

Elementary School Category	Placement Rules
MS-5 Boys and Girls	All 5th Grade Boys and Girls (those registered with a team participating in the pilot program)
Middle School Category	Placement Rules
MS-6 Boys and Girls	All 6th Grade Boys and Girls
MS-7 Boys and Girls	All 7th Grade Boys and Girls except those who qualified for the Boys MS-A or Girls MS-A category
MS-8 Boys and Girls	All 8th Grade Boys and Girls except those who qualified for the Boys MS-A or Girls MS-A category
MS-A Girls	Any girl that raced in the MS-A category the prior season and any 7th Grade Girl who that had an average race % finish 25% or better in the Girls 6th Grade category and any 8th Grade Girl that had an average race % finish 35% or better in the Girls 7th Grade category.
MS-A Boys	Any boy that raced in the MS-A category the prior season and any 7th Grade Boy that had an average race % finish 25% or better in the Boys 6th Grade category and any 8th Grade Boy that had an average race % finish 35% or better in the Boys 7th Grade category.
High School Category	Placement Rules
JV3 Boys and Girls	High school athletes that are not in JV2, JV1 or Varsity categories
JV2 Boys and Girls	All prior year HS2 athletes that do not qualify for promotion to JV1. Prior year HS3 athletes that had an average race % finish 50% or better. 9 th grade athletes that had an average race % finish 50% or better in 8 th grade the prior year, or 50% or better in MSA the prior year.
JV1 Boys and Girls	All prior year HS1 athletes that do not qualify for promotion to Varsity. Prior year HS2 athletes that had an average race % finish 25% or better. 9 th grade athletes that had an average race % finish 50% or better in MSA the prior year.
Varsity Boys and Girls	All prior year Varsity athletes. Prior year HS1 athletes that had an average race % finish 35% or better.

Petition Paths
No category petitions for 5th graders participating in the pilot program
6th Grade Girls and Boys with a proven NCICL record and/or outside results may petition up to race up to MS-A Girls or MS-A Boys
7th Grade Girls and Boys with a proven NCICL record and/or outside results may petition up to race up to MS-A Girls or MS-A Boys
*8th Grade Girls and Boys with a proven NCICL record and/or outside results may petition up to race up to MS-A Girls or MS-A Boys or up to JV1
JV3 Girls and Boys with a proven NCICL record and/or outside results may petition to race up to JV2 or JV1
All High School Grade Girls and Boys with a proven NCICL record and/or outside results may petition to race up to JV1 or Varsity