



BOYS FINALISTS



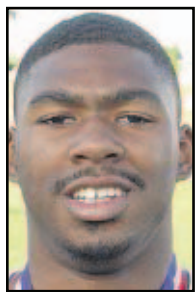
Calvin Austin III *
Harding sophomore

After sweeping the 100 and 200 and running on two winning relay teams at the West Regional meet, Austin was one of the standouts at Spring Fling. He took first place in the Division 2 200-meter dash in 21.90, winning by just three-thousandths of a second.



Lorenzen Burton
Olive Branch senior

Burton turned in a Most Valuable Player performance in leading the Quistors to the Mississippi 6A state championship. He won the 200 (22.23), 400 (48.48) and was on the winning 400- and 800-meter relay squads.



Kristopher Butler
Central senior

Butler was a key contributor as the Warriors won the AAA team title, their 10th in school history. He took first place in the 300 hurdles (39.02) while also grabbing third in the 110 hurdles.



Carlton Orange
MUS senior

One of the top runners to come through the area in recent years, the University of Arkansas signee closed his high school career by winning the Division 2 400 in 48:07. Orange — also a cross-country finalist — also ran a leg on the Owls' victorious 3,200-meter relay team.



Jacob Patten
Southwind senior

Patten — also a standout on Southwind's basketball team — jumped 7-0 at the sectional meet, missing the state mark by two inches. He then went on to clear 6-10 at state to win the AAA high jump for the second straight year.

All-Metro Teams

CLASS AAA

Tim Belles, Houston, senior; Brian Braswell, Bartlett, senior; Deountario Brown, Central, senior; Lorenzen Burton, Olive Branch, senior; Kristopher Butler, Central, senior; Kelvin Cartwright, Herdando, sophomore; Lorenzo Colbert, Whitehaven, senior; Demarius Curry, Millington, senior; Jaylin Davis, Whitehaven, junior; Montie Doss, Houston, senior; Bryce Evans, Center Hill, sophomore; Johnathon Frazier, Bolton, senior; Joshua Gooch, Whitehaven, junior; Rashad Haynes, Central, junior; Xavien Hughes, Germantown, sophomore; T.J. Jallow, Olive Branch, senior; Eric Jaramillo, Bartlett, senior; Johnathon Johnson, Melrose, senior; Latarius Lloyd, Bolton, senior; Emmanuel Lugo, Kirby, senior; Sena Murray, Arlington, sophomore; Naaman Norment, Houston, senior; Jacob Patten, Southwind, senior; Armond Poindexter, Central, freshman; Tony Pollard, Melrose, senior; Christopher Rayder, Houston, sophomore; Antonio Reed, Southaven, junior; Calvin Ridgell, White Station, senior; Kentrell Scruggs, Cordova, sophomore; Mamadou Seck, Horn Lake, junior; Darius Stafford, Kirby, senior; Garrett Talley, Collierville, senior; Malik Talley, Cordova, senior; Andre Thomas, Munford, senior; Artavius Thomas, Millington, senior; Adam VanDeren, Collierville, sophomore; Keldrion Vann, Central, senior; Fred Walls, Olive Branch, sophomore; Alvin Westbrook, Whitehaven, junior; Omar Wilkins, Wooddale, junior; Vincent Williams, Central, senior; Caleb Willman, Center Hill, senior; Terry Wright, White Station, senior; Central 400 relay team; Melrose 400 relay team; Olive Branch 400 relay team; Southwind 400 relay team; Central 800 relay team; Melrose 800 relay team; Olive Branch 800 relay team; Whitehaven 800 relay team; Central 1,600 relay team; Olive Branch 1,600 relay team; Whitehaven 1,600 relay team; Central 3,200 relay team; Houston 3,200 relay team.

