It's something to prove to yourself . . . there's a self reward."

"I think that's probably it (the key to her success). I run for the fun of it. Too many kids run afraid, always thinking they're going to lose. I don't run to beat anyone."

Norman's mature attitude about the sport is one of the reasons she and her defending state champion El Paso High teammates have done so well the past two years. To date, the junior runner has won 20 of 26 races since her freshman year when she captured the state gold medal. The other finishes have included five sil-



Julio Lujan
Times Sports Writer

her running debut as a freshman.

"People expect me to keep on winning," she explained. "It's kind of hard. This year it's been easier 'cause Lucy (Bockman, her freshman teammate) is right up there. They expect me, and her to fight it out down at state."

HER BIGGEST challenge hasn't been the grassy flat courses, the sandy hills or the long distance running — it's been keeping the right frame of mind.

That's been the case particularly after each of her silver medal finishes, and, of course, after the 1978 state meet when she lost the state gold medal by an eyelash.

To her, however, there was something more important — the team, which brought El Paso the first girls' state championship.

"It (losing the gold medal) was a blow to me," said Norman, unbeaten in seven starts going into Friday's conference meet at Coronado. "I have so much more desire this year, if not to prove it to other people, to prove it to myself (that she can win state again)."

"I think losing last year did affect



—(Times staff photo)

TIGERS' PATSY NORMAN DOES STRETCHING EXERCISES ... Junior runner paces EPHS hopes for another state title

sometimes it's your day, and sometimes, it's not."

The Tigers have gained an impressive seven straight team victories with the smooth running of Norman, Bockman's determined performances (finishing second the last three races), junior Gloria Mejia's improvement and the competitiveness of the Tigers' anchor corps, namely senior Marianne Blankenship, junior Marcee Contreras, senior Martha Martinez and freshman Leticia Arce.

"Every week, there's somebody different," Norman said. "You can't really tell which one is going to have a good race. There's so much talent in the back."

"We have more potential than we had last year going into state. Their confidence is great."

THAT CONFIDENCE is due to a

High track coach Danny McKillip does. Let's face it, three years ago the girls' cross country team barely numbered seven. Today, there are more than 30 girls looking for a shot at wearing the Tigers' orange and black varsity uniform.

Norman thinks the big attraction to the sport has been "all the stuff about jogging. And the people want to join the new fad."

"Coach McKillip has a lot to do with it," Norman emphasized. "He goes and talks to all the girls who might have the potential. He makes you feel important."

That's a fact. Norman, Blankenship, Martinez and Mejia helped give EPHS its second straight 1-AAA crown. At times, the scoring has come from Norman, Bockman, Mejia, Contreras and Arce, proving once again that second also counts.

Norman, EP High girls picked in cross-country

By RICHARD LUNA
Times Staff Writer

El Paso High's girls' cross-country teams have been pretty good at state-level meets the past few seasons ... actually, they've been, well, just super.

After all, being two-time defending state champion and having one of Texas' all-time premier runners on the team is something not just any team can boast about. So, with credentials like that, what could El Paso High possibly do for an encore?

"On paper, this is the strongest team we've ever had," said El Paso High Coach Danny McKillip. "The team is ready to continue its winning ways. We have over 30 girls out for the team and we'll do our best to defend our state championship."

There it is: The Tigers just keep getting stronger and Saturday, they put their 11-meet win streak on the line as the prep cross-country season opens with the Bel Air Invitational at the Ysleta Cutoff. The six-event slate starts at 9:30 a.m.

One wouldn't dare speak about El Paso High girls' cross-country without mentioning Patsy Norman, the 1979 unbeaten state champion, in the same breath. She comes into this season with 23 victories in 29 starts.

Norman will be in pretty good company with four experienced teammates returning. The veteran cast: Sophomore Lucy Bockman (sixth at state), senior Gloria Mejia (10th at state), sophomore Leti Arce and junior Marcee Contreras, all with state experience.

The talented individuals include Coronado's Jenny Cullen (12th at state), and Irma Torres (23rd at state and the silver medalist in the 800 meters), Andress' junior Juanita Farris (13th at state) and Bel Air senior Maria Medina, the leader in the Clan's bid for a fifth straight district crown. Here's the 1-5A outlook:

ANDRESS — With Farris, a junior, the Eagles are looking to Anna Schreiber, Bernetta Tate and Carol Villa to improve on last



Patsy Norman

year's third-place finish. First-year Coach Lucy Neiman is concerned about the depth and experience as only Farris and Tate have varsity background.

BOWIE — Coach Benny Brooks really doesn't know what to expect from his girls this season. Diana Bear, a senior with two years of experience, will be running mainly with three sophomores, all untested at the varsity level.

BURGES — Coach Paul Alsup's main concern is inexperience. Corinne and Cynthia Carrizal and Sylvia Van Den Stock have two years of experience, but that's about it. Corinne currently is nursing a minor injury and will not be up to full strength at the beginning of the season.

CORONADO — The T-Birds only lost one of their top seven runners from '79 and will be looking to Cullen, Torres, Emily Casillas and Cindy Courtney to challenge El Paso High for the title. Sharon Lucero, who finished first at the freshman meet, gives Coach Jeff Dember valuable depth.

IRVIN — Sonya and Susie Adkins, senior veterans, are the only experience the Rockets can speak of. The rest of coach Norman Phillips' squad is made up of sophomores and freshmen.

JEFFERSON — Three lettermen return in Josie Rivera, Mary Vasquez and Pat Munoz. Coach Ron Geyer says the team will get off to a slow start because of early injuries, but he is looking to a group of sophomores and freshmen to develop before the district meet. Here's the 2-5A outlook:

BEL AIR — The Clan, possibly the third strongest in the city — and the state — has the running power to make it five straight district championships. As expected, it has the fuel with talented, one-year veteran Medina (second in 2-5A), who has impressive credentials, and juniors Nina Roybal, Camile Acosta and Francis Siquieros (JV champion).

EASTWOOD — The Troopers could have their work cut out this year with four runners without experience. Two-year letter runner Sylvia St. John and Elizabeth Martinez, both juniors, are the major hopefuls. Sophomore Sheryl Grochocki could be the team's third girl.

HANKS — The Knights may be new in the block but rookie coach Bill Gage knows his business — he helped coach Medina at Bel Air last year. Gage expects sophomore Terri Wagner to take the front, with aid from freshman Aloma Kidwiler, sophomore Patsy Lawlor and junior Lorraine Elizalde.

RIVERSIDE — Second-year man Pat Hackett lost three runners to graduation but has 11 prospects, including sophomore Carmen Alvarez, seniors Noemi Andujo and Patsy Martinez, and junior Olivia Galvan from last year's 2-5A runnerup squad.

YSLETA — The Indians really are short of numbers — only five girls are on the roster. But first-year coach Odell Lesley, who was at Hanks last year and at Eastwood previously, has talented senior Rosie Contreras back, sophomore Terri Sierra, and seniors Aida Sosa, Jeannie Guardian Jill Egger.

AUSTIN AND SOCORRO — It is unknown yet whether either team will field a girls' squad as both schools are presently rebuilding their girls' program.

Arce salvages EP pride at girls' state meet

By RICHARD LUNA
Times staff writer

AUSTIN — El Paso's representatives to the Texas high school girls state track championships ran into a heap of trouble here Saturday, making just two trips to the awards stand.

And the only one to receive a gold medal was El Paso High's Leti Arce, who captured the 3,200-meter run in 1:10.9. That will stand as a state meet record since this is the first year or the event.

Arce's teammate, Patsy Norman, also earned a medal but lost her

crown as the Tiger senior finished her sterling prep career with a third place in the 1,600 run in 5:16.8. Norman still holds the state meet record of 4:56.5 which she set last year.

First place in the 1,600 went to Alief Elsik's Chris Meeks in 5:13.9, the same girl who beat Norman at last November's state cross country meet. Richard Pearce's Kelly Heverly was the silver medalist in 5:14.7.

The Irvin 1,600-meter relay of Karen White, Erica Roberson, Diana Limon and Barbara Fleming finished fourth in 3:59.6 while Fleming placed sixth in the 800 in 2:18.2.

There's always next year 5D

The only other El Pasoan to place was Hanks' Shelly Barr, whose 5-foot-3 effort nabbed fifth in the high jump.

In Class A competition, Dell City's Deborah Lewis took the silver medal in the 400 meters in 59.6. Friday, Clint's Kathy Wilson was fourth in the Class AA long jump to round out the El Paso area qualifiers.

The unpredictable weather took its toll not only on the El Pasoans, but the entire field as it went from hot and humid to rain to blowing winds.

That was especially true for Dallas Skyline, which captured the team title by scoring 54 points, mainly on the first-place efforts of LaShon Nedd in the 200, a gold in the 400 relay and second places in the 800 relay and by Elissia Fountain in the 100 hurdles.

Nedd won the 200 in a blistering 22.8 for a new state mark. That also topped the national record of 23.2, but it will not go down in the books since the wind was blowing at 4 meters per second, 2 above the allowable.

Houston Sferling finished second with 38 points. LaMarque took third at 36. The only team from El Paso to

figure in the scoring was J High, which tied for ninth with Worth Trimble Tech at 16.

Arce, Conroe's Rhonda H. Conroe McCullough's Beth Myers in each other's shadow for the entire race. The Tiger sophomore didn't take command until the lap, although the lead changed several times after that with finally pulling away heading in straightaway.

"I was so scared," Arce said she didn't want to go out earlier than she (Myers) was running ready. (Please see State, Page 5E)

Arce helps Tigers push ahead

By RICHARD LUNA
Times staff writer

Leti Arce is becoming more and more valuable to the El Paso High girls' cross country team and she couldn't have timed her move any better.

The Tiger sophomore has developed into one of the top El Paso schoolgirl runners and has filled the void left by an injury to Lucy Bockman, last year's district runnerup.

But, maybe even more importantly, Arce provides competition for defending state medalist Patsy Norman, which is what Coach Danny McKillip wants.

"It took a year of maturity," McKillip said, "but Leti is aggressive and confident and that helps Patsy. Leti is a competitor and Patsy needs to be pushed. The lack of competition would hurt Patsy."

Bockman, who ran seventh at the state meet last year which El Paso High won, finished sixth at the first meet this season and has not run since due to an ankle

injury. McKillip expected Bockman to push Norman, but Arce filled that role, too.

In the four meets this year, Arce placed 4-2-3-2 and has gained the confidence she feels necessary to help the Tigers to another District 1-5A crown and possible regional and state titles.

"I've gained so much confidence that I'm running more relaxed," Arce said. "I'm doing what I want — running with Patsy. I don't know that I'll ever beat her because I've got it in my mind that she can't be beat, but I want to run with her. She's the one to aim for. I know that I can run (with Norman), it's just a matter of doing it."

Arce, a 17th-place finisher at the 1979 district meet, also figured Bockman would be running ahead of her this year and welcomes her return to the team.

"She's got to come back," Arce said. "I know she'll come around and we need her. I want her to get healthy."

McKillip has had high hopes for Arce

ever since her eighth-grade season when she broke Norman's record in the 880-yard run. Plus, with Norman in her senior year and Arce just a sophomore, she is a large part of the Tigers' future.

"When Lucy got hurt, it meant Leti was more important to us," McKillip said. "I knew she would be a good runner for us ever since I first saw her . . . I could see it in her eyes. Leti is beginning to think like a runner and that's important."

Arce, who ran all summer in junior amateur competition with teammate Gloria Mejia, also serves as a link between Norman and the rest of the team. "It's hard for the rest of the team to run with Patsy," McKillip said. "But Leti is running with her and the rest of the girls can relate to that. It's making them work harder, especially our back girls. That's been the difference."

There is also some pressure on Arce from some of El Paso's other top runners, in particular, Burges' Ann Eaton, who is battling Arce for the No. 2 spot behind Norman in this season's competition.

7, November 10, 1981.

EPHS runner pushes herself

Team comes 1st with Arce

By RICHARD LUNA
Times staff writer

It hasn't been easy for El Paso High long-distance runner Leti Arce.

After winning the state 3,200 meters last May, Arce has struggled with herself through the 1981 high school cross country season. Part of the struggle, she readily admits, has been her fault, but she also believes she's been pressured by being expected to always finish on top.

"I've been goofing too much this year," the Tiger junior said. "I just let my mind go sometimes. I'll tell myself I'm dying and sure enough, I'll run a bad race. At district, I just wasn't mentally ready to run and that's why I didn't run good."

"People would tell me I was getting wiped out and that made me feel bad. I guess people expect me to win all the time. It matters to me, I care a lot, but if the team wins and I lose, that's OK. The team is more important to me than whether I win."

"I thought it was great that Lucy (Bockman) won at district because she kept the tradition going and the team won, too."

At the District 1-5A cross country meet, Arce ran her worst race of the year, finishing seventh. In the previous six meets, Arce had finished 3-3-3-3-1-4.

The Tigers, with Bockman taking the

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— LETI ARCE

individual championship, won the district title to qualify to last Saturday's Region I meet in Lubbock and it was there that Arce came to life.

After trailing Amarillo's Brenda Moore for most of the first mile, Arce and Moore ran neck-and-neck the remaining mile, with the Amarillo runner winning the race in 11:41, Arce taking second in 11:48.

Although Arce came in second, she ran a strong race. Not once was she in danger of dropping back and she gave Moore a run to the end.

"I told myself that I couldn't give up this time," Arce said after the regional run, "and when I started running, I felt more relaxed, I knew I could run my kind of race. I needed this race for state because going to state is so different. You have to prepare a lot different for state than the way you get ready for just a

regular meet, but I really needed a good run and I got it."

Arce said she thought Moore would drop back, but instead says she may have helped Moore stay in the race.

"Coach (Danny McKillip) had told me she'd come back," Arce said. "I went out fast, but at the mile mark, someone yelled out the time and it was slow. That's when I passed her, but I really slowed down to her pace. I was dead before she was."

Moore, who will be making her first trip to state, agreed with Arce.

"It was real rough," she said. "I think we kind of pushed each other a lot. We went down that first hill and she (Arce) started to psyche me out. I was starting to die and I felt like dropping back when she slowed down and I just stayed with her. I don't know what happened at the end. I guess I just had a little more left."

Arce, pleased with her individual performance, was disappointed the team came in second to Bel Air at regionals. The Tigers will get a chance to rebound Saturday at the state meet since the top three teams at regionals advance to state.

Arce, who along with Bockman was a member of the '79 state championship team, says the Tigers will be ready to run Saturday . . . and so will Leti Arce.

GILBERT CONTRERAS

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El Pasoans win 3 regional events

By Joe Jansen
El Paso Times

LUBBOCK — The May 15-16 high school state track meet in Austin will have a distinct far West Texas flavor.

The reason: 11 El Pasoans qualified for state Saturday by finishing either first or second at the Region 1 meet at Lubbock Coronado.

Foremost among the Sun City qualifiers were Eastwood's Beth May, El Paso High's Gilbert Contreras and Parkland's Roger Giles.

May, a junior, won the triple jump with a meet-record leap of 38 feet, 9 inches.

"To tell the truth, it felt like an awful jump," May said. "It felt like 37 feet, not a meet record."

Contreras also established a meet record, winning the 800 meters in 1 minute, 52.39 seconds. He outkicked Euleless Trinity's Geoff Smith, who was a close second in 1:52.49.

"He almost caught me," the El Paso High junior said. "A big gust of wind came up near the end of the race and almost stopped me like a wall."

Giles won the long jump with a leap of 23-4, a year after missing a state berth by a half-inch.

"I've been thinking all year about how close I came last year," Giles said. "Well, the monkey's finally off my back. I'm ready for anybody now."

El Paso runners went 1-2 in



Gilbert Contreras set a record in the 800 dash.

the 400, with Andress' James Stroman edging Irvin's Dana Ealey 48.02 to 48.15. Parkland's David Wills was third at 48.84.

"El Paso's finally getting some respect around here. They're learning it's not just Fort Worth that has the sprinters," Stroman said.

Ealey, who failed to qualify in the high jump Friday, said, "After I didn't place in the high jump, I wasn't going to let anybody stop me in the 400."

Also qualifying for state: Hanks' David Medlin and Coronado's Kenny Lucero in the

3,200; Bowie's Patty Avila in the 800; Austin's Stephanie McNeil in the long jump; Bel Air's Javier Muniz in the 1,600 and Irvin's Dino Napier in the 200.

Napier finished second to Grand Prairie's Donald Marshall — 20.42 to 20.44 — despite running in the outside lane.

"Last year these guys put me to shame here. It wasn't too beautiful," Napier said. "This year I knew what to expect and I was ready for them."

Marshall's wind-aided time was a meet record.

Medlin, who missed last year's regional because of illness, cruised to victory in 9:26.89, almost 15 seconds ahead of runner-up Lucero.

"This definitely makes up for last year," Medlin said.

Lucero, a senior, only began running track this year. "Since my brother and sister were runners, I thought I'd give it a try," Lucero said. "I sure didn't expect to make it to state, though."

Muniz, McNeil and Avila were runners-up in the respective events.

Grand Prairie was the boys' team champion with 52 points. Irvin was third with 36.

"I'm real proud of the kids," Irvin Coach Norman Phillips said. "Of the seven athletes we brought, five finished fourth or better in their events."

Fort Worth Trimble Tech was the girls' team champion with 67.

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Herald-Post photo by Billy Calzada

† Contreras aims to be El Paso's No. 1 runner.

Leg speed, stamina make runner special

By Eric Davis

El Paso Herald-Post sports writer

El Paso High School track and cross country athlete Gilbert Contreras watches his teammates burn rubber on the school's oval.

A chill goes down his spine, then he says, "I watch other guys run and it's awesome to see how fast they are. Then I remember that I'm faster than all of them! It's scary sometimes."

Contreras, the fifth in a family of track and cross country athletes, is the fastest 16-year-old American in the 800-meter run.

El Paso High cross country coach Danny McKillip explained how Contreras got his elite rating.

"There was a letter from Track and Field News magazine when I got back from summer vacation," he said. "A guy from the magazine came to verify the time, and he found out how true it was."

Contreras shaved nearly two full seconds off the previous best time of one minute, 54 seconds.

"When Gilbert came to us last year, we dropped his time from two minutes to 1:52.2," McKillip said. "He has the best of both worlds as far as his running goes. One, he has incredible leg speed. Two, he has the kind of stamina that won't let him quit."

McKillip said Contreras' endurance reminds him of 1978-79 El Paso High All-America runner Patsy Norman, another page in the Tigers' book of top runners and state championships. Norman was honored by Sports Illustrated magazine for her accomplishments.

Contreras runs cross country in the fall, then trains for track in the spring.

"We have an advantage here being so close to the mountains," McKillip said of his cross country program.

Inside his mind, Contreras continues to search out higher goals. Now it's "a 1:51.0 or better."

Later, he says, it will be 1:47.31 — the fastest 800 time by a high school runner ever. The 800 prep standard was set in 1981 by Pete Richardson of Cerritos, Calif.

By 1992, Contreras wants it all — a world record maybe, or a spot in the Olympics.

"I'm going to be 18 when the '88 Games come," he said. "That's a little too young. I think '92 is a realistic goal."

Whenever Contreras leaves his parents' house, no matter in what direction his well-worn jogging shoes take him, there's a set pattern his feet follow.

The pattern Gilbert Contreras follows was set by other family runners, like brother David, who was ranked 12th nationally in the 800-meter run for his age group during high school.

"When my brothers and sisters did cross country when I was younger, they had set runs they would do," he said. "I inherited those runs. It doesn't matter which direction I'm going in. There's always a run that I follow."

El Paso High's McKillip keeps program on track

By Julio Lujan
El Paso Times

Danny McKillip came to El Paso from Miami in the mid-1960s to run track. But for the past 21 years, it's coaching that's kept McKillip in town.

McKillip, 43, is the dean of track coaches in El Paso. After graduating from UTEP, where he ran track in the mid-1960s, McKillip accepted a job as track and field coach at El Paso High. He's been at it ever since.

McKillip's time at El Paso has led to four state cross country championships, including his girls' unbeaten 1979 team and boys' unbeaten '83 squad.

"Every summer it's entered my mind to quit coaching," McKillip, who was an all-American distance runner for the Miners, said Wednesday. "The bottom line has been that coaching cross country and track is still exciting for me. It's just like it was the first year when I had eight kids on the cross country team. Only these years I end up with 80 to 100 kids."

His star pupils have included Tony Zuniga (early 1970s), Patsy Norman (1977-80) and current University of Arkansas sophomore Gilbert Contreras, who won the 800 meters and placed second in the 1,600 in the 1989 state track meet.

"The Gilberts, Patsys, Zun-

igas and Rosie (Reyes) this year have kept me going," McKillip said. "But it's also been the drive to see younger kids improve."

McKillip had opportunities to move into collegiate coaching in his specialty, distance running. He had job offers from Arkansas and North Carolina after the 1979 season. Stanford tried to get him the year before Contreras had his successful senior season.

"Had they been seniors, I might have done it," McKillip recalled. "But I had many of those kids coming back. And I felt obligated to them."

El Paso junior distance runner Richard Gonzalez is glad McKillip is still around.

"Coach McKillip is more like a friend instead of a teacher," Gonzalez said. "You can talk to him if you have a problem ... he's just a great person."

And a great coach.

Gonzalez is in his first year of running track, and has already covered 1,600 meters in 4 minutes, 38 seconds and 3,200 meters in 10:20. Ruben Flores, a senior who did not come out for track until this season, has run the 400 in 49.5 seconds with only one week's training.

McKillip said El Paso High's small enrollment makes it tough to compete during the track and field season.

"But as long as we're competitive, you keep right on going," he said.

A true track man



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Danny McKillip
El Paso High
head track coach





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FACILITY TO BE NAMED: El Paso High School Track

Proposed Name McKillip Memorial Track and Field

Please Complete if Nominee is a Person:

Nominee's full name William Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known) Columbia South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience Graduate BA in 1971, MS in 1974 in Physical Education
From UTEP.

Nominee's military experience (if any) _____

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: Athlete of the year in late 1960s from
City of Miami Florida. Was all State, all Regional and all District. All american in High School and
Junior Olympics. Western athletic Champs from 1968-1970 in track and field and cross country.

Reason for nomination: His passion for athletics created a positive team environment that won
many state, district, and regional titles at EPHS. Danny always instilled a sense of camaraderie among
the athletes. It was evident that Coach McKillip went above and beyond to ensure that everyone could
reach their full potential, both on and off the track.

