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# Cy-Fair roundup: Cougars eye 20th

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Cy Creek girls soccer goes after a 20th consecutive playoff berth this season and a second straight District 17-5A championship after sharing the crown with Cy-Fair last year.

"We missed the playoffs by one spot when they only took two teams in my first year in 1992, but we've been ever since," Cy Creek's 21st-year coach **Kathy Fling** said. "That's a credit to the outstanding players we've had and all the hard work they put into it."

The Lady Cougars lost most of their defense to graduation, but senior goalkeeper **Katie Lehman** is among a list of returning starters that also includes senior center midfielder **Rachel Swerdon**, junior stopper **Sarah Parrish**, and senior midfielder **Kara Simmang**, who came on strong in a full-time role after replacing an injured teammate last year.

There's more veteran leadership on the offensive front from seniors **Amanda Frederick** and **Stephania Vazquez**, and junior **Abby Buck**, and another senior letterwinner, **Samantha Buck**, is taking over at sweeper.

"We have 10 seniors and that's the most I've ever had," said Fling, who has directed Cy Creek to six district titles along with the 19 postseason appearances in a row.

The Lady Cougars host Clements in a final scrimmage at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, and after an open date on Jan. 10, they begin the season at The Woodlands Tournament that runs Jan. 12-14.

After a Jan. 17 match at Klein Oak, and an open weekend on Jan. 20-21, Cy Creek meets Tomball (home Jan. 24), plays in the new Pearland ISD Tournament (Jan. 26-28), and closes pre-district against College Park (home Jan. 31).

"We have a schedule full of challenges against strong teams like Klein Oak, Tomball and College Park," Fling said. "We're going with two tournaments instead of three and giving the players a little more time off before district, and we'll see how it works out."

The Lady Cougars host Cy Ridge in a District 17-5A opener at 7 p.m. on Feb. 3 in the first of 13 district outings.

"Cy-Fair is going to be strong as usual," Fling said, "and Jersey Village and Cy Ranch are also going to be pretty good."

Cy Creek, Cy-Fair, Cy Ranch and Jersey Village advanced to the playoffs a year ago, and most coaches have those four as the 2012 postseason picks.

In the district's zoned schedule format, Cy Creek meets Cy-Fair, Cy Ridge, Cy Springs and Jersey Village twice, and [Cy Woods](#), Langham Creek, Cy Falls, Cy Lakes and Cy Ranch once in 17-5A play.

The Lady Cougars beat MacArthur 8-0 in a 2011 playoff opener before falling to Memorial 3-0.

## **Cy-Fair ISD wrestling meet this weekend**

The second half of the wrestling season gets going in a big way at the 10th annual Cy-Fair ISD Tournament on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6-7, at the [Berry Center](#).

The Cy-Fair event has attracted well over 100 boys and girls teams in the past, and starts at noon Friday and 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

All 10 Cy-Fair ISD schools are expected to compete, and tickets at the gate are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

Cy Creek, Cy-Fair, Cy Falls, Cy Lakes, Cy Ranch, Cy Ridge, Cy Springs, Cy Woods, Jersey Village and Langham Creek compete in 21-5A in wrestling, and this week's event is somewhat of a preview of the district tournament on Feb. 3-4 at the Berry Center.

Other key 2012 dates are the Region III Tournament on Feb. 10-11 at the Berry Center, and the University Interscholastic League State Tournament on Feb. 24-25 in Austin.

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