

## News Release from Dripping Springs ISD



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## DRIPPING SPRINGS STUDENT-ATHLETES ANNOUNCE COMMITMENTS

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas—Four Dripping Springs High School seniors signed national letters of intent today (Feb. 5) to continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level.

**Kelly Cook** will participate in track at Southwestern Assemblies of God University, **Steven Galli** will compete in track and cross country at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, **Kaitlyn Joy** will play soccer at the University of Idaho, and **Matthew Wylie** will play football at the University of Massachusetts. These four student-athletes join one baseball player, Lake Dabney, to have signed letters of intent to begin their collegiate careers in 2014. Below is information on each.

### **Kelly Cook**

### **Track**

### **Southwestern Assemblies of God**

Kelly Cook has been competing in track and cross country since seventh grade, and has also played soccer. She was fifth at the 25-4A District Track Meet as a junior in the 800 Meters with a time of 2:23. This past fall Kelly placed 24<sup>th</sup> at the district cross country meet with a time of 20:00 for the 5,000-meter course. Her best events are middle distance – the 800 meters and the mile. The daughter of Burgess and Tami Cook, she will attend at the Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie, Texas.

### **Steven Galli**

### **Track/Cross Country**

### **Texas A&M-Corpus Christi**

Steven Galli was the District 25-4A cross country champion this past fall, completing the 5,000-meter course in 15:29 and leading the Tigers to the best season in school history. A two-time regional qualifier, he was chosen as the cross country team MVP in 2013. The district champion in the 800 Meters and the 1,600 Meters as a junior, he went on to place fifth in both events at the regional meet. Steven has only been running competitively since his junior year. The son of Marc and Doreen Galli, Steven will attend Texas A&M-Corpus Christi University.

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**Kaitlyn Joy****Soccer****University of Idaho**

A three-year varsity starter in soccer, Kaitlyn led her team to three consecutive district titles, with the Lady Tigers reaching the Texas 4A regional quarterfinals in 2013. She was named to both the All-District Second Team and All-Academic Second Team in 2011, 2012 and 2013. Kaitlyn led DSHS in both goals and assists the past three seasons. Also a three-year varsity letterman in track, she qualified for the 2013 regional meet in the 200 Meters and two relay events. Kaitlyn led her Premier soccer club team to the 2013 USYS (United States Youth Soccer) National Cup and Texas state finals. She was a member of the Lonestar ECNL (Elite Clubs National League) team that won a 2012 Conference Championship and advanced to the 2013 National Championship qualifier. From 2011-13, Kaitlyn participated in the Olympic Development Program for South Texas and Region III. The daughter of Thomas and Monica Joy, she will be continuing her playing career at the University of Idaho.

**Matthew Wylie****Football****University of Massachusetts**

A three-year varsity letterman for the Tigers, Matthew Wylie has recorded five career field goals of more than 40 yards in length, including a career-long 48-yarder as a freshman. As a senior he was named to the All-District First Team and the Academic All-State Second Team. At DSHS he has been successful on 14 of 20 field-goal attempts and 107 of 109 extra points. He has never had a field goal or PAT blocked. He has attended many kicking camps and earned multiple honors such as "kickoff champion" at both Baylor and LSU camps. Matthew is the vice president of the National Honor Society at DSHS. The son of Mike and Kimberly Wylie, Matthew will attend the University of Massachusetts. His older brother, Timothy, is a scholarship swimmer at the University of Tennessee.

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