Nominator:

Deadline to submit: April 4, 2024

Nominator's Name: Richard Nicholson

Nominator's address: _____

Nominator's phone: _____

Mail or Email to:
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800 E. Schuster Ave.
El Paso, Texas 79902
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Danny Mc killip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nop

Nominee's educational experience:

High school coach.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach of the year several years.

Reason for nomination *

Great coach from el paso high

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

René González

Nominator's address: *

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Danny Mckillip Track and Field

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Nominee's full name:

Daniel William Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

41 years teaching at EL Paso High, Taught at At UTEP in the Kinesiology Dept

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

5 State Championship titles , 3 with the boys and 2 with the girls. 4 Individual state titles and ONE hall of fame runner in Patsy Norman

Reason for nomination *

He deserves recognition as an educator , coaching hundreds of students athletes and being a great mentor to them.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Manny Rodriguez

Nominator's address: *

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Reason for nomination: Coach Mckillip's commitment to our school EPHS is not easy
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champ team got a full ride to college.

Nominator's Name: Manuel Ortiz

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Reason for nomination: Cross Country team was the biggest in the city, sometimes coach did not have uniforms for everybody. It did not matter if you were in Varsity or JV 1 or JV 2 we all had to do the same work outs and have good grades. He was always checking on all of us.

Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's address: Gloria R. Grajeda Ortiz

Nominator's phone: _____



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Nominator's Name: Jesus Olmedo

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Danny McKellip Track Field

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Nominee's full name:

Coach Danny McKellip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS Track and X County Coach 30 years of Service at EPHS.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

He has won State Championships for EPHS, and guided students in the right paths in life.

Reason for nomination *

He has taught and Coached at El Paso High for 30 yrs plus.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Thomas Del Toro Class of 1977

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Not known

Nominee's educational experience:

41 years of coaching and teaching at EPHS

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Not known

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Various EPHS State champion Cross Country Teams and individual State Champions

Reason for nomination *

41 years in education and coaching is admirable

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Leticia Arce Miranda

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

McKilip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Teacher

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach of the year

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKilip was an inspiration in the El Paso high community for many years. My uncles ran for Coach McKilip in 83 and till this day we are grateful for everything he did for our family.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Gema Del Campo

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Don't know

Nominee's educational experience:

Served as track and field and cross country coach for 41 years at El Paso High School

Nominee's military experience (if any):

don't know

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

41 years of service to El Paso High School, multiple state cc championships and district championships during his distinguished career. 1969 MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
NCAA Champion with UTEP. 1991 El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame

Reason for nomination *

I'm a proud graduate of El Paso High School class of 1986. Coach McKillip was not just a coach, he was a mentor and a father figure who genuinely cared for his students, particularly students like me, who came from humble backgrounds, broken families, and needed role models to emulate. Coach McKillip exemplified the educators' standards and core values of the teaching profession. Specifically, as a coach he served as an advocate for his students, focusing attention on students' needs and concerns. In many ways, he provided the structure, discipline and social capital I did not have at home. Since my graduation, 38 years ago, I still cherish his counsel, guidance and support. I valued him more than any other teacher in my life. I cannot think of anyone else who is more worthy of this honor than my coach, my mentor and my father figure, Coach McKillip.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Dr. Juan I Martinez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Field

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Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach McKillip has the longest tenure of any Track/Cross-Country Coaches. He served the El Paso High student body and community for 40 years. He lead the cross country teams to State on separate occasions. He is also included in the El Paso Sports Hall of Fame for his time as an athlete at UTEP. I can't think of anyone more fitting or deserving of the honor.

Reason for nomination *

Served as Cross Country and Track Coach at El Paso High for 40 years.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Susan Macias

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William D. McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbia, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

University of Texas at El Paso, School of Administration, Post Graduate courses in Administration

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

He was a role model, father figure, and disciplinarian who instilled values of hard work, perseverance and education. He inspired students in the class room and in track to do their best, and to achieve full potential. Three time State mile champion, three time State cross country champion. Coaching Awards: Boys District Country Champions: 1970, 1971, 1972, 1974, 1982, 1983, 1985, 1989 and 1990. Runner-Up: 1973, 1976, 1979. Girls District Cross Country Champions: 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1988, 1989. Runner-Up: 1990, Girls Regional Cross Country Champions: 1979, 1980, 1981, 1989. Runner-Up: 1978. Girls State Cross Country Champions: 1978, 1979. Runner -Up: 1980. On May 7, 1991 he was inducted to the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame.

Reason for nomination *

He has impacted many lives in the El Paso High School community in a positive way. His achievement and legacy merit this nomination to name the track and field after him.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Gloria I. Montes- Nicholson

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny Mckillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Bachelors from Utep

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Won NCAA cross country team championship with UTEP in 1969 placing 10th earning All American Honors. Florida High school State champion in cross country in 1964 and 1965 (ran for Hialeah high school in Hialeah, Florida). Coached several individual cross country champions in cross country, Tony Zuniga (1972, first archived UIL state champion in this event), Juan Buendia (1994), Patsy Norman(1977 and 1978), coache several Staet champinoship teams, boys 1983 and 1997, girls 1978 and 1979. Also he has coached multiple individual track champions, Tony Zunica (1973 one mile), Gilbert Contreras(1988 800 meter run), Juan Buendia (1995 3200 meter run), Patsy Norman (1979 1600 meter run), Leticia Arce (1981 first 3200 meter run UIL state champion in this event). And has coached multiple district, Regional individual and Team Champions in Cross country for both boys and girls as well as multiple district and regional champions in track. In 1993 (no other school in the region had more district and regional cross country championships than El Paso High School under his tutelage).

Reason for nomination *

Coach Mckillip was a molder of great human being as opposed as just atheletes. HIs results speak for themselves.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Juan Buendia

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coached at EPHS for many years

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillop was the track and field coach at El Paso High for many years. He took pride in his athletes and their accomplishments. He coaches several generations of students while he was there.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Jon'l Miranda

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Field

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Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Positive role model to young kids. Great Educator and motivator. Very successful track and cross-country teams. Some were state champions.

Reason for nomination *

Contribution and Dedication to cross country and track and field. Positive role models for all that attended EPHS during his tenure. Not only athletes, but students, parents and staff. The success his programs had and the influence he had on other programs through his success.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Gilberto Quinonez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

He was a coach that always help all of his team

Reason for nomination *

He was a dedicated coach.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Marisol Lopez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbus, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduated from UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

41 years as XC Head Coach and Track

21 District Championships, 16 Regional Championships, 5 State Championships

Reason for nomination *

Danny McKillip is an icon, legendary, and beloved XC and Track Coach of El Paso High. Coaches like him only come once in a lifetime. No one in the history of El Paso High's XC and Track teams is more deserving of having the field named after them. A home away from home. It is only fitting the field be named after Danny McKillip.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Claudia Avila

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Memorial Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Dan McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

UTEP grad

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Focused, winning coach

Reason for nomination *

Outstanding coach

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Patsy Norman Brunson

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Naming of the El Paso high track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbia, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate BA 1971 and MS 1974 in Physical Education UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Outstanding athlete of the year 1966 City of Miami Florida all district, all regional, all state. All American in high school junior Olympic.

WAC Team champs 1968, 69, 70 in cross country and track. Coach of the 1970, 71, 78, 79, 81, 82, 90

Reason for nomination *

Most of his life was monitoring and coaching young minds. He won my District, Regionals, State.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Nathan Casillas

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

UTEP Graduate

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

One of the winning-est Cross Country and Track coaches not only in El Paso but Texas as well. Had numerous team and individual winners for both girls and boys. Was outstanding coach of the year not just locally but statewide as well and was nominated nationally too. His best "award" was how many students he encouraged to go to college and become their best selves.

Reason for nomination *

While a student at El Paso High, I got into trouble my 8th grade year of school. Towards the end of the school year Coach McKillip sought me out in the hallways of EPHS and insisted that I go out for Cross Country and Track my freshman year. He promised not only the administration but myself as well that he could keep me out of trouble. He did. He took the time to take interest not only in me but the 100 or more students that were his runners. He listened to us, encouraged us and believed in us. He did all of those things for me too. My running career was beset with numerous injuries. While healing an injury I tried out for a theatrical play which he came to see. He enjoyed my performance and encouraged me to leave running behind and pursue theatre. He came and saw every show and cheered me on as if I was running a race. He had an indelible affect on my life and still does. I saw Coach about 10 years ago and it was amazing to find out that he thought of me as much as I thought of him over the years. EPISD would be making a grave mistake if they were to name the track for anyone else. Danny McKillip is not just EPHS or UTEP history, he is El Paso history as well.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Stuart Davenport

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track

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Nominee's full name:

William Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbia, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate BA and MS 1974 in Physical Education UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Outstanding athlete of the year in 1966, Miami, Florida. All District, All Regional, All State. All American in HS Junior Olympic. WAC Team champs 1968,69,70 in Track and Cross Country. Coach of the year 1970,71,78,79, 81,82,90

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip inspired us to always try our best. he taught us how to have a winner mentality. By winner, he meant to perform at our best, not necessarily by getting gold medals. These were valuable skills that I have applied throughout my professional career and life. He also taught us respect for others. He remembered how he always got picked last at pickup games and he hated that. His coaching style reflected this fact and it showed when he expressed respect and opportunities for us no matter how we performed.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Guillermo Mayorga

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

He was inducted into the El Paso athletic hall of fame in 1993.

Reason for nomination *

He was the best track coach El Paso High ever had. He did amazing for the program while he coached, he loved the lady on the hill.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Krystal Fuentes

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny Mckillip Track Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Unknown

Nominee's educational experience:

Track and Field coach of many generations in EPHS

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Unknown

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Participated in Olimpic Games of Mexico

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip worried for his studens, he was a mentor, a guide, and regardless of your background he always pushed his students to achieve a better opportunity in life.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Alejandro Aleman

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Teacher at EPHS for over 20 yrs

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Won many state and district races for EPHS Cross Country and Track

Reason for nomination *

Had the opportunity to run for this man. He cared for all his student athletes and represented EPHS with pride.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Gabriela Reyes

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip House of Champions

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Dan McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Several cross country championships

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip's 71-72 cross country team won the state Cross Country Championship, and was the first place finish for EPHS in 24 years at state. They placed 6 runners in the top 13 places. This was the first time a team ever placed so many runners on the All-State team. This was the beginning of many accolades for our school under the leadership and guidance of Coach McKillip. After 40 plus years of coaching and winning at EPHS, the track field is his house!

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Patricia Garcia

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Coach Danny McKillop

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach McKillip was a coach to all students who attended EPHS, not just for track and field. While he was on the field he helped students achieve their best. Helping many students achieve excellence. I don't know what awards he won, I don't believe that matter to him. It was the students that mattered to Coach.

Reason for nomination *

I never participated in track nor did I have Coach McKillip as a teacher but he knew my name. He always cared about how I was achieving my goals. He cared about all students. He represents the essence of EPHS tradition.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Lisa D. Manzanares Rascon

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

EPHS Danny Mckillip Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Took Cross Country teams at EPHS to state for many years

Reason for nomination *

Coach Mckillip was one of a kind coach. He always motivated every single student he coaches. He never gave up on anyone and was always proud of you even if you didn't place. He was an outstanding coach and person that has made on impact on many people. Thank you Coach Mckillip!

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Elizabeth Braziel (Carbajal)

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Mckillip track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

He was a corner stone for El Paso High for 41 years at El Paso High

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Awesome teacher, person; dedicated his life to El Paso High.

Reason for nomination *

Legend

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Jose Fierro

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track Field

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Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Hialeah, Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Not sure, but he was a teacher and coach at El Paso high for many many years.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Not sure

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

I was told by my mother who was also coached by him that he had several gold medals from the Olympics for cross country. I'm not exactly sure about all of his other accolades but I do know that there were plenty of athletes that excelled under his coaching.

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip is a solid coach with many success stories and several generations of students that can attribute their successes to having run for him in their high school days. Was the track and cross country coach longer than any other coach at El Paso High, 41 years. He was always in it for the kids and although he was a hard ass, everything he did came from a good place and was always for the betterment and development of the athlete.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Samuel Ruybe

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coached multiple Texas State UIL Cross Country Championship teams

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip will forever be the image that represents not only our school and city, but state Cross Country and Track domination.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Jimmy Santiago Moreno

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Dan McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Dan McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach McKillip led Tigers to several track state championships.

Reason for nomination *

Widely respected for the many accolades EPHS received during his tenure as track coach

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Patti Garcia

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny Mckellip

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Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckellip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coached several outstanding track athletes

Reason for nomination *

Coach Mckellip taught and coached track at EPHS for several decades. He coached and mentored many outstanding track athletes that went on to compete in regional and state competitions. He was also an outstanding science teacher. He cared for his students and athletes.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Armida Nevarez Martinez class of 77

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Track Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Track star...UTEPAward winning Track Coach,,,EPHS

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach McKillip is a legend at EPHS for coaching track and field.

Reason for nomination *

I have always admired Coach McKillip

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Alonzo Vega

Nominator's address: *

El Paso High Science Teacher and Soccer Coach

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny Mckillip.

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

several cross country championships and many district track championships

Reason for nomination *

Coach Mckillip was the most successful track and cross country coach in schools history.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Adrian Prieto

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Endurance Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

The list is long and I'm sure you will see that from other nominators. Just look up Danny McKillip in Google. There it is.

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip was not only a coach, he was a motivator, a teacher, a father, a leader, a tutor, and a role model.

I learned a lot of becoming a better person from coach McKillip as all my brothers and sister had P.E. classes by coach McKillip.

Now being in my sixties when I look back of how Coach McKillip put El Paso High on the map for the city of El Paso with all the the titles our team won. I can say he made a big impact at El Paso High School.

Working with a past NFL team and NBA team, I've seen a lot of leaders come and go. Danny McKillip is a friend who I will always admire. He even remembered me after many years. It is fitting to name this track field to Coach Danny McKillip.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Abie Kupfer

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip track and field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Ephs coach

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

The best track coach El Paso has ever had! Caring for his students, and motivated all his athletes to become more than just a high school graduate. For example go to college and get a career be somebody

Reason for nomination *

Coach for many years at Ephs

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ricardo cardiel

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip Track & Field

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Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Hialeah, Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Bachelor's Degree

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach McKillip has won a myriad of awards. All located within the school establishment and beyond.

Reason for nomination *

I ran for Coach McKillip in 2008-2010. I have had many coaches for many sports in my life (voted most athletic in my 2010 class). Coach McKillip not only should have the track field named rightly after him, but also name one of the pillars at the front of the school after him as well. He will always be a pillar of El Paso High School among a few others. The reasons are self explanatory when learning his entire story, which cannot fit in this text box.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Alexis Castro

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

41 years

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

41 years as the head cross county and track coach at EPHS; led many student-athletes to district, regional and state meets/honors/championships.

Reason for nomination *

I ran at Austin HS for Coach Truman Wills. Both of these coaches are local cross country/track legends and deserve recognition.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Armando Alvarez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Track and Field

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Nominee's full name:

Coach Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Head track coach at El Paso HS

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Head coach and teacher at EPHS for 30 years, several state championships, countless district championships

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip was an institution at El Paso High School, his achievements should be memorialized with this track named after him

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Sergio Padilla

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Gilbert E. Contreras

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Miami Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

BA University of Texas El Paso

Nominee's military experience (if any):**Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: ***

Coach McKillip was instrumental in developing a dynasty of distance runners from the late 60's through 00's. He was an All-American Distance runner for UTEP and was a member of their 1969 NCAA national title team.

Reason for nomination *

I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the proposal to name our high school track after Coach Danny McKillip. Coach McKillip's contribution to our school and community are immeasurable and naming the track in his honor would be a fitting tribute to his legacy.

Coach McKillip's dedication to his student athletes is evident in the numerous state champions and All-Americans he has produced over the years. His leadership and guidance have not only resulted in athletic success but have also helped shape the lives of countless individuals, myself included.

I had the privilege of being coached by Coach McKillip during my time at El Paso High School. Under his mentorship, I not only achieved my athletic goals but also learned valuable life lessons that have stayed with me to this day. Coach McKillip was not just a coach; he was a role model, father figure, and disciplinarian who instilled in us the values of hard work, perseverance, and dedication.

Coach McKillip's impact extends far beyond the track. He was a teacher in the EPISD, where he inspired students in the classroom and on the track. His commitment to education and his ability to inspire others to achieve their full potential makes him a truly deserving candidate for this honor.

I urge you to consider the naming of our high school track after Coach Danny McKillip. It would not only honor his remarkable achievements and legacy but also serve as a reminder to current and future students of the positive impact he had on the students at El Paso Highschool.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Gilbert Contreras

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Exceptional Teacher and Coach at EPHS

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Well loved by all students !

Reason for nomination *

He was so supportive, you knew he cared for not just one student but all students. He was one of my favorite teachers!!!

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Sharon Krawietz Beckworth Class of 91

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny Mckillip field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

long time track coach at our school and science teacher.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach Mckillip led many outstanding cross country and track teams. Many state championships thru his years at the school.

Reason for nomination *

Coach led the team for many years helping to develop many good people. We had many outstanding track athletes but this honor is higher than one individual track star. It should be about the coach that led all of those outstanding track athletes over many years. Coach Mckillip.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

jaime medrano

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

41 years of coaching athletes and forming people

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Many district, regional and state championships...great positive influence on many of his students

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip has been a great influence in my life and the lives of many others...added to how great he was as a teacher/coach

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Carmen Gonzalez (Jaquez)

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

William "Danny" McKillip Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

As a former high school cross country and track and field coach, Daniel McKillip has lead many teams to various district, regional and state championships.

Reason for nomination *

In his time as a coach, Daniel Mckillip was a respected coach teacher and mentor. In his 41 years of service, he not only coached athletes, but mentored young students into become disciplined, responsible adults. The lessons and dedication he taught his athletes are values that they carried into their adults lives as citizens of their communities. Whether you were the fastest or strongest athlete or not, Coach McKillip always believed in anyone who gave it their all, because he saw the greatness in their character. It would be a great honor to name the field at the school that bares the city's namesake.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Richard Coronado

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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FACILITY TO BE NAMED: El Paso High School Track

Proposed Name McKilip Track Field**Please Complete if Nominee is a Person:**Nominee's full name William Danny McKillipNominee's birthplace (if known) Columbia, South CarolinaNominee's educational experience Graduate BA 1971 and MS 1974 in Physical Education UTEPNominee's military experience (if any) N/ADescribe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: Outstanding athlete of the year in 1966City of Miami Florida. All District All Regionals, All State. All American in High school Junior olympicWAC Team champs 1968,69,70 in Track and Cross Country. Coach of the year 1970,71,78,79,81,82,90Reason for nomination: My husband was a devoted teacher, coach to his athletes & students during his 41 years at El Paso High School. His loyalty to El Paso High was unwavering and remains loyal to this day. His heart and soul began at El Paso High & never has died.**Nominator:****Deadline to submit:****APRIL 4, 2024**Nominator's Name: Sofia L. Santorog McKilip

Nominator's address:

o

Nominator's phone:

Mail or Email to:El Paso High School
800 E. Schuster Ave.
El Paso, Texas 79902
Email: srocha@episd.org ORSecondary Schools Division
1100 N. Stanton
El Paso, TX 79902
Email: jdmanago@episd.org

Proposed name*

Naming the EPHS Track and Field track field for Coach Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate of UTEP with a Bachelor's Degree in Education

Nominee's military experience (if any):

None

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards:*

Danny McKillip was an All-American runner for the UTEP NCAA Championship Team in 1969 finishing 10th place

As EPHS Head Track Coach his accomplishments were:

22 District Team Championships in Cross Country

17 Regional Team Championships in Cross Country

16 State Team appearances in Cross Country

5 State Team Championships in Cross Country

Numerous All State Runners

Reason for nomination*

Danny McKillip was my cross-country coach from 1975 through 1980. Under his coaching and leadership, I was able to be part of a Texas State champion team for 4 of those years. He was a tough coach but took a personal interest in us to keep us motivated and engaged in our studies. After each season he would treat us to lunch at Cattleman's Restaurant in Sunland Park. He was a caring man. He provided water, popsicles, and treats after very difficult workouts throughout the El Paso region. Without his mentorship I wouldn't have been able to continue my running and athletic

endeavors through college up until now. He is most deserving of the track being named after him. Thank you for the opportunity to nominate him.

Nominator

Nominator's name:*

Marianne Hernandez (formerly Blankenship Class of '80)

Nominator's address:*

Nominator's phone:*

Submit

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Proposed name*

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Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

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Nominee's military experience (if any):

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Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards:*

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Coached at EPHS for many years, state championships

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

An EPHS icon!!

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip deserves recognition for his years of service, relationships with students and dedication to his profession

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Dr. Mona Plaza

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny Mckillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Gerardo Velasquez

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Many state championships

Reason for nomination *

Great coach

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Gerardo Velasquez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Lifetime work as coach at El Paso High School

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Totally dedicated his entire educational career to students parents and teachers at El Paso High School

Reason for nomination *

Lifetime work at El Paso High School

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Nick Gagliano

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

William Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbia, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate BA 1971 and MS 1974 in Physical Education UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

n/a

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Outstanding Athlete of the Year in 1966, city of Miami Florida. All District, All Regionals, All State, All American in High School, Junior Olympic National Champion. Outstanding Athlete of the Year, University of Miami 1966-67 WAC Team Champs in 1968, 1969 and 1970 in Track and Cross-Country. Was Coach of the Year in 1970, 1971, 1978, 1979, 1981, 1982, and 1990.

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip has provided a great future for many students not only on the track but with their personal life's. He was a mentor to many and instilled many life goals and set an example of being a good person to all. He was a role model to many and with some was also like a parent to them. He has changed many lives and will continue to do so for the remainder of his life.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Belinda Chavez Cardenas

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

College

Nominee's military experience (if any):

NA

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Olympian, over 40 years of coaching at El Paso High taking his track and cross country team to state

Reason for nomination *

It is the obvious choice

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Linda Rivas

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Educator for more than 30 years/Track Coach

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Customs

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Hard working and dedicated cross country and track and field coach

Reason for nomination *

He cared for all of his kids at EPHS whether they were in his PE class or ran track. He dedicated his life to inspiring kids.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Marcela Loya-Criswell

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip's Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Maybe: El Paso, TX

Nominee's educational experience:

41- year experience in Track and Cross Country, serving El Paso ISD and EPHS; 5 Championships

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Unknown

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

All-District, All-Regional, All-State. Track invitationals: Always had first place plus a multitude of top place winners.

