

# Metcalfe Track Building Toward Postseason

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The Metcalfe County Hornets track and field team is hitting its stride as the season moves deeper into the schedule, with two meets set this week and a growing focus on postseason competition.

Head Coach Bryant Stockton said the team has shown steady improvement across the board, highlighted by a new school record and numerous personal bests throughout the early part of the season. The Hornets also continue to see strong participation and progress from their Unified and Adapted athletes.

A major milestone for the program came March 31 with the opening of the school's new track facility, providing a boost of

energy and pride for the team.

As Region competition approaches, the Hornets are emphasizing both performance and team unity.

"Our focus continues to be on competing at a high level while building the camaraderie that makes track and field such a special sport," Stockton said.

The team's senior class—Kaitlynn Howard, Aubrey DeWeese and Waylon Cox—will look to cap their careers on a strong note as they lead the Hornets into the postseason.

**Track 2026 roster:**  
12th - Waylon Cox, Aubrey DeWeese, and Kaitlynn Howard.

11th – Trigg Acree, Zaylee Boswell, Fenton Cocagna, Lily-Ann Horton, Corinne



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Keller, Brianna Matheson, Ethan Rakes, Collin Shive, Amelia Slinker, Kyly Thurmond, Lillie Westmoreland, Abigail Willcutt, and Emma Woosley.

10th - Jaidyn Drum,

Cade Huffman, Ethan Stilwell, Kristopher Taitingfong, and Sebastian Williams.

9th - Abigail Bryant, Devin Christie, Jayden Damron, Kennedy Gilpin, Madelyn Glass, Maya Gonsalves,

Jazlynn Reece, Kaylee Rowlette, Macie Strode, Shelby Thomas, John Christopher White, Aaron Willcutt, and Candi Williams.

8th - Serenity Sams and Aydon Slayton

7th – Lucy Blythe, Danzick Boswell, Hannah Huffman,

6th - Josie Saltsman

Coaches: Bryant Stockton, Adam Howard, and Brandi Ethridge

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Coach Turner and the Lady Hornets.

"I am incredibly honored and grateful for the opportunity to join the Metcalfe County girls' basketball program," Coach Turner said. "I can't wait to get in the gym and start working with our players to continue

to build on the history of success the Lady Hornets have seen in recent years. I want to sincerely thank the administration for placing their trust in me."

MCHS Principal

Joseph Eaton said, "We are excited to welcome Coach Turner to Metcalfe County High School. His knowledge and passion for basketball will make a positive impact on our program. I look forward to seeing

the great things that our Lady Hornets will achieve next season."

Coach Turner and his wife, Chelsea, have two children: Noah, who is 12 years old, and Elijah, who is 9 months old.

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and the other listed no color and was \$2,000 cheaper. The motion to approve the purchase of no color chips was made and approved for \$4,800.

Another bid was received for the road department truck from Enterprise Commercial Truck in Indianapolis, Indiana. They bid on two 550 heavy-duty, diesel 2021 Ford trucks with low mileage. One for \$54,698 and the second for \$55,398. They already had the dump beds on them.

The magistrates considered the other two bids along with this one. The motion to accept the Enterprise bid was made by Bragg, seconded by Hawkins, and approved.

The 2nd reading and adoption of the amended Ordinance # 830-17-0199 establishing a permit process for the licensing of solid waste collectors and haulers within Metcalfe County was approved unanimously.

A Resolution for

County Road Aid Cooperative Program in the amount of \$972,483.96 from the Transportation Cabinet was approved.

A short closed session for litigation under KRS 61.810(1)(c) was held, but upon return, no action was taken.

The March 2026 financial statement was approved, followed by the quarterly statement, which was also approved.

The budget transfers and interfund transfers included the purchase of the jailer's vehicle for \$39,585 and were approved.

The claims included the jail payment of \$28,035 and Pyles Demolition Recycling payment of \$13,140,

which was for the 25 dumpsters during clean-up week. The city will reimburse the county for its part, and the metal collected will be sold to offset a little of the cost. The claims were approved.

As usual, the DES, Recycling, and Road Department reports were included in the packets for review.

### Other Business

Judge Wilson received a quote from Stevie Page (and crew) to pressure wash the sidewalks and historic courthouse foundation for \$5,200. After discussion, the amount was approved, and bids will be taken for this in the future.

There were no other items, and the meeting adjourned.

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Property assessment notices are being mailed to Metcalfe County property owners. This is a notice to inform owners of their current 2026 assessment, not a tax bill. The taxable value is shown at the top left side of the notice. Individuals who have had changes in property assessments should receive notice.

**INSPECTION PERIOD FOR THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL**

The Metcalfe County real property tax roll will be open for inspection from May 4 through May 18. Under the supervision of the Property Valuation Administrator or one of the deputies, any person may inspect the tax roll.

This is the January 1, 2026, assessment on which state, county and school taxes for 2026 will be due on or about October 1, 2026.

The tax roll is in the office of the property valuation administrator on the main floor of the county government building and may be inspected during the following hours:

Monday-Friday 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.  
Saturday 8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.

Any taxpayer desiring to appeal any assessment on real property made by the PVA must first request a conference with the PVA or a designated deputy. The conference may be held prior to or during the inspection period.

Any taxpayer still aggrieved by an assessment on real property after the conference with the PVA or designated deputy may appeal to the county board of assessment appeals

The appeal must be filed with the County Clerk's office no later than one work day following the conclusion of the inspection period.

Any taxpayer failing to appeal to the county board assessment appeals, or failing to appear before the board, either in person or by designated representative, will not be eligible to appeal directly to the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals.

Appeals of personal property assessment shall not be made to the county board of assessment appeals. Personal property taxpayers shall be served notice under the provision of KRS.132.450(4) and shall have the protest and appeal rights granted under provision KRS.131.110.

The following steps should be taken when a taxpayer does not agree with the assessed value of personal property as determined by the Property Valuation Administrator.

- (1) Taxpayer must list under protest (for certification) what they believe to be the fair cash value of their property.
- (2) Taxpayer must file a written protest directly with the Department of Revenue, Office of Property Valuation within 30 days from the date of from the date of the notice of assessment.
- (3) This protest must be in accordance with KRS.131.110.
- (4) The final decision of the Department of Revenue may be appealed to the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals.

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