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# Press Release

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## **TAAF - TEXAS GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) team at EWA was slated to compete in the Level 5-8 State Championship on May 2-3, but it was postponed due to concerns about the swine flu. All but 6 Ft. Worth teams wanted to go ahead with the meet that weekend, so it was renamed the Texas Gymnastics Championships and held at ASI Firewheel, while the TAAF State meet was rescheduled for May 30.

Level 8 Kelsey Pence won all the events in her level, and earned a 36.025 for gold all-around. She earned 9.5 on uneven parallel bars, 9.225 on floor exercise, 8.85 on vault and 8.45 on balance beam. Cara Lake, Level 7 division 2, won first place on bars (9.55) and beam (8.525). In division 3, Maddie Kruse was the all-around champion (35.85) with wins on bars (9.5) and vault (9.3), and third place on floor exercise (9.075). Taylor Brooks took the gold on beam (9.15), while Hannah Warrick earned bronze

on the same event. Also competing Level 7 were Vivian Frederick, Trinh Le, Allie Riggs and Hailey Thomas. The Level 7 team won third place in the team awards.

In Level 5, Lauren Sedillo was the division 3 all-around champion with a score of 36.65. She won beam (9.5) and vault (8.9), and took third on bars (9.375). Jenna Wicker took silver on vault (8.9), and bronze on floor exercise (9.075) and all-around (36.10). In division 4, Alyssa Burke won second all-around (35.4) and second on balance beam (9.05). Jennifer Eubank won the balance beam in division 5, with a score of 9.075, and Morgan Scott won the vault (8.7) and took silver on bars (9.175), and bronze on floor (8.675).

EWA's Level 5 division 6 girls took first place on three events and the all-around. Miranda Jones won the top spot in the all-around with a 35.7 after winning first place on bars (9.55), second on beam (9.075) and vault (8.45), and third on floor (8.625). Macy Holdrich won the balance beam with a 9.125, while Allison Dutcher won floor (9.0) and took second all-around (34.925). Elissa Lindberg earned bronze on the balance beam (8.875). Kayla Spillman, division 7, won fourth place on vault and the Level 5 team won fourth place in the team awards.

The TAAF team at EWA is coached by Alan Kirby and Maria Garcia.

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