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American Association of adaptED SPORTS PROGRAMS

Off the Sidelines, Into the Game!

2026 AAASP/GHSA Adapted Track & Field State Championships
Wednesday, May 13th in Athens

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – May 12, 2026 - The AdaptED Track & Field season is approaching its exciting conclusion as student-athletes from across the state compete on the biggest stage of the year – the 2026 AAASP/GHSA Adapted Track & Field State Championships – tomorrow at the University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia.

This premier, day-long event showcases the determination, talent, and competitive spirit of athletes participating in adapted sports programs statewide. Hosted at Spec Towns Track at University of Georgia Track and Field Complex and presented by Atlanta Track Club, the championships will bring together competitors from multiple classifications, including **5A, Private (1A–3A), and Adapted Track & Field divisions**.

As the sectional meets determined final qualifiers, the following athletes will be competing for their high schools in AdaptED Track & Field tomorrow*:

Girls Competitors

- Jenna Proctor, Calhoun High School — Shot Put (Class 2), Sectional B (Class 3A)
- Laila Kindness, Warner Robins High School — Shot Put (Class 1), 200m & 800m, Sectional A (Class 4A)
- Makayla Royce, Peach County High School — Shot Put (Class 2), Sectional A (Class 3A)

Boys Competitors

- Ben Vondrak, Wesleyan School — Shot Put (Class 1), 200m & 800m, Sectional B (Private Schools)
- Asher Hayes, Houston County High School — Shot Put (Class 2), Sectional A (Class 5A)
- Jeremiah Rhodes, Peach County High School — Shot Put (Class 1) & 200m, Sectional A (Class 3A)

The Adapted Shot Put will begin at 2:00 PM, with a 1:40 Flight 1 Warm Up; the Track events (800 m and 200m will begin at 4:20 PM.

Spectators are encouraged to purchase mobile tickets in advance through GoFan for seamless entry. A complimentary Digital Fan Guide, produced by Score Atlanta, will be available for download and included with GoFan ticket purchases. Fans unable to attend in person can watch all final races live via NFHS Network.
For additional event details, visit:

- https://adaptedsports.org/aaasp-game.../track-and-field/
- https://www.ghsa.net/adapted-track-field/

The AAASP/GHSA Adapted Track & Field State Championships continue to exemplify the mission of expanding athletic opportunities and celebrating achievement for all student-athletes.

The American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs, Inc. (AAASP) is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, as a legacy of the 1996 Paralympic Games in Atlanta, bringing interscholastic adapted athletics to schools across the state. GHSA formed the nation's first dual governing alliance with AAASP in 2001 to pioneer these efforts for students with qualifying physical disabilities. Through this alliance, GHSA recognizes AAASP as the governing and sanctioning body for adapted sports programs within Georgia's schools. For more information on Adapted Track and Field, please visit: Track and Field Game Central - American Association of Adapted Sports Programs®
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