Reason for nomination *

He was a coach who motivated and pushed you to achieve your goals. He had a great personality and easy to talk to. We won many district, regional, and state events.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Connie Loya

Nominator's address: *

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Proposed name *

William "Danny" McKillip Track & Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate of the University of Texas, El Paso

Nominee's military experience (if any):**Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: ***

Coach McKillip had a long list of accomplishments. When he attended UTEP, he earned individual All-American honors and helped lead his UTEP team to its first NCAA national championship (1969). This success helped pave the way for the many track and cross country championships won by UTEP in the 1970's and 1980's. He parlayed his individual and team collegiate success into a long and dominant career as a high school educator and coach. He cranked out dozens of individual and teams titles in track and cross country on the district, regional and state level and help guide individual athletes to collegiate and professional athletic titles and success.

Reason for nomination *

No one has played a bigger role in shaping the lives of young athletes on and off the track at El Paso High School than Coach McKillip. While individual students, athletes and community members undoubtedly left their imprint during their brief stay at El Paso High, Coach McKillip did so over a remarkable 40+ year tenure. His influence spanned several generations of students and families in the area. More importantly, his impact was not limited to athletics. He regularly addressed important issues with students and passed along life lessons that they could carry with them into the adult lives. In a community that has seen its share of ups and downs, Coach McKillip was a stalwart that could be counted on to lend a helping hand physically or provide some sage guidance to students struggling with life. Unwittingly, he was the father figure and guiding influence that many students lacked at home but so desperately yearned. He was not born or raised in El Paso. And after a successful collegiate career at UTEP he easily could have left El Paso for greener pastures and never looked back. Instead, he fell in love with the El Paso community, its residents and, most importantly, its young people. And for that, he cannot be honored enough.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Edgar Carranza

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip Memorial Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Coach Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

He coached and mentored hundreds of track and cross country athletes for El Paso High School for decades. His teams and individuals won countless district awards and championships. His runners were state finalists several times and they have several state titles as a result of his unselfish love for his students and the sport.

Reason for nomination *

He was a part of EPHS, he lived, breathed, and understood what it means to be a Tiger!!

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ralph McCullen

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Mckillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Track coach at EPHS for many years

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Commitment to students to strive for a better life.

Reason for nomination *

Coach Mckillip is a caring human being who taught us to achieve our goals for many years.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

LETY Ochoa

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Daniel "Danny" McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Coach, Teacher at El Paso High School, 1970-2011, degree from UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):**Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: ***

Dedicated educator and coach who spent entire 41 year career at EPHS, coached cross-country and track teams to 22 District Championships, 15 Regional Championships, and 5 State Championships, modeled and taught discipline and respect, mentored innumerable students

Reason for nomination *

I was one of Coach McKillip's runners in the 1980s. He expected everyone to do their best and he wanted us to love running as much as he did. Even though I was a slow runner, I was never treated as anything other than a full member of the team. He had a can-do attitude and was relentless in pushing himself and us to do our best. He modeled respect for yourself, others, and the laws and rules. He got generations of EPHS Tigers to perform at levels they didn't know they could. He mentored and counseled so, so many students, students who needed guidance and support that they might not have been able to get at home. Reflecting on my experiences with him and the stories my friends and fellow runners share about him, it is clear he really loved the students of EPHS. He could easily have gone to coach at a major college—he was certainly recruited—but he dedicated his life and career to us. EPHS has had many fine, impactful teachers and administrators, but even among them, Coach McKillip's positive impact on so many students and on the reputation of El Paso High is exceptional.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Keith Fong

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

NA

Reason for nomination *

Great teacher and coach

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Evangelina Ontiveros Quiroga

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Coach Bio teacher

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Took many kids to state and himself was a runner

Reason for nomination *

Dedicated for yesrs

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Yuri Caire

Nominator's address: *

NA

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

coach McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS COACH

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Everyone remembers the amazing person he was. He was an inspiration

Reason for nomination *

He is an icon for EPHS

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Claudia Estrada

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track & Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbia, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate BA 1971 and MS 1974 in Physical Education University of Texas at El Paso

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Outstanding athlete of the year in 1966, City of Miami Florida. All District, All Regionals, All State. All American in High School Junio Olympics. WAC Team Champs 1968, 1969, and 1970 in Track and Cross Country. Coach of the year 1970, 1971, 1978, 1979, 1981, 1982, 1990 at El Paso High School.

Reason for nomination *

EPHS Cross Country Team was the biggest in the City of El Paso, TX., and at times, Coach McKillip did not have enough uniforms for all his athletes. It did not matter if we were in Varsity, JV 1 or JV 2, we all had to do the same workouts and our grades were a priority. Coach McKillip was always making sure we were doing well in school and outside of school.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Patricia Grajeda Garcia

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Memorial Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Columbia, South Carolina

Nominee's educational experience:

MS in physical education

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Multiple district, regional, and state titles

Reason for nomination *

Great man, father figure, and coach to countless student athletes spanning a career of 41 years.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Alex Bustillos

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

William Daniel McKillip Track Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate from UTEP with Bachelor's Degree in Education

Nominee's military experience (if any):

None

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Danny McKillip was an All-American runner for the UTEP NCAA Championship Team in 1969 finishing 10th place

As EPHS Head Track Coach his accomplishments were:

22 District Team Championships in Cross Country

17 Regional Team Championships in Cross Country

16 State Team appearances in Cross Country

5 State Team Championships in Cross Country

Numerous All State Runners (4 in the Norman family)

Reason for nomination *

I met Coach McKillip at Lamar Elementary in my 5th grade year in 1969 as he was student coach at Lamar and EPHS. My two older brothers were runners at EPHS and would tell me stories that cross country, at that time, was a joke. They would be instructed to run a 5 mile course by the football coach and they would just run a few blocks to the nearest 7-Eleven, drink cokes and get a hose and wet themselves as if they had completed a long run. They used to finish dead last in all the cross country meets. When Coach McKillip took over as head coach in 1970 he started coaching my older brothers but this time he would run with them during practice so no slacking. He would force these kids to keep up with him to help them reach their full potential. That year my older brother (Rene Norman) finished 3rd at the State Cross Country Championship meet (Rene was All State). The next year, he did the same with my second older brother and this time they won the team State Cross Country Title. That year my brother (Daniel Norman) finished 4th at the State Cross Country Championship meet (Daniel was All State). The following year, he led Tony Zuniga (who was part of the '71 State Championship team) to the individual State Champion individual title. When I came along a few years later, he led me to the State Cross Country Championship meet where I finished 8th place making the All-State Team. The next year my little sister (Patsy Norman) was a Freshman and Coach McKillip led her to win the State Cross Country meet as individual champion title as a freshman. That upcoming track season, Patsy won the State Track and Field one mile run state title. She went on to win 6 State individual state titles in Cross Country and Track along with 2 team state titles in Cross Country in her tenure. After our family left EPHS, Coach McKillip continued his success with 2 more state titles in 1983 and 1997. In all, Coach McKillip guided 5 teams to the State Team Championship Titles during his years at EPHS.

Under Coach McKillip's guidance, he became known statewide as a very powerful and successful cross country/track coach and most coaches feared facing EPHS in meets outside the El Paso area. When I graduated from UTEP and moved to Dallas, I volunteered at the local high school as an assistant track coach at Berkner High School in Richardson, Texas. Talking to those coaches, they had heard about Coach McKillip and EPHS running team and they feared facing them in regional meets.

With all due respect to coach CD Jarvis, who won one state basketball title for EPHS, he had a huge gymnasium named after him, I highly recommend naming the EPHS track for William Daniel McKillip for his 5 state titles and his great and successful accomplishments as coach, as a leader and as a mentor to all who ran under his guidance.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Victor Norman

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip

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Nominee's full name:

Coach Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

My high school CC coach class of 01

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Best coach, cared for the student great role model

Reason for nomination *

Made a difference in a lot of students lives.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Gabriela Estrada

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Mckillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Dan Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

See Sylvia Santoscoy Mckillip

Reason for nomination *

I had the privilege of working with Danny for 22 years at EPHS. The breadth of his work is in the history books; however, how he touched and molded the lives of his students and fellow teachers is indescribable. He is an inspiration to everyone who has the pleasure of knowing him.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Tora Harrison

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach McKillip House of Champions

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Dan McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Several cross country championships

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip's 71-72 cross country team won the state Cross Country Championship, and was the first place finish for EPHS in 24 years at state. They placed 6 runners in the top 13 places. This was the first time a team ever placed so many runners on the All-State team. This was the beginning of many accolades for our school under the leadership and guidance of Coach McKillip. After 40 plus years of coaching and winning at EPHS, the track field is his house!

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Patricia Garcia

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip Track Field

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Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Utep

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Great educator and coach

Reason for nomination *

He's deserves this honor because of his dedication to his students and school

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Michael J Martin

Nominator's address:

*

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny Mc Killip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

N/A

Nominee's educational experience:

The best teacher and track coach ever

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

State and regional championships

Reason for nomination *

There was no better coach and teacher and friend than Coach Mc Killip he deserves that track field to be named for him

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Becky Huenneke

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Danny McKillip Track and Field

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Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Possibly Hialeah, FL as he went to Hialeah High School

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate of Hialeah High School and UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Unknown

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

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Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Cathy Yanez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Mckillip

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Dan Mckillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Teacher (coache's former runner)

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Leadership and hardworking

Reason for nomination *

His never give up attitude

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Henry Ortega

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Daniel William McKillip Track Field

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Nominee's full name:

Daniel William McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Bachelor Degree from UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Coach McKillip won his 1st State title in 1971 as a student coach. He was hired at EPHS the moment he graduated from UTEP to be our track coach.

He has won 5 State titles in track and cross country, 16 regional titles and at least 21 district titles. These titles include boys & girls teams.

Reason for nomination *

No other coach in El Paso has won this many State and regional titles and he should have been awarded this honor long ago!

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Daniel Norman (1971 All-State cross country team)

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Coach Danny McKillip

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Nominee's full name:

Daniel William McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Olympic runner

Reason for nomination *

Great coach, laid a fantastic foundation for my future

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Rudy Molina

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

McKillip's House of Champions

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Florida

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate of UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Danny McKillip was an outstanding All-American track athlete at UTEP whose work ethic and dedication to the sport changed the lives of many young men who were fortunate to train under his leadership. Coach McKillip changed the poor attitude and culture that permeated El Paso High Athletics. His Motto "Winning isn't everything, it's the Only thing" propelled the 1971-1972 Tiger Cross Country Team to the State Championship in his first year of coaching where they totally dominated the field with the best score ever recorded in State competition up to that point. I should know as I was a leading member of that State Championship Team. It didn't end there. Several outstanding EPHS Cross Country State Champion Teams as well as both Male & Female outstanding runners followed over the next 41 years under his leadership.

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip set a high standard for his team that continues to guide me 52 years later in life. The positive attitude, hard training, and the teachings & willingness to always encourage and always help your teammate applies to everything I've ever encountered in my adult work life. He directly, positively affected several generations of young men who I promise you used Coach McKillip's teachings as a blue print to succeed in life. I honestly believe that Danny McKillip was one of the best teacher / coaches to ever walk & teach at the "Lady on the Hill". He stayed at EPHS his entire career and I'm forever grateful for the wise & life changing decision made to hire Coach McKillip. Naming the Track Field after him is the very least we can do for a man who built a program that has been respected and copied by generations of new coaches and whose positive words and teachings inspired countless young men since 1971 to when Coach McKillip retired 41 years later.

Nominator

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Proposed name *

McKillip Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Danny McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

? El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Not sure

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Not sure

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Cross country and Track coach of EPHS who dedicated his life for over 40 years to students. Great qualities both as a coach and person! Made a difference in the lives of ALL students

Reason for nomination *

Coach McKillip was an outstanding instructor on and off the field. The way myself never had a chance to run for him. That was the only sport. I wish I had dedicated my efforts to simply because of how highly the other students spoke of him. My uncle ran for him a few years prior to me and he chose this sport because of how encouraging and inspiring coach was. My uncle still runs to this day and went on to become a gastroenterologist for the largest hospital network in the state of Texas. He often remembers his favorite coaches and instructors, including Coach McKillip.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Andrea A.

Nominator's address: *

N/A

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

William "Danny" McKillip Track & Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

During his tenure, Coach McKillip has led various teams and individuals to district, regional, and state appearances and championships in Texas.

Reason for nomination *

We have an opportunity to honor a man that has given so much to so many. EPHS is well known for its successes in Track & Field and Cross Country because of his hard work and dedication to his students. He has mentored his students over the past forty-one years and has instilled values that have influenced and shaped many lives for success. Coach Danny McKillip is revered by so many, and this honor is long overdue. Let Coach McKillip know that we as a community appreciate and recognize his dedication and accomplishments. To honor him, the name of the track & field should be William "Danny" McKillip Track & Field.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Corinna Carranza

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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William Daniel McKillip

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

During his time as head coach of the Track & Field and Cross Country teams at EPHS, Coach McKillip led various teams and individual student-athletes to multiple District, Regional, and State Championships and appearances.

Reason for nomination *

The opportunity has presented itself to honor a man that has contributed so much to the successes of the EPHS Track & Field and Cross Country programs. More importantly, he has contributed so much more to each and every individual student, at all levels of high school, that volunteered to be a part of the Track & Field and Cross Country teams at EPHS during his 41-year tenure. Under his leadership and guidance, he showed his student-athletes that through hard work and determination, anyone can achieve their respective goals on and off the track. Let us take this opportunity now to recognize Coach McKillip for all of the hard work and sacrifices he made for over four decades at EPHS to make his students' lives more memorable and better prepared to achieve success in their lives.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Eric Carranza

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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WITH A SMILE—El Paso High's girls state cross country champions are nothing but smiles now that they're running for simple enjoyment. From left, Marianne Blankenship, Leonor DeJong, Martha Martinez, Tomasa Mendez,

Gloria Mejia, Patsy Norman and Margarita Solorzano.

—(Times staff photo by John Costello)

Race Over, EP Girls Running For Fun

FOR AN ENCORE the girls cross country state champions from El Paso High have turned to... what else, running. But this time the Tigers are doing it mostly for fun.

"It's sort of a relaxation period," said El Paso coach Danny McKillip. "You can take your running without the meet pressure. You can enjoy your running a lot more. What we're doing now is working on mileage."

After running nine months to attain the ultimate goal in any prep sport, sophomores Patsy Norman and Gloria Mejia, freshman Tomasa Mendez, juniors Marianne Blankenship and Martha Martinez, and seniors Margarita Solorzano and Leonor DeJong are nothing but smiles.

Four years ago the sport first came into the University Interscholastic League picture, getting a mostly negative response. The word from skeptics was "two miles is too far for girls to run" and "girls shouldn't be running this, they don't have the stamina."

During the first two seasons, the negative thinking got some support as Austin Lanier wrapped up the first state crown with 48 points. Amarillo High, who earned the state title in '76, ran third in the initial state meet.

Bel Air High's girls, coached by Gary Mazzioti, first broke the ice for the El Paso schools, getting third last season at regionals and third again at state behind two-time state champ Amarillo High and runnerup Tascosa.

With the Highlander girls and El Paso Tigers taking 1-2 in regionals, the stage was set for a run at the state crown. McKillip said it after the regional sweep, "I think Bel Air and us are going to give people



Julio Lujan

Times sports writer

THE PIECES fell right in place. With the talented and graceful Norman running strong again following her state championship as a freshman, running in 11:47, all the Tigers needed was the balanced effort from the younger runners to win.

Norman of course didn't win as an individual, getting second in 11:49 to Kathy Vetter of Richardson Berkner (11:48) — but more important, she won with a team.

"It was quite an accomplishment," recalls McKillip. "To run four years and then win the state championship, it is something."

For McKillip, once a standout distance runner at the University of Texas at El Paso, winning state brought back some memories. In his first year at the track helm, McKillip's cross country squad won state behind names like Juan Romero, Rene Norman (Patsy's brother), Carlos Rodriguez, Juan Acosta, Ruben Perez, Armando Luevano and Luis Montoya.

"That year (1970) we were pretty heavily favored going into the state meet," added McKillip. The state meet then was broken down according to school population as opposed to the present set-up by classes. And it was not part of the UIL program, simply handled by the Parks and Recreation de-

partment won their divisions at state.

"We put all seven runners in the top 10 places," McKillip continued. "I felt all along this year that if Margarita came through we'd be in the running. Gloria and Tomasa responded well. The girls were nervous but they were confident. I didn't put too much pressure on them and they went on and did it."

THE STATE FINISH: Solorzano ran 17th, Mejia 36th, Mendez 44th, Martinez 35th, DeJong (who missed part of the season; 78th and Blankenship 43rd. The team totals after independent runners were taken out: El Paso High 98, Edinburg 102, Highland Park 114.

"I was surprised," said McKillip. "I knew Bel Air was strong and Edinburg had been running well. 'I was going to be happy to finish in the top five.'"

Except for Patsy Norman (the fifth member of the Norman family under the coaching of McKillip), El Paso High's squad was new to state-level girls competition.

"The main thing was they stayed together," the Tiger coach said.

Now the girls are running together for fun and for preparation for the 1979 track season in the spring. Norman will again run the mile, Solorzano will try the mile and half-mile, Mejia will enter in the quarter and half-mile. Blankenship will be part of the relay teams, Martinez will run the sprints. That's right, Mendez will be in the 440 or 880 run, along with DeJong.

"Working with girls, it's so much different," McKillip noted. "It's a whole different ball game."

Danny McKillip will tell you the full of

1979

EL PASO HIGH
TIGERS

1979

DISTRICT - REGIONAL - STATE CROSS Country champions

MEETPLACETEAM MEMBERS

COACH DANNY McKILLIP

Bel Air Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Gloria Mejia, Lucy Bockman, Olga Dominquez, Marianne Blankenship
Marcee Contreras, Martha Martinez

Coronado Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Olga Dominquez, MARIANNE Blankenship
Marcee Contreras, Nora Villa

Las Cruces Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marianne Blankenship, Martha Martinez
Olga Dominquez

Midland Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marianne Blankenship, Leti Arce
Martha Martinez, Marcee Contreras

Bowie Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marianne Blankenship, Leti Arce →
Martha Martinez, Marcee Contreras

Ysleta Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marcee Contreras, Martha Martinez
Marianne Blankenship, Leti Arce ←

Socorro Invitational First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marianne Blankenship, Marcee Contreras
Martha Martinez, Leti Arce

District Championship First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marianne Blankenship, Leti Arce
Martha Martinez, Marcee Contreras

REGIONAL Championship First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marcee Contreras, Marianne Blankenship,
Leti Arce, Martha Martinez

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP First

Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Marianne Blankenship, Leti Arce
Martha Martinez, Marcee ContrerasALL DISTRICT ALL REGIONAL
ALL STATEPATSY NORMAN, LUCY BOCKMAN, GLORIA MEJIA.
Coach Danny McKillip

ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

PATSY NORMAN - DISTRICT - REGIONAL - STATE CHAMPION

COACH OF THE YEAR

DANNY MCKILLIP

DATE: March 8, 2024
TO: El Paso Independent School District Board
FROM: Gilbert Contreras
EPHS Class of 1988
RE: Naming of El Paso High School Track

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the proposal to name our high school track after Coach Danny McKillip. Coach McKillip's contribution to our school and community are immeasurable and naming the track in his honor would be a fitting tribute to his legacy.

Coach McKillip's dedication to his student athletes is evident in the numerous state champions and All-Americans he has produced over the years. His leadership and guidance have not only resulted in athletic success but have also helped shape the lives of countless individuals, myself included.

I had the privilege of being coached by Coach McKillip during my time at El Paso High School. Under his mentorship, I not only achieved my athletic goals but also learned valuable life lessons that have stayed with me to this day. Coach McKillip was not just a coach; he was a role model, father figure, and disciplinarian who instilled in us the values of hard work, perseverance, and dedication.

Coach McKillip's impact extends far beyond the track. He was a teacher in the EPISD, where he inspired students in the classroom and on the track. His commitment to education and his ability to inspire others to achieve their full potential makes him a truly deserving candidate for this honor.

I urge you to consider the naming of our high school track after Coach Danny McKillip. It would not only honor his remarkable achievements and legacy but also serve as a reminder to current and future students of the positive impact he had on the students at El Paso Highschool.

Thank you for considering this proposal.

Im hoping my letter reaches you in time for the final decision on renaming EPHS track field after coach Daniel McKillip.

Coach McKillip played such an important role in my life and I can say with confidence all of his runners. He went above and beyond in knowing/caring about his students on and off the field. He encouraged and challenged us to always strive for more. I learned some very important life lessons from my cross country coach. Hard work, dedication, accountability, discipline, perseverance, respect for others for MYSELF. I learned to face adversity, grow from it. The words College/University were foreign nonexistent in my vocabulary. I thank him for planting the seed to go to school to think of the future. Mostly for believing in me more than I did. For giving me and many others a sense of belonging.

In our lifetime there is a small number of people that inspire us and impact our lives. Coach was that person in my life. I can't think of a better way to pay tribute to the man who inspired so many to bring the best version of themselves to the table, then by naming EPHS track field after him. I hope my letter helps in making the final decision.

Sincerely,
Sofia Ramirez Avalos RN, BSN

C/O 1987

January 29, 2024

EPISD School Board
1100 N. Stanton St.
El Paso, Texas 79902

Dear Members:

This letter is being written and submitted on behalf of Mr. Danny McKillip, retired teacher and coach at El Paso High School for 41 years. It is my understanding that the process to name the El Paso High School Track in honor of Mr. McKillip has been initiated. I completely support this endeavor.

Mr. McKillip has served as teacher and coach at EPHS for 41 years. We were peers, colleagues and friends. We taught together for 6 years at EPHS. Then, as Assistant Principal at EPHS, I was one of his supervisors for another 6 years. During this time he exhibited outstanding teaching and coaching qualities, obtained excellent coaching results and emulated citizenship, community and personal traits that positively impacted students. These statements are documented in his personnel file by his yearly teaching/coaching evaluations. These evaluations were submitted by a myriad of EPHS administrators and will substantiate his superior teaching/coaching performance.

Mr. McKillip's classroom, whether inside a traditional room or in a gym or outside on the track or field, was disciplined and well managed. Lesson plans were submitted that outlined district and state guidelines. Teaching strategies were documented that addressed student needs and abilities. Through these strategies he was able to connect with students enabling them to meet their potential. He was their teacher, their coach, their friend and often a parent. Again, these statements are documented in his personnel file.

