

# Fall Sports

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This year Telluride High School has a strong athletic program that is improving by the minute while over 70 students train every day



to be the best they can, working for a successful season. The high school will be very active this fall with volleyball and soccer games, cross country meets and golf tournaments. It is evident that there are very dedicated and passionate athletes and coaches.

The cross country coach, Erin Murray, has developed great devotion behind coaching cross country. She was on the first cross country team in Telluride so it is easy for her to relate to her runners and "encourage my runners to get out there and do their best is super fun."

This group of students runs quite a bit every day, getting in shape for meets that occur almost every weekend, "We run a minimum of two miles," Erin explained, "but normally it's more between four to eight miles a day."

This year's team has a wide variety of levels, "We have some new people and lots of returning people," Erin said. Jaden Evans is a returning senior, he is said to be



Erin Murray hits the alpine trail.

one of the leaders this year, "He is coming back and he was one of our leaders last year and he did really well competing at state for the boys, so he's definitely leading that pack."

These hardworking runners have a few more meets this season and have high expectations.

The golf team is "Good and improving!" This is according to Simon Lovely, a senior on the golf team. Simon said that together the team won their last tournament. He tells us that the team as a whole has been improving and that they are very excited for their eight tournaments this year with a goal to make it to state, and hopefully win.

Here is a shout out to Carlo Pine, who received first place in their first tournament, and third place in their second tournament of the season.



Baylee Williams.

Andreas Moorman, senior on the boys' soccer team, says that the love the team has for the sport is what inspires him, and his friends, to play this year. "It's a great sport," he said. The guys are doing well and so far, are undefeated. Andreas said, "Everything looks pretty promising." Their goal this season is to make it to state with the 17 boys they have on varsity. This year's nine seniors leading of the pack and seems like everything is falling right into place for them so far. We are very excited to see the result of the season.

The volleyball team, with 19 girls, has a very challenging league



Ian Enkema gains control against a defender.

against them, leaving the girls working harder than any volleyball team usually would. There is a total of 23 games within a two-and-a-half-month span, giving them a big chance of ending with a higher rank.

Baylee Williams, senior varsity setter, explains the team dynamic and potential. "We have six strong seniors on the team this year and we all work really well together. I think that the seniors are setting a really good example for the younger girls, and we are really excited to play our last year of volleyball together. We hope to have fun during the season and finish strong."

The girls are working hard every day to become a stronger team. They would love for locals to

come support the games as they can get very intense. "Home games



Andreas Moorman takes a free kick.

are the best," notes Baylee. "The mine shaft can get pretty rowdy which really helps pump up the team. The energy on the court and in the bleachers is just through the roof, it's a great time."



Celebration! Liam Scanlon, Simon Lovely, Coach Jeff Arenson, Robert Cooney, and Carlo Pine.

