

Five Area Athletes Earn State Meet Berths

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Four area athletes came up with first-place finishes on the opening day of the Section 6 Track & Field Championships on Friday and earned trips to the state meet.

And one area second-place finisher also earn a trip to states.



Chautauqua Lake's Craig Howard clears the bar at 13-feet-9 during the pole vault competition at the Section 6 Track & Field Championship at Strider Field on Friday. He finished first by clearing 14-9. P-J photos by Scott Reagle

Craig Howard of Chautauqua Lake won the Division 2 boys pole vault with a height of 14-feet-9 to qualify for states on June 10 and 11 at Caledonia-Mumford.

Corri Hannon of Falconer took the girls Division 2 discus with a throw of 111-9 to qualify for the states.



At left, Kati Winterburn of Frewsburg competes in the 400. P-J photos by Scott Reagle

Travis Nagle of Randolph tied Ricky Krouse of Eden with a first place reading of 1.8 meters in the boys Division 2 high jump. Both jumpers go to the states.

Also going to states is Eddie Marshall of Dunkirk, who won the boys Division 2 high jump with a 43-3.

Jennie Thies of Southwestern was the runner-up with a state qualifying distance 17-1 in the girls Division 2 long jump and will also be headed to the state meet.

Among second- and third-place finishers who failed to qualify for states was Taylor Ordines of Jamestown, who placed second in the boys Division 1 high jump (1.79), the shot put (11.59) and was third in the pentathlon (1,793 points).

Shaelyn Smith of Salamanca was second in the girls Division 2 pentathlon (1,345 points) and was also second in the high jump (1.41).



Christiana Walker competes in the 100 meters. See additional photos at cu.post-journal.com. P-J photos by Scott Reagle

Camryn Knight of Jamestown was third in the boys Division 1 triple jump (42-11) and teammate Steve Nowell had the same position in the high jump (1.70).

Stephen Penhollow of Cassadaga Valley finished third in the boys Division 2 110 hurdles (16.67).

The final action begins today at noon.