The Track and Field Teams at EPHS were a district highlight. (Please review the attached chart that documents team and individual achievements under Mr. McKillip's tutelage.) The students achieving these accolades (plus students who were in his classroom but not part of a sports team) would later become part of our El Paso community imbued with qualities of a team player able to contribute ideas within a group setting. These same students proved to be self disciplined abiding by rules and regulations of a community and society at large. Students learned what was needed physically and emotionally to perform on a team and these skills transferred to our community life. Students left the school self confident and equipped with life skills.

Besides his teaching and coaching duties Mr. McKillip was an integral part EPHS. I worked with him on parent teacher committees. I witnessed his interaction with

parents while supervising track and field meets as well as during parent conferences. Mr. McKillip, his wife and two children also lived in the EPSH district. These connections added positive connections for students and parents.

Mr. McKillip has been an asset to our district, to EPHS, to his students and to the community for 41 years. The efforts of his students to name the track in honor of their teacher, their coach, their mentor and their friend is the strongest accolade for this action. I strongly support their efforts and recommend that each of you support their efforts on his behalf.

Thank you in advance for your support. Thank you as well for your service to our students and our district.

With respect,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Corral". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Linda Corral
Retired El Paso District Administrator

Keith Fong

January 27, 2024

Board of Trustees
El Paso Independent School District
1014 N. Stanton St
El Paso, TX 79902

Dear Trustees:

I wish to offer my wholehearted support for naming the El Paso High School track for Coach Danny McKillip. My name is Keith Fong, EPHS Class of 1984. I ran on the Cross-Country team under Coach McKillip.

In preparing to write this letter, I have been reflecting on the impact Coach McKillip has had not just on myself, but also on my teammates, other students, his fellow educators, and our community. I've stayed in touch with Coach McKillip in the decades since I graduated. So, I've interacted with him as a teenage student, an adult professional, and a parent.

Even in a school with a number of exceptional faculty and staff, he is singular in his dedication to students, to education, to sports, and El Paso High.

He coached cross-country and track at El Paso High for 41 years. Few, if any, educators have had a longer tenure. But tenure by itself is meaningless, it is the number of students that he coached and taught and transformed that is important. Coach McKillip loved running and he vigorously recruited students to run. I met him in the spring of my 8th-grade year when he came up to me in the hallway and asked if I had signed up for a sport. I told I hadn't, he told me to sign up for Cross Country. So I did. I wasn't the only one, just last week, my classmate and friend Annette Garcia and I were talking, and she had the same experience. No other coach asked her to join their team, so she signed up to run. The Cross-Country team was big, but students felt wanted, connected, and a sense of community.

Coach McKillip brought to life the best qualities of competitive sports: discipline, determination, persistence, respect, teamwork, and fun. He loved running, competing, and his runners. He worked hard, he was demanding, he was fair, and he was principled. The success of the runners and teams he coached is an obvious indication of his impact, but I think a superficial one. There are plenty of coaches who are awful people but have racked up many wins.

Coach McKillip was not just an outstanding coach in running but a superior mentor in life. He guided and supported students in making life choices by talking with them, looking out for them,

and helping them understand the impact of those choices. Annette shared he cared deeply and helped her understand potential consequences which could have impacted her future. She is forever grateful to this wonderful man who deeply cared for her and the other students he coached at El Paso High School. The values he represented and instilled in us, helped shape our futures. The more important impact he had on us as runners, students, and people was his example.

Coach McKillip was very competitive. Looking back across the 40 years since I ran for him, I can see how he pushed us to do our best, not for his sake to get wins, but for our sake to experience the rewards of doing our best. On the freshman team, I was the fifth man, how I placed determined what place the team achieved. My four teammates ahead of me were much faster than me; if I had anywhere near their speed, we would have won most of the meets. If Coach McKillip was ever frustrated or upset by my slowness, he never gave the slightest hint. On the contrary, I felt a lot of encouragement from Coach McKillip. I certainly felt frustrated I wasn't faster, but I loved running and being a part of the team.

There was a coach from another team who was a stark contrast to Coach McKillip. As I said, I was the fifth man on the freshman team. When that other coach saw me on the course at a race, he yelled at his runners who were right in front of me to block me. And they did. I couldn't get around them for quite a distance. I was so angry and frustrated that I was in tears at the end of the race when I told Coach McKillip about it. That other coach was teaching unsportsmanlike behavior to his runners. I cannot imagine Coach McKillip ever doing such a thing if we won, it was because we were faster, not by holding competitors back.

We were a big team and to get sufficient uniforms and warm-up suits, Coach McKillip organized us to do fundraising. We would each get assigned times to sell snow cones at lunch. He had a real can-do attitude. Thinking about it now, selling the snow cones was another part of building us as a team, with us working on a common cause for the benefit of the team.

One of Coach McKillip's gifts is that he knew to not treat us all the same. We were a bunch of teenagers in all different states of maturity and development. What was consistent was the expectation that we would do our best. If you didn't do your best, he'd push you. If you broke the rules, you'd suffer the consequences. In my senior year, I was on the second Junior Varsity team, the team was that big and I was that slow. I overslept one race day and missed the bus to go to the meet. The rule was that you rode to the meet on the bus; there was no arriving separately. Missing the bus meant stadiums, sprinting from the bottom to the top of R. R. Jones stadium twenty times. Regardless of how little effect my absence had on the team's success at the meet, I had broken the rule, and I did stadiums the next week.

Some years after I had graduated, I was visiting with Coach McKillip, and we were talking about his sons. He mentioned that one of them was a talented runner but preferred to play basketball. If his son didn't want to run, he wouldn't force him. He had coached students whose parents forced

them to run and had seen how negatively it affected the students. He wanted his runners to run because they would enjoy it. If someone tried running on the team and didn't like it, it was OK.

In my case, I continued to run regularly after high school and into my 30s. I loved the experience of running: going places, the sense of speed, feeling the wind and the sun, sometimes suffering through heat and cold and humidity. I only stopped because I was in an accident that caused the impact forces of running to be very, very uncomfortable. I really miss running, though I have maintained a practice of regular exercise to this day. This was all started by Coach McKillip telling me to sign up for Cross Country.

Coach McKillip had a real devotion to the community. During summers he worked as an Immigration officer at the International Bridges. He was committed to justice. Probably 6 or 8 years ago, I was walking up Mesa Street just north of Brentwood going to retrieve my car from the Firestone tire shop. There is a concrete-lined drainage ditch that passes under Mesa. As I approached this ditch, Coach McKillip popped out of the ditch. Not something I was expecting to see. I greeted him and asked what he was doing. Turns out that a couple of guys had snatched a purse out of a car and he was looking for them. Coach McKillip's wife had seen the snatch happen, she told him and he set out in pursuit of those guys. I hadn't seen them, so he set off running to keep looking for them. This was so completely his character.

The youngest of my sisters, Jennifer, EPHS Class of 1988, also ran Cross Country. In her senior year, at least one of the boys on the team made it to the state meet in Austin. She, her best friend Shanti who was also on the Cross-Country team, and my sister's boyfriend drove down to Austin to cheer them on. On their return to El Paso, the boyfriend was driving and fell asleep. They went off the road and rolled the vehicle several times. The boyfriend died at the scene, Shanti was seriously injured, and Jennifer would have died but the first responding trooper was accompanied by a paramedic. Jennifer was airlifted to Abilene. She stabilized and improved enough after two weeks that she was flown back to El Paso to continue her recovery.

During this time, Coach McKillip would check up on Jennifer. I don't know for certain, but I assume he was also checking up on Shanti, too. Jennifer had recovered enough after another week or so that she was beginning to walk again and talk again. On the morning of December 9, 1987, Jennifer died suddenly. She was killed by a pulmonary embolism. As you can imagine, it was devastating to our family; we really believed she was going to survive.

I didn't want Coach McKillip to learn of Jennifer's death through the PA. Jennifer's warm-up uniform was at the house, so I gathered it up and went to EPHS. I was in the C.D. Jarvis gym going to his office when he saw me in the hallway. I remember him saying to me, "Keith, you didn't have to bring the suit to me. It could wait." I could barely choke out that I wasn't there to return the suit, I had come to tell him that Jennifer had died that morning. We cried hugging in the hallway.

Coach McKillip came by our house several times to visit with us. It was certainly comforting for me that he was taking the time to share with us our grief.

I'm happy to report that Shanti did survive, though she wasn't able to return to EPHS. She went through a lengthy recovery and rehabilitation. She's a teacher and a mom to 2 daughters.

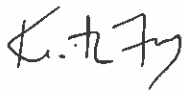
I know that Coach McKillip had been similarly supportive of another family a few years earlier. My family is friends with that family through their oldest son and their only daughter. Both had been on the Cross-Country team. The daughter was killed in an accident in her sophomore or junior year, she was riding in a Jeep with some other kids, and they were doing doughnuts in a park when the vehicle rolled over. I had heard how deeply affected Coach McKillip had been.

Was Coach McKillip universally loved? No, of course not. A man of his intensity and principle will put off some people. That's OK. For the rest of us, he was a wonderful teacher, a stalwart friend and peer, and a model of the unceasing drive to excel.

Coach McKillip loved his students and his runners. He might have been demanding, but he was emotionally invested in us. I am certain several of the runners who went on to college with running scholarships wouldn't have had the opportunity without his coaching. And so many of us who weren't leading the pack wouldn't have had the experience of running and competing and pushing ourselves and, frankly, getting pushed to do our best at that time and in life without his guidance. Those values we learned from him have carried on in my friend's life and others. This is the impact this man has had on his former students. This is why we wish to honor him, for his dedication, love, and influence on the lives of so many former Tigers.

Naming the track for Coach McKillip is a well-deserved recognition for all that he did for the students and the history of El Paso High School.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Fong".

Keith Fong
El Paso High School Class of 1984

This goes out to all my El Paso High School fellow runners. Let's get the word out to name EPHS track field after Coach McKillip (Danny McKillip). An All American runner for UTEP that became the coach of EPHS and coached 5 State Championships. He was my mentor in high school and with his helping hand, led me to become an All-State runner and later in life, taught me how to reach me (sic) goal in life. With his mentoring in mind, I became a Mechanical Engineer and thus bloomed a very successful career. I hope everyone pushes the administration to name the track and field of EPHS after a great coach and mentor to many students under his guidance.

Victor Norman

Gerardo Velasquez
EPHS Graduate - Class of 1983

1/22/2024

To: El Paso High School Board

Recommendation Letter to Name the El Paso High School Track on Behalf of Coach Danny Mckillip

I am writing to recommend Coach Mckillip for the honor of having the El Paso High School track named after him. Coach Mckillip's dedication and contributions to El Paso High School over the past 40 years have left a lasting mark on the institution, making him a truly deserving candidate for this recognition.

Throughout his remarkable tenure, Coach Mckillip has exhibited exceptional leadership and coaching prowess, guiding the track and cross country teams to numerous championships and achievements. His commitment to excellence, both on and off the track, has inspired generations of young athletes, and instilled in them the values of discipline, teamwork, and sportsmanship as they've grown to become seasoned individuals like myself and my former teammates and friends.

Coach Mckillip's impact extends far beyond the realm of victories and trophies; he has played a pivotal role in shaping the character of countless students. His mentorship has empowered students to not only excel in athletics but also thrive academically and contribute positively to their communities.

The lasting legacy that Coach Mckillip has created at El Paso High School is a testament to his unwavering passion for nurturing talent and fostering a culture of success. Naming the track after him would not only honor his decades of service but also serve as a constant reminder of the values he instilled in the athletes who had the privilege of being under his guidance.

I wholeheartedly endorse the proposal to name the El Paso High School track after Coach Danny Mckillip and believe that this recognition is a fitting tribute to a coach whose impact will resonate for generations to come.

1979 STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

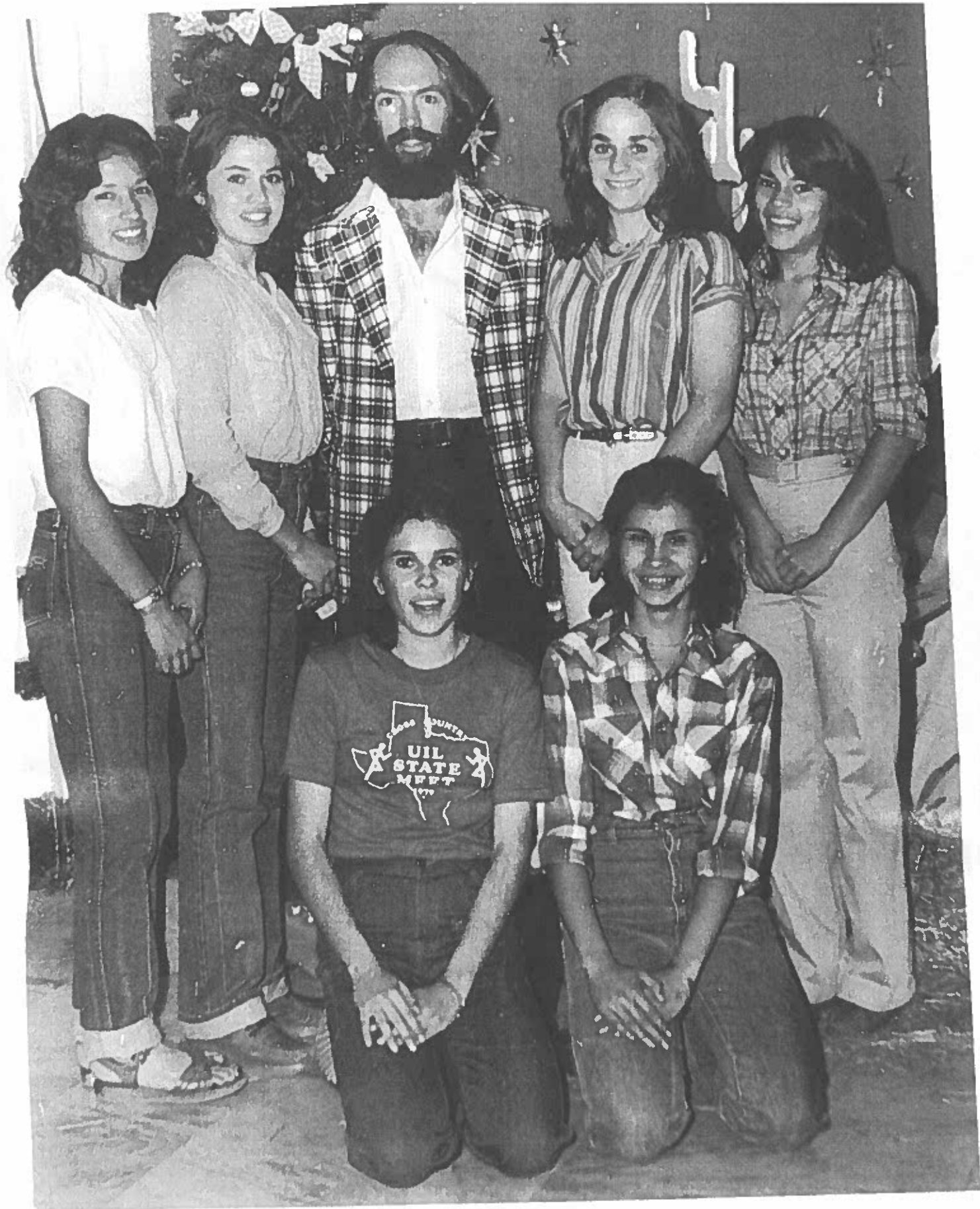


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BLANKENSHIP, LETI ARCE, MARCE CONTRERAS, MARTHA MARTINEZ

1978 STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS



PATSY NORMAN, MARGARITA SOLOZANO, MARTHA RAMIREZ,
GLORIA MEJIA, MARIANNE BLAKENSHIP, TOMASA MENDEZ,
LENOR DEJONG



COACH



Number One

The proud State Cross Country
champions, Eduardo de Campo, Luis

Rivera, Manny Rodriguez, Ernie
Tamez, Manny Ortiz, Arnold Plaza,

Tim Gilmore, and Coach Danny
McKillip, display their State, District,

and Regional trophies.

EL PASO HIGH 1983 STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

FRANCISCO DIAZ, EDUARDO DEL CAMPO, LUIS RIVERA,
MANNY RODRIGUEZ, ERNESTO TAMEZ, MANNY ORTIZ,
ARNOLD PLAZA, TIM GILMORE, DANNY MCKILLIP, COACH



Danny McKillip / Coach

Danny McKillip is an excellent teacher, outstanding coach, and has the intelligence and drive to become a highly successful businessman. But teaching and coaching are Danny's first loves and he has used them to build a track dynasty at El Paso High School where he has been winning awards since he started in 1970. More importantly, he has been turning out champion students and athletes. Danny was an outstanding runner at the University of Texas at El Paso, after winning All-State honors in Florida as a high school runner in the mile and cross-country. (He was named a high school All-American which led to his recruitment by the University of Texas at El Paso.) He was Western Athletic Conference Champion in the two-mile run and a member of the NCAA cross-country championship team of 1969 when he

was named an All-American in both cross-country and track. After graduation, he became track coach at El Paso High School where his boys' cross-country teams have won district championships nine times and been runners up three other times. His teams have won the boys' regional cross-country championships five times and were runners-up three times. His boys' teams won the state cross-country titles in 1971 and 1983. His girls' cross country teams won district titles eight times and were regional champions four times and won state championships in 1978 and 1979. Danny McKillip has placed guiding today's young students ahead of personal gain and El Pasoans are thankful for his dedication.



Armando Gutierrez / Administrator

Armando (Jeep) Gutierrez was a coaches' coach, for under his administration as athletic director for the El Paso Independent School District he improved coaches' working conditions, developed and published the EPISD Athletic Handbook (manual for administration and operation of athletic policies, procedures and regulations), and established equity for girls athletics. His skills brought him recognition statewide, and he was elected president of the Texas High School Athletic Directors in 1980-81 and inducted into that group's Hall of Honor in 1987. He has received the Distinguished Service Citation from the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation. A native of Arizona, he attended high school in New Mexico, was graduated from college in Texas and saw the rest of the

world as a member of the Navy during World War II and the Army during the Korean conflict. He was outstanding in basketball, football and track at Western New Mexico University and in football with Fort Bliss during his service career. He coached at El Paso Technical Institute before becoming a consultant for health and physical education in the El Paso School District. He was named athletic director in 1973, a position he held until 1981 when he was named an assistant superintendent from which he retired in 1988. Jeep Gutierrez never let size deter him because his heart and mind were bigger than most anyone else's.



Robert Lee Garner / Posthumous

Bob Garner used his athletic skills to star as a collegiate player and play for two professional football championship teams. The same mental toughness made him a success in the business world. Not blessed with size (5' 10" and 175), he used his exceptional speed to play for the San Diego Chargers and the Oakland Raiders during their glory days of the early 1960s. One of his closest friends and teammates was Tom Flores, later the Raiders' head coach. Bob for many years held the record for the longest punt return for the Raiders and still is remembered as one of the hardest-hitting defenders in the Raiders' secondary. Bob began his pro football career after serving with the United States Marines following his graduation from Fresno State University, where he later gained a Master's degree. In his

undergraduate days at Fresno State, he averaged almost seven yards a carry as a halfback, still a school record. When his football days were over, he started his own highly successful advertising business in Los Angeles, which he sold to move to El Paso to operate four movie theaters. His successes continued as he built a national chain of 130 screens. Never one to sit still for too long, he became an avid tennis player and was ranked third in the Southwest in men's 45-and-over singles from 1981 until his death in June, 1990. Bob Garner was another example of a professional athlete with brains who competed with the best and is now with the best.

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Julio Lujan
Sports Department
February 28, 1991

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame
Selection Committee
El Paso, Texas

To whom it may concern:

I realize there will be many worthy persons nominated for possible induction into this year's hall. In the selection process please consider the entry of Danny McKillip, currently the cross country coach and head track coach at El Paso High.

Mr. McKillip more than exemplified his worthiness as an all-American distance runner while running for our home school, the University of Texas at El Paso. And he showed his love for El Paso by staying in the Sun City after graduation.

During his 21 years of high school coaching, he has displayed the same type of worthiness for induction into the athletic hall.

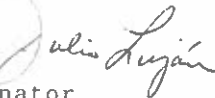
His cross country teams have been widely recognized by fellow coaches throughout Texas. And his success numbers speak for themselves, showing versatility to succeed not just with young men, but young women as well. Two of his four state champions in that time include the 1979 unbeaten girls team and the 1983 unbeaten boys team.

Even though El Paso High is limited by its enrollment numbers, Mr. McKillip has consistently shown quality coaching in track and field. All-stars like Tony Zuniga, Patsy Norman, Lucy Bockman, Gloria Mejia, Leti Arce, Manny Rodriguez, Ernesto Tamez, Arnold Plaza, Manny Ortiz, Eduardo Del Campo and most recently Gilbert Contreras, whose gold-medal, state-meet performance of two years ago has carried over to the University of Arkansas.

His cross country teams have placed seven times in the Top 3, and his team's district and regional accomplishments are numerous. That is one reason Mr. McKillip is currently the most El Paso-experienced track coach, and a worthy candidate for your consideration.

Respectfully yours:

Julio Lujan
Prep coordinator



My name is Beto O'Rourke and I ran for Coach Danny McKillip in 1987 and 1988 at El Paso high school.

I had the honor to be coached by him and to see him coach world-class athletes like Gilbert Contreras, who was running for Coach McKillip at the same time. Though I never had the kind of career that Gilbert or Manny Rodriguez or so many other great runners did, I grew as an athlete and as a person under Coach's guidance.

Coach could be a tough disciplinarian, which many of us needed. One hot September day he sent the cross country team on a run from El Paso High to Madeline park, up to Piedmont, around the arroyo and down Robinson to Brown. A few of us felt like taking a shortcut through the arroyo. When we met him back on the track after our run he somehow knew we had cheated. He made us run stadiums until our legs turned into spaghetti. We never took another shortcut after that.

I saw firsthand the key role he played in his team members' lives. He was very often a second dad, a mentor, a stern but fair figure who kept everyone in line and helped us all to believe in ourselves and then put in the work to achieve our goals. He pushed us, he believed in us, and he was proud of us. In addition to all of the state championships he's won, I think this might be his greatest contribution: the influence and impact he had on those he coached. We are all better people for our time with Coach McKillip.

I am so grateful for his role in my life and for the role he's played in the lives of countless other student athletes at El Paso High. It would be fitting for the track to be named in his honor.

