

## Pioneers Maintain Share Of First Place

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The high school soccer season is only four games old in league play, but the Watauga High boys are

currently involved in a heated race for first place in the Northwestern 3A/4A Conference. The Pioneers (11-0; 4-0 NW3A/4A Conference) held on to their share of the lead by knocking off South Caldwell 3-0 Wednesday night in a NW3A/4A Conference game in Sawmills, N.C. Fred T. Foard (4-0 league play) kept pace as the Tigers knocked off St. Stephens 5-2 Wednesday night in Hickory. The Pioneers will play Fred T. Foard at home next Wednesday, September 25.

Justin Hall got WHS on the board as he scored a goal at the 38-minute mark of the first half. Hunter Martin picked up an assist on that play. Cam Linnville gave WHS a two-goal advantage less than a minute into the second half, thanks to a header ball by Logan Raichle. Tucker Chasteen closed things out as he tallied on a feed from Raichle at the 68-minute mark. The Pioneers travel to St. Stephens on Monday. The junior varsity team won its match, 1-0. Powell Glidewell scored the game's only goal on a penalty kick.

### **NORTHWESTERN 3A/4A CONFERENCE BOY'S SOCCER WEDNESDAY'S GAMES**

**WATAUGA 3, SOUTH CALDWELL 0**  
FRED T. FOARD 5, ST. STEPHENS 2  
FREEDOM 2, PATTON 1  
HICKORY 4, HIBRITEN 0

### **STANDINGS**

**WATAUGA** ██████████ **4-0**  
FRED T. FOARD 4-0  
FREEDOM 3-1  
ST. STEPHENS 2-1-1

### **WHS XC CHRISTENS HOME FACILITY IN STYLE**

The Watauga High boy's and girl's cross country team officially opened their new on-campus cross country facility on Wednesday afternoon in a Northwestern 3A/4A Conference relay meet. And the Pioneers basically dominated the competition in their home opener. The WHS boys had four runners in the top ten, and seven runners in the top 20. The girls had

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five runners in the top ten and seven in the top 20.

Michael Holland paced the WHS boys with a second-place finish; Kathleen Mansure won her third race of the season by pacing the field in the girls' race. The Pioneers will host the High Country Classic next Saturday, September 28.

### Boys

**Watauga** 29

S. Caldwell 77  
McDowell 84  
Hibriten 93  
Crossnore Academy 125  
Freedom 127

1. Dylan Mathewson SC
2. Michael Holland W
3. Will Vandenberg W
4. Matt Osborne W
8. Zack Styron W
12. Zak Horine W
13. Matthew Hellenbrand W
14. Jacob Soule W

### Girls

**Watauga** 20

Freedom 61  
McDowell 63  
S. Caldwell 97

1. Kathleen Mansure W
2. Celia Jackson W
3. Lily Weeks W
6. Lynde Wangler W
8. Lauren Welsh W
11. Finley Collins W
12. Sophie Sloboda W