## **BROCAW BLAZERS HISTORY**

Coach Ramsey founded the team in October of 1988 as tribute to a family of runners that he coached who were killed in a tragic car accident. Anyone from Kansas, Western Missouri and any adjacent AAU or USATF District, age 6-18, who wants to participate, is encouraged to do so. The team has competed in the CC Coaches National Youth Championships, AAU and USAT&F Jr. Olympics Cross Country meets. The team has grown from 17 runners in 1988 to the point where we have had as many as 201 runners at the National Cross Country Meet on teams in six different age divisions. Coach Ramsey coordinates all training, travel, lodging, finances, logistics and activities for the team.

2018 top 25 National Cross Country medals with 125 National Champions 330 teams that finished in the top 3 at the National Cross Country Championships 174 National Cross Country Team Champions;

1990 Young Women, 1993 Intermediate Girls, 1993 Young Men, 1995 Youth Boys 1995 Young Women, 1996 Midget Boys, 1996 Youth Boys, 1996 Intermediate Girls, 1996 Young Women, 1996 Young Men, 1997 Youth Girls, 1997 Intermediate Girls, 1997 Intermediate Boys, 1997 Young Women, 1997 Young Men, 1998 Intermediate Girls, 1998 Intermediate Boys, 1998 Young Women, 1998 Young Men, 1999 Bantam Boys, 1999 Youth Girls, 1999 Young Women, 1999 Young Men, 2000 Youth Girls, 2000 Youth Boys, 2000 Intermediate Girls, 2000 Intermediate Boys, 2000 Young Men, 2001 Youth Boys, 2001 Intermediate Girls, 2001 Intermediate Boys, 2001 Young Men, 2002 Bantam Boys, 2002 Youth Boys, 2002 Intermediate Girls, 2002 Intermediate Boys, 2003 Bantam Girls, 2003 Intermediate Boys, 2003 Young Women, 2004 Midget Boys, 2004 Youth Boys, 2004 Intermediate Girls, 2004 Young Women, 2004 Young Men, 2005 Bantam Girls, 2005 Midget Boys, 2005 Youth Boys, 2005 Intermediate Girls, 2005 Intermediate Boys, 2005 Young Women, 2005 Young Men, 2006 Sub-Bantam Girls, 2006 Bantam Girls, 2006 Bantam Boys, 2006 Sub-Midget Girls, 2006 Sub-Youth Girls, 2006 Sub-Youth Boys, 2006 Youth Girls, 2006 Youth Boys, 2006 Intermediate Boys, 2006 Young Women, 2006 Young Men, 2007 Primary Girls, 2007 Primary Boys, 2007 Bantam Boys, 2007 Midget Girls, 2007 Midget Boys, 2007 Youth Boys, 2007 Intermediate Girls, 2007 Intermediate Boys, 2007 Young Women, 2007 Young Men, 2008 Primary Girls, 2008 Bantam Boys, 2008 Youth Girls, 2008 Youth Boys, 2008 Intermediate Girls, 2008 Intermediate Boys, 2008 Young Women, 2008 Young Men, 2009 Primary Boys, 2009 Bantam Girls, 2009 Midget Girls, 2009 Midget Boys, 2009 Youth Girls, 2009 Intermediate Girls, 2009 Intermediate Boys, 2009 Young Women, 2009 Young Men, 2010 6-8 Girls, 2010 13-14 Girls, 2010 13-14 Boys, 2010 15-16 Girls, 2010 15-16 Boys, 2010 17-18 Girls, 2010 17-18 Boys, 2011 11-12 Boys, 2011 13-14 Girls, 2011 13-14 Boys, 2011 15-16 Girls, 2011 17-18 Girls, 2011 17-18 Boys, 2012 9-10 Boys, 2012 13-14 Boys, 2012 15-16 Boys, 2012 17-18 Girls, 2012 17-18 Boys, 2013 6-8 Boys, 2013 9-10 Girls, 2013 11-12 Girls, 2013 11-12 Boys, 2013 13-14 Girls, 2013 13-14 Boys, 2013 15-16 Boys, 2013 17-18 Girls, 2013 17-18 Boys, 2014 6-8 Boys, 2014 11-12 Girls, 2014 13-14 Boys, 2014 15-16 Girls, 2014 15-16 Boys, 2014 17-18 Girls, 2014 17-18 Boys, 2015 11-12 Girls, 2015 11-12 Boys, 2015 13-14 Girls, 2015 13-14 Boys, 2015 15-16 Boys, 2015 17-18 Girls, 2016 11-12 Girls, 2016 11-12 Boys, 2016 13-14 Boys, 2016 15-16 Girls, 2016 15-16 Boys, 2016 17-18 Girls, 2016 17-18 Boys, 2017 9-10 Boys, 2017 11-12 Girls, 2017 11-12 Boys, 2017 13-14 Girls, 2017 13-14 Boys, 2017 15-16 Girls, 2017 15-16 Boys, 2017 17-18 Girls, 2017 17-18 Boys, 2018 9-10 Boys, 2018 13-14 Girls, 2018 13-14 Boys, 2018 15-16 Girls, 2018 15-16 Boys, 2019 6-8 Boys, 2019 11-12 Girls, 2019 11-12 Boys, 2019 13-14 Girls, 2019 13-14 Boys, 2019 15-16 Girls, 2019 17-18 Girls, 2019 17-18 Boys, 2020 6-8 Boys, 2020 9-10 Boys, 2020 11-12 Boys, 2020 13-14 Boys, 2020 15-16 Boys, 2021 6-8 Girls, 2021 6-8 Boys, 2021 9-10 Girls, 2021 9-10 Boys, 2021 11-12 Girls, 2021 11-12 Boys, 2021 13-14 Girls, 2021 13-14 Boys, 2021 15-16 Girls, 2021 15-16 Boys & 2021 17-18 Boys