GILBERT CONTRERAS
DISTRICT - REGIONAL - STATE
CHAMPION



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Proposed name *

CVV Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS graduate, EPCC Peace Officer Academy

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Civil Service - DA's office

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

First female valedictorian of the Peace Office Academy.

Reason for nomination *

El Paso High sports and supporting all EPHS athletes was a huge aspect of her life. Despite a demanding job and raising 4 children, she was there for everyone's kids. Her dedication to EPHS athletics extends beyond the track - baseball, basketball, volleyball, band and other sports that her children were involved in. Besides being super mom and super fan, she was also a track athlete herself at EPHS. Her dedication to El Paso as a community at large extends beyond the track as she was a dedicated investigator for the district attorney's office. In every aspect of her life she selflessly went above and beyond to encourage everyone to do their best and to excel to the best of their ability and give it their all and have fun while doing it. Her kids are a great example of her spirit and guidance. She has touched countless people in the community, of all ages. She served in the Child Crisis Center as a volunteer as well.

(Additionally, I know that her spirit is at the EPHS track as the day after her passing, while I was walking in the park above El Paso High, I saw a wonderful ray of light shine through the clouds onto the track and I knew that she was with us. And the same light came through the clouds in Lubbock when the team won regionals the following week. If I could add pictures of these moments here I would!)

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Lynn Westbrook

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate of El Paso High and Graduate of UTEP.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Loving, kind, generous, selfless and hardworking. After she graduated from UTEP, she became a probation officer. While working as a probation officer she found a new desire and decided to pursue the career as an investigator for the district attorneys office. She attended the Peace officer academy at Epcc and was the valedictorian. With the completion of the Peace officer academy, she was able to become an investigator. She was admired by so many coworkers by her hard work and dedication both in and out of work. She loved her job.

Reason for nomination *

She was a mom to all and is greatly missed. She not only took care of her kids but also everyone else's. If anyone needed anything, she had it. If she didn't have what they needed, she found a way to obtain it. She made such a positive impact in everyone's life. There's was nothing more that she loved than to see her kids run both cross country and track. It didn't matter if it was freezing cold out side or 100 degrees, she was there. Her family was always first above anything. She herself was also a runner and was an editor for the new paper while at EPHS.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Merari Valenzuela

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina V. Valenzuela Memorial Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

EPHS Track Team Mom for over a decade

Reason for nomination *

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Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Adan Rosales

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina V. Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso TX

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduated for El Paso High and UTEP.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Christina V. Valenzuela. She graduated from EPHS in 1987 and from UTEP in 1994. After graduating from UTEP she became a probation officer. After a while she found a new desire and decided to become an investigator for the district attorneys office. She attended the EPCC peace office academy, where she graduated as the first female valedictorian of the academy. She became an investigator and loved her job. Above her job was always her family. No matter the weather outside or how she was feeling, she was always out there supporting us in both cross country and track. She also supported us in other sports such as baseball, track and athletic training and even band. She was not only our mom but, she was the team mom. She always cheered for everyone because everyone should be celebrated whether they were the best or not at the sport/event. As long as they tried and gave it their al, that's all that mattered. She herself also ran track and was a part of the newspaper/journalism. She is a role model for not only her family but also her coworkers and all the athletes/coaches she has impacted along the way.

Reason for nomination *

An example to the community

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Lawrence Chagoya

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Christina Valenzuela memorial track and field

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Nominee's full name:

Christina valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El paso

Nominee's educational experience:

College degrees worked for the DAs office

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

She was a kind giving loving person. she worked for the DAs office as a special investigator. a job she loved. She also ran track during her years at the lady on the hill.

Reason for nomination *

Christina dedicated 14 years to Wiggs and El Paso High cross country and track. she would make sure not only her children but all the team would have water, gatorade, fruits and healthy snacks. She was not only a mother but a team mom. If anyone needed anything she would have it. She loved watching the kids run. She lived for it. She was lovingly called mama bear. She was looking forward to seeing our tigers, including her son Leo run in this years regional cross country meet, but unfortunately she passed away in october. She was always proud of our tigers, all tigers. Her son and one other tiger went to state and i know she is proud. She graduated an el paso high TIGER in 1987.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Peggy valverde

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina V. Valenzuela Memorial Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El paso Tx

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Christina was a loving, caring and amazing mother not only to her children but for the kids at the Child Crisis Center of El Paso. She always had a smile on her face and a nice thing to say to everyone, she was an inspiration to all.

Reason for nomination *

We would love for her name to be remembered by all whose hearts she touched.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Litzy Manriquez

Nominator's addr

Nominator's phone: *

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, Tx

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduate from EPHS in 1987 and UTEP in 1994

Nominee's military experience (if any):

n/a

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Remarkable leadership and hardworking ethic. An honest and honorable human being that went above and beyond in her profession as an investigator for the District Attorney's Office of El Paso, and for her family and the student-athletes and marching band musicians of EPHS for over a decade.

Reason for nomination *

It is with great pride that I propose to rename El Paso High's historic school track field in the posthumous honor of Mrs. Christina V. Valenzuela.

Christina Valenzuela was a graduate of El Paso High School's Class of 1987, a former track athlete, and staff of the school newspaper. After graduating from UTEP in 1994 she became a probation officer for the County of El Paso. Channeling her zeal for honesty, truth, and justice she pursued a career in law enforcement. After enrolling in El Paso Community College Peace Officer Academy, she graduated as the first female valedictorian of the academy and her class. This enabled her to become an investigator for the District Attorney's Office of El Paso, a career she had a profound passion for. Her coworkers and colleagues remember Valenzuela's wit by her remarkable phrase "Hang on I got this!" when going above and beyond her call of duty or responsibilities.

Aside from her professional dedication, above her job was always her immediate family and those to whom she graciously extended the honorary title of "son" (myself included). Rain or shine, ill or fit, Valenzuela was always supporting her biological and non-biological children across the extracurricular and sportive spectrum from baseball, track, athletic training, cross-country, and band. From the students to the coaches, all can undeniably confirm that no matter the weather, distance, early mornings, or late nights, Valenzuela's consistency could always be counted upon.

Freshman or Senior, first track meet or final marching band competition, one could always be guaranteed a classic cheer from Valenzuela. Her impetus of goodwill and support was shared with everyone as she fostered an inclusive community among the student body regardless of their capacities. Although her life was cut short, Christina Valenzuela is a role model for her family, coworkers, EPHS staff, and all the students she impacted along the way. Valenzuela personified the unwaveringly loyal Tiger Spirit and embodied the true essence of sportsmanship and musicianship found only at El Paso High. She was not simply our mom, she was the team mom.

My nomination to rename El Paso High's historic school track field in honor of Christina Valenzuela has my highest and strongest endorsement.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Jesus Ayala-Candia, M.A.

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, TX

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS graduate, class of '87

UTEP graduate, class of '94

Nominee's military experience (if any):**Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: ***

Christina Valenzuela ran track at EPHS during her time as a student there and supported her children as they participated in numerous activities at EPHS such as track, cross country, band, basketball, and athletic training. She was also a dedicated team mom who touched many hearts in the EPHS community.

Reason for nomination *

Christina Valenzuela was a devoted mother of four children and a grandmother who supported her children in their academic and athletic endeavors at EPHS and was a EPHS graduate herself. Her untimely passing in 2023 was a profound loss to the EPHS sports community as she was a caring mom to all. She was always there for every meet, game, and event, both in El Paso or out of town. She went above and beyond for not just her own children, but for those on the team and coaches as well. Those who knew her know that she was caring, loving, kind, and very supportive to their well-being and success. Her caring nature made you feel that you were an important person who could achieve anything you wanted to. Christina Valenzuela was a kind and thoughtful person who touched many hearts within the EPHS sports community and is dearly missed.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Andy Rosales

Nominator's address

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduated from UTEP, and El Paso High School in 1987

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

She was essentially the team mom for cross country and track for nearly a decade. She made sure that not only her kiddos had everything they needed, but that everyone did. I think that's simple and sweet. Just a great woman overall

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Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Dylan Clark

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Christina V. Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, Texas

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduated from EPHS in 1987 and from UTEP in 1994.

Nominee's military experience (if any):

n/a

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

TEAM MOM through and through. A true role model to all the kids as well as co-workers. Always out there supporting the kids in both cross country and track as well as baseball, track and athletic training and even band.

Reason for nomination *

I feel it is only fitting as Christina was an EPHS Tiger for life. Inspiring to all who she touched. A person who had a wonderful personality and loved her family dearly. Always helping out with all of the EPHS events. In conclusion, Christina is dearly, dearly missed by all who remember her. The strength she left upon her children is seen every day. To honor her LEGACY in such a way as to re-name the track and field in her name would be a wonderful tribute.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Stephen Martinez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christiana V. Valenzuela

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christiana V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

College UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

She was born and raised in El Paso.

She graduated from EPHS in 1987

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Reason for nomination *

She was essentially the team mom for cross country and track for nearly a decade at El Paso High school. She made sure that not only her kiddos had everything they needed, but that everyone did. I think that's simple and sweet. Just a great woman overall

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ethan chavarria

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

The Christina Valenzuela Memorial Track and Field

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Nominee's full name:

Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, Texas

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS graduate; UTEP graduate

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

First Female Valedictorian in Peace Officer Academy

Reason for nomination *

Christina was the most loyal, hardworking, friend and mother to all she knew. She was tireless in her efforts to help support all athletes at Wiggs and EPHS, and support the mission of the El Paso County District Attorney's Office.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Erin Delaney Matney

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS 1987, UTEP 1994

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Graduate of EPHS, Probation officer and Investigator for El Paso District Attorney's Office, Dedicated "mom" to all track and cross country teams during her lifetime,

Reason for nomination *

Christina was a beautiful person and surrogate mom who motivated all athletes. My husband and his entire family went to El Paso High School and it would make them proud.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ingrid Rojas-Kinne

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina V. Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El paso

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS 1987, UTEP 1994,

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

After graduating from UTEP she became a probation officer. After a while she found a new desire and decided to become an investigator for the district attorneys office. She attended the EPCC peace office academy, where she graduated as the first female valedictorian of the academy. She became an investigator and loved her job. Above her job was always her family.

Reason for nomination *

No matter the weather outside or how she was feeling, she was always out there supporting us in both cross country and track. She also supported us in other sports such as baseball, track and athletic training and even band. She was not only our mom but, she was the team mom. She always cheered for everyone because everyone should be celebrated whether they were the best or not at the sport/event. As long as they tried and gave it their all, that's all that mattered. She herself also ran track and was a part of the newspaper/journalism. She is a role model for not only her family but also her coworkers and all the athletes/coaches she has impacted along the way.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Michelle renteria

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christiana V. Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christiana V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

College UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

She was born and raised in El Paso.

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Reason for nomination *

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Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ethan chavarria

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela track and field

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Ephs grad 1987, UTEP grad 1994

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

She ran track at EPHS and then all 3 of her children were track athletes. Before her death, she was a very active track mom not only to her own children but all track athletes.

Reason for nomination *

She passes away unexpectedly at the end of 2023. She left a big impact on many former and current students.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Cecilia Espinoza

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina V Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, Texas

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

n/a

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Graduated from EPHS in 1987 and went on to complete her education at UTEP in 1994. Her mother was a EPHS graduate as well as all of her kids.

Reason for nomination *

Christina greatly supported EPHS in all events her kids participated in: band, track, cross country, basketball, sports training. For the last ten years, Christina was always at EPHS track and cross country meets. Three of her children ran for EPHS all 4 years of high school, and Christina never missed one meet in ten years. Her love for the team and coaches was evident every meet and road trip. She provided snacks and drinks at EVERY meet. She had toiletries, a first aid kit, sunscreen, bug repellent - everything she could think of, she brought for the kids. She brought the coaches snacks for their long days at track meets. She made every out of town meet and made the team reservations at restaurants so the kids would have a place to sit and eat after a long day of running. She did this for TEN YEARS. She followed the bus from out of town meets so that if they broke down (and they DID), she was there to provide drinks and snacks for the kids and coaches as they waited on the side of the road. She and her kids were at every volunteer opportunity to help raise funds for the teams. Christina rooted for every single team member, cheering them on one by one by name. Her untimely passing affected the team, coaches, and parent immensely. She deserves this great honor as do her kids. Christina was everybody's mom.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ronnie Rosales

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

El Paso High graduate Class of 1987

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Team Mom for El Paso High for 10 years

Reason for nomination *

Christina Valenzuela and her three children have ties to El Paso High School. Christina graduated from EPHS in 1987, and her children currently attend EPHS. She attended every track meet for the last 10 years, always bringing drinks and snacks for the kids. Christina passed way on October 16, 2023. In remembrance of Christina is the reason for her nomination.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Daniel Cereceres

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduated 1987 from El Paso High

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Christina was the "Team Mom" and never missed a meet until her untimely death in 2023.

Reason for nomination *

Christina's children also went to El Paso High and graduated or are graduating this year. She showed up for all her kids extracurriculars over some 10 years. She came to the meets with the snacks, the drinks, and the Band-Aids. Christina became the teams "Mom" and was there supporting and cheering on not just her son but every kid on the team. Christina was such a beloved presence at all those school events and made a lasting impression on so many lives that at her funeral, her final event, was Standing Room Only. Christinas soul is on that track.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Lynda Veall

Nominator's address: *

6324 marcena st El Paso tx 79912

Nominator's phone: *

9152692980

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela Track and Field Memorial

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso Texas

Nominee's educational experience:

Graduated from EPHS in 1987 and UTEP with her bachelors in 1994. She attended the EPCC peace office academy where she graduated as the first female valedictorian of the academy

Nominee's military experience (if any):**Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: ***

After graduating from UTEP she became a probation officer. After a while she found a new desire and decided to become an investigator for the district attorneys office. She became an investigator and loved her job. Above her job was always her family. No matter what she was always out there supporting both cross country and track. She also supported us in other sports such as baseball, track and athletic training and even band. She was not only a mom but, she was the team mom. She always cheered for everyone because everyone should be celebrated whether they were the best or not at the sport/event. As long as they tried and gave it their all, that's all that mattered to her. She herself also ran track and was a part of the newspaper/journalism. She is a role model for not only her family but also her coworkers and all the athletes/coaches she has impacted along the way.

Reason for nomination *

You can see the fruit of her life in her children as they all are great people. She is loved and remembered for all these things listed above but more than anything for her heart for others.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Paola Santillano

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina Valenzuela

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Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, TX

Nominee's educational experience:

Bachelors Degree from UTEP and first Female Valedictorian of EPCC Peace Officer Academy EPCC

Nominee's military experience (if any):

none

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

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Reason for nomination *

Christina loved EPHS and as a tiger graduate, she made sure that all of her children attended EPHS. Even with a extremely demanding job as an investigator for the District Attorney's office, she made sure to support her children, especially the track department.

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Heidi Aragon

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Fully committed to supporting EPHS athletics as Team Mom.

Reason for nomination *

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Nominator

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Sergio A. Zamora

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

CHRISTINA VALENZUELA FIELD

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Support, motivational, patriotic,

Reason for nomination *

Christina Valenzuela attended to El Paso High School. Then she became a number 1 support member as a mom not only for her children whom attended to El Paso High but also for their friends.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Flor Luna

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Christina V Valenzuela

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Christina V. Valenzuela

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, TX

Nominee's educational experience:

EPCC

Nominee's military experience (if any):

None

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Hard worker, dedicated to job and the field of law enforcement

Reason for nomination *

Attended El Paso High school and was a former track and field athlete. Was always supportive of the El Paso high athletics department as an athlete and as a volunteer. She supported basketball and track and field was passionate about athletics. She was not only a mom of a student athletes, but she became the team mom because of her persistence and dedication

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Ruben Regalado

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Tony Zuniga memoial field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Tony Zuniga

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso Tx

Nominee's educational experience:

EPHS 73' Graduate

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/a

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

UTEP national champion

Reason for nomination *

Outstanding individual

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

ROBERTO YBARRA

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Tony Zuniga

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Antonio Carlos Zuniga

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso Texas

Nominee's educational experience:

El Paso High School/UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Air Force

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Outstanding cross country athlete at El Paso High and UTEP; All-American cross country Champions UTEP 1975 and 1976; EP High and UTEP Halls of Fame; Served honorably in Air Force during Gulf War/Operation Desert Shield.

Reason for nomination *

Outstanding individual and athlete in Cross-Country who left an indelible and impressive athletic mark for El Paso High, Texas and UTEP Sports. I had the pleasure of serving as sports trainer for Tony during my tenure at El Paso High, graduating, same class.

I got to know him personally and professionally as athlete. It truly genuine person and athlete with a big heart for life and sports. He was athletically, gifted, as well as a big influence, mentor and role model to many younger athletes, at both high school and college level.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Carlos H Corral, MD, FACS

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Tony Zuniga

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Nominee's full name:

Tony Zuniga

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Class of EPHS 1973, from there unknown

Nominee's military experience (if any):

UNK

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

1972 State Cross Country Champion

Reason for nomination *

A great individual and athlete.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Michael P. OBrien

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Tony Zuniga Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Tony Zuniga

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso, Texas

Nominee's educational experience:

UTEP Graduate

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Do not know

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Cross Country State Champion multiple times

Reason for nomination *

Tony was an outstanding individual and a Class of 1973 Graduate of EPHS

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Miguel Marquez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Tiger Track

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

It represents ALL student Tigers

Reason for nomination *

PLEASE do NOT name the track after a person. Time and again we learn of local celebs being in the KKK (Mayor Tom Lea), or indicted on random charges, after the fact, and it just leads to headaches and humiliation. No human is perfect. Let's instead name it after our Tigers in general. I highly recommend watching this latest episode of Abbott Elementary naming its school after a racist.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mMGSdZ4wQC0>

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Anne M. Giangiulio

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Beto O'Rourke Track and Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Beto O'Rourke

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Its Beto O'Rourke

Reason for nomination *

Grad from EPHS, Politician, etc...

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Dolores Roque

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Diana Natalicio

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

UTEP director

Reason for nomination *

She supported hispanic students

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Marina Maynez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Trost & Trost Track Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Henry & Gustavus Trost

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Henry (1860) Gustavus (1876) - Toledo, Ohio

Nominee's educational experience:

Henry - Art school (Toledo) Gustavus - Architecture (Toledo)

Nominee's military experience (if any):

none

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Brothers designed hundreds of buildings here, to include the 1st skyscrapers in El Paso. Pioneered the use of steel-reinforced concrete in buildings.

Reason for nomination *

Designed and built our beautiful school and hundreds of other buildings in El Paso with their Art Deco, Mission Revival, Prairie, Pueblo Revival and Bhutanese Dzong Architecture.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Norma Ordonez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Jennifer Fong Memorial Track & Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Jennifer Fong

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

High School

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Beautiful person, friend to many alumni

Reason for nomination *

Jenny was an El Paso high Cross Country & Track runner in the late 80s. Unfortunately Jenny was killed in a tragic car accident while still attending El Paso High School.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Pablo Hernandez Jr

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Francisco "Kiki" Contreras

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Francisco Contreras

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

1956 El Paso High School graduate

Nominee's military experience (if any):

None

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Life long runner starting at Vilas, running for El Paso High (qualifying and running at the State level)becoming a marathon runner in his adult life. In the 70's, starting The Half Fast Track Club with fellow runners. He ran in various marathons to include the Boston Marathon. Kiki's motto to running was, "if you're going to do it do it right!" Driven to win every race... Kiki came in first in his age group 102 times out of 115 registered races. Kiki Contreras continue to run until he passed away December 26, 2011

Reason for nomination *

Kiki was an outstanding EPHS Alumni who was a very well rounded student. Throughout his high school career, Kiki played football (linebacker), ran track, marched in the band and served as vice president of his sophomore class. He was also on the 1951 Junior High All City football team as picked by the El Paso Herald Post. In 1980 he ran so many races that the El Paso Times dubbed him, " El Paso's running machine".

Nominator**Nominator's name: ***

Celeste Contreras

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Kiko Martinez

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Francisco Martinez

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Juarez MX

Nominee's educational experience:

El Paso High School and New Mexico A&M University graduate

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Won bronze medal for basketball in 1936 Olympics, twice made first team in All- Border Conference, led the Aggies to the 1939 National Invitation Tournament in New York City

Reason for nomination *

Honoring someone with a border background by naming a track field after him in a school steeped in rich border history seems appropriate. That kind of honor and pride resonates with our young men and women who cross our border daily seeking education for a better life.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Kimberly Watson

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Proposed name *

Please NOT after a person! I know many are asking for coach mckinney-I disagree! I don't think a person deserves it-

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

Nominee's educational experience:

Nominee's military experience (if any):

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

None

Reason for nomination *

None

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Susan

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Current student

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Proposed name *

Rayce K. Korz Track Field of El Paso High School

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Rayce Karson Shamaley Korz

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

El Paso High School Alumni

Nominee's military experience (if any):

N/A

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Incredible character/student as well as Team Captain and Outstanding Teammate Award winner and soon to be famous alumni of El Paso High School

Reason for nomination *

This student is just One of a Kind and realistically One in a billion the way he can talk to others and unify peoples all around not to mention his future accomplishments which will be outstanding to say the least.

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Warren Hazboun

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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current employee

School Name Nomination Form

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Proposed name *

Nathan Casillas Field

Please complete if nominee is a person.

Nominee's full name:

Nathan Casillas

Nominee's birthplace (if known):

El Paso

Nominee's educational experience:

UTEP

Nominee's military experience (if any):

None

Describe distinguishing characteristics/events/awards: *

Nathan has been an exceptional coach over the last few years and has lead his track teams far.

Reason for nomination *

He's been with EPHS for so long and has a passion for his track teams. I don't think there's anyone else the track should be named after. He leads his teams very well and they compete very well

Nominator

Nominator's name: *

Alison Rodriguez

Nominator's address: *

Nominator's phone: *

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Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Use of Fund Balance to Offset Anticipated Revenue Shortfall for the 2024-2025 School Year (Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance - \$12,059,904.00)

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(Amendment will provide adequate funding for District operations)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Action

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Other

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Martha Aguirre/Gloria De Leon

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

Strategic Lever IV: Culture of Accountability - El Paso ISD cultivates a culture of transparency, care, and service.

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Board Policy CE (Local) - Annual Operating Budget, the Board shall amend the budget when a change is made increasing any one of the functional spending categories or increasing revenue object accounts and other resources.

As presented at the June 4, 2024, Board Workshop, the Administration proposed the use of fund balance to cover the anticipated revenue shortfall for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. The budget amendment presented is to request funding for said expenses in the 2024-2025 school year. Funding requested is from the District's Unrestricted Fund Balance. The use of fund balance for operational items will require approximately 8.12 days of fund balance.

