

Christopher Duncan

At first look, many would assume Christopher Duncan is a player. However, the speedster has resisted attempts by coaches in various Theodore Roosevelt High sports to get him away from track.

Last weekend, Duncan led Roosevelt to the Coolidge Relays boys championship, running in all four events the Roughriders won. On three of the relays, Duncan, who runs year-round, ran the anchor. In the meet's final event—the 1,600 relay—Duncan made up nearly 30 yards on the leader to win at the wire.

Since coming to the United



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States from Jamaica in junior high school, he has stuck to a rigorous training regimen that includes lifting weights and considerable running of hills.

Last month he finished second in the 200 meters at the National Indoor Track Championships in Syracuse, N.Y., with a time a 21.9 seconds.

"Track is huge in Jamaica," said Roosevelt Coach Maurice Butler. "For many, it is a way toward a better life and Christopher realizes his potential. We tried to get him to come out for football, but he really doesn't have much interest."

— Michael Sandler