CLASS A-AA

Fred Abston, GRAD Academy; Manuel Bradford, Raleigh-Egypt, sophomore; Reginal Cook, Hillcrest, junior; Tyler Davis, MAHS, senior; Johnathon Gatewood, Trezevant; Kobey Hill, MBA, junior; Ron Johnson, Craigmont, junior; Jalen Jones, Covington, junior; Jonathan Lawrence, Hillcrest, senior; Ladarius Lee, Mitchell, junior; Deundrey Miller, Hillcrest, junior; Jaylon Moore, Mitchell, senior; Deonte Randolph, Fayette-Ware, senior; Tre'Shaun Smith, Covington, junior; Kelvin Tate, Mitchell, senior; Patrick Taylor, MAHS, senior; Tomadreus Trezevant, Mitchell, senior; James Williams, Westwood, senior; Morris Williams, Trezevant, junior; Westwood 400 relay team; Covington 800 relay team; Mitchell 800 relay team; Craigmont 1,600 relay team; Mitchell 1,600 relay team; Craigmont 3,200 relay team.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Jesse Adkins, Harding, senior; Clay Austell, Briarcrest, senior; Calvin Austin III, Harding, sophomore; Adam Boyce, Lausanne, junior; Deantoiné Boyce, Lausanne, sophomore; Derek Dixon, St. George's, senior; William Douglas, CBHS, sophomore; Fredrick Douglas, CBHS, senior; London Evans, Briarcrest, senior; Marcus Evans, MUS, senior; Michael Feehan, CBHS, sophomore; Josh Gray, MUS, sophomore; Tim Hart, MUS, junior; Jack Heathcott, MUS, sophomore; Terrell Jackson, MUS, junior; Dayton Leach, Briarcrest, sophomore; Jalon Love, MUS, sophomore; Nyle Love, Lausanne, freshman; Nick Martin, Harding, sophomore; Grant Mathis, CBHS, senior; Carlton Orange, MUS, senior; Ryan Pahlow, MUS, sophomore; Walter Pate, CBHS, senior; Brad Reber, St. Benedict, senior; Drew Richmond, MUS, senior; Wright Ricketts, ECS, senior; Pierce Rose, MUS, senior; Chazz Simmons, St. George's, senior; Daniel Tell, Briarcrest, sophomore; Clayton Turner, MUS, junior; Marc Wilhite, Briarcrest, senior; Easton Williams, St. Benedict, senior; Tim Zmudzinski, Briarcrest, senior; CBHS 400 relay team; Harding 400 relay team; MUS 400 relay team; CBHS 800 relay team; Harding 800 relay team; MUS 800 relay team; CBHS 1,600 relay team; ECS 1,600 relay team; Harding 1,600 relay team; Briarcrest 3,200 relay team; CBHS 3,200 relay team; MUS 3,200 relay team.

Boys Coach of the Year

Rashad Haynes, Central

Despite winning only two events, Haynes' Warriors used their superior depth to win the AAA team championship. It's Central's 10th title overall but first since 1999.

GIRLS FINALISTS



Dominique Chatman
Mitchell senior

Chatman, a repeat finalist from last year, was the only Shelby-Metro girl to win a state championship at the A-AA meet at Spring Fling. She took the 400 in a time of 56.87, matching the title she won in 2014.



Jaden Davis
Hutchison senior

One of the most dominant performers to come through the area in recent years, Davis swept the 100, 200 and 400 at the West Regional meet. She then went on to finish third in the 200 at the Division 2 state meet. Davis is a finalist for the third year in a row.



Maia McCoy
Whitehaven senior

McCoy, the winner each of the past two years, had three first-place finishes to help the Tigers win the AAA meet. The Tennessee signee won the 200 for the third straight year (24.55) and ran on the winning 800- and 1,600-meter relay teams.



Kiara Rhodes
Whitehaven sophomore

Rhodes provided plenty of the points as the Tigers won the AAA state meet for the first time since 1998. She won the pentathlon — taking first in four of the five events — and the 100 hurdles (14.16). Rhodes also ran on the winning 800- and 1,600-meter relays and was third in the 300 hurdles.



Nay Strickland
DeSoto Central senior

Strickland dominated the jumps at her fourth straight appearance at the Mississippi 6A state meet. She set a new record in winning the triple jump in 40-4.5, beating the old mark by a quarter of an inch, and also won the long jump in 18-9.5.

