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Ironton, MO - T.S. Hill Middle School Bearcats won the Arcadia Valley Cross Country Cross Country Invitational middle school boys division on Saturday, September 12, 2020.

The Bearcats finished with a total of 66 points. Jackson placed second and Bloomfield finished in third place.

"With this race being a first time to run competitively, I felt as though our boys ran exceptionally well," commented T.S. Hill Middle School Cross Country Coach Josh DeLay. "Our 7th Grade boys are proving to be a great addition to an already strong group of 8th grade runners."

"The win from Arcadia Valley will be a great motivator for the rest of the season," continued DeLay. "After having no girls on the middle school team last year, it has brought so much joy to see us able to compete in those races again this season. The girls are working hard every day in practice and they proved that with their times on Saturday."

"I am so proud of each one of my runners this year!"

Addison Lacy was the only girl on the cross country team to bring home a medal. She finished 24th with a time of 11:08.50.

Ben Dowdy placed second in 8:34.81, Jackson King was 16th with a 9:24.25 time, Carter Lacy finished 20th with a 9:29.86 time, Banks Nesselrodt of Dexter was 21st with a

9:30.81 time and John Sepulvado was 23rd with a 9:33.58 time.

Several other Stoddard County runners came home with individual medals.

Draven Barks, of Bloomfield, won the event in 8 minutes, 26.55 seconds, Jett Hancock, of Puxico, was sixth in 9:02.38. Caleb Upchurch of Bloomfield was seventh in 9:06.78, Bryce Ruth of Bernie was ninth in 9:14.09 and Cole Eggimann of Advance was 10th in 9:14.61.

Matthew Sanders, of Bloomfield, was 13th in 9:21.83.

Back row from left to right: Carter Lacy, John Sepulvado, and Addison Lacy

Front row from left to right: Jaxon King, Ben Dowdy, and Banks Nesselrodt.

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