<u>REQUEST FROM FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
11 - Instruction	\$ 525,000.00
21 - Instructional Leadership	\$ 220,000.00
34 - Student Transportation	\$ 641,115.00
36 - Extracurricular Activities	\$ 771,176.00
41 - General Administration	\$ 400,000.00
51 - Facilities Maintenance and Operations	\$ 7,980,733.00
53 - Information Security and Technology	\$ 300,000.00
81 - Facilities Acquisition & Constructions	\$ 1,221,880.00
TOTAL	\$ 12,059,904.00

Function 11 - Request for funding for student instructional materials and equipment in the amount of \$525,000.00.

Function 21 - Request for funding for the master scheduling software in the amount of \$220,000.00

Function 34 - Request for funding contracted services related to transportation services in the amount of \$641,115.00.

Function 36 - Request for funding for costs related to athletics contracted services and student traveling in the amount of \$771,176.00.

Function 41 - Request for funding for election-related costs in the amount of \$400,000.00.

Function 51 – Request for funding related to districtwide facilities maintenance and operational costs in the amount of \$7,980,733.00.

Function 53 – Request of funds for information technology related contracted services in the amount of \$300,000.00.

Function 81 - Request of funds for districtwide capital outlay projects in the amount of \$1,221,880.00.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the request to use unreserved fund balance and amend the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$12,059,904.00 to the General Operating Fund.

FUNDING SOURCE: Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance **ACCOUNT NO.:** Various Accounts

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- **IMMEDIATE:** \$12,059,904.00
- **FUTURE/ONGOING:**

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

Program objectives will be delayed.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: Effective July 1, 2024 - Fiscal Year 2025

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- ▣ Budget Amendment - Fund Balance Shortfall

Budget Amendment - Use of Fund Balance \$12M - 06.24.2024

TO/FROM	FUND	FUNCTION/CLASS OBJECT	AMOUNT
FROM	UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE		
		00.3600 - UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	\$ 12,059,904
			\$ 12,059,904
TO	GENERAL OPERATING FUND - 199		
		11 - INSTRUCTION	\$ 525,000
		21 - INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP	\$ 220,000
		34 - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	\$ 641,115
		36 - EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	\$ 771,176
		41 - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 400,000
		51 - FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS	\$ 7,980,733
		53 - DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	\$ 300,000
		81 - FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCTION	\$ 1,221,880
			\$ 12,059,904
		FUND 199 - GENERAL OPERATING FUND	\$ 12,059,904
			\$ 12,059,904

BUDGET AMENDMENT BY LOCATION

Athletics	\$ 771,176
Career & Technical Education	\$ 525,000
Districtwide	\$ 400,000
Facilities & Construction	\$ 1,221,880
Information Security & Technology	\$ 1,621,880
Maintenance Buildings & Grounds	\$ 6,658,853
Teaching & Learning	\$ 220,000
Transportation	\$ 641,115
TOTAL	\$ 12,059,904

BUD	DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2024-2025 PROPOSED AMOUNT
702	Board of Trustees	199.41.6439.702.99.100.702	Election Costs	\$400,000
801	Teaching & Learning	199.21.6639.801.99.100.801	Master Scheduling Software	\$220,000
813	Career & Technical Education	199.11.6396.813.22.100.813	Supplies and Equipment-STEM Aerospace Program	\$525,000
832	Athletics	199.36.6299.832.91.100.832	Athletics Related Misc. Contracted Services and Student Travel	\$771,176
911	Information Security & Technology	199.51.6257.911.99.288.911	Information Technology - Contracted Services for Telephone and Telecom	\$1,321,880
911	Information Security & Technology	199.53.6299.911.99.100.911	Information Technology - Contracted Services, Other	\$300,000
921	Transportation	199.34.6319.921.99.100.921	Transportation Related Costs	\$641,115
932	Facilities & Construction	199.81.6624.932.99.100.932	Building Construction, Consulting Services & Improvements	\$1,221,880
933	Maintenance Buildings & Grounds	199.51.62XX.933.99.405.933	Maintenance Buildings & Ground - Contracted Services	\$6,658,853
GRAND TOTAL LOCAL FUND 199				\$12,059,904



Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Use of Reserved Fund Balance to Allocate Additional Budget to Healthcare Program Fund (General Operating Reserved Fund Balance - \$4,200,000.00)

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(Amendment will provide adequate funding for the Health Care Fund)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Action

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Other

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Martha Aguirre/Patricia Cortez

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

Strategic Lever III: Destination District - El Paso ISD solidifies its position as El Paso's destination district.

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Board Policy CE (Local) – Annual Operating Budget, the Board shall amend the budget when a change is made increasing any one of the functional spending categories or increasing revenue object accounts and other resources.

The amendment request is to allocate a one-time budget allotment to the healthcare program fund from the General Operating Reserved Fund Balance in the amount of \$4,200,000.00. This amendment will provide support to the ongoing operations of the fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve this budget amendment to the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget in the amount of \$4,200,000.00 to the Healthcare Program Fund.

FUNDING SOURCE: Reserved Fund Balance and Healthcare Program Fund **ACCOUNT NO.:** Various Accounts

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- **IMMEDIATE:** \$4,200,000.00
- **FUTURE/ONGOING:**

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

Program objectives will be delayed.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: Effective July 1, 2024; Fiscal Year 2025

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Budget Amendment - Use of Reserved Fund Balance Healthcare Program

Budget Amendment - Use of Reserved Fund Balance for Healthcare Fund - 06.24.2024

TO/FROM	FUND	FUNCTION/CLASS OBJECT	AMOUNT
FROM	GENERAL OPERATING FUND		
	199	00.3580 - OTHER DESIGNATED/ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	\$ 4,200,000
		00.8911 - OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	
			\$ 4,200,000
TO	HEALTHCARE PROGRAM FUND		
	772	00.7915 - OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$ 4,200,000
		00.3900 - UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	
			\$ -
	FUND 772 - HEALTHCARE PROGRAM FUND		\$ -

BUDGET AMENDMENT BY CAMPUSES & DEPARTMENTS

Districtwide; Healthcare Fund - 772	\$ 4,200,000
TOTAL	\$ 4,200,000



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Date: _____

DEPARTMENT BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST

TO: Executive Director of Budget & External Financial Management
FROM: - 772 Health Care Fund
DATE: 06/13/24 3:29 PM
SUBJECT: Budget Amendment Request for Fund 199

Pursuant to Board Policy CE (LOCAL) – Annual Operating Budget, the Board of Trustees, shall amend the budget when a change is made, increasing any one of the functional spending categories or increasing revenue object accounts and other resources.

I am requesting a transfer of funds between functions. I understand that this request will require approval by the Board of Trustees based on Board Policy CE (LOCAL).

Amount	Account	Account
\$4,200,000.00	199.00.3580.000.00.000.000	772.00.7915.000.00.000.000
	199.00.8911.000.00.000.000	772.00.3900.000.00.000.000

Summary or Program

This amendment request is to transfer \$4,200,000 from the General Fund Balance (199) to the Healthcare Program Fund (772) as a one-time infusion.

Justification (Reason for request, consequences of non-approval, etc.)

This amendment will provide funding for the Healthcare Program Fund from the General Operating Reserved Fund Balance to support the program operations.

District Improvement Plan Objective/Goal: IV CULTURE OF ACCOUNTABILITY -El Paso ISD cultivates a culture of transparency, care, and service.

APPROVED BY: _____
(Appropriate Associate/Assistant Superintendent)

6/20/24
(Date)



Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

Approval of Use of Fund Balance for Extracurricular Student Activities Related Expenses, Audit Management Software, Gifted & Talented Program Redesign Costs, Academic and Instructional Materials/Services, Maintenance Related Equipment & Supplies, Transportation Replacement Plan and Capital Outlay for Districtwide Needs for the 2024-2025 School Year (Unrestricted Fund Balance - \$6,364,183.00)

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(Amendment will provide adequate funding for District operations)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Action

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Other

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Martha Aguirre/Gloria De Leon

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

Strategic Lever IV: Culture of Accountability - El Paso ISD cultivates a culture of transparency, care, and service.

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Board Policy CE (Local) – Annual Operating Budget, the Board shall amend the budget when a change is made increasing any one of the functional spending categories or increasing revenue object accounts and other resources.

As presented at the June 4, 2024, Board Workshop, Administration reported that use of fund balance would be requested to cover expenses associated with new initiatives and capital replacement plan.

The budget amendment presented is to request funding for one-time expenditures for the 2024-2025 school year. Funding will come from the District's Unrestricted Fund Balance. The use of fund balance for the new initiatives and capital replacement items will require approximately 4.28 days of unreserved fund balance.

The allocations will be made to the functions as noted below:

GENERAL OPERATING – FUND 199	AMOUNT
11 - Instructional	\$ 367,976
13 – Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development	\$ 30,000
31 – Guidance, Counseling, Evaluation	\$ 963,560
34 – Student Transportation	\$ 886,372
36 – Extracurricular Activities	\$ 180,025
41 – General Administration	\$ 63,250
51 – Facilities – Maintenance and Operations	\$ 785,000
81 – Facilities Acquisition & Construction	\$3,088,000
TOTAL	\$6,364,183

Function 11 – Request of funding for costs related to supplemental instructional materials for Tier 2 & 3 support in the amount of \$367,976.00.

Function 13 – Request of funding for costs related to gifted and talented training requirements and stipend pay for campus coordinators in the amount of \$30,000.00.

Function 31 – Request of funding for costs related to academic screeners and multi-tier system support programs in the amount of \$963,560.00.

Function 34 – Request of funding for costs related to purchase of buses in the amount of \$886,372.00.

Function 36 – Request of funding for costs related to student travel and contracted service costs associated with the hosting of the State Student Council Conference in the amount of \$180,025.00.

Function 41 – Request for the purchase of auditing management software and services in the amount of \$63,250.00.

Function 51 – Request for the purchase of custodial materials, maintenance equipment and services for districtwide needs in the amount of \$785,000.00.

Function 81 – Request for the purchase of capital project for districtwide needs in the amount of \$3,088,000.00.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the request to use unreserved fund balance and amend the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$6,364,183.00 to the General Operating Fund.

FUNDING SOURCE: Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance **ACCOUNT NO.:** Various Accounts

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- **IMMEDIATE:** \$6,364,183.00
- **FUTURE/ONGOING:**

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

Program objectives will be delayed.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: Effective July 1, 2024 - Fiscal Year 2025

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Budget Amendment - Use of Fund Balance for CRP and NI

Budget Amendment - Use of Fund Balance - 06.24.2024

TO/FROM	FUND	FUNCTION/CLASS OBJECT	AMOUNT	
FROM	UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE			
		00.3600 - UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE	\$ 6,478,183	
				\$ 6,478,183
TO	STATE COMPENSATORY EDUCATION - FUND 185			
		11 - INSTRUCTION	\$ 367,976	
		31 - GUIDANCE, COUNSELING, EVALUATION	\$ 775,372	
				\$ 1,143,348
	GENERAL OPERATING FUND - 199			
		13 - CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$ 30,000	
		31 - GUIDANCE, COUNSELING, EVALUATION	\$ 188,188	
		34 - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	\$ 886,372	
		36 - EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	\$ 180,025	
		41 - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 63,250	
		51 - FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS	\$ 785,000	
		81 - FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCTION	\$ 3,088,000	
				\$ 5,220,835
	FUND 185 - STATE COMPENSATORY EDUCATION		\$ 1,143,348	
	FUND 199 - GENERAL OPERATING FUND		\$ 5,220,835	
				\$ 6,364,183

BUDGET AMENDMENT BY LOCATION

Advanced Academics - Fund 199	\$ 218,188
Audit Services - Fund 199	\$ 63,250
Custodial Services - Fund 199	\$ 180,000
Facilities & Construction - Fund 199	\$ 3,233,000
Learner Support & Intervention - Fund 185	\$ 775,372
Maintenance Buildings & Grounds - Fund 199	\$ 460,000
School Leadership - Fund 199	\$ 180,025
Teaching & Learning - Fund 185	\$ 367,976
Transportation - Fund 199	\$ 886,372
TOTAL	\$ 6,364,183

Capital Replacement Plan and New Initiatives

BUD	DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL REPLACEMENT PLAN (CRP), NEW INITIATIVE (NI)/ ADDITIONAL BUDGET REQUEST (ABR)	2024-2025 AMOUNT
730	Audit Services	199.41.6299.730.99.100.730	Internal Audit Software Program and Training	\$63,250
808	School Leadership	199.36.6412.808.99.100.808	Student Council Conference - Travel	\$180,025
826	Advanced Academics	199.13.6299/6118.826.21.100.826	GT Program Redesign - Training	\$30,000
826	Advanced Academics	199.31.6299.826.21.100.826	GT Program Redesign - Testing	\$188,188
921	Transportation	199.34.6631.921.99.100.921	Bus Fleet	\$886,372
931	Custodial Services	199.51.6319.931.99.100.931	Summer Cleaning Materials	\$180,000
932	Facilities & Construction	199.51.6299.932.99.200.932	Marquee Repair Replacement	\$145,000
932	Facilities & Construction	199.81.6624.932.99.100.932	Roof Replacements and Cooling Tower Improvements	\$3,088,000
933	Maintenance Buildings & Grounds	199.51.6639.933.99.100.933	Equipment Replacement Plan and Maintenance Service Costs	\$460,000
LOCAL FUNDS 199 SUB-TOTAL				\$5,220,835
801	Teaching & Learning	185.11.6399.801.24.100.801	Supplemental material Tier 2 & 3 support	\$367,976
807	Learner Support & Intervention	185.31.6299.807.24.100.807	Academic Diagnostic & Screener (NWEA Maps) and Multi-Tier System Support Program	\$775,372
SCE FUNDS 185 SUB-TOTAL				\$1,143,348
GRAND TOTAL				\$6,364,183



Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed 2024 - 2025 Employee Compensation Plan

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(Information provided will assist in setting the District's compensation plan for the fiscal year)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Action

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Other

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Patricia Cortez/Martha Aguirre

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

Strategic Lever III: Destination District - El Paso ISD solidifies its position as El Paso's destination district.

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Board Policy DEA (Local) – Compensation and Benefits: Compensation Plan; the Superintendent shall recommend to the Board, for adoption, an annual compensation plan for all District employees. The recommended employee compensation plan shall support District goals for attracting and retaining highly qualified employees who will assist in achieving District goals. The Board shall review and approve the compensation plan to be used by the District. The recommended rates shall be effective after Board's adoption of a new compensation plan and on such date as specified by the Board.

The proposed District Compensation Plan for fiscal year 2024-2025 has been prepared in accordance with TEA Guidelines and EPISD Policies/Regulations. Based on the Administration's recommendation and subject to final approval by the Board of Trustees, the following areas of the compensation plan have been revised for the 2024-2025 school year:

EXTRA PERFORMANCE PAY and INSTRUCTIONAL STIPENDS

The overall budget impact for the proposed revisions to the Extra Performance Pay/Instructional Stipend Listing is estimated at \$361,000.00. Refer to the attached listing for proposed revisions.

MISCELLANEOUS PAY RATES

The proposed revisions to the Miscellaneous Pay Rates for fiscal year 2024-2025 do not impact the overall budget directly. The cost will be applied to departments and/or campuses that employ personnel under the classifications noted in the Miscellaneous Pay Rate listing, as presented. Refer to the attached listing for proposed revisions.

SUBSTITUTE PAY RATES

The proposed revisions to the Substitute Pay Rates for the fiscal year 2024-2025 do not impact the overall budget directly. The cost will be applied to departments and/or campuses that utilize substitutes under the classifications noted. Refer to the attached listing for proposed revisions.

OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

EPISD Health Care Self-Funded Plan:

- \$6,132 annually per employee
- One-time District infusion - \$51 per employee; Total Amount: \$4,426,000.00

Health Savings Account - Employer contribution of \$1,000 per employee

Workers Compensation Contribution - Employer contribution of \$216 per employee

Health Care Clinics - Employer contribution of \$96 per employee

Term Life Insurance Benefit - \$20,000 per employee

Parental Leave - Ten (10) days of paid leave

Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank

Employee Emergency Leave Donation Pool

ONE TIME PAYMENT/STIPEND

Should additional funds become available during the 2024-2025 school year as determined by the Board of Trustees, eligible employees may receive a one-time payment/stipend of up to \$1,000, less applicable taxes and deductions; the estimated cost for the one-time payment/stipend is \$8,153,072.00. The disbursement date of the one-time payment/stipend would be determined based on fund availability, if any. The employee one-time payment/stipend would be subject to the following guidelines:

Per DEA (Regulation), employee eligibility for the employee one-time payment/stipend will be based on all criteria noted below:

- Employee must be on permanent (non-temporary) employment status with the District.

The one-time payment/stipend for the 2024-2025 school year, if any, would not carry forward to the 2025-2026 school year. For the 2025-2026 school year, an employee’s compensation would be based on the employee’s compensation prior to the one-time payment/stipend for the 2024-2025 school year.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Compensation Plan revisions, inclusive of Extra Performance Pay/Instructional Stipends, Miscellaneous Pay Rates, Substitute Rates, and Employer Health Care Contributions for the 2024-2025 school year with a total cost of \$4,521,000.00 to the General Operating Fund and \$266,000.00 to the Food & Nutrition Fund, as presented.

Further, no pay or step increases will be provided to District employees for the 2024-2025 school year and the Teacher/Librarian/Nurse/Student Activity Manager Salary Schedule will be adjusted to reflect no pay or step increase for the 2024-2025 school year.

Further, should additional funds become available during the 2024-2025 school year as determined by the Board of Trustees, eligible employees may receive a one-time payment/stipend of up to \$1,000.00, less applicable taxes and deductions, subject to final approval by the Board of Trustees. The one-time payment/stipend for the 2024-2025 school year, if any, would not carry forward of the 2025-2026 school year. For the 2025-2026 school year, an employee’s compensation would be based on the employee’s compensation prior to the one-time payment/stipend for the 2024-2025 school year.

FUNDING	General Operating Fund (Fund 199), Food and Nutrition (Fund 240), and	ACCOUNT	Various
SOURCE:	Other Funds	NO.:	Accounts

FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- **IMMEDIATE:** \$4,521,000.00 - General Operating Fund and \$266,000.00 - Food & Nutrition Fund
- **FUTURE/ONGOING:**

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

Program objectives will be delayed.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: Effective July 1, 2025, for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

- Description
- Substitute Pay Rates - Proposed FY2025 Revisions

- ▢ Miscellaneous Pay Rate Listing - Proposed FY2025 Revisions
- ▢ Extra Performance Pay and Instructional Stipend Listing - Proposed FY 2025 Revisions

TEACHERS/LIBRARIANS	PER DAY	PER HALF DAY	10 CONSECUTIVE DAYS
Non-Degreed	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 135.00
Degreed (Non-Certified)	\$ 125.00	\$ 62.50	\$ 150.00
Certified/Retired Teacher	\$ 160.00	\$ 80.00	-

The rates below are only for long-term substitute positions.

Term Position	\$ 180.00	\$ 90.00	-
Teacher - Certified for Special Education	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00	-
Student Teacher to be Hired for Next School Year	\$ 138.00	\$ 69.00	-

ADMINISTRATORS	PER DAY	PER HALF DAY	
HS Principal	\$ 380.00	\$ 190.00	-
MS Principal	\$ 340.00	\$ 170.00	-
Elementary Principal	\$ 310.00	\$ 155.00	-
HS Assistant Principal	\$ 280.00	\$ 140.00	-
MS Assistant Principal	\$ 270.00	\$ 135.00	-
Elementary Assistant	\$ 260.00	\$ 130.00	-
Counselor	\$ 220.00	\$ 110.00	-

OTHER PROFESSIONAL	PER DAY	PER HALF DAY	
Nurse	\$285	\$143	-

HOURLY SUBSTITUTES	HOURLY PAY	
Clerk	\$ 13.00	-
Campus Patrol	\$ 13.00	-
Paraprofessional Instruction	\$ 13.00	-
Custodian	\$ 13.00	-
Food Service	\$ 13.00	-
Maintenance	\$ 13.00	-
Parental Engagement Liaison	\$ 13.00	-
Campus Monitor	\$ 13.00	-
Bus Driver	\$ 15.00	-
Bus Monitor	\$ 13.00	-

EPISD Experience in Specific Position

Hourly Pay Grade 302	\$ 13.00	-
Hourly Pay Grade 303-304	\$ 14.50	-
Hourly Pay Grade 305-306	\$ 17.00	-
Hourly Pay Grade 307+	\$ 18.50	-

Temp rate for clerks who have passed all qualifying tests.

SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS	HOURLY PAY	
Teacher Non-Degreed	\$ 12.50	-
Teacher/Librarian-Degreed	\$ 15.60	-
Clerk	\$ 11.00	-
Paraprofessional	\$ 12.00	-
Nurse	\$ 31.25	-

For additional information, please contact the Human Resource Department - Executive Director of Employee Relations at (915) 230-2031.

The El Paso Independent School District does not discriminate in its educational programs or employment practices on the basis of race, color, age, sex, religion, national origin, marital status, citizenship, military status, disability, genetic information, gender stereotyping and perceived sexuality, or on any other basis prohibited by law. Inquiries concerning the application of Titles VI, VII, IX, and Section 504 may be referred to the Executive Director, Employee Relations, Rosa Ramos, at 230-2031; Section 504 inquiries regarding students may be referred to Kelly Ball at 230-2856.

El Distrito Escolar Independiente de El Paso no discrimina en los programas de educación o en prácticas de empleo usando el criterio de raza, color, edad, sexo, religión, origen nacional, estado civil, ciudadanía, estado militar, discapacidad, información genética, estereotipo sexual o sexualidad percibida, u otra práctica prohibida por la ley. Preguntas acerca de la aplicación del título VI, VII o IX, y la Sección 504 pueden ser referidas al oficial del distrito, Rosa Ramos al 230-2031; preguntas sobre 504 tocante a estudiantes pueden ser referidas a Kelly Ball al 230-2856

Employees who attend or work in programs outside of their regular duty hours are to be paid for these hours according to the approved miscellaneous pay rates established by the ~~Grants and Personnel Committee (GAPC)~~ **Cabinet Personnel Review (CPR)** and approved by the Board of Trustees. The pay rates are to be consistent with the duties performed and should be applied consistently to all employees, across all funding sources, programs and activities as outlined here and in *Extra-Duty Pay/Adjusted Work Week Schedule*, where applicable.