All-Metro Teams

CLASS AAA

Dariana Anderson, Kirby, sophomore; Ella Baran, Houston, freshman; Marah Barnhart, Houston, junior; Arianna Bean, DeSoto Central, senior; Sammy Brainard, Collierville, junior; Charitin Brewster, Center Hill, junior; Kiara Bulloch, DeSoto Central, freshman; India Burse, White Station, senior; Pinkie Fossett, Southwind, freshman; Kacie Freeman, Lewisburg, junior; Stormy Green, DeSoto Central, senior; Grace Haney, Center Hill, freshman; Cierra Henderson, Houston, junior; Emma Huey, Center Hill, sophomore; Allie Hughes, Germantown, junior; Lauryn James, Cordova, freshman; Jessica Kelley, Ridgeway, freshman; Aaliyah Lacy, Southaven, freshman; Hannah Leatherwood, Arlington, senior; Angelica Lightfoot, Southwind, junior; Amber Littlejohn, Ridgeway, senior; Gatashyka Lyons, Whitehaven, senior; Shian Mallory, Houston, junior; Camaryn McClelland, Center Hill, freshman; Maia McCoy, Whitehaven, senior; Jordan Ray, Southwind, junior; Emma Reed, Houston, senior; Kiara Rhodes, Whitehaven, sophomore; Taejah Robertson, Whitehaven, senior; Celine Rone, Arlington, senior; Nay Strickland, DeSoto Central, senior; Treveka Terry, Southaven, junior; Taylor Wallace, DeSoto Central, senior; Morgan Walton, Whitehaven, senior; Dionna Warner, Bolton, junior; Atlantis Warren, Germantown, sophomore; Jamara Washington, Bolton, senior; Destiny Wilhite, Southwind, junior; Central 400 relay team; Houston 400 relay team; Southwind 400 relay team; White Station 400 relay team; Houston 800 relay team; Southwind 800 relay team; Whitehaven 800 relay team; Central 1,600 relay team; DeSoto Central 800 relay team; DeSoto Central 1,600 relay; Houston 1,600 relay team; Whitehaven 1,600 relay team; Houston 3,200 relay team; Southwind 3,200 relay team.

CLASS A-AA

Kaitlyn Black, City University, junior; Nikkia Booth, Douglass, junior; Dominique Chatman, Mitchell, junior; CedKenya Crockett, Westwood, junior; Taylor Crutcher, Craigmont, junior; Sherrica Hardaway, Hillcrest, senior; Chasity Jones, Mitchell, junior; Tranico Love, Mitchell, sophomore; Elexis Metcalf, Craigmont, freshman; Morgan Morris, Craigmont, junior; Daja Scurlock, Craigmont, junior; Elisia Shorter, Oakhaven, senior; Josea Smith, Craigmont, sophomore; Temeria Tucker, Covington, junior; Craigmont 400 relay team; Craigmont 800 relay team; Mitchell 800 relay team; Craigmont 1,600 relay team; Mitchell 1,600 relay team; Mitchell 3,200 relay team.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Callie Anderton, Briarcrest, sophomore; Lindsay Arvin, St. Agnes, junior; Zairia Brown, ECS, senior; Jaden Davis, Hutchison, senior; Hallie Gillam, St. George's, senior; Elise Holden, Briarcrest, senior; Morgan Hunt, Briarcrest, sophomore; Amanda Lammey, St. Agnes, junior; Antoinette Lewis, Harding, sophomore; Tatiana Love, Briarcrest, senior; Sarah Luttrell, Harding, sophomore; Delaney Meyer, St. Agnes, sophomore; Alyssa Neuberger, Briarcrest, junior; Kathryn Newman, Briarcrest, senior; Celia Owens, ECS, senior; Savannah Owens, Briarcrest, freshman; Jordan Shackelford, ECS, junior; Lauralys Shallow, St. Agnes, junior; Rebecca Smith, Northpoint Christian, senior; Cora Turner, St. Agnes, junior; Grace Ugwueke, St. Mary's, junior; Meghan Underwood, St. Benedict, freshman; Ruth Wiggins, Briarcrest, junior; Mary Kay Williams, St. Mary's, freshman; Loral Winn, Briarcrest, eighth grade; Briarcrest 400 relay team; Harding 400 relay team; Immaculate Conception 400 relay team; Briarcrest 800 relay team; Harding 800 relay team; Immaculate Conception 800 relay team; Briarcrest 1,600 relay team; ECS 1,600 relay team; Harding 1,600 relay team; ECS 3,200 relay team; Hutchison 3,200 relay team.

Girls Coach of the Year

Yusuf Sharif, Whitehaven

Only two years after taking just one competitor to state, Sharif's Tigers won the AAA state championship at Spring Fling. It's the first state title in 17 years for Whitehaven's girls.

The Best of the Preps awards ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, June 5, at The Duncan-Williams Performance Hall at Germantown Performing Arts Center