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EPCC Men’s Cross Country Wins First Meet of 2019 Season; Women Place 2nd

El Paso Texas, September 13, 2019 – El Paso Community College (EPCC) Men’s Cross Country Team won the Lori Fitzgerald Memorial Cross Country Meet. The event, hosted by the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), was held at the Chamizal National Memorial. The women’s team finished in 2nd place to host UTEP.

The Tejanos were led by Gideon Cheplak who finished 2nd with a time of 19:38. The Tejanas were led by 2nd place, Everlyn Kemboi with a time of 16:52 and 3rd place, Francisca Jebor with 16:59.

The men’s and women’s teams, the only community college competing, continued to show their national dominance. They are the reigning National Champions of the National Junior College Athletic Association’s (NJCAA) Half Marathon competition.

This season will lead up to EPCC hosting the 2019 NJCAA Half Marathon Championship on November 23rd as the finale of its year-long 50th anniversary celebration.

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EPCC serves more than 28,500 students and offers 145 degree and certificate programs. Throughout its 50-year history, the college has remained focused on engaging students, growing community partnerships and fostering excellence. By creating a college-going culture and implementing innovative student success initiatives, EPCC is transforming the pathway to higher education and developing a better-prepared workforce for our region.

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