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EPCC Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Win in San Antonio Further Strong Start to Season

San Antonio Texas, September 21, 2019 – El Paso Community College (EPCC) Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Teams won at the *Saints Collegiate Cross Country Invitational* hosted by Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio, Texas.

The Tejanos were led by Gideon Cheplak who finished 1st in the 8K race with a time of 25.07. EPCC men took the first four positions. The Tejanas were led by reigning National Champion, Everlyn Kemboi who finished 1st in the 6K race with a time of 21.36. The women took the first three positions. EPCC was one of only two community colleges competing at this meet.

The Women are currently ranked 2nd in the nation and the Men are ranked 4th.

Next up for the Cross Country Team is the New Mexico Junior College invitational on September 27. 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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