Seaman student invited to train with top motocross instructor

by Jakob Ready

student of Seaman
High has gotten a once-in-a-lifetime-opportunity. Junior Kevin Moranz got the chance to head down to Decatur Texas for a month to train and compete with the "top dogs" in the business.

"I came down to Texas because a trainer named Shannon Niday was interested in me," said Moranz, "I agreed because I wanted to get faster and more consistent on my dirt bike so I can climb up the amateur ranks and eventually fulfill my dream of turning pro when I graduate high school."

Shannon Niday is a very respectable trainer in the racing world. Top professionals like Trey Canard, Ryan Dungey, and Jimmy

Albertson are just a few to top off the list.

It is very important for riders to be in shape, but also to be in a very good state of mind.

"As a rider I am benefiting from this greatly," said Moranz. "My fitness/cardio is improving every day from our workouts and riding almost every day. I am already seeing drastic improvements after only about a week of training."

Training is not the only activity Kevin will be doing on his "business trip" down in Texas. At the end of about three weeks of pure training, there will be two national spring events, Oak Hill and Freestone, which he will be competing in at the end of the month.

"I am really looking forward to those races," said Moranz, "It will be extremely cool to see how I size up with the rest of the competition. "

Kevin will be returning at the end of the month, after he has competed in the national races.

"I hope to gain invaluable knowledge throughout the time I am here." Said Moranz, "I have really enjoyed myself, but at the same time I can't wait to get home to see my family and friends."







Kevin Moranz riding his dirtbike and receiving lessons from respectable trainer Shannon Niday.

Photos provided by Kevin Moranz