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# NEWS RELEASE

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## Eight Defending Champions Return to Track & Field Finals

The state's best in high school track and field converge in Bloomington this weekend as the IHSAA conducts the 112<sup>th</sup> Boys State Finals on Friday and the 42<sup>nd</sup> Girls State Finals on Saturday. Both meets will be contested at the Robert C. Haugh Track and Field Complex on the campus of Indiana University with field events beginning at 3 pm ET and running events at 4:15 pm ET.

The boys meet, the oldest event in any sport sponsored by the IHSAA, features three defending state champions in various events while the girls meet has five individuals that won seven events between them.

All three of the boys returning champs are seniors looking to cap off their high school careers with more hardware.

Isaiah Thomas of Warren Central is the top seed in the 200 meters (21.71) as is Bloomington South pole vaulter Deakin Volz (17-0). Stoney Prowell of Indianapolis Marshall is the third seed in the 400 meters (48.83) which is led by Merrillville's Brian Sales (47.90).

Pike's Lynna Irby turned heads in last year's state meet winning the 100, 200 and 400 meter races. With that rare triple, she joined Maicel Malone of North Central (Indianapolis) (1984) as the only freshmen to win the three sprint races in state history.

The sophomore sensation is entered in all three races again and enters the weekend seeded first in the 400 (54.96), second in the 100 (12.06) and fifth in the 200 (25.14). She's also a member of the Red Devils' second-seeded 1600 meter relay (3:57.90). Only one other individual - LaShanda Harper of Harding - has won four events in the same year. And Harper did it twice winning the 100, 200, Long Jump and 400 relay in 1995 and 1996, the first two years an athlete could enter four events.

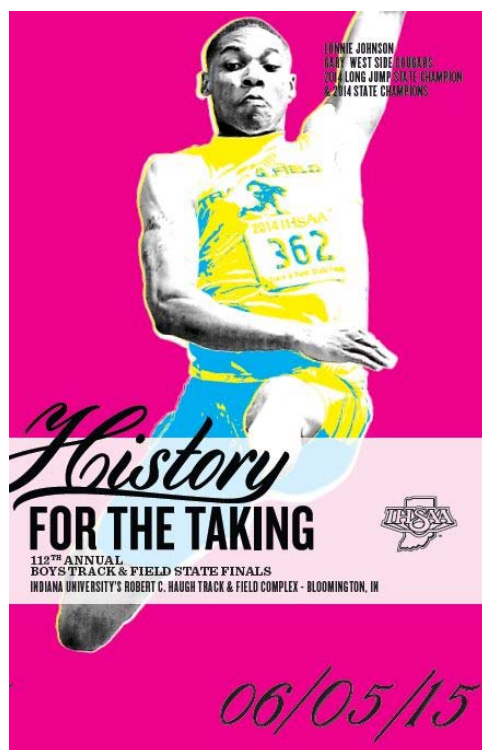
Avon sophomore Taylor Nicholson returns as the 1600 meter champion but will receive a stiff challenge from Mishawaka senior Anna Rohrer and her top-seeded time of 4:54.31. Taylor is next at 5:01.65.

Rohrer took her second consecutive 3200 meter state title last year in state record time (10:14.43) and will look to become the fourth individual to win three consecutive 3200 meter crowns. She enters Saturday as the top seed again thanks to her 10:23.88 at regionals. She was also the 2012 and 2014 cross country state champion.

Yamani Hunter of Evansville Bosse is back to defend her long jump crown from last year when she went 19-7.75. She sits third coming in after a 19-1.25 at regionals. Jenna Jungels of Kankakee Valley owns the top perch with her leap of 19-9.

And Lawrence Central's Kayla Smith will attempt to win the pole vault for second time after her winning height of 13-0 last year helped propel the Bears to the team championship. The senior's 12-0 height last week was third-best of this year's competitors.

Results will be posted at [IHSAA.org](http://IHSAA.org) as the meets progress each day and on Twitter at @IHSAA1.



## State Finals

Dates: Friday, June 5, 2015 (Boys); Saturday, June 6, 2015 (Girls).

Site: Robert C. Haugh Track and Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington.

Admission: \$10.00 each day.

