

## **NKC SCHOOLS TRACK ATHLETES FINISH STRONG AT STATE**

The North Kansas City School District sent more than a dozen student athletes from across the district to compete at the state championship in Jefferson City this spring. Not only did many athletes set school records, but Aryn Lanier-Collier of Winnetonka High School set the state record in Girls 300 Meter Hurdles! Lanier-Collier's accomplishment is monumental. Overall, this year's track and field athletes performed well.

Winnetonka's state appearance was dominated by two athletes, Aryn Lanier-Collier and Yandel Radillo. In Class 4, Lanier-Collier took first in Girls 100 Meter Hurdles in addition to setting a new state record in Girls 300 Meter Hurdles with a time of 41.68. She also took 7th in Girls 200 Meters. The other dominant athlete, Yandel Radillo, placed first in the 100 Meter Para and the 200 Meter Para, making him an All-State para-athlete. Additionally, Joey Marsh from Winnetonka took 7th in Boys 400 Meters.

Staley High School brought home many awards in Class 5. Robert Collins Jr. won first in 100 Meters, with a time of 10.55; and placed second in Boys 200 Meters. The Boys took fifth overall, and the Girls placed 15th. Jeremiah Kelley placed second in Boys 110 Meter Hurdles. Both Staley's Girls and Boys 4x200 hurdle relay placed at state. The Girls took third, and the Boys took second. Other notable Staley accomplishments include:

6th – Jeremiah Kelley – Boys 300 Meter Hurdles

4th – Katelyn Wink – Girls Long Jump

5th – Katelyn Wink – 100 Meter Hurdles

8th – Katelyn Wink – 100 Meters

8th – Trinity Bates – Girls High Jump

Mackenzie Doolin of Oak Park High School placed 3rd in Class 5 Girls High Jump, clearing 1.66 meters! Other exceptional Oak Park athletes include Deng Tong, who placed eighth in Boys Long Jump, as well as Gidion Gakmar, who placed 11th in Boys Triple Jump.

North Kansas City High School had three successful athletes, Chidera Anyabolu, who took 10th in Class 5 Boys High Jump, Adeyeye Adebawore, who took 16th in Boys Shot Put, and Gianna Ezekwe, who finished 11th in the Girls 3200 Meters.

Congrats to all the student athletes on an excellent track and field season!

## **OAK PARK HIGH SCHOOL**

### **All-State Medalists:**

- 🏆 *Makenzie Doolin* – 3rd in Class 5 Girls High Jump (1.66m)
- 8th – *Deng Tong* – Class 5 Boys Long Jump (6.82m)

### **Additional Results:**

- 11th – *Gidion Gakmar* – Class 5 Boys Triple Jump

## **STALEY HIGH SCHOOL**

### **Team Results:**

- Boys – 5th overall in Class 5
- Girls – 15th overall in Class 5

### **Individual & Relay Highlights:**

#### **Boys:**

- 🏆 *Robert Collins Jr.* – 1st in Class 5 Boys 100m (10.55)
- 🏆 *Robert Collins Jr.* – 2nd in Class 5 Boys 200m
- 🏆 *Jeremiah Kelley* – 2nd in Class 5 Boys 110m Hurdles
- 🏆 *4x200 Relay* – 2nd (Freudenburg, Kelley, Crumble, Collins Jr.)
- 6th – *Jeremiah Kelley* – Boys 300m Hurdles
- 7th – *4x100 Relay* (Kelley, Colvin, Crumble, Collins Jr.)

#### **Girls:**

- 🏆 *4x200 Relay* – 3rd (Taney, Wright, Burks, Wink)
- 6th – *4x100 Relay* (Taney, Burks, Smith, Wright)
- 4th – *Katelyn Wink* – Girls Long Jump
- 5th – *Katelyn Wink* – 100m Hurdles
- 8th – *Katelyn Wink* – 100m Dash
- 8th – *Trinity Bates* – Girls High Jump

## **NORTH KANSAS CITY HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **Boys:**

- 10th – *Chidera Anyabolu* – Class 5 High Jump
- 16th – *Adeyeye Adebawore* – Class 5 Shot Put

## **WINNETONKA HIGH SCHOOL**

### **All-State Medalists:**

- 🏆 *Aryn Lanier-Collier* – 1st in Class 4 Girls 100m Hurdles
  - 🏆 *Aryn Lanier-Collier* – 1st in Class 4 Girls 300m Hurdles
  - 🏆 *Aryn Lanier-Collier* – 7th in Class 4 Girls 200m
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- Yandel Radillo to 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Class 4 100m Para (Class L Finals) (ALL STATE)
  - Yandel Radillo to 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Class 4 200m Para (Class L Finals) ( ALL STATE)
  - Joey Marsh took 7<sup>th</sup> in Class 4 Boys 400m (ALL STATE)

While many student set school records, Collier set the state record in 300m Hurdles.