

# Fall Sports Recap

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With winter approaching, fall sports have come to an end.

Some coaches and players were disappointed with their season's activities being limited due to regulations issued by KSHSAA and the state.

"I hate to say this but cheer has not done much this year. We did not go to a cheer camp, hardly practiced, and only cheered at home games," cheer coach Jessica Boor said. "The athletes follow the temp checks, 6-foot distancing, and wear masks as required."

However, most of these Fall athletes had an optimistic outlook and were happy that they still got to have a season at all.

"I'm honestly really happy with our season, especially Riley and I's." Senior tennis player Aubrey Anderson said. Her #1 doubles partner was Riley Richter, a Junior.

"I think the girls really bonded towards the end of the season. It was pretty rough with COVID, but I think we made the best of it and made our way through it," Senior volleyball player Karlie Boeken said. "I'm really happy we made it to the end."

2-time State cross country runner Bella Brownlee is also grateful that she got to have a cross country season.

"I am fortunate enough to have gone to state both my years of high school, and it was a really fun experience, especially with a friend with me this time," Brownlee said. "I am also fortunate enough to be gifted with the ability of running. I don't love running, but it can be enjoyable sometimes. I am super competitive too, and I love to represent SHS out there in XC."

Coaches and athletes alike said that they did their best to try and keep up with wearing masks and maintaining the recommend distance.

“They did a pretty good job of wearing their masks in the locker rooms and in the hallways when they were supposed to,” head football coach Brent Schneider said. “I’d say 90% of it was second nature for them and 10% they forgot or just didn’t want to wear it, but you are going to get that with everything.”

“Whenever we were together, we were wearing masks. The only time we didn’t was when we were running,” Brownlee said.

All in all, most of these players were grateful to have a season, even if it looked a little different than what athletes, coaches, and spectators are used to.