Webcast: Unaffiliated with the IHSAA, JConnect.net will be streaming this weekend's events.

Boys: <https://livestream.com/jconnect/boysstate>

Girls: <https://livestream.com/jconnect/girlsstate>

## Boys Notables

**Defending Team Champion:** Gary West Side.

### Defending State Champions in Field (Individual Events)

200 Meters: Isaiah Thomas, 12, Warren Central.

400 Meters: Stoney Prowell, 12, Indianapolis Marshall.

Pole Vault: Deakin Volz, 12, Bloomington South.

### Career State Championships by an Individual (Individual and Relay Events)

10: Amos Abrams, Gary Froebel, 1930-33.

7: Matthew Terrell, Ben Davis, 2007-09.

6: Terrence Duckett, Gary West Side, 1978-80.

6: Ivan Fuqua, Brazil, 1928-30.

6: Joseph Gonzales, Gary Froebel, 1947-49.

6: Willie Hart, Gary Froebel, 1930-32.

### State Championships Won by This Year's Participants (Individual and Relay Events)

1: Deakin Volz, 12, Bloomington South.

1: Stoney Prowell, 12, Indianapolis Marshall.

1: Isaiah Thomas, 12, Warren Central.

1: Barrie Wesby, 12, Gary West Side.

1: Carlton Sims, 12, Gary West Side.

1: Brandon Britton, 12, Brownsburg.

1: Tyler Kirtz, 11, Brownsburg.

1: Nassif Kouton, 12, Brownsburg.

1: Hari Sathyamurthy, 11, Brownsburg.

## Boys Top Seeds

3200 Meter Relay: Carmel, 7:44.21.

100 Meters: Malcolm Dotson, 12, Indianapolis Cathedral, 10.67.

110 Meter Hurdles: Clayton Cook, 12, Wawasee, 14.39.

200 Meters: Isaiah Thomas, 12, Warren Central, 21.71.

1600 Meters: Brayden Law, 11, Homestead, 4:12.65.

400 Meter Relay: South Bend Washington, 41.82.

400 Meters: Brian Sales, 12, Merrillville, 47.90.

300 Meter Hurdles: Jalen Walker, 10, Carmel, 38.44.

800 Meters: Hari Sathyamurthy, 11, Brownsburg, 1:54.51.

3200 Meters: Ben Veatch, 11, Carmel, 9:03.41.

1600 Meter Relay: Lake Central, 3:19.19.

Discus: David Schall, 12, Avon, 195-0.

Shot Put: Nathon Trawick, 12, Richmond, 61-0.

Long Jump: Christian Powell, 11, Ben Davis, 23-8.

High Jump: Kevin Porter, 11, Evansville Bosse, 6-10.

Pole Vault: Deakin Volz, 12, Bloomington South, 17-0.

## Boys State Coaches Poll (May 26)

1. Avon

2. Carmel

3. Hamilton Southeastern

4. Fort Wayne Northrop
5. Warren Central
6. Brownsburg
7. Crown Point
8. Portage
9. Fishers
10. Bloomington South
11. Bloomington North
12. Ben Davis
13. Center Grove
14. Brebeuf Jesuit
15. Indianapolis Cathedral
16. Merrillville
17. Lawrence North
18. Westfield
19. Carroll (Fort Wayne)
20. Zionsville

