

Banner – UMC Nurse Anesthetist Stuns Boston Marathon Enthusiasts

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Sarah Sellers earned instant fame after competing in the Boston Marathon earlier this week, stunning marathon enthusiasts and media across the country with a second-place finish in the women's division.

After Monday's race, media from across the country began asking who she was and where she trains. The answers: she's a Banner University Medical Center – Tucson nurse anesthetist who trains in her hometown.

This was only the second marathon for Sellers, who was an accomplished runner at Weber State University. She had no sponsors and she was not listed among the elite runners.

A virtual unknown before the Boston Marathon, she is now making national headlines and being touted as an inspiration.

Among her fans is UA President **Robert C. Robbins**, who sent a note to the campus community about Sellers' achievement.

"This is an amazing achievement for a member of the Banner-UA health care team," Robbins wrote. "Please join me in congratulating Sarah on her incredible run in arguably the worst weather conditions since the beginning of the Boston Marathon."

Banner Health featured Sellers on its Facebook page. Like Robbins, many noted the fact the Sellers prevailed in extremely challenging, hurricanelike weather conditions.

Sellers brings home \$75,000 in prize money.

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