STATE COLLEGE, PA. – The Cortland men’s indoor track and field team provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division III Championships in three events at the Penn State Relays. There was no team scoring at the event, which featured a number of Division I schools and only two Division III schools, including Cortland.

Freshman Tynez Wilson (Endicott/Union-Endicott) finished second in the long jump with an NCAA provisional distance of 22’ 10.5”. Freshman Jake Zanetti (Saratoga Springs) also provisionally qualified for nationals with his third-place pole vault of 15’ 3”. The other qualifying performance came from the distance medley relay team of junior Andrew Cloke (Corning/Notre Dame), senior Dave Neal (Port Ewen/Kingston), junior Pat McConville (Loudonville/Colonie) and junior C. Fred Joslyn (Chenango Forks) with their sixth-place time of 10:11.36.

The 4x200-meter relay team of junior Nick Wetherby (Olean), Wilson, sophomore Amaan Siddeeq (New Hampton/Goshen) and sophomore J.J. Riese (Central Square/Paul V. Moore) set a new school record with a fourth-place time of 1:29.76 that qualifies them for the ECAC Division III Championships.

Other ECAC qualifying efforts included a fifth-place shot put of 48’ 9” by senior Eric Czachor (Middleburgh), a sixth-place effort of 8.42 seconds by junior Herlentz Mesidor (Uniondale) in the 60-meter hurdles, Wetherby’s fifth-place time of 7.02 seconds in the 60-meter dash and freshman Shamus Nally’s (Burnt Hills/Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) 13th-place time of 8:50.83 in the 3,000 meters. The 4x800-meter relay team of sophomore Bill Buith (Franklin Square/Valley Stream), sophomore James Barraca (Center Moriches/Stony Brook), freshman Niko Viglione (Purdys/Somers) and junior Adam Zimmerman (Westbury/W.T. Clarke) also qualified for ECAC’s with an eighth-place time of 8:03.86.

Cortland competed in the 4x55-meter dash relay for the first known time in school history, thereby setting a new standard for the school record books. Riese, sophomore Kevin Ma (Cornwall), junior James Mahl (South Burlington, VT) and Zanetti placed fifth in the race in 26.30 seconds.

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