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2011-12 Wells Fargo Cup Final Standings Announced

CHAPEL HILL --Wells Fargo, along with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, today announced the final standings in the Wells Fargo Cup competitions for the 2011-12 academic year.

The Wells Fargo Cup, formerly known as the Wachovia Cup, is sponsored by Wells Fargo and the NCHSAA. The award recognizes the high schools that achieve the best overall interscholastic athletic performance within each of the state's four competitive classifications. The Cup program is in its 33rd year.

Cary Green Hope maintained its lead after winter sports to capture the Cup in the final 4-A standings for the third consecutive year. Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons took the top spot in the 3-A classification with a great all around performance, while Carrboro was the Cup winner among 2-A schools for the first time ever. Kernersville Bishop McGuinness and Durham's North Carolina School of Science and Math finished in a dead heat for top honors among 1-A schools.

"We sincerely appreciate Wells Fargo's commitment to our overall program in recognizing our champions," said Davis Whitfield, NCHSAA commissioner. "These schools which win the Wells Fargo Cup do a tremendous job with their overall athletic programs, and we are grateful for Wells Fargo's desire to recognize their achievements."

In the 4-A classification, Green Hope finished first with 510 points to hold off Charlotte Myers Park for the second consecutive year, as the Mustangs finished in the runner-up spot with 400 points. Green Hope preserved its title by winning the women's lacrosse state championship, finishing as the state runner-up in women's soccer, and also getting to the state quarterfinals in men's dual team tennis and garnering sixth in men's golf. Myers Park had a third-place finish in men's golf to go with getting to the state semifinals in men's lacrosse and quarterfinals in women's lacrosse.

Raleigh Broughton wound up third with 377.5 points, while Cornelius W.A. Hough had its best year in its brief history with 357.5 points, good for fourth, and Charlotte Ardrey Kell was fifth with 355.

Broughton's top performance in the spring was a men's 4-A golf title, while Hough was the state champion in women's soccer and runner-up in baseball.

Cardinal Gibbons held on to the top spot in the 3-A standings with playoff points in an impressive five different spring sports, including winning the men's dual team tennis championship and taking top honors among 3-A men's lacrosse teams. Gibbons recorded a whopping 775 points, ahead of runner-up Waxhaw Marvin Ridge at 642.5.

Marvin Ridge's spring performances included three state runner-up finishes among 3-A teams in women's lacrosse, men's dual team tennis and men's golf.

Charlotte Catholic was third with 575 points, followed by Chapel Hill (435) and Northern Guilford (347.5).

Carrboro had an impressive spring to secure its first Cup ever, rolling up 280 playoff points in the spring for its 602.5 total, well ahead of runner-up Shelby at 415. Carrboro won the 2-A women's soccer title and the women's outdoor track crown and was also the top 2-A team in the open men's lacrosse championships, while Shelby was the 2-A men's dual team tennis champion.

Cuthbertson was third with 400 points, with its top spring performance a runner-up finish in the women's soccer playoffs. Two-time defending Cup champion Salisbury, the men's golf titlist, was fourth with 370 points and North Lincoln captured fifth overall with 362.5 points.

In the 1-A classification, Bishop McGuinness collected playoff points for positions in four different sports, including winning the state 1-A men's golf crown and making the semifinals of the men's dual team tennis state tournament, to surge into a tie with NCSSM. Science and Math was second in the men's 1-A state outdoor track and field meet and was also in the semifinals of the men's dual team tennis state tournament.

Lake Norman Charter, second in the men's 1-A golf and in the semifinals in women's soccer, tallied 447.5 points for third place.

Hendersonville, the school that has recorded the most Cups of any NCHSAA school with 13, finished fourth in the 1-A standings with 432.5 points, and Monroe was

fifth at 325. Hendersonville won the men's state tennis title and Monroe was first in women's outdoor track and third in men's track and field.

Wells Fargo Cup points are determined by a system based on performance in state championship events. All schools that finish in the top eight positions (plus ties) earn points. In the playoff events involving teams from more than one classification, Wells Fargo Cup points are awarded based on the school's standing against other schools in its own classification. If fewer than eight schools from a classification compete in a sport, only those schools that are represented are eligible to receive the Cup points.

Points are awarded for all sports as follows: 50 for first, 45 for second, 40 for third, 35 for fourth, 30 for fifth, 25 for sixth, 20 for seventh and 15 for eighth. In the event of a tie, the schools receive an equal number of points based on the number of teams that tie and the number of teams that finish higher in the standings. Five points are awarded for each sanctioned sport in which a school competes.

Wells Fargo Cup standings are announced three times each school year: once after the fall and then the winter sports, and concluding with the winner after the spring sports season ends in June.

NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION FINAL WELLS FARGO CUP STANDINGS 2011-12

1-A CLASSIFICATION

SCHOOL	POINTS
1. Kernersville Bishop McGuinness	527.5
Durham N.C. School of Science and Math	527.5
3. Lake Norman Charter	447.5
4. Hendersonville	432.5
5. Monroe	325
6. West Wilkes	320
7. Raleigh Charter	302.5
8. North Rowan	252.5
9. Riverside (Martin)	242.5
10. Ayden-Grifton	227.5
11. North Stokes	215
12. Thomas Jefferson Classical	207.5
13. Mount Airy	197.5

Misenheimer Gray Stone Day	197.5
15. Elkin	195

2-A CLASSIFICATION

SCHOOL	POINTS
1. Carrboro	602.5
2. Shelby	415
3. Waxhaw Cuthbertson	400
4. Salisbury	370
5. North Lincoln	362.5
6. Burlington Cummings	350
7. Wilson Beddingfield	307.5
8. Hillsborough Cedar Ridge	282.5
9. Pittsboro Northwood	255
10. Kill Devil Hills First Flight	242.5
11. Kinston	237.5
12. Newton-Conover	222.5
13. Swansboro	220
14. West Davidson	210
15. West Stokes	207.5

3-A CLASSIFICATION

SCHOOL	POINTS
1. Raleigh Cardinal Gibbons	775
2. Waxhaw Marvin Ridge	642.5
3. Charlotte Catholic	575
4. Chapel Hill	435
5. Northern Guilford	347.5
6. Weddington	305
7. Asheville	280
8. Hickory	277.5
9. North Buncombe	272.5
10. Rocky Mount	245
11. Orange	240
12. Burlington Walter Williams	235
13. West Carteret	222.5
14. Pikeville Charles B. Aycock	220
15. Berry Academy	217.5

4-A CLASSIFICATION

SCHOOL	POINTS
1. Morrisville Green Hope	510
2. Charlotte Myers Park	400

3. Raleigh Broughton	377.5
4. Cornelius W.A. Hough	357.5
5. Charlotte Ardrey Kell	355
6. Southern Pines Pinecrest	345
7. Lake Norman	292.5
8. Pfafftown Ronald Reagan	285
9. Charlotte Providence	275
10. Raleigh Wakefield	270
11. Raleigh Millbrook	260
12. Apex	255
13. Winston-Salem Mount Tabor	242.5
14. Watauga	237.5
15. East Chapel Hill	227.5

END WELLS FARGO CUP FINAL STANDINGS