

Irvine Junior Games Results

This article, written by Daryl Singhi, recounts Lakeside's participation in the annual track meet held at Irvine High in support of Child Care in the city of Irvine. Mr. Singhi both recruited and trained our athletes who participated in the day-long event. We owe him a special debt of gratitude for his commitment to this program.

Lakeside had an amazing day this past Sunday on the blistering track at Irvine Stadium. The level of competition that we faced this year was unusually strong relative to past years (especially at the 8th grade girl level), but our kids managed to have fun and do a great job of earning some hardware. Each of our 44 participants was a finalist in at least one event, and Lakeside managed to garner medals in each track and field discipline.

Mariners earned a total of 40 medals (28 individual medals, 12 earned through relays). Of the 40 total medals, 16 were gold, 11 silver and 13 bronze. Of the 27 individual medals, 12 were gold, 7 were silver and 9 were bronze. Lakeside students took gold in 12 of the 28 individual middle school events and 1/3 of all individual medals up for grabs (a pretty awesome feat considering there are four other full time middle schools, plus the K-8 teams to deal with). We out-medaled our nearest competition (Sierra Vista) by ten medals.

Special mention goes out to the Lakeside 8th grade boys who pulled an unprecedented feat by sweeping the top three spots in the 100M dash and having each of the five members win at least one gold medal on their way to winning 9 of the available 11 golds for 8th grade boys. Below is a list of the Lakeside team members and medalists.

Lakeside Junior Games Roster: (7th grade girls) Elizabeth Avazian, Emily Avazian, Lauren Babb, Annalea Bryer, Cheryl Chang, Leah Cheng, Summer Dole, April Dwayne, Briana Gaultiere, Julie Heins, Shayna Holness, Bonnie Hubbert, Jenna Hunter, Anna Kawanishi, Natsuka Konishi, Jane Lee, Sasha Lee, Cheyenne McClintock, Laura Sacks, Courtney Sayler, Wendy Shiga, Jennifer Trussell, Caroline Walton, Natalie Woodings, (7th grade boys) Kyle Arguelles, Chance Berman, Ryan Bradley, Anthony Gliganic, AJ Holman, Joshua Kim, Hannie Newland, Nate Noblitt, Jacob Wahbeh, Eric Whyte, (8th grade girls) Alessandra Guitoko, Rinako Itagaki, Madison Krauser, Cheryl Loo Wei Ern, Nana Matsubara, Nicole Thompson, (8th grade boys) Derek Calderon, Andre Escalante, John Leou, Gabe Sandoval, Paolo Santos. In addition, two Lakeside students participated in the various invitational events: Travis Cohen (won the 100M gold) and Giirish Aiyer.

7th Grade Girl Medalists (24 students, 11 medals: 2-5-4)
1500M – Wendy Shiga- bronze medal
800M – Jenna Hunter - bronze medal
400M - Sasha Lee - bronze medal
100M – Sasha Lee – bronze medal
Soccer Kick – Jenna Hunter- gold medal

Basketball Shot- Jenna Hunter – gold medal, Cheryl Chang – silver medal
Relay - silver medal (Natsuka Konishi, Natalie Woodings, Summer Dole, Sasha Lee)

7th Grade Boys (10 students, 7 medals: 3-1-3)

1500M – Jacob Wahbeh - bronze medal

800M – Joshua Kim - silver medal

100M – Anthony Gliganic – gold medal, Chance Berman – bronze medal

Long Jump – Anthony Gliganic - gold medal

Basketball Shot – Nate Noblitt – gold medal, Jacob Wahbeh – bronze medal

8th Grade Girls (6 students, 7 medals: 1-2-4)

800M - Madison Krauser - gold medal

100M – Madison Krauser – silver medal

Long Jump – Madison Krauser – silver medal

Relay - bronze medal (Alessandra Guitoko, Nicole Thompson, Cheryl Loo Wei Ern, Nana Matsubara)

8th Grade Boys (5 students, 14 medals: 9-3-2)

1500M – Gabe Sandoval – gold medal

800M – Gabe Sandoval – gold medal

400M – Andre Escalante – gold medal, Derek Calderon – silver medal

100M – Derek Calderon – gold medal, Paolo Santos – silver medal, Andre Escalante – bronze medal

Basketball Shot- John Leou – gold medal

Relay - gold medal (Gabe Sandoval, Paolo Santos, Andre Escalante, Derek Calderon)