

the **race**; "After a good race, I get out of the pool, and I'm so tired. My legs are shaking, but my heart feels like it's soaring and I have never felt stronger and more alive," Lane Groce '26 said.

59.31 seconds
groce's 100-meter backstroke time at a leagues

wrestling with the **weight** OF STATE

as the only wrestler to qualify, noah jadd '26 grapples with his first wrestling state championship at ball arena



ready to rumble

During his consolation match Feb. 16, Varsity Wrestler Noah Jadd '26 faces off against Chaparral wrestler Dominic Cordray '25 at Ball Arena. Jadd lost 5-3 in his second match and was eliminated from the tournament. "I think [in] my first match, I didn't come out with the fire I usually have, but I feel like I tried my hardest.... I [felt] like I [was] a little sore, a little bit tired, but I feel like I tried my best," Jadd said.

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5-3 loss

"I felt great about the support I got, that was the one thing that made me feel great. It had a little bit of pressure, but I also felt kind of at home. I want to be back here, and I'm gonna go farther. I want to get on that podium," Varsity Wrestler Noah Jadd '26 said.

it all comes down to the eight

As the Jaguar student section cheers from the seats of the Denver Coliseum, Mac Terry '24 goes for a layup during the Great Eight tournament against Thunder Ridge Feb. 29. Although the team lost against Thunder Ridge, Terry won Player of the Game for this game and 11 others during the season. "We worked so hard this season, and it all went to the Great Eight again. We all played our hardest," Terry said.

photo by: c. farson

"I was stunned, I felt bad. I believed that our team was good enough, that we were going to be able to win state. Could've, would've, should've, you just never know. What happened happened," Nolan Kliewer '24 said.

the scoreboard never lies

After the final buzzer, Guard Nick Burke '25 holds his head as Thunder Ridge celebrates their victory in the Great Eight across the court of the Coliseum Feb. 29. After the teams tied 53-53, the game went into overtime; the Jaguars lost 62-60 after Thunder Ridge scored a field goal in the last 10 seconds. "It was sad because we played very well, and they are our rival.... We were so close to winning the game," Burke said.

photo by: c. yeater



going for overtime

In the last seconds of the fourth quarter, Shooting Guard Kasen Lehman '25 shoots the final of three free throws during the Great Eight game against Thunder Ridge at the Denver Coliseum Feb. 29. Lehman made all three free throws, tied the game, and brought it into overtime.

"I got fouled, and I got so nervous and scared. I was shaking. It was the most nerve-wracking thing I've ever done in my life," Lehman said.

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60 points

scored against thunder ridge

order on the court

With only 2:50 left in the fourth quarter and the Jaguars down five points, Coach Kent Grams instructs seniors Mac Terry and Hudson Ellwood to remain focused as the end of the Great Eight versus Thunder Ridge drew nearer Feb. 29. The Jaguars closed the gap between them and Thunder Ridge before the quarter ended.

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"It was pretty crazy. I've never played in somewhere like the Coliseum, and that was pretty cool. I just couldn't believe it at first that we lost because I really thought we were going to win that game, and I was sad that we lost because we should have won," Jacob David '27 said.

spirit from the benches

Point Guard Davis May '26 yells from the benches of the Coliseum as Guard Jacob David '27 scores a field goal Feb. 29. While most of the starting lineup remained in play for the duration of the game, May and his teammates cheered from the sidelines. "It was so exciting I got to be in the Coliseum and get the opportunity to be there, even if I didn't play," May said.

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putting the **'all'** IN basketball

varsity girls basketball faces off in the great eight at the denver coliseum for the first time in history



shooting for the stars

Senior Captain Sienna Pillsbury goes for the layup against no. 4 Valor at the Coliseum Feb. 29. The Jaguars were the only 6A team in the Great Eight under the top eight in the brackets. "I think the second half was kind of where we [did better]. We were just playing better as a team, [and] our defense was just [better]," Pillsbury said.

photo by: s. thompson

trip & foul

After being fouled by a Valor player, Brooke Harding '25 falls to the Coliseum floor during the Great Eight game Feb. 29. The Jags outscored Valor 23-21 in the second half, but ultimately lost the game 60-44. "Someone fouled me and I got to the free throw line. I made the shoot," Harding said.

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scored 44
points against valor

scale, crimp, and **climb** to the top

climbing club takes second place in the colorado state championship

placed 2nd
in the state championship



onward & upward

Ahn Goins '26 climbs during state championship, Feb. 24 at Gripstone Climbing and Fitness in Colorado Springs. Goins placed 17th individually. "It felt very good to get into varsity. It showed me that I had improved a lot from last year and that my hard work led to something," Ahn Goins '26 said.

photo by: i. orner



top of the wall

Varsity climber Nathan Fields '27 hangs from the wall at the State Championship Feb. 24. at the Colorado Climbing and Fitness Center in Colorado Springs. To qualify for state, Fields had to place in the top 19 at the Regional Championships. The team placed second, scoring 23,648 points.

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the **buzzer** SOUNDS

varsity boys basketball brings their all at the great eight against thunder ridge