### Girls Notables

**Defending Team Champion:** Lawrence Central.

### Defending State Champions in Field (Individual Events)

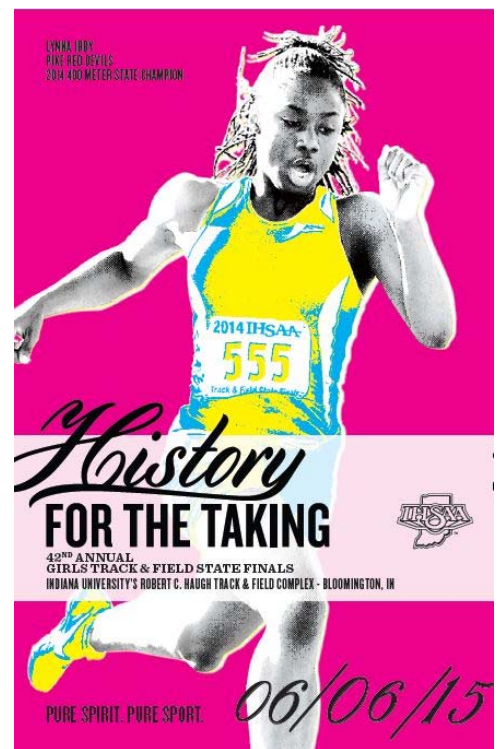
- 100 Meters: Lynna Irby, 10, Pike.  
 200 Meters: Lynna Irby, 10, Pike.  
 1600 Meters: Taylor Nicholson, 10, Avon.  
 400 Meters: Lynna Irby, 10, Pike.  
 3200 Meters: Anna Rohrer, 12, Mishawaka.  
 Long Jump: Yamani Hunter, 12, Evansville Bosse.  
 Pole Vault: Kayla Smith, 12, Lawrence Central.

### Career State Championships by an Individual (Individual and Relay Events)

- 11: Maicel Malone, North Central (Indianapolis), 1984-87.  
 11: Lashanda Harper, Harding, 1994-96.  
 8: Candyce McGrone, Warren Central, 2006-08.  
 7: Skyler Carpenter, Westview, 2010-12  
 7: Kierstin Doyle, Benton Central, 1992-94.  
 7: Shauntel Elcock, Fort Wayne Northrop, 2002-04.  
 7: LeShundra "DeDee" Nathan, Fort Wayne South Side, 1984-86.

### State Championships Won by This Year's Participants (Individual and Relay Events)

- 3: Lynna Irby, 10, Pike.  
 2: Amber McGee, 12, Fort Wayne Northrop.  
 2: Anna Rohrer, 12, Mishawaka. *(also 2012, 2014 cross country state champion)*  
 1: Ashley Baker, 10, Warren Central.  
 1: Breyana Byrdsong, 11, Warren Central.  
 1: Susan Hubbard, 12, West Lafayette.  
 1: Yamani Hunter, 12, Evansville Bosse.  
 1: Reagan Jarrett, 11, Warren Central.  
 1: Kristen Johnson, 11, West Lafayette.  
 1: Lauren Johnson, 11, West Lafayette.  
 1: Ashleigh Macleod, 10, Penn.  
 1: Janae Moffitt, 12, Oak Hill.  
 1: Taylor Nicholson, 10, Avon.  
 1: Breanna Phillips, 10, Fort Wayne Northrop.  
 1: Kayla Smith, 12, Lawrence Central.  
 1: Jessica Sprinkles, 11, Eastern (Greentown).



1: Ra 'Von Woodson, 11, Ben Davis.

### **Top Seeds**

3200 Meter Relay: Carmel, 9:21.75.

100 Meters: Antonise Christian, 10, Gary West Side, 11.91.

100 Meter Hurdles: Caitylyn Redmon, 12, Warren Central, 14.21.

200 Meters: Megan Grabowski, 11, Bloomington South, 24.92.

1600 Meters: Anna Rohrer, 12, Mishawaka, 4:54.31.

400 Meter Relay: Ben Davis, 46.86.

400 Meters: Lynna Irby, 10, Pike, 54.96.

300 Meter Hurdles: Keri Ertel, 12, Jennings County, 43.96.

800 Meters: Samantha Woodford, 12, Plainfield, 2:13.71.

3200 Meters: Anna Rohrer, 12, Mishawaka, 10:23.88.

1600 Meter Relay: Fort Wayne Northrop, 3:54.19.

High Jump: Janae Moffitt, 12, Oak Hill, 5-8.

Long Jump: Jenna Jungels, 11, Kankakee Valley, 19-9.

Discus: Kloee Fitch, 10, Lakeland, 148-5.

Shot Put: Victoria Farley, 10, Portage, 46-1.75.

Pole Vault: Kennedy Trine, 12, Angola, 12-6.

