



## Varsity girls track & field takes 2nd at state CAL wins three individual state titles

The Track & Field 2A State Championship meet was held in Lexington this past Friday and the Christian Academy squad came ready to compete with the best in the state.

Sophomore Addison Page earned a state championship with Bryson Hauser in the 2x50 unified relay. Paige stepped to the medal podium three

more times on the day, taking 4th in the unified shot put with Ben Stotts, 3rd with Lincoln Noltemeyer in the unified long jump, and 5th in the unified 2x200 with Elijah Dale.

Junior Samuel Herbig ran a greuling distance combo, taking 4th in the 3200m and 6th in the 1600m. The 4x400 relay of *V track & field on page 2*



## Ecarma reaches boys tennis state semifinals Bradshaw represents CAL in girls tournament

Boys tennis junior Landon Ecarma made a deep run at last week's state tournament, reaching the semifinals before falling to eventual champion Colby Berson.

Ecarma breezed through the first three rounds of the tournament, winning every set 6-0 of each match.

Covington Catholic's Blake Hussey offered resistance in the quarterfinals, but Ecarma rolled to a 6-0,

6-2 victory.

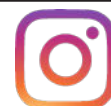
Ecarma, the highest-ranked player in the tournament, entered the semifinals as a favorite against Collegiate's Berson.

However, Berson won the first set 7-5 after earning a key service break late.

Ecarma struggled with first serve percentage in the second set but was sharp in the return game, breaking Berson's serve four times to win 6-4 and force a third set tiebreaker.

Berson jumped out to a 5-2 lead in the tiebreaker before Ecarma won three straight points to even up the score at 5-all. Berson won five of the next six points to win the extra set 10-6 and advance to the state finals.

In the girls singles tournament, CAL freshman Karyana Bradshaw fell to Manual's Audriana Schaefer in the round of 64 to conclude a promising season.



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Gerhard Neuner, Ethan Fitzgibbon, Samuel Moskovich and Ryder Peralta finished a few seconds off the medal podium, but gave an impressive performance and should be a medal contender in 2025 with all four runners expected to return.

The girls team drew on its deep pool of talent to earn a 2A state runner-up finish. The girls team notched two state championship performances. Kylie Moore won the high jump by clearing 5 feet, 4 inches, and the 4x100 relay of Taylor Touche, Kylie Moore, Ella Mast, and Ava Moore won a state championship as well.

The girls team also set four new CAL school records. Anabelle Plummer broke Addi Dewey's 1600 mark with a time of 5:09.49,

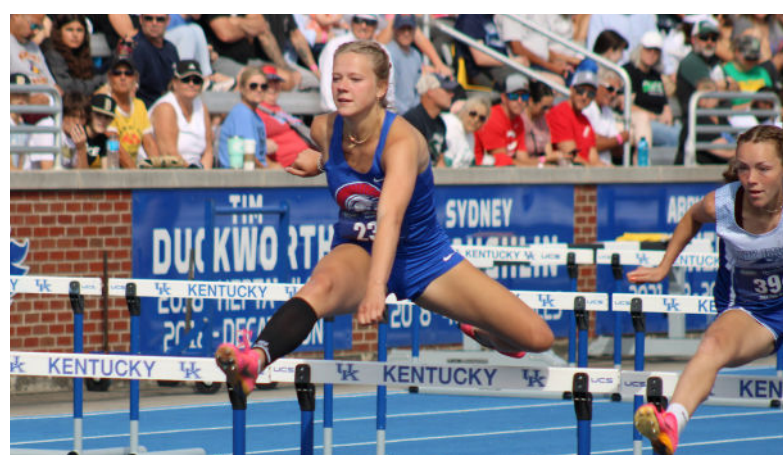
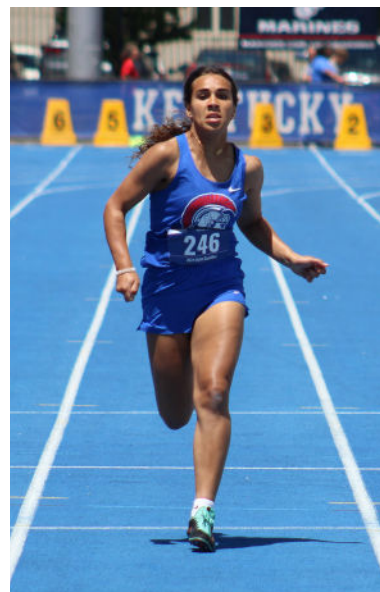
earning a 4th place state finish. The 4x200 relay squad of Taylor Touche, Lydia Turoso, Ava Moore, and Kelsey Burkhead broke the school record that was set at state two years ago with a time of 1:44.99, on its way to a second place finish. Kylie Moore's 5'4" high jump ties her own school record from earlier in the season, two inches higher than the previous record held by Ella Daniels. Ella Mast set a new school record in the triple jump, breaking the record held by Jenna Doezema with a leap of 34 feet, 7.25 inches and a second place state finish.

Other CAL runners and jumpers on the medal podium included Taylor Touche, with a dashing duo of 3rd place in the 100m

and 4th place in the 200m. Anabelle Plummer followed up her 4th place 1600m with a gritty 2nd place finish in the 3200m. Megan Bobnar leapt to a personal best in the triple jump and earned a 7th place podium finish. The 4x400 relay of Kylie Burkhead, Kelsea Burkhead, Evie Neher, and Kayleigh Burkhead raced to a sixth place finish for CAL's final points of the day.

The Centurions wrapped up their second season under head coach Andrew Lorenz with notable im-

provement and renewed excitement for the future of CAL track & field. Although the Centurions will lose many runners, jumpers, and throwers, next year's team will return tremendous talent and expect to build upon an excellent 2024 season. Coach Lorenz and his staff hope to recruit a new crop of athletes who are eager to join a team that will support and challenge them as they explore how fast they can run, how far they can throw, and how high or long they can leap.



### Verse of the week

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.  
2 Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

- Psalm 90:1-2



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