98 teams have also finished as National Cross Country Team Runner-up.

In 2021, we had what has been called the greatest overall team performance ever as eleven(11) of the twelve(12) teams in the different age divisions won the national title. Three other teams finished as national runner-up and one other team finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. We also added to our record as the only team in history to have a team (15-16 Boys and 17-18 Boys) finish 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the same race. This feat was accomplished in 2007, 2012 & 2019 by our 13-14 Boys, in 2001, 2002, 2005, 2007, 2008 & 2011 by our 15-16 Girls, in 2014 & 2021 by our 15-16 Boys, in 2003, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011 & 2012 by our 17-18 Girls and in 1999, 2008, 2010, 2014, 2017 & 2021 by our 17-18 Boys. Since 1996, of the 284 races that have been contested, we have had a team in all except two. Of those 282 races, our team has finished as the National Champions 164 times, National Runner-up 83 times, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher 44 times.

Winning Streaks - The 13-14 Boys have won every national title contested since 2010.

## **Team and National Records - 16 Races**

16 teams finish in the top three at Nationals - 2006 13 teams finish 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at Nationals - 2006 11 teams finish as National team champions - 2006 Top 5 finishers in one race - Young Women 2006

## **Team and National Records - 10 Races**

11 teams finish in the top three at Nationals - 2001 9 teams finish 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at Nationals - 1998, 1999, 2003 and 2005 7 teams finish as National team champions - 2005 5 teams finish as National team champions - 1996, 1997, 2000 and 2004 4 individuals win national titles - 1997

## **Team and National Records - 12 Races**

16 teams finish in the top three at Nationals - 2007 14 teams finish 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at Nationals - 2007 & 2021 11 teams finish as National team champions - 2021. The other team finished as National Runner-up. Top 4 finishers in one race; 2007 Midget Girls, 2007 Young Women, 2012 13-14 Boys, 2014 15-16 Boys & 2014 17-18 Girls Top 5 finishers in one race - 2014 17-18 Boys Top 6 finishers in one race - 2010 Young Women 12 individuals win national titles - 2007

Team Goal - To win the bet and make Coach Shannon Smith start growing his hair again!