### **Girls State Coaches Poll (May 26)**

1. Warren Central
2. Carmel
3. Hamilton Southeastern
4. Avon
5. Pike
6. Fort Wayne Northrop
7. Fishers
8. Evansville Memorial
9. Gary West Side
10. West Lafayette
11. Ben Davis
12. Lawrence North
13. Homestead
14. Lake Central
15. Center Grove
16. Valparaiso
17. South Bend Adams
18. Bloomington North
19. Munster
20. Terre Haute North

### **Media Information**

**Media Host:** IHSAA Communications Assistant Rob Kimes will be on hand to assist in your coverage of the state meet.

**Media Credentials: Deadline is Thursday, June 4, 2015, 4 pm ET.** Please note that the 2014-15 IHSAA State Finals Media Credential will NOT allow admission to this event as a specific credential is required – no exceptions. Legitimate working news media should apply for credentials by e-mailing (with name of individual applying) IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason Wille at [jwille@ihsaa.org](mailto:jwille@ihsaa.org). E-mail requests MUST originate from a recognized business account; e-mails from personal accounts (ie: gmail.com, yahoo.com, aol.com, etc.) will not be accepted.

**Media Will-Call:** Approved requests will be left to claim by the individual at the ticket windows behind the track stadium. Identification is necessary to pick up credentials.

**Parking:** The parking lots to the west of Fee Lane next to the IU Tennis Center are the best option and a shuttle will be available to transport spectators to the main entrance. All parking in the area is free of charge during the state finals except in areas designated by Indiana University.

**Media Work Area:** News media will be able to work from a covered (though not enclosed) seating area next to the press box along the front straightaway. Ample seating and free wireless internet access will be available through Indiana University. Please see Rob Kimes in the press box for login information.

**Programs & Results:** Complimentary copies of the state finals program which include heat sheets for each boys and girls event will be available to members of the media upon claiming your media credential. Results will be posted to the IHSAA.org website and tweeted at @IHSAA1 shortly after each event both days.

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## Second Unified Track & Field State Championships on Saturday

For the second year, the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) will host the Unified Track & Field State Finals as part of its 'Champions Together' partnership with Special Olympics Indiana (SOIN) on Saturday in Bloomington.

The Unified State Finals begin at 1 pm ET and will consist of five events including 100 meters, 400 meters, 400 meter relay, shot put and long jump. Admission is \$10 and also gains entry into the IHSAA Girls Track & Field State Finals which begins at 3 pm.

Warsaw Community was last year's inaugural state champion but did not qualify for this year's field of 10 teams so a new state champion is assured. Teamwork is an emphasis in unified sports thus an overall team state championship is awarded rather than individual awards.

Unified Sports enables persons with and without intellectual disabilities to participate on the same team for sports training and competition. All participants in Saturday's festivities have qualified as part of their team rather than as individuals.

Carmel, Columbus East, Crown Point, Floyd Central, Kokomo, Lafayette Jefferson, Michigan City, Mt. Vernon, Noblesville, Terre Haute South Vigo make up the field competing as a result being one of the top two teams from five different sectional events held last week around the state.

For the second year, schools individually scheduled regular season competitions that culminated with the IHSAA state tournament. While the IHSAA provided the framework for the competition, including rules and officials, Special Olympics Indiana provided technical support to schools participating in Unified Track and Field, as well as financial grants to a number of schools to assist with costs.



### Second Annual IHSAA Unified Track & Field State Finals

**Date:** Saturday, June 6, 2015. 1 pm ET

**Site:** Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington.

**Admission:** \$10 per person.

#### Order of Events

1 pm: Long Jump and Shot Put

1:30 pm: 100 M Dash

1:45 pm: 400 M Dash

2:15 pm: 400 M Relay

#### [Heat Sheets](#)

**2013-14 State Champion:** Warsaw Community.

**Schools Competing (10):** Carmel, Columbus East, Crown Point, Floyd Central, Kokomo, Lafayette Jefferson, Michigan City, Mt. Vernon, Noblesville, Terre Haute South Vigo.





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## Eight Teams Still Alive in Girls Tennis State Finals

Top-ranked Carmel leads a pack of eight teams that make up this year's field in the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual IHSAA Girls Tennis State Finals.

Four quarterfinal matches will be played Friday at 3 pm ET at Carmel and Center Grove high schools with the winners returning on Saturday at 10 am ET at North Central High School for a pair of semifinals and the championship match at 2 pm ET.

