

Dragons, Lady Dragons head to Class A State

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After a long break since the Class A 5th Region Track and Field meet, athletes from Green County are heading to Lexington Thursday to compete in the Class A State Meet.

The Green County boys show a great deal of balance in their entries; seniors through freshmen have qualified for the state meet in distance, hurdles, relays, and throws.

The boys are led by senior Nash Johnson

who has consistently been a high scorer for the Dragons all season long. Johnson automatically qualified for state in the 110m and 300m hurdles.

Johnson, along with teammates, Jake Bishop, Jullian Seymour, and Darian Mitchell, also, qualified in the 4x200m relay. The 4x2 team has run well all season and has their sights set on a podium finish.

Junior Jacob Keith set a personal record at the Region meet to

win the 300m hurdles. Keith is ranked 3rd in the state for Class A 300m hurdles going into Thursday's meet. Keith hopes to make it to the podium twice; he anchors the 4X400m relay team-- Seymour, Mitchell, Blake Bryant, and Keith. The 4x4 team is ranked second.

Green County's 4x800m team dominated at the Region meet to qualify for state. Bryant, Gage Cornett, Jayden Marr and Zach Jewell outran second place by

almost 40 seconds to clinch the title of region champs in that event.

Jewell, a junior, will also be competing in the 800 and 1600m runs. Freshman Jayden Marr qualified for the 1600 and 3200m.

Freshman thrower Kelson McKinney will participate in both shot put and discus, maintaining a long history of Coach Dan Knoy's throwers representing at state.

Senior Jake Stone will throw discus on an at-large bid for state.

Other at-large qualifiers for the boys team: senior Gage Cornett (3200m) and freshmen Jake Bishop (110m hurdles), Jullian Seymour (400m dash), and Austin McCandless (pole vault). McCandless PRed at region with a vault of nine feet besting his early season vaults by a foot and a half.

On the girls side, junior Emma Renfrow and eighth grader Mia Blaydes were the lone automatic state qualifiers

by taking first and second, respectively, in the 100m hurdles.

One of the Lady Dragon relay teams picked up an at-large bid to compete at state; the 4x200m team--Amelia Creason, Emma Renfrow, Makyla Shively, and Brianna Purvis.

At-large individual qualifiers for the Lady Dragons are senior Autumn Sidebottom (discus), junior Anna Coffey (pole vault), and eighth grader Kally Corbin (3200m).

Middle School State



Photos by Jalen Willis

Green County Middle School Dragons finished state last week with 8 out of 9 personal bests. Missing from photo is Mia Blaydes, Cooper Stone, and Caden Janes.



Seventh grader Wesley Baker ran in the Boys 4x800 Meter Relay along with teammates Austin Squires, Cooper Stone, and Jeff York at Middle School State June 6 in Louisville.



Seventh grader Bailee Willis finished 7th out of 8 in Girls Shot Put. Willis also finished 9th in Girls Discus. The Top 8 were awarded medals in each event.



Photo by Angelina Alcott

Gracie Parrott threw the first pitch last week to kick off the championship game of the 18th District Tournament.

Parrott named to 2021 NAIA Women's Golf All-America First Team

STAFF REPORTS

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics has announced the 2021 NAIA Women's Golf All-America teams, as selected by the NAIA Women's Golf Coaches' Association All-America Committee. A total of 45 student-athletes were honored, with 15 individuals being named to each of the three teams.

Gracie Parrott was named to the 2021 NAIA Women's Gold All-American First Team.

Michela Tjan of Keiser University was named the 2021 NAIA Women's Golfer of the Year. Brandon Miller of Kesier was named the 2021 NAIA Women's Golf National Coach of the Year after leading his team to their second Women's Golf national title.

2020 10U All Star team recognized



Photo by Crystal Cecil

The 2020 State Championship winning Green County 10U All Star team was recognized Friday evening at American Legion Park. Those in attendance were, front, from left: Chase Milby, Elijah Bishop, Remy Brown, Brady Edwards, Collin Walker; second row: Jaxon Robertson, Peyton James, Bryson Underwood, Ty Bonta, River Jessie, Reece Mitchell; coaches Shawn Milby, Jessie Underwood, Rich Brown.



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