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Nine Area Schools Compete at Pleasant Ridge Invitational Track Meet

Nine area schools competed at the Pleasant Ridge track meet, yesterday along with two other schools. It was the host school Pleasant Ridge of the area schools having the best team finishes of the nine area schools competing as their girls and boy's team both took second place. While Pleasant Ridge had the best team finish from the area schools, 25 event crowns were won by the area schools at the meet.

On the girls side it was Christ Prep Academy taking home the team crown, outscoring the other teams by a wide margin, tallying 175 team points. Second place went to the host school Pleasant Ridge as they finished the day with 84 total points and Jefferson County North took third with 68 points. The team standing rounded out like this: 4th ACCHS (60), 5th McLouth (59), 6th Maur-Hill Mount Academy (35), 7th Oskaloosa (29), 8th Valley Falls (24), 9th Immaculata (10) and 10th Heritage Christian Academy.

There was only one multi-event from the area schools on the girls side and the honor went to Oskaloosa's, Jordan Miller who won the shot put and discus throw. Miller has won both events for the Bears of Oskaloosa at multiple track meets this season. A majority of the other fielding events were won by local athletes: Amanda Sales, Valley Falls won the high jump; Oleta Mccaully, Pleasant Ridge won the javelin throw; Sami Twenhafel, Jefferson County North won the pole vault and the Jefferson County North relay team won the throwers relay.

On the running side of the events, Pleasant Ridge relay squad notch the win in the 4x100-meter relay, while the sprint's of 100 and 200-meter dashes were both won by area athletes. The 100-meter dash crown went to Sarah Mullins of Maur-Hill Mount Academy, while the 200-meter crown went to Immaculata's, Danielle Schmidt. The other event crown that went to an area athlete on the girl's side was the 3200-meter run, which was won by Hannah Corpstein of ACCHS.

For the boys side the top two-team finishers mirror that of the girls, with Christ Prep Academy taking first place and the host school Pleasant Ridge notching second place. The margin between first and second was only 30 points on the boys side with Christ Prep tallying 140 points and Pleasant Ridge 110 points. Finishing in third place only 20 points behind Pleasant Ridge was McLouth who cumulated 90 team points. The team standing rounded out like this: 4th Valley Falls (50), 5th Jefferson County North (45.5), 6th Oskaloosa (41.5), 7th ACCHS (38), 8th Immaculata (28), 9th Maur-Hill Mount Academy (12) and 10th Heritage Christian Academy.

Two area athletes on the boy's side won multiple events that being Dalton Sayers of Valley Falls and Hunter Koch of McLouth. Sayers sprinted his way to a sweep in the 100 and 200-meter dashes, while Koch hurdled his way to both the 110 and 300-meter hurdle crowns. Staying with events on the track the 400-meter dash and the 800-meter run were won by Brandon Heim, Pleasant Ridge and Nick Spilman, ACCHS, respectively. Pleasant Ridge and McLouth's relay teams also enjoyed victories on the day, as Pleasant Ridge won the 4x400-meter relay and Mclouth the 4x100-meter relay.

For the field events Jefferson County North and ACCHS enjoy two first place finishes. Jefferson County North's, Kyle Polson won the pole vault, while his teammate Dustin Fowler won the shot put. For ACCHS it was Trent Joice winning another javelin throw title this year and the ACCHS thrower relay team won the throwers relay. Cody Heim (Pleasant Ridge), Dakota Cop (McLouth) and Max Badgett (Valley Falls) all leaped their way to victories on the day for their respective school. Heim won the high jump, Cop the triple jump and Badgett won the long jump.

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