



Student-Athlete Spotlight Questionnaire

Name: Oliver Grandstaff

School: Bellefontaine High School

Grade: 12

Sports Participated In: Cross country, swim, indoor and outdoor track

School/Team/League/District/State Honors: Mike Bible Award (team), 1st team All CBC (league), Academic All Ohio (state)

Words You Live By/Favorite Quote: “To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift”-Steve Prefontaine

Most Memorable Game/Competition (You’ve been a part of) and Why? 2023 cross country regional meet-showed me how fast a perfect season can go down the drain; despite being ranked 2nd at the meet, we ended up getting 5th and not making it to state (I believe less than 10 points separated 1st from 5th). It made me realize that you need to be ready to give 100% of your effort even when the odds are in your favor, as anything can happen once the race starts.

Most Influential Person in Your Life: I would say the most influential person in my life is my dad, as he is the one who first introduced me to cross country, and since then he has supported me and my goals (no matter how outrageous they seemed at the time), as well as showing up to all my cross country meets and yelling louder than everyone else out there.

Favorite Movie: McFarland USA

Favorite TV Show: Slam Dunk

Favorite Musical Artist/Group: Foo Fighters

What are you currently reading or what is your favorite Book: Currently reading Lord of the Flies

What restaurant in your community would you say visiting fans MUST try: Six Hundred Downtown

Favorite School Subject: Science/chemistry

Favorite Sports Team (college or pro): Bengals

Athlete you most look up to: Yohan Blake

What one talent/skill would you most like to have: Good singing skills

Future Plans (college/career/athletics): Attend college (not sure where yet) and major in a STEM field, hopefully continuing my running career as well.