In the quarterfinals at Carmel on Friday, the Greyhounds (18-0) begin their quest for a third consecutive undefeated season when they face No. 6 Jasper (19-4). Third-ranked Indianapolis Cathedral (21-1) will take on No. 15 Fairfield (18-1) in the other contest.

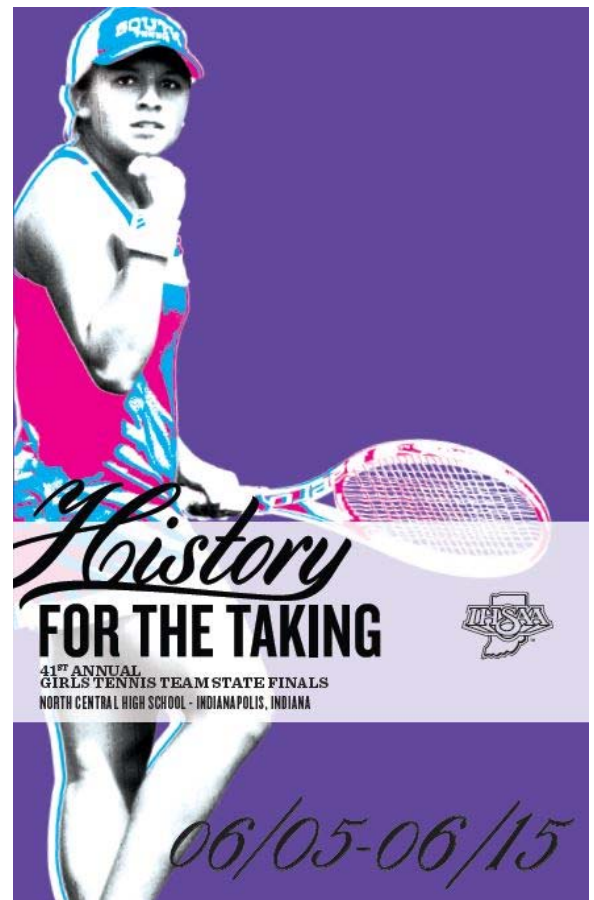
At Center Grove, No. 28 Munster (16-3) meets No. 7 Avon (19-2) and No. 27 Terre Haute South Vigo (15-7-1) goes up against No. 21 Bloomington South (16-9).

Carmel is the only returning team from last year's group of eight tennis squads. The Greyhounds haven't lost a set this season and haven't lost a dual match since being eliminated in the 2012 state semifinals.

Avon is the lone first-time visitor to the state finals with Fairfield returning for the second time ever (2011).

Indianapolis Cathedral will make its third appearance ever and in both previous visits, the Irish made it to the championship match winning it all in 1986 and finishing as the runner-up in 2012.

Munster is making its 14<sup>th</sup> trip to the finals, third-most of any school in state history but its first since 2009 and Bloomington South is making its sixth visit ever in school history but first since 1988.



Jasper and Terre Haute South have both made it to this level multiple times and both were part of the 2012 field but fell in the Friday afternoon quarterfinal round that year.

Also taking place this weekend at four sites around the state are the individual regionals for singles and doubles players. Pairings for those matches may be found [here](#).

Results from all the matches will be available from IHSAA.org throughout the weekend and on Twitter at @IHSAA1.

### **41<sup>st</sup> Annual IHSAA Girls Tennis Team State Finals**

Date: June 5-6, 2015.

Admission: \$5 per person per day.

#### **Quarterfinals**

Carmel HS (Top of the Bracket)

Match 1: <sup>3</sup>Indianapolis Cathedral (21-1) vs. <sup>15</sup>Fairfield (18-1).

Match 2: <sup>6</sup>Jasper (19-4) vs. <sup>1</sup>Carmel (18-0).

Center Grove HS (Bottom of Bracket)

Match 3: <sup>28</sup>Munster (16-3) vs. <sup>7</sup>Avon (19-2).

Match 4: <sup>27</sup>Terre Haute South Vigo (15-7-1) vs. <sup>21</sup>Bloomington South (16-9).

#### **Semifinals**

North Central HS (Indianapolis)

Match 5: Winner of Match 1 vs. Winner of Match 2.

Match 6: Winner of Match 3 vs. Winner of Match 4.

