



2025 YEAR END REPORT



The Delaware Interscholastic Cycling League is a youth development organization with a mission to provide positive outdoor experiences through mountain biking and trail stewardship for Delaware families. The Delaware League is a project of the National Interscholastic Cycling Association, A 501 (C)(3) non-profit

SEASON 3 BY THE NUMBERS

8

TEAMS



111

STUDENT ATHLETES

374

VOLUNTEER TRAIL WORK HOURS LOGGED

5

LEAGUE WIDE EVENTS



61

VOLUNTEER COACHES

12,000+

HOURS RIDING OUTDOORS



6

VENUES IMPACTED
THROUGH TRAIL
WORK

374

VOLUNTEER TRAIL
WORK HOURS
LOGGED IN 2025

180

HOURS LOGGED IN A
SINGLE DAY AT LUMS
POND STATE PARK



The Delaware League kicked off the 2025 season with a league wide trail work day at Lums Pond State park. With the help of Lums Pond State Park, the Friends of Lums Pond, and the Trail Spinners IMBA Chapter, the Delaware League was able to log over 180 hours of trail work to help clean up the park. Student athletes participated by clearing trail with tools and skimming the pond edge on kayaks and in waders.

Trail work continued throughout the 2025 season with work impacting Longwood at Granogue, White Clay Creek, Middle Run Valley, Naylor's Mill, Fair Hill NRMA, and Brandywine Creek State Park. The Delaware League has its sights set on hosting a trail work series in 2026 to engage new land owners and communities.

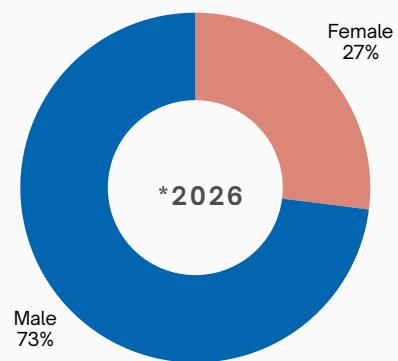
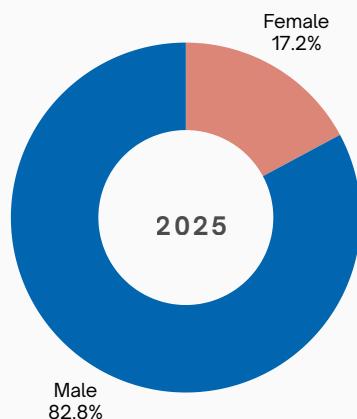
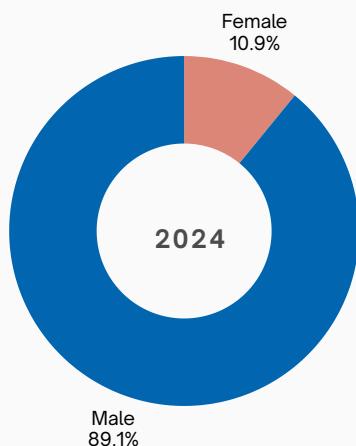
TOTAL VALUE OF VOLUNTEER
SUPPORT IN 2025

\$12,716



GIRLS RIDING TOGETHER (GRiT)

The Delaware League increased efforts in 2025 to deepen female participation across our league. In addition to new recruitment efforts, the Delaware League hosted a preseason GRiT Camp at Montchanin Trails, and offered female specific programming both on and off the bike at all 5 league events. The Delaware League has seen positive growth in our GRiT community over the past two years and is looking forward to continuing conversations to develop a female only school based team in 2026.



• REPRESENTS PROJECTED GROWTH

SEASON 3 EVENTS



50%

OF LEAGUE EVENTS
WERE AT NEW
VENUES IN 2025



COACHES RETREAT AT PTAPSCO
GRIT CAMP AT MONTCHANIN TRAILS
LUMS POND TTC + ADVENTURE
MONTCHANIN TRAILS TT
FAIR HILL XC
WHITE CLAY CREEK XC
BRANDYWINE CREEK XC
EAST COAST REGIONALS AT FAIR HILL

This season the Delaware League added two new events to the fall season, engaging over 200 total families and utilizing 50+ volunteers per event. As part of this season, The Delaware League hosted the first ever XC Mountain Bike race at both White Clay Creek and Brandywine Creek State Parks

2025

WAS THE FIRST YEAR
DELAWARE HOSTED A
XC RACE SERIES

ON AN UPWARD TREND

38

NEW FAMILIES JOINED THE
DELAWARE LEAGUE IN 2025

42%

THE DELAWARE LEAGUE SAW 42% GROWTH
THIS YEAR, THE LARGEST PERCENT GROWTH
OF ANY NICA LEAGUE IN 2025



• REPRESENTS PROJECTED GROWTH



A DIVERSE COMMUNITY

29.7%

EQUALS THE PERCENT OF
UNDERREPRESENTED YOUTH
PARTICIPATING IN THE
DELAWARE LEAGUE

2nd

HIGHEST PERCENTAGE
OF UNDERREPRESENTED
YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN
NICA PROGRAMS PER
STATE LEAGUE*

27.5%

EQUALS THE PERCENT OF
DELAWARE FAMILIES
UTILIZING FINANCIAL AID TO
OFFSET REGISTRATION
COSTS



- BASED ON PITZONE DATA REPORTED 11.1.25

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

9

BIKES LOANED



31

SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED

\$57,440

GRANT FUNDS RECEIVED



6

PATHFINDER SCHOLARS



\$27,940

TOTAL COMBINED SPENDING TO SUPPORT TEAMS
THROUGH EQUIPMENT & SCHOLARSHIPS



A TEAM IN A CLASS OF THEIR OWN

In 2025 two organizations came together, Project Seed and Pedal with Purpose, to form **Project Pedal**, a community based team serving youth from the Garfield Park PAL center and along the route 9 corridor.

Project Pedal exemplifies the meaning of a community based team. Through partnerships with New Castle County, this team brings together multiple divisions of county employees to positively impact youth including the CSU, Public Works division, and NCCPD.

Project Pedal serves the mission of the Delaware League at it's core, by providing positive outdoor experience to youth in Delaware who would may not be afforded these experiences without NICA programming. The Delaware League is very excited to see the continued impact project pedal will have on youth in Delaware in 2026!

IN THEIR INAGURAL SEASON PROJECT PEDAL LAUNCHED WITH 16 COMBINED RIDERS AND COACHES, THE LARGEST LAUNCH OF ANY TEAM SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE DELAWARE LEAGUE

ENGAGING NEW PARTNERS

Through engaging partnerships with other organizations the Delaware Interscholastic Cycling League can compound our successes to make the greatest impact on Delaware families.



LONGWOOD
GARDENS



**FRIENDS OF
LUMS POND**

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