

Lady Eagles finish third at District Meet

■ Five qualify for state

The Vienna High School girls track team placed third out of 11 schools at the Class 1A District Track Meet held Saturday, May 11 at the Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton.

Final team scores were: (1) Valle Catholic of St. Genevieve-138, (2) New Haven-109, (3) Vienna-83, (4) Wellsville Middletown-79, (5) St. Elizabeth-63, (6) Oran-21, (7) Chamois-17, (8) Eskridge-16, (9) Pilot Grove-14, (10) MO School for the Deaf-10 and (11) Tuscumbia-0.

The highlight of the meet for Vienna was that five girls qualified for the State Track Meet by finishing second in their events.

The 4x800M Relay Team of Lindsay Helton, Crystal Wilson, Ellie Byrd and Whitney Wieberg ran a season best 10:50 to finish second behind Wellsville Middletown, who won the event in 10:40.

Freshman high jumper Kelley Wieberg then qualified for state by finishing second in the High Jump with a leap of 4'6.

Junior distance runner Crystal Wilson completed the state entries by finishing second in the 1600M Run in 5:58 and second in the 3200M Run in 13:27.

Medals were awarded to the top four finishers in each event. Other medal winners for Vienna were:

--Discus: Natalie Thornton, 3rd place, 82'10 (season best).

--High Jump: Jamie Sandbothe, 3rd place, 4'4.

--Long Jump: Adria Weakly, 4th place, 13'8 3/4.

--Pole Vault: Kelly Vogt, 4th place, 6'6 (season best).

--1600M Run: Lindsay Helton, 4th place, 6:29.

--4x100M Relay: Kelley Wieberg, Amanda Henderson,

Ellie Byrd and Adria Weakly, 4th place, 56.20.

--400M Dash: Whitney Wieberg, 4th place, 63.80 (season best).

--3200M Run: Lindsay Helton, 4th place, 14:53.

--4x400M Relay: Jamie Sandbothe, Kelly Vogt, Ellie Byrd and Whitney Wieberg, 4th place, 4:43.

"We had a fine season," said Head Coach Mick Byrd. "The two teams that finished ahead of us in districts are both very strong. We competed well with a large number of underclassmen. We are very proud of our conference championship and look forward to having a strong team next spring. Our state qualifiers will get to compete with the best of the best next weekend. They are all very deserving of that honor."

The prestigious 1A-2A State Track Meet will be held Friday, May 17 and Saturday, May 18 at Dwight T. Reed Stadium on the campus of Lincoln University in Jefferson City.

Crystal Wilson, junior, will compete in the 1600M Run finals on Friday at 2:40 p.m.

Freshman high jumper Kelley Wieberg will compete in her event at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday.

At noon on Saturday the 4x800M Relay Team of sophomore Lindsay Helton, junior Crystal Wilson, senior Ellie Byrd and freshman Whitney Wieberg will run in their event.

Crystal Wilson will then compete in the 3200M Run at 3:25 p.m. on Saturday.

None of the events the Vienna girls qualified for will have preliminaries. They are all finals.