#### **State Championship**

North Central HS (Indianapolis)

Match 7: Winner of Match 5 vs. Winner of Match 6.

#### **Girls State Coaches Poll**

##### **1. Carmel**

2. North Central (Indianapolis)

##### **3. Indianapolis Cathedral**

4. South Bend St. Joseph

5. Penn

##### **6. Jasper**

##### **7. Avon**

8. Park Tudor

9. Guerin Catholic

10. Delta

11. Bloomington North

12. Center Grove

13. Fort Wayne Canterbury

14. Marion

##### **15. Fairfield**

16. Carroll (Fort Wayne)

17. Columbus North

18. Hamilton Southeastern

19. Castle

20. Brownsburg

##### **T21. Bloomington South**

T21. Evansville Memorial

23. Seymour

24. Concord

25. Brebeuf Jesuit

26. Fishers

##### **27. Terre Haute South Vigo**

## **28. Munster**

29. Terre Haute North

30. Yorktown

**Media Host:** IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason Wille will be at North Central High School on Saturday to assist you in your coverage of the event.

**Media Credentials:** The 2014-15 IHSAA State Finals Media Credential issued to news outlets during the fall and winter tournament seasons is required for admission. To apply, please e-mail your request (with name of individual) as soon as possible to IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason Wille at [jwille@ihsaa.org](mailto:jwille@ihsaa.org). E-mail requests MUST originate from a recognized business account; e-mails from personal accounts (ie: yahoo.com, aol.com, etc.) will not be accepted.

**Programs and Results:** Media in attendance should see a tournament administrator at Friday's venues for a complimentary copy of the state finals program which includes information on each team, probable lineups and tournament history. Official results for both team and individual tournaments will be available in the tennis clubhouse following each session and also be posted to the IHSAA website.

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## **Boys Golf Sectionals This Weekend**

Eighteen of the 30 sectionals begin Friday (June 5) as the 79th Annual IHSAA Boys Golf State Tournament Series tees off. Three more sectionals are scheduled for Saturday with the remaining 9 slated for Monday starts. Qualifying individuals and teams will advance to one of five regionals set for June 11-12.

Top-ranked Center Grove begins its quest for a third consecutive sectional crown at The Legends Golf Club in Franklin on Friday.

Unranked Floyd Central, which will participate at Covered Bridge on Monday, will be attempting to win its 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive sectional title which would tie Columbus North's record string set from 1978-90.

Unranked Columbus North is the defending state champion and is among 13 teams competing at Greensburg Country Club on Friday. The Bull Dogs have won eight in a row.

Results from each site will be added to IHSAA.org as they become available from the host school.

### **Sectionals**

Dates: Friday, June 5; Saturday, June 6; Monday, June 8, 2015.

Admission: Free.

Advancement from Sectionals to Regionals: Top 3 teams who post a team score plus; Top 3 low individuals, excluding those individuals who advance with a team. Ties for 3rd place must be played off in order to advance.

### **[State Tournament Information](#)**

### **Notables**

#### **Defending Sectional Champions**

Bloomington South, Boone Grove, Carmel, Center Grove, Columbia City, Columbus North, Crown Point, Evansville North, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Greencastle, Hamilton Southeastern, Harrison (West Lafayette), Indianapolis Cathedral, Jasper, LaPorte, Leo, Logansport, Madison, Mishawaka Marian, New Castle, Northridge, Oak Hill, Park Tudor, Plainfield, Richmond, Sullivan, Vincennes Rivet, Western, Yorktown.

#### **Most Consecutive Sectional Championships**

13 by Columbus North, 1978-90.

#### **Active Sectional Championship Streaks (Three or more years)**



12: Floyd Central.  
8: Columbus North.  
7: Jasper.  
6: Yorktown.  
5: Harrison (West Lafayette).  
3: Crown Point, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Madison, Park Tudor.

**Top 10 All-Time Sectional Championships**

33: Richmond.  
32: Columbus North (Columbus).  
26: Lafayette Jefferson, Warsaw.  
25: Floyd Central.  
23: Logansport.  
22: Marion, Valparaiso.  
20: Anderson, Jasper.

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*The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private – pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 21 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and one co-ed (unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.*

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