New miscellaneous pay rates that are not currently found in this document must be submitted to the ~~GAPC~~ **CPR** for review and require approval prior to posting. For additional information on the ~~GAPC~~ **CPR** review process, see DEA (REG). Exempt employees, while on-duty, should not be paid for regular duties performed after normal work hours, including weekend and holidays, unless authorized by ~~GAPC~~ **CPR**.

IMPORTANT NOTE

If current hourly employees are hired for or attend special program activities or training, outside of the normal work day, including spring, summer, and fall breaks, they must be compensated in accordance with the hourly rate for that assignment and/or the blended rate at time and one-half as applicable for all hours that exceed 40 hours in the same week.

TUTORING – HOURLY PAY RATES -

Tutoring can take place before or after the school day, on weekends, and during the intersession period.

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	
\$13.00	EPISD Student	Tutor – always minimum wage rate
\$30.00	Teacher	Tutor, Certified Employee of EPISD Open to all employees who hold a Texas teaching certificate.
\$25.00	Certified Retired Teacher	Tutor, Certified Non-Employees Open to retired teachers who continue to hold a Texas teaching certificate.
\$20.00	Adult; Employee and Non-Employee	Tutor, Degreed Open to any person who holds a bachelor's degree
\$15.00	Adult; Employee and Non-Employee	Tutor, Non-Degreed 60+ Open to anyone who has 60+ college hours but have not completed a bachelor's degree.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES – HOURLY PAY RATES

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	
\$20 \$25	Teacher	Preparation for Workshop Outside of Days on Duty
\$15 \$25	Employee-Teacher	Teacher -Attending Workshop Outside of Days on Duty
\$90 Daily Rate	Teachers	Pay for teachers attending mandatory/required 'out of town' training during the summer (outside of Days on Duty). Training must be a requirement to fulfill the eligibility requirements to teach program courses and for which compensation to teach the program is not already provided in the form of a stipend.
\$13.00	Adult Non-Employee	Substitute Teacher Training (BEST Program—Be an Exceptional Substitute Teacher)
Hourly Rate	Employee	Support Staff Attending Workshop Outside of Days on Duty

CHILDCARE ACTIVITIES – HOURLY PAY RATES -

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	
\$25.00	Teacher	Child Care Provider

\$13.00	Employee/Non Employee	Child Care Provider (See IMPORTANT NOTE above)
\$13.00	EPISD Student	Child Care Provider - always minimum wage rate

MISCELLANEOUS – HOURLY PAY RATES -

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	
\$40.00	Non-Employee	Master's degree professionals working on temporary assignment
\$60.00	Teacher	Curriculum writing, benchmark and other assessment development *****
\$25.00		Parent training, mentoring, other duties that do not involve teaching students
\$30.00		Instruction-related activities with students such as tutoring, state assessment camp, Dual Credit Lab, SSI credit, etc.
\$37.50	Skilled Professional	Adjudicator/Clinical - Professional and degreed fine arts instructors to provide constructive comments and/or instructional strategies for fine arts teachers, students, and programs for fine arts activities.
\$30.00	Professional or Technical with Degree	Temporary positions that require a high degree of professional expertise (degree) or require high-level technology skills
\$20.00	Skilled Non-certified Professional	Rate for services at a semi-professional, yet highly skilled level (examples: musicians, choreographers – may or may not work with students)
\$20.00	Skilled Non-certified Professional	USTA Tennis Coordinator and temporary instructors that will supervise and instruct the USTA tennis curriculum after school (30 hours)
\$13.00	Temporary – Support	Support Personnel to perform clerical/support type duties, such as inventory duties
\$13.00	EPISD Student	For work performed in any program. Pay rate for student works is always the minimum wage rate
See Sub Schedule	Substitutes	Substitute Clerks, Paraprofessionals, Campus Patrols, Custodians
\$35.00	Teacher	Saturday specialized program instruction provided by CTE teachers for students enrolled at the Delta Academy and Adult Basic Education Program.
\$20.00	Non-Degreed or Technical Personnel	Rate for non-degreed individual with special technical skills working in technical area such as technology, finance, or research
\$15.00	University/College Intern	University/College level student working for District in area of degree major (example Audit Intern, Finance Intern, Tech Intern)
\$100 Daily/\$50 Half Day	Teacher	Teachers attending student related Summer Conferences/Competitions (outside Days on Duty)
\$20.00	Skilled Tester	Tester for student identification and exit of special programs such as English Learner and Gifted & Talented
\$107 Daily Rate	Full-Day Teacher Resident	Student Teacher Resident
<p>***** - As-needed basis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paid hourly and upon completion of specified deliverables - Based on completed curriculum deliverables, including development, revision, editing and quality control checks 		

SUMMER SCHOOL/INTERSESSION RATES –

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	
\$55.00	Employee	Summer School Program only - Site Coordinator
\$40.00	Teacher	State Assessment Proctor (during summer school/not summer school teachers)
\$45.00	Nurse and Counselor	Summer School Program Interession School Program - by approval only
\$45.00	Food Service Supervisor	Summer School Program
\$35.00	FCF Intervention Specialists	Summer School Program only
\$50.00	Teacher	Summer School Program only Test Coordinator for Summer – for State Assessment Administration
\$50.00	Teacher	Summer School/ Interession Program - Test Coordinator for Summer – for State Assessment Administration A role in the Summer School or Interession Program and any duties that involves direct instruction with students as part of summer the assignment.
Hourly Rate	Campus Patrol	Summer School Program Interession School Program - by approval only
Hourly Rate	Clerical Staff	Summer School Program – Campus Clerk, Payroll Verifier/Monitor, Bookroom Clerk, Attendance Clerk, PEIMS Clerk & Lab Monitor or other clerk as approved for summer school program Interession School Program - by approval only
Hourly Rate	Paraprofessional	Summer School Program only – Special Education & Instructional Paraprofessional, Sign-Language Interpreter and Monitor
\$18.00	Food Service Specialist	Interession and Summer School Program
\$21.00	Food Service Cook	
\$23.00	Food Service Assistant Manager	
\$26.00	Food Service Elementary Manager	
\$29.00	Food Service MS/HS Manager	
\$45.00	Food Service Supervisor	
Hourly Rate	Custodian	Summer School Program only
Hourly Rate	Playground Campus Monitor	Summer School Program only

LAW ENFORCEMENT SECURITY SERVICE RATES -

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	
\$50.00	Peace Officer	Police Officer for District Events*
\$50.00	Peace Officer	Coordinator for District Events
* As determined by the El Paso Municipal Police Officers' Association, subject to change.		

ATHLETICS MANAGEMENT PAY SCALE -

Football Game Management

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION
\$17.00	Game Manager
\$13.75	Ticket Sellers, Timekeeper and Announcer
\$15.00	Assistant Game Manager and Business Agent
\$13.00	Guards
\$13.00	Ticket Taker
\$40.00	Substitute Athletic Trainer (for any sport)***
\$15.00	Camera Operator
*** EPISD contracted athletic trainer not eligible	

ATHLETICS MANAGEMENT PAY SCALE -

All Sports (Other Than Football)

HOURLY RATE	DESCRIPTION
\$13.00	Ticket Seller
\$13.00	Ticket Taker (If Approved), Score Keeper**, Clock** Baseball Pitcher Counter**
\$13.00	Security Guard
\$13.00	Computer Operator
\$20.00	Varsity Tournament/ Meet Director
\$15.00	Varsity Assistant Tournament/ Meet Director and Sub Varsity Tournament/ Meet Director
\$15.00	Starter (High School)
\$13.00	Starter (Middle School)
\$13.00	Assistant Starter (High School)
\$13.00	Assistant Starter (Middle School)
\$18.00	Track/CC Meet Referee (High School)
\$15.00	Track/CC Meet Referee (Middle School)
**Varsity Games Only – Sub-Varsity games and all tournaments not included	

SPECIAL EDUCATION -

Summer/Saturday/Intersession evaluations (evaluations conducted while staff member is not on duty)

PER HOUR	DESCRIPTION
\$70.00	Extended School Year and Make Up Services - Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Master Social Worker, and Counseling
PER EVALUATION	DESCRIPTION
\$35.00	Homebound After School Instruction
\$35.00	Attendance at Summer ARD Committee meetings for Teachers and Evaluation Staff
\$35.00	Summer Services Provided – LSSP Intern working with LSSP, In-Home Trainers and Transition Specialists
\$20.00	Summer Evaluations - Teachers completing teacher rating scales
Hourly Rate	Play Based Paraprofessional
\$275.00	Summer/Saturday/intersession Services - Full Individual Evaluation (FIE) or re-evaluation: Cognitive, Achievement and Adaptive Behavior evaluation including complete report
\$275.00	Summer/Saturday/intersession Services - Full Individual Evaluation (FIE) or re-evaluation: Psychological evaluation including complete report.
\$275.00	Summer/Saturday/intersession Services - Full Individual Evaluation (FIE) or re-evaluation: Speech and Language evaluation including complete report.
\$175.00	Summer/Saturday/intersession Services - Full Individual Evaluation (FIE) Early Childhood Evaluation (ECI referral) including complete report - Speech and Language.
	Summer/Saturday/intersession Services - Full Individual Evaluation (FIE) Early Childhood Evaluation (ECI referral) including complete report goals and objective-Cognitive, achievement, developmental scales, adaptive behavior.
	Summer/Saturday/intersession Services - Full Individual Evaluation (FIE) or re-evaluation: Related services evaluation including complete report.
\$125.00	Summer Services - Functional Visual Assessment including a complete Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP).
\$75.00	Summer Services - Dyslexia Evaluations
\$50.00	Adapted PE evaluation including report, goals and objectives
\$75.00	Assistive Technology, Multi-Disciplinary Team Evaluation including complete report.

HEALTH & WELLNESS -

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	DESCRIPTION
\$45.00	Certified Wellness/Fitness Instructor	70-Minute Class, to include choreograph, music, instruction, maintaining attendance and communications to attendees.

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM -

HOURLY RATE	EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION	DESCRIPTION
\$35.00	ABE Instructor (Part-Time)	Part-Time Adult Basic Education (ABE) Program Teacher
\$15.00		Attending Workshop
\$25.00		Curriculum writing, benchmark and other assessment development, other duties that do not involve teaching students

SUBSTITUTE PAY RATES: See pay schedule for substitutes.
Policy Reference: DEA (REG)

Additional compensation can be paid to exempt employees with a stipend for certain circumstances, including: having a masters or higher degrees, specialized certifications, and/or to fill critical vacancy needs with a monetary incentive. Please note, stipends coincide with the position and do not automatically transfer with the employee, regardless if the transfer is voluntary or involuntary. Stipends are awarded on an annual basis, but can be discontinued at any time deemed necessary. Salaries are not predicated on stipends previously earned. The stipend schedule applies to the current fiscal year only. Future salaries cannot be predicted from this schedule. The Fair Labor Standards Act specifies that non-exempt employees do not qualify for stipend assignments.

If the individual does not complete the stipend assignment, the stipend will be pro-rated based on the calendar for that stipend. For example, if a stipend has 45 days plus 5 duty days in the fall, and 18 days plus 5 duty days in the spring, an individual that only works the 45 days in the fall would be eligible to be paid the stipend rate (45/63) and the 5 duty days at their current rate for the fall. If at the time they resign from the assignment, they have been paid more of the total stipend than the prorated earned amount, they would owe the district for the overpayment. Equally, if at the time an employee resigns from the assignment, have not been paid the prorated amount of the assignment, the district would owe the individual the remaining prorated amount.

An individual who accepts an assignment after the start of the calendar for that assignment will receive the prorated amount for that stipend and any extra days that have yet to occur.

The payment of stipends is based on two pay-out methods:

- ^{AS} – Assignment Stipend; stipend is pro-rated and paid out through the duration of the employee’s assignment.
- ^{ON} – One-Time Stipend; stipend is paid out in one lump sum, usually during the months of December and/or June.

ATHLETICS – ^{AS}	
High School Athletic Coordinators [$\$6,000 + (39 \text{ Days} \times \$200)$]	\$13,800
Middle School Coordinator	\$3,000
Athletic Trainers	\$6,500 \$10,000

HIGH SCHOOL COACHES – ^{AS}	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The coaching extra performance pay includes the specified stipend and, if applicable 5 or 10 extra days of pay at the coaches’ daily teacher rate of pay. No more than 15 extra days will be paid regardless of the number of coaching assignments. 	
Football	
Varsity	\$16,500
Offensive/Defensive Coordinators	\$12,000
Assistant Varsity	\$10,500
Co-Coordinator*	\$9,100
<p>*If opting for a Football Co-coordinator Model, the campus will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assign Offensive and/or Defensive Co-coordinators from existing staff allocations, • Utilize the existing Offensive Coordinator and Assistant Coach positions to create two (2) Offensive Co-coordinator positions, or • Utilize the existing Defensive Coordinator and Assistant Coach positions to create two (2) Defensive Co-coordinator positions. • Not increase staffing/coaching assignments in order to implement the model. • Designate the model before the beginning of the season and maintain the model throughout the season. 	
Basketball	
Varsity	\$12,000
Assistant Varsity (3 Positions)	\$6,000
Volleyball	
Varsity	\$10,500

Assistant Varsity (3 Positions)		\$6,500
• Varsity Football, Football Coordinators, Varsity Basketball, and Varsity Volleyball Coaches may not coach another sport. (Exceptions will be allowed on an interim or one year basis)		
HIGH SCHOOL COACHES – AS – CONT.		
Cross Country		
Varsity		\$5,500
Assistant Varsity		\$4,000
Golf		
Varsity		\$5,500
Soccer		
Varsity		\$7,500
Assistant Varsity		\$4,500
Developmental		\$3,000
Track		
Varsity		\$7,000
Assistant Varsity		\$5,000
Swimming		
Varsity		\$8,000
Assistant Varsity		
Varsity Swimming Coach may receive an extra \$800 stipend if in three (3) swim meets, to include District Meet, the coach must:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have a minimum of 4 boys and 4 girls compete in each individual event except the 200 IM and the 500 Free;• Have a minimum of 2 boys and 2 girls compete in the 200 IM and the 500 Free;• Have a full team compete in all relays.	
Tennis		
Varsity (Fall & Spring)		\$9,500
Assistant Varsity (Fall & Spring)		\$6,500
Varsity Tennis Coach may receive an extra \$800 stipend based on the following:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must have 24 athletes compete in 10 JV or Varsity matches throughout the school year (tournaments count as one match)• Must enter a complete Varsity boys and girls team in each scheduled District tournament• Must have 8 athletes participate in both JV District tournaments (if scheduled)	
Wrestling		
Varsity (Boys)		\$7,000
Varsity (Girls)		\$7,000
Assistant Varsity (Boys & Girls)		\$4,000
Baseball		
Varsity		\$7,500
Assistant Varsity (2 Positions at this level)		\$4,500
Softball		
Varsity		\$7,500
Assistant Varsity (2 Positions at this level)		\$4,500
MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES – AS		
Football		
Head 8 th Grade		\$3,500

Assistant	\$2,700
Basketball	
Head 8 th Grade	\$2,000
Head 7 th Grade	\$2,000
MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES – ^{AS} CONT.	
B-Squad	\$1,500
Cross Country	
Head 7 th /8 th Grade	\$2,000
Soccer	
Head 8 th Grade	\$1,500
Head 7 th Grade	\$1,500
Track	
Head 8 th Grade	\$2,000
Head 7 th Grade	\$2,000
Volleyball	
Head 8 th Grade	\$2,000
Head 7 th Grade	\$2,000
B-Squad	\$1,500
Wrestling	
Head 7 th /8 th Grade	\$1,500
Baseball	
7 th -8 th Grade	\$1,500
Softball	
7 th -8 th Grade	\$1,500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B-Squad, Baseball and Softball stipend approved for programs based on participation and maintains a minimum of 25 athletes. • Middle School Co-op Coaching Rate is calculated based on number of hours allotted per sport and stipend amount. The Co-op rate is applicable to middle school sports only. Eligibility requirement: Individual must be full-time college student at UTEP, NMSU or EPCC. 	

ADDITIONAL ATHLETIC EXTRA PERFORMANCE PAY – ^{ON}	
Cheerleader	
HS Sponsor	\$5,000
HS Assistant Sponsor - JV	\$2,500
MS Sponsor	\$1,500
• A sponsor that is assigned both the Varsity and JV Cheerleading squads will receive the HS Sponsor stipend and one half of the HS Sponsor Assistant stipend	
Intramurals	
Intramurals - Middle School	\$1,500
Elementary Intramurals Coordinator	\$1,500

WELLNESS – ^{ON}	
Wellness Team Leader	
Traditional Campus	\$1,200
PK-8 Campus	\$1,800
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Wellness Team Leader per Campus • WTL's are selected by campus principals using criteria provided by the Office of Health, Wellness and PE. 	

TEACHER & LIBRARIAN HIGHER EDUCATION DEGREES – ^{AS}	
Master's Degree	\$2,500
Doctoral Degree	\$1,500

SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT – ^{AS}	
Campus Teaching Coach	\$1,500
Interventionist (Reading/Math/Behavior)	\$1,500

TEACHER MENTOR PROGRAM – ^{ON}	
Mentor Teacher	\$1,000

CURRICULUM CADRE*	
Math and/or ELAR Teachers	\$3,500
*Must collaborate with other content area teachers to learn new strategies.	

NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHERS PROGRAM – ^{AS}	
NBC Classroom Teacher	\$2,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The El Paso Independent School District (EPISD) wishes to encourage its teachers to become National Board Certified Teachers. The District will reimburse those teachers who successfully obtain National Board Certification up to \$2,500 in program expenses that were paid directly by the teacher. In order to obtain the reimbursement, the teacher makes the commitment to remain a teacher with EPISD for two full years. The stipend is not considered part of a teacher's compensation in calculating his or her rate of compensation if they change to a non-teaching position. 	

TEACHER INCENTIVE ALLOTMENT – ^{ON}		
Recognized Designation	\$3,000 - \$9,000	Annual
Exemplary Designation	\$6,000 - \$18,000	Annual
Master Designation	\$12,000 - \$32,000	Annual
<p>Texas teachers may earn a designation through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Board certification. NBCTs employed as public school teachers with an active National Board certificate and active Texas teaching certificate may earn an automatic Recognized designation. The designation for National Board teachers will expire on July 31 following the expiration of the National Board certificate. Allotments are calculated annually. The allotment generated by a designation is tied to the designated teacher's campus of employment and is calculated based on the level of socioeconomic need and rural status. 		

FULL-DAY TEACHER RESIDENT PROGRAM – ^{ON}	
Multi-Classroom Leader (MCL)	\$6,000
Mentor Teacher for Full-Day Teacher Resident	\$1,000

STUDENT ACTIVITY MANAGER – ^{AS}	
Student Activity Manager	\$6,000

DEPARTMENT HEADS/GRADE LEVEL LEADERS – ^{ON}		
Elementary Grade Level Leaders	\$500	2-4 Teachers
	\$650	5-9 Teachers
	\$800	10+ Teachers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade levels are PK3/PK4, K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th *Elementary non-grade level teachers such as PE or SPED may be included in ONE grade level as determined by the Principal. 		
MS Department Head Core Only	\$500	2-4 Teachers
MS Department Head Core Only	\$800	5-9 Teachers

MS Department Head Core Only	\$1,100	10+ Teachers
HS Department Head Non-Core	\$500	5-9 Employees
HS Department Head Non-Core	\$1,000	10 + Employees
HS Department Head Core	\$700	2-4 Employees
HS Department Head Core	\$1,000	5-9 Employees
HS Department Head Core	\$1,300	10 + Employees

DEPARTMENT HEADS/GRADE LEVEL LEADERS - ON CONT.

HS CTE Department Head	\$1,000	
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- Core is Math, Science, ELA, Social Studies,
- ~~For stipend purposes, the Principal will determine which core area MS Humanities will be assigned~~
- For stipend purposes, the Principal will determine how high school non-core departments are grouped
- For stipend purposes, teachers may only be included in one department count as determined by the Principal

LPAC TEACHER COORDINATOR – ON

LPAC Teacher Coordinator	\$500	Enrollment 99 or less
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BILINGUAL - AS

Elementary Level

Bilingual/ESL Certification	\$2,000
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- Certified Bilingual/ESL Teacher in a Bilingual Program Assignment.

Secondary Level

Bilingual Certified - Teaching Dual Language, Math, Science or Social Studies	\$500 p/section (Maximum \$2,500)
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*Certified Bilingual Teacher must be the teacher of record in a Bilingual Program Assignment.

All Levels

Bilingual Certification	\$3,000
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* One time stipend if Bilingual Certification is obtained during the 2023-24 2024-25 School Year.

* Must be teacher of record for a Dual Language, ESL or Bilingual student class in current or future year.

Special Education Self-Contained Teachers Certified Bilingual or ESL	\$2,000
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* Certified Bilingual/ESL Teacher must be the teacher of record assigned to teach Bilingual/ESL students who have approved Bilingual/ESL services.

ESL - AS

All Levels: ESL Pull-Out

ESL Certification - ELAR or ESOL*	\$333 p/section (Maximum \$2,000)
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*Certified ESL Teacher must be the teacher of record assigned to teach ESL students who have approved ESL services

All Levels

Bilingual Certification	\$3,000
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~~• One time stipend if Bilingual Certification is obtained during the 2023-24 School Year.~~

~~* Must be teacher of record for a Dual Language, ESL or Bilingual class in current or future year.~~

GIFTED AND TALENTED - ON

Campus Coordinator*	\$1,500
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- One coordinator per campus

ROTC PROGRAM - AS

ROTC Instructors	\$1,500
Air Rifle Certification*	\$500 (Campus Funded)
* Stipend will be paid upon receiving confirmation that competency has been completed.	

