

## Day one in the books at Nebraska State Track Meet

Hot and windy conditions greeted competitors on day one of the 2012 Nebraska State Track Meet. A couple individuals won state titles.

In Class D, Pawnee City junior Austin Smith brought home the state title in the high jump, with a winning height of 6-feet, 5-

inches.

In Class C, Derek Zimmerman of Freeman won the triple jump, and Southern won the boys' 3200-meter relay, with Freeman

placing 7th.

Auburn junior Tierra Williams finished second in the Class B girls' long jump with a distance of 18-feet, 5.75-inches, and also

qualified for the finals of the 100 and 200 meter dash.

Other place winners on the first day of the state meet include Kody Benson of Sterling, 7th in the Class D shot put; and Jordan

Lempka of Sterling in the Class D girls' discus. HTRS senior Hannah Volker placed 8th in the Class C girls' discus, with an effort

of 115-feet, 6-inches. Jordan Murphy of Southern cleared 6-5 to place 2nd in the Class C boys' high jump. Jeryn Creek of

Southern went 17-feet, 10.25-inches to place 3rd in the Class C girls' long jump.

Athletes qualifying for Saturday's finals include Auburn's Thomas Hinrichs, who will run in both the 110-meter high hurdles and

300-meter intermediate hurdles. Sterling has two in the finals of the Class D 400-meter dash, Jenna Nieveen in the girl's race

and Colin VanGroningen in the boy's race. Emily Harsin of Syracuse advanced to the finals of the Class B 100-meter high

hurdles.

Kale Wolken of Johnson-Brock, entered in three events, has qualified for the finals in the 100-meter dash and 300-meter

hurdles, after winning his heat in both events.

Championship Saturday begins with field events at 8:30 a.m. The first running event, at 9:30 a.m., is the 800-meter run finals.