



(above) Andrew Duarte competes in his heat of the 300 meter intermediate hurdles at the 4A-I State Meet



(above) Keep an eye on Selena Quiroz in future track and field. Just a freshman, Selena broke the AJHS school record in girls triple jump with a leap of 31-09 at the region meet two weeks and above is shown competing at last Friday's 4A-I State Track and Field Championships.



(above) AJHS junior David Fernando competes in boys long jump last Friday at Mesa Community College on the first day of the 4A-I State Track and Field Championships

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Field Championships were not available when *The News* went to press, you can check out the website www.aiaonline.org today to get all the results.

Also advancing to a final after Friday's preliminary heats was Prospector senior Kyrel Parker in the 100 meters. Kyrel ran his fastest time of the season on Friday with a 11:27 and qualified for Saturday's finals of the 100 meters with the seventh fastest overall time.

While the Prospector 4x400 relay team did not medal at the State Championships, the 4x100 meter relay team of Danny Fuller, Fernando, Tanner Morgan and Parker still had hopes of picking up a medal on Saturday. They had their work cut out for them as the number twelve overall seed with a qualifying time of 43:81 but the top fourteen seeds in Saturday's 4x100 finals were all separated by less than a second.

Other hopes for a medal on Saturday belonged to Prospector discus thrower Trevor Berner and shot put thrower Chance Van Soest. Berner has a State qualifying throw of 155-07, which was fourth best, although he has thrown 162-plus this season. Van Soest qualified for Saturday's shot put finals with a throw of 46-11.75, ninth best overall.

Also to compete on Saturday were Diana Woodruff in the 3200 meters, Tyler O'Reilly in discus, and Zach Divelbiss in pole vault. Woodruff, the AJHS school-record holder in both the 1600 and 3200 meters, was a 13-seed (12:31.33) in her finals, O'Reilly was a 15-seed (133-07) in the discus finals, and Divelbiss was a 16-seed (12-00) in the pole vault finals.

In other results from Friday's opening day of the State Meet, Fernando came up with a leap of 19-11.25 in boys long jump and tied for 11th overall, Caitlin Kessler ran a time of 2:34.39 in the girls 800 meter finals and placed 12th overall, Andrew Duarte ran a time of 42:53 in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles and placed 13th overall, Grandstaff leaped 5-08 in high jump and tied for 14th place, Selena Quiroz, just a freshman, jumped 30-02.75 in girls triple jump and placed 14th overall, and Melissa Hernandez ran a time of 17:46 in the girls 100 meter hurdles and placed 15th overall. Quiroz, just a week earlier, broke her own school record in triple jump with a leap of 31-09 at the region meet.



(above) Lady Prospector Melissa Hernandez competes in the 100 meter hurdles last Friday at Mesa Community College on the opening day of the 4A-I State Track and Field Championships

Once again, the website www.aiaonline.org to check out today for the all final results from the 4A-I State Track and Field Championships is www.aiaonline.org.



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