SECONDARY LEVEL INSTRUCTION – ^{AS}	
Math 5+ Periods	\$2,500
Math 4 Periods	\$2,000
Math 3 Periods	\$1,500
Math 2 Periods	\$1,000
SECONDARY LEVEL INSTRUCTION – ^{AS} CONT.	
Math 1 Period	\$500
• Must be HS/MS Certified in Math	
Science 5+ Periods	\$2,500
Science 4 Periods	\$2,000
Science 3 Periods	\$1,500
Science 2 Periods	\$1,000
Science 1 Period	\$500
• Must be HS/MS Certified in Science	
Dual Credit Teacher 5+ Periods	\$3,000
Dual Credit Teacher 4 Periods	\$2,400
Dual Credit Teacher 3 Periods	\$1,800
Dual Credit Teacher 2 Periods	\$1,200
Dual Credit Teacher 1 Period	\$600
• Must be HS Certified in Subject Area and Accepted by Postsecondary Institution	
• HS Dual Credit teachers are eligible for both dual credit stipends and secondary instruction stipends (i.e. math and science stipends)	

EXTRA DUTY PAY – ^{ON}	
Extra Teaching Period	\$1,500 P/SEMESTER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers assigned an additional class period in lieu of a conference period are eligible for the stipend. Teacher must maintain a PLC Period. All Extra Teaching Period Stipend requests must be processed through a RAP and presented to the Grants and Personnel Council (GAPC) for approval. Zero and 9th Period – Not eligible for stipend. The funding of the stipend requested will be treated as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for Extra Teaching Period Stipend due to credit recovery- Campus Funded Request for Extra Teaching Period Stipend due to master scheduling conflicts, staffing FTE numbers will be evaluated to identify master schedule conflicts – Campus Funded Request for Extra Teaching Period Stipend due to enrollment numbers – District Funded 	

FINE ARTS – ^{AS}	
Instrumental Music	
HS Band Director	\$11,000
HS Assistant Band Director	\$6,000
MS Band Director	\$4,000
MS Assistant Band Director	\$3,000
HS Orchestra	\$5,500
MS Orchestra	\$4,000
ES Orchestra	\$1,500

Guitar	\$2,500
Mariachi	\$5,000
• A teacher that is assigned to more than one secondary campus will be responsible for taking both performance groups to competitions and community performances.	
Performing Arts	
Performing Dance Group	\$3,500
HS Theater Director	\$5,000
Color Guard/Flag Corps - HS Sponsor	\$2,500
Kick Dance	\$2,500
• Kick Dance stipend paid at the end of the school year (Campus Funded)	
FINE ARTS – ^{AS} CONT.	
Vocal Music	
HS Choir	\$5,250
MS Choir	\$4,000
ES Choir	\$1,500
Visual Arts	
Art	\$500
MS Art	\$1,000
HS Art	\$1,000
Delta Fine Arts	\$1,000
• Fine Arts teachers assigned to Delta Academy are eligible for a Fine Arts stipend per semester.	
• All Delta Fine Arts Stipend requests must be processed through a RAP and presented to the Grants and Personnel Council (GAPC) for approval.	

SPECIAL EDUCATION – ^{AS}	
Instructional	
Transitional/Instructional Specialist	\$1,000
AIM/BIC/CRC/Autistic SLU, (Self-Contained) Self-Contained Classroom	\$2,000
Deaf Education	\$6,000
Early Childhood Special Education PREK	\$2,100
Early Childhood Special Education	\$2,000
Homebound / Adaptive PE	\$1,500
Resource/Co-Teach	\$1,000
Collaborative Special Education Teacher	\$1,000
Visually Impaired Lead Teacher	\$7,000
Visually Impaired Teacher	\$6,000
Professional (Non-instructional)	
SPED Mentor *	\$1,000
Mentor Speech Therapist	\$1,000
Mentor Therapist (all areas)	\$1,000
Mentor Diagnostician	\$1,000
** Bilingual or ESL-SPED Certified Evaluation Personnel (Non-instructional)	\$2,000

* Applies to SPED employees with "Mentor" listed in their job title.

**Eligibility will be determined by one of three criteria: Texas Teacher Certification in Foreign Language, Texas Teacher Certification in Bilingual Education, or passing score on a nationally recognized foreign language proficiency exam.

For the staff members who receive the stipend by achieving a passing score on a nationally recognized foreign language proficiency exam, the Special Education Department will conduct the exam and provide Human Resources with a memo to document the passing score.

***ESL Certification Eligibility — must be teacher of record and teaching SPED/ELL Students.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL STIPENDS – AS

Health Science RN		\$2,500
Health Science Technology, non-RN		\$1,000
Agriculture Science		\$1,000
Trades and Industry		\$1,000
PROGRAM	REQUIRED # OF HOURS	AMOUNT
CNA Program – After Hour Rotation	40 hours	\$1,000
EMT Program – After Hour Rotation	60 Hours	\$1,500
LVN I Program – After Hour Rotation	144 Hours	\$3,600
LVN II Program – After Hour Rotation	244 Hours	\$6,100

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL STIPENDS – AS

Technology Education 7+ Periods	\$1,050
Technology Education 6 Periods	\$900
Technology Education 5 Periods	\$750
Technology Education 4 Periods	\$600
Technology Education 3 Periods	\$450
Technology Education 2 Periods	\$300
Technology Education 1 Period	\$150

FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE INSTRUCTIONAL STIPENDS – AS

Family Consumer Science 7+ Periods	\$1,050
Family Consumer Science 6 Periods	\$900
Family Consumer Science 5 Periods	\$750
Family Consumer Science 4 Periods	\$600
Family Consumer Science 3 Periods	\$450
Family Consumer Science 2 Periods	\$300
Family Consumer Science 1 Period	\$150

MARKETING INSTRUCTIONAL STIPENDS – AS

Marketing 7+ Periods	\$1,050
Marketing 6 Periods	\$900
Marketing 5 Periods	\$750
Marketing 4 Periods	\$600
Marketing 3 Periods	\$450
Marketing 2 Periods	\$300
Marketing 1 Period	\$150

OTHER CTE INSTRUCTIONAL STIPENDS – AS

Cosmetology	\$2,500
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Agriculture Science & Technology Certified Personnel (Responsible for cropland and supervision of livestock)	\$5,800
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HIGH SCHOOL CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION (CTSO) COACH EXTRA PERFORMANCE PAY - ^{ON}	
Coach	\$1,500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High School CTE Teachers will only be paid extra performance pay for coaching one up to two student organizations. Pay will be based on number of entries at the local / district CTSO competition. Up to \$1,500 for 10 entries, \$150 per student up to 10 students. 	

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION YEARS OF TEACHING BASED ON INDUSTRY WORK EXPERIENCE - ^{AS}	
Trade & Industry teachers are allowed up to 10 years of experience for documented related approved industrial work experience (2 years – State, up to 8 years – Local)	
The positions listed below require a CTE Trade & Industry Certificate with verifiable current work experience within the industry. The work experience will be based on a Statement of Qualification approved by a recognized TEA ACP program and reviewed by the Career & Technical Education Director.	
CTED Building Maintenance	Diesel Technology
Microcomputer Technology	Electrical Technology
Telecommunications & Networking	Electronics Technology
Piping Trades Plumbing	Metals Technology

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION YEARS OF TEACHING BASED ON INDUSTRY WORK EXPERIENCE - ^{AS} CONT.	
Advertising Design	Machining Technology
Architectural & Engineering CAD	Gaming & Animation
Automotive Collision	Cosmetology
Automotive Technology CCTE	Agriculture Science & Technology
Culinary Arts	Law Enforcement
Fire Science Technology	Health Science Technology/HST Clinical Rotation Teacher

The following Career and Technical Education teachers are allowed 2-5 years of experience for approved documented related work experience. The work experience will be based on a Statement of Qualification approved by a recognized TEA ACP program and reviewed by the Career and Technical Education Director.

***Marketing Education / ~~CTED Marketing Dynamics~~**

*Currently employed and certified CTE teachers at EPISD found eligible to take the Marketing Education Certification Exam through verification of employment by the EPISD CTE Director during 2011-2012 or in future years are not eligible to receive the 2-5 years of experience because the marketing certification was not a condition of employment when hired. TEA must also approve the Marketing Education Certification Exam application and requires that all teachers approved must be assigned marketing courses within their schedule on their assigned campus.

CTE STIPEND FOR ADVANCED MATH AND SCIENCE COURSES - ^{AS}	
This stipend will only pertain to CTE teachers who are not math or science certified but who meet credentialed requirements in 19 TAC Chapter 231, Assignment of Public School Personnel Chart. To qualify to receive the stipend, the CTE teacher will need to teach a CTE math and/or science course which qualifies as a 4th year/advanced math or science credit.	
5+ Periods	\$2,500
4 Periods	\$2,000

3 Periods	\$1,500
2 Periods	\$1,000
1 Period	\$500

ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS/JOURNALISM/SPEECH/UIL - ON

Business	
Accounting	\$550
Computer Applications	\$550
English	
Literary Criticism	\$550
Ready Writing	\$550
Spelling & Vocabulary	\$550
Forensic	
Texas Forensics Association (TFA)/National Forensic League (NFL)	\$2,200
Journalism	
Editorial Writing	\$550
Feature Writing	\$550
Headline Writing	\$550
Newswriting	\$550

ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS/JOURNALISM/SPEECH/UIL - ON CONT.

Mathematics	
Calculator Applications	\$550
Number Sense	\$550
Computer Science	\$550
Mathematics	\$550
Science	
Biology	\$550
Chemistry	\$550
Physics	\$550
Speech	
Cross-Examination Debate	\$605
Lincoln-Douglas Debate	\$605
Informative Speaking	\$550
One-Act Play Assistant Director	\$500
One Act Play Director	\$1,000
Persuasive Speaking	\$550
Poetry Interpretation	\$550
Prose Interpretation	\$550
Social Studies	
Current Issues & Events	\$550
Mock Trial	\$550
Social Studies	\$550

The stipend will be paid based on the number of entries at the actual UIL Meet (Pro-rated).

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMICS / UIL - ^{ON}		
Drama		
	Duet Acting	\$500
	Readers Theatre	\$500
	Spanish Drama	\$500
English		
	Ready Writing	\$500
	Spelling & Vocabulary	\$500
Mathematics		
	Calculator Applications	\$500
	Number Sense	\$500
	Mathematics	\$500
Speech		
	Impromptu Speaking	\$500
	Modern Oratory	\$500
	Poetry Interpretation	\$500
	Prose Interpretation	\$500
	Spanish Poetry (Native)	\$500
	Spanish Poetry (Non-Native)	\$500
MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMICS / UIL - ^{ON} CONT.		
	Spanish Prepared Speech (Native)	\$500
	Spanish Prepared Speech (Non-Native)	\$500
Social Studies		
	Social Studies	\$500
The stipend will be paid based on the number of entries in the actual UIL Meet (Pro-rated). Example: 3 entries for Number Sense \$500, 2 entries \$333.33, 1 entry \$166.66		

ELEMENTARY UIL - ^{ON}	
	Amount
UIL Event – Full Team	\$400
The stipend will be paid based on the number of entries in the actual UIL Meet (Pro-rated).	

ACADEMIC COORDINATOR – ^{AS}		
	Full	Partial
HS Campus Coordinator	\$275	\$100
MS Campus Coordinator	\$275	\$100
ES Campus Coordinator	\$275	\$100

SCIENCE FAIR COORDINATOR – ^{AS}	
ES Campus Coordinator	\$550
MS Campus Coordinator	\$550
HS Campus Coordinator	\$550

ACADEMIC DECATHLON AND HIGH-Q COACHES - ON

Texas Academic Decathlon

Head Coach	\$2,500
Assistant Coach	\$2,050
High-Q	
Coach	\$2,050

DESTINATION IMAGINATION (K-12) - ON

Coach	\$440
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JOURNALISM - AS

Journalism / Publications

Broadcasting	\$900
• Paid at the end of the school year after receiving six productions.	
Literary Magazine	\$600
School Paper	\$1,500
• Stipend paid based on development/distribution of six issues)	
HS Yearbook	\$2,200
• Stipend paid based on completion of yearbook – copy provided to District for archives)	
MS Yearbook	\$500
• Stipend paid at the end of the school year	

LESSON-ALIGNED FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT (LAFA) - ON

LAFA Facilitator	\$500 Per Year
Will serve to establish strong leadership practices to provide effective observation/ coaching feedback to teachers and support the development of teacher teams to further develop their planning skills in designing standards aligned lessons with formative assessments.	
LAFA Teacher	\$500 Per Product Completed
Will serve to further develop the LAFA Teacher's planning skills for designing standards aligned lessons with formative assessments to build capacity amongst teacher teams to make data informed decisions and develop standards aligned lessons with formative assessments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stipend funded with Title I, 1003 ESF Focus Support Grant • Participating Campuses – Hart Elementary, Tinajero PK-8 School, and Guillen Middle School • Stipend applicable through the duration of the grant cycle only – 2 Years 	

PRINCIPAL MENTOR PROGRAM - ON

Principal Mentor	\$1,500
<p>Mentors must have at least three years principal experience.</p> <p>1- Mentors must have a recommendation and support of their Assistant Superintendent in consultation with the Executive Principal.</p> <p>1- Mentor will be assigned to one mentee (new principal participating in the mentor program) at a time.</p> <p>1- Attend training as required.</p>	

ONE-TIME SIGN-ON BONUS - ON

Math/Science	\$1,000*
Certified Bilingual/ESL Teacher	\$1,000*
Deaf Education	\$3,000*
Dual Credit	\$3,000*
Special Education	\$3,000*
Speech Language Pathologist	\$6,000*
Relocation Fee (if you live 150 miles or more from El Paso, TX)	\$1,500**
Transportation - Bus Drivers	\$2,000***

* Two-Year Commitment to EPISD
 ** One-Year Commitment to EPISD
 *** Stipend paid out in Incremental amount of \$500 at the time of hire and every 6 months thereafter

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT MODELS - AS

Campus Principal	\$10,000 per year
Stipend eligibility - Planning Year and Three -Year Period of Redesign	

CAMPUS REDESIGN MODELS - AS

Campus Principal	\$10,000 - \$15,000 per year**
Instructional and Administrative Personnel	\$7,000 per year
Instructional Paraprofessional Personnel	\$1,000 per year
Clerical and Auxiliary Support Personnel	\$700 per year

~~The stipend will be allocated for a three-year period for staff at designated campus.~~

*The stipend is available only during the designated 3 years of the redesign.

**Stipend amount may vary based on prescriptive nature of redesign model

FOOD SERVICE - ON

Competency Trainer	\$150 per Semester
Trainer Manager	\$500 per Semester

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Board of Trustees
Executive Summary of Board Agenda Item

TITLE:

Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Proposed 2024-2025 Budgets for the General Operating Fund, Debt Service Fund and Food & Nutrition Fund

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT:

(To provide budget for Fiscal Year 2025, as required by Board Policy CE (Local) - Annual Operating Budget)

PURPOSE OF AGENDA ITEM: Action

TO BE HELD IN: Open Session

TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES:

AUTHORITY FOR ACTION: Other

STAFF RESPONSIBLE: Martha Aguirre/Gloria De Leon

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN OBJECTIVE, GOAL OR NEED ADDRESSED:

Strategic Lever IV: Culture of Accountability - El Paso ISD cultivates a culture of transparency, care, and service.

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to Board Policy CE (Local) – Annual Operating Budget, the Board shall adopt a budget to cover all expenditures for the succeeding fiscal year at the meeting called for that purpose. Education Code 44.004(f)–(g) the Board will hold an annual public meeting to discuss the proposed budget.

The proposed budgets for fiscal year 2024-2025 have been prepared for the General Operating Fund, Debt Service Fund, and Food & Nutrition Service Fund. All budgets have been prepared in accordance with TEA guidelines and EPISD Board budget priorities.

GENERAL OPERATING FUND – This budget provides for the primary operations of the District. The cost breakdown by function is as follows:

FUND 199 – General Operating Fund		
REVENUE		
	SOURCE	AMOUNT
	5700 - Local Revenue	\$ 159,875,182
	5800 - State Revenue	\$355,906,643
	5900 - Federal Revenue	\$ 14,196,000
	TOTAL	\$529,977,825
EXPENSES		
	FUNCTION	AMOUNT
	00 – Balance Sheet / Revenues	\$1,311,267
	11 – Instruction	\$297,256,091
	12 - Instructional Resources & Media Services	\$ 6,633,663
	13 – Curriculum Development and Instructional Staff Development	\$ 22,122,880
	21 – Instructional Leadership	\$ 6,543,345
	23 – School Leadership	\$37,498,207
	31 – Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	\$23,698,254
	32 – Social Work Services	\$ 6,194,759
	33 – Health Services	\$ 7,353,951

34 – Student (Pupil) Transportation	\$13,995,133
36 – Extracurricular Activities	\$13,915,919
41 – General Administration	\$15,342,667
51 – Facilities Maintenance and Operations	\$ 57,425,240
52 – Security and Monitoring Services	\$ 9,343,883
53 – Data Processing Services	\$ 11,449,592
61 – Community Services	\$ 1,266,974
71 – Debt Service	\$ 6,004,030
81 – Facilities Acquisition and Construction	\$ 1,421,880
99 – Other Intergovernmental Charges	\$3,259,992
TOTAL	\$542,037,729
REVENUE OVER/UNDER EXPENSES	\$ 12,059,904

DEBT SERVICE FUND – This budget provides for the payment of voter authorized bonded debt of the District.

FUND 599 – Debt Service Fund		
REVENUE		
	SOURCE	AMOUNT
	Local Revenue	\$ 59,2080,270
	State Revenue	\$ -
	Other Resources	\$ 10,350,000
	TOTAL	\$ 69,558,270
EXPENSES		
	FUNCTION	AMOUNT
	00 – Other Uses	\$ -
	71 – Debt Service	\$ 69,558,270
	TOTAL	\$ 69,558,270
	REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ -

FOOD & NUTRITION FUND – This budget is a Special Revenue Fund that provides for the costs associated with the delivery of food and nutrition services to students under the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. The fund is self-sustaining and covers all direct costs of the program. The cost breakdown by function is as follows:

FUND 240 – Food & Nutrition Fund		
REVENUE		
	SOURCE	AMOUNT
	Local Revenue	\$1,650,000
	State Revenue	\$170,000
	Federal Revenue	\$ 35,589,991
	TOTAL	\$ 37,409,991
EXPENSES		
	FUNCTION	AMOUNT
	35 – Food Services	\$ 35,802,493
	51 – Facilities Maintenance and Operations	\$ 1,607,498
	TOTAL	\$ 37,409,991
	REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ -

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION/MOTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget for \$542,037,729.00 to the General Operating Fund, \$69,558,270.00 to the Debt Service Fund, and \$37,409,991.00 to the Food & Nutrition Fund.

FUNDING SOURCE:	General Operating (Fund 199), Debt Service (Fund 599) and Food and Nutrition (Fund 240)	ACCOUNT NO.:	Various Accounts
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FISCAL IMPACT AND COST:

- **IMMEDIATE:** GO - \$542,037,729.00, DS \$69,558,270.00, FNS \$37,409,991.00
- **FUTURE/ONGOING:**

IMPACT ON OTHER FUNCTIONS/OPERATIONS:

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:

Program objectives for Fiscal Year 2025 will not be met.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: Effective July 1, 2024; Fiscal Year 2025

COMMENTS RECEIVED, IF ANY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- ▢ Budget Snapshots - FY25 GF, DS, FNS Funds

Fiscal Year 2025
General Operating Fund
Proposed Budget Snapshot

Revenue			
	FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
5700 - Local Revenue	198,893,344	159,875,182	(39,018,162)
5800 - State Revenue	324,752,242	355,906,643	31,154,401
5900 - Federal Revenue	19,284,976	14,196,000	(5,088,976)
Total	\$ 542,930,562	\$ 529,977,825	\$ (12,952,737)
Expenses			
	FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
00 - Balance Sheet / Revenues	1,311,267	1,311,267	-
11 - Instruction	294,052,993	297,256,091	3,203,098
12 - Instruction Resources and Media	6,568,790	6,633,663	64,873
13 - Curriculum & Instr Staff Develop	21,768,011	22,122,880	354,869
21 - Instructional Leadership	7,569,823	6,543,345	(1,026,478)
23 - School Leadership	37,723,866	37,498,207	(225,659)
31 - Guidance, Counseling, Evaluation	23,409,019	23,698,254	289,235
32 - Social Work Services	5,105,571	6,194,759	1,089,188
33 - Health Services	6,767,619	7,353,951	586,332
34 - Student Transportation	14,414,300	13,995,133	(419,167)
36 - Extracurricular Activities	14,249,883	13,915,919	(333,964)
41 - General Administration	15,591,072	15,342,667	(248,405)
51 - Facilities Maint and Operations	60,246,390	57,425,240	(2,821,150)
52 - Security and Monitoring Services	8,326,690	9,343,883	1,017,193
53 - Data Processing Services	12,665,769	11,449,592	(1,216,177)
61 - Community Services	50,440	1,266,974	1,216,534
71 - Debt Service	5,430,356	6,004,030	573,674
81 - Facilities Acquisition & Construction	4,200,000	1,421,880	(2,778,120)
99 - Other Intergovernmental Charges	3,478,703	3,259,992	(218,711)
Total	\$ 542,930,562	\$ 542,037,729	\$ (892,833)
Revenue Over/Under Expenses			
	\$ -	\$ (12,059,904)	\$ (12,059,904)

Fiscal Year 2025
Food Nutrition Services
Proposed Budget Snapshot

Revenue				
Description		FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
Local Revenues		1,600,000	1,650,000	50,000
State Revenues		160,000	170,000	10,000
Federal Revenues		32,940,590	35,589,991	2,649,401
Total	\$	34,700,590	\$ 37,409,991	\$ 2,709,401
Expenses				
Description		FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
35 - Food Services		32,858,188	35,802,493	2,944,305
51 - Facilities Maintenance & Operations		1,842,402	1,607,498	(234,904)
Total	\$	34,700,590	\$ 37,409,991	\$ 2,709,401
Revenue Over/Under Expenses		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Fiscal Year 2025
Debt Service
Proposed Budget Snapshot

599 - Debt Service Fund

Revenue			
Description	FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
Local Revenues	56,326,957	59,208,270	2,881,313
State Revenues	816,936	10,350,000	9,533,064
Total	\$ 57,143,893	\$ 69,558,270	\$ 12,414,377

Expenses			
Description	FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
00 - Other Uses	-	-	-
71-Debt Service	57,143,893	69,558,270	12,414,377
Total	\$ 57,143,893	\$ 69,558,270	\$ 12,414,377
Revenue Over/Under Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

575 - QSC Sinking Fund

Revenue			
Description	FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
00-Balance Sheet / Revenues	-	-	-
Interest Revenue	500,000	500,000	-
Other Sources - Fund Balance	684,059	684,059	-
Total	\$ 1,184,059	\$ 1,184,059	\$ -

577 - QSC Sinking Fund

Revenue			
Description	FY 2024 Adopted	FY 2025 Proposed	Variance
00-Balance Sheet / Revenues	-	-	-
Interest Revenue	75,000	75,000	-
Other Sources - Fund Balance	627,208	627,208	-
Total Revenue	\$ 702,208	\$ 702,208	\$ -