

TENNIS

The Brackett Tigers battled through a long, rainy weekend at the Regional Tennis Tournament in Corpus Christi, competing with toughness, determination, and pride against some of the top teams in the region. Despite difficult weather conditions and multiple rain delays, the Tigers showed resilience on the court and represented their school and community with outstanding sportsmanship and effort throughout the tournament.

The doubles teams opened the tournament strong, with both the boys doubles team of Eli Jackson and Ande Rendon and the girls doubles team of Analiese Garcia and Anna Mesa earning impressive first-round victories to advance deeper into the bracket. Both teams later faced talented Mason opponents and fought hard in highly competitive matches before coming up short against experienced competition. Their grit and teamwork throughout the tournament highlighted the growth and success of the Brackett tennis program.

In mixed doubles, Caraline Ducharme and Sebastian Gallo competed with heart and determination all weekend long. The duo battled their way into the 3rd place match with a chance to qualify for the State Tournament. Facing a very experienced and well-coached Shiner team, Caraline and Sebastian competed in a long, hard-fought match that showcased their resilience and competitive spirit. Although they narrowly missed a state berth, their effort and perseverance throughout the regional tournament were tremendous accomplishments.

Leading the way for Brackett was Ethan Jackson in Boys Singles. Ethan came out strong in the regional tournament, dominating his first-round opponent with an impressive (6-3, 6-0) victory. He continued his momentum into the second round, where he showcased his consistency and control on the court, winning decisively (6-2, 6-3) to advance to the semifinals.

In the semifinal match, Ethan faced a highly competitive opponent from Mason. Despite a hard-fought battle and showing tremendous resilience, he came up just short, moving him into the 3rd place match with one final opportunity to qualify for state.

Rising to the moment, Ethan delivered one of his best performances of the tournament. With focus and determination, he took control early and secured the win (6-1, 6-2), clinching 3rd place and earning a well-deserved berth at the Texas High School Tennis State Tournament.

Ethan will now compete at the Texas State Tennis Tournament in San Antonio on May 7th and 8th, proudly representing Brackett on the state stage. His work ethic, composure under pressure, and competitive spirit continue to set the standard for Brackett Tennis and make him a true leader both on and off the court.

The entire Brackett Tennis Team demonstrated tremendous effort, heart, and pride throughout the regional tournament, and their accomplishments this season continue to reflect the dedication and culture of excellence being built within the program.

TRACK

Boys-

As we close the chapter on the 2026 season, the most defining characteristic of the Tiger Track team wasn't just the final results, but the development and growth displayed by every athlete. From the cold afternoons in March to the final heat of the season, this group redefined what it means to work as a unit.

Development & Growth

We entered this season with a lot of raw potential and some returning high-performers. Early on, the focus was on the fundamentals—perfecting handoffs, mastering block starts, and building the aerobic engine needed for the distance events.

The growth was visible in every meet. We saw athletes who started the year unsure of their events blossom into versatile competitors. By mid-season, our "newcomers" were no longer just participating; they were scoring crucial points and pushing our veterans to reach new heights.

Season Highlights

While personal records (PRs) fell weekly, the true highlight was the breaking of a school record by Matthew Schwandner in the 800 meter and watching the growth of our mile-relay team shaving seconds off their time. This was done through seamless communication and teamwork which was a testament to the hours of practice put in behind the scenes. At the regional meet, Matthew Schwandner finished 5th place in the 800 meter run and 6th place in the 1600 meter run. The mile relay team of Jordan Balderas, Sam Waddell, Liam Hoehn and Matthew Schwandner finished 7th with a season best time.

Looking Ahead

We say goodbye to a dedicated group of seniors who laid the groundwork for this culture. Congratulations to all the athletes on a season defined by consistent improvement and hard work.

Girls Track

Overall this has been a great season for Tigergette track. At every meet, these young ladies kept improving on times/throws and jumps. We qualified more girls to the area meet and regional meet than has happened in many years. Records fell as Freshman

Layla Johnson broke the school records in the 200m and 400m dashes. At regionals, Amber Tajchman placed 12th in High Jump, Anna Mesa placed 12th in the 800 and 10th in the 1600m run and Layla placed 7th in the 400m dash.

The future looks bright for this young group as we look forward to a strong 8th grade group coming up next year.