## Westfields Sports wins 26 medals 2024 NSW CHS State results

Westfields Sports had 65 athletes qualify to represent SSW Region at the 2024 NSW Combined High Schools State Athletics Championships. The most number in more than a decade.

Phillip Botonis emerged as probably the outstanding athlete with double Gold in 800m and 1500m. In the 1500m he was competing up an age group in 14 years. Sitting in 4th place with 200m to go, he waited until the last 100m and then turned on the now familiar 'Botonis finish' sprinting to the finish line. Passing 3rd place, then 2nd place, then 1st place his performance was awe-inspiring. The photo (to the right) clearly shows how powerfully he finished (look at the fatigue of others as he cruises past).

17 year old **Bailey Latanis** was also a standout with his two medal haul winning Silver in 17+ 400m hurdles, and Silver in Pentathlon. The 2024 Oceania Decathlon Champion had

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half a dozen events he could have contested at State CHS. He chose only two, saving himself from the obvious consequences of fatigue and soreness.

Alexia Mathison continued her dominance of the 80m hurdles in Australia. Niggling injuries would occasionally see her backing off from her preparation, however with so much talent she still managed to win convincingly. Amazingly Alexia also took Gold in the long hurdles competing up two age group from 13 years into 15 years 200m hurdles. One of the most outstanding doubles in recent history.

Zainab Darwiche, despite some serious injuries this year that put her on the sideline for an extended period, proved her worth as one of Australia's most talented 400m/800m athletes with double bronze medals.

Still new to athletics, **Beau Sinclair** contested his first individual event at NSWCHS State. Battling a hamstring issue Beau felt his hamstring grab as he pushed out of the blocks in the final of the Boys 15 100m hurdles. Adjusting his run to the 1st hurdle from 7 to 9 strides, he lost speed and was courageous in hanging on to the finish line for Silver, just 0.1 seconds from the Gold medal. Also courageous medallists were **Koben Best** with Silver and Bronze in long jump and hurdles, **Darcy Coote** with Silver and Bronze in 100m and 200m, **Ruby Tindall** with Silvers in shot put and Discus, **Victor Ogbonna** Gold in 80m hurdles, **Liam Hayes** Silver in long jump, **Ruby Kernaghan** Silver in 400m, **Sienna Latanis** Bronze shot put, and our Girls 13 and 14 relay teams each with Silver. Congratulations to all our students.

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Westfields	G12 4 x 100	59.15 6h	5th	58.56
Charitha Gulla*	G12 LJ		7th	4.08m NWI
Ruby Tindall	G12 SP		Silver	9.73m
Ruby Tindall	G12 DT		Silver	33.40m
Larae Ah Mu	G13 100m	13.37Q (-0.8) 5h	5th	13.46 (-1.7)
Alexia Mathison	G13 80m hur	12.73Q -2.4 1h	Gold	12.56 (-0.2)
Alexia Mathison	G15 200 hur	29.59Q (0.3) 3h	Gold	29.11 (0.8)
Evanjaline McGoon	G13 80m hur	14.30Q -5.1 4h	4th	13.91 (-0.2)
Evanjaline McGoon	G13 HJ		6th	1.40m
Evanjaline McGoon	G13 LJ	4.56m NWI 13h		
Westfields	G13 4 x 100	52.66 2h	Silver	53.01
Lodelle Schuster*	G13 SP	9.26m 11th		
Lodelle Schuster*	G13 DT	22.85m 13th		
Selena Dagher*	G13	19.41m 20th		
Ruby Kernaghan	G14 200m	25.98Q (0.3) 4h	4th	26.89 (-3.3)
Ruby Kernaghan	G14 400m	59.33Q 1h	Silver	58.52
Emily Kot	G14 200m	26.71Q (1.7) 6h	4th	26.89 (-3.3)
Emily Kot	G14 400m	62.06Q 5h	4th	59.88
Emily Kot	G14 LJ	4.66m NWI 9th		
Mary Dal Broi*	G14 800m	2:43.55 13h		
Westfields	G14 4 x 100	53.01 2h	Silver	52.48
Lilly Twigden	G14 1500 W		6th	8:08.34
Lilly Twigden	G14 HJ	10th		1.45m



Erin Cassilles Madeline Kot Shekinah Bainivalu* Shekinah Bainivalu Charlotte Bradshaw Abbie Puckett*	G15 100 hur	13.23q (-2.7) 7h 15.01q (-1.8) 6h 66.36 12h 5:49.09	<b>7th</b> 9th <b>12th</b> <b>6th</b>	8:08.64 8:15.65 13.34 (-1.0) 16.13 (-0.2)
Westfields RubyRose Talbot Amelia Darek Amelia Darek	G15 4 x 100 G15 LJ G15 DT G15 JT	52.49 5h 4.27m 16th 24.72m 12th 27.88m 9th	5th	52.71
Catalina Wyrzynski* Catalina Wyrzynski*		13.50q (-2.7) 8h 27.45 (+0.0) 12h	8th	27.82(-0.9)
Zaynab Darwiche Zaynab Darwiche Ciara Cassilles	G16 400m G16 800m G17+ 1500m	60.00Q 1h 2:21.27Q 3h 12:30.69 14h	Bronze Bronze	58.35 2.24.19
Ciara Cassilles Olivia Pyda Olivia Pyda	G17+ 3000 W G17+ 400 hu G17+ DT		7th	15:32.11 79.78
Isabella Muc (15) Victor Ogbonna Victor Ogbonna Victor Ogbonna Victor Ogbonna	G17+ 2000 S0 B12 100m B12 200m B12 80 hur B12 LJ	13.56Q (-2.9) 5h 27.56q -0.3 8h	5th 4th 7th Gold 5th	8:32.91 13.30 (-2.3) 28.11 (-1.9) 14.03 (-4.2) 4.43m NWI
Aaron Pasnin* Westfields Phillip Botonis Phillip Botonis Westfields	B12 4 x 100 B13 800m B14 1500m B13 4 x 100	55.63Q 4h 2:16.42Q 2h 53.37 14th	4th Gold Gold	55.49 2.10.82 4:16.52
Malachi Mataele* Isaiah Schuster* Isaiah Schuster*	B13 LJ B13 SP B14 DT	4.42m NWI 16h	Gold Silver	14.06m 44.27m
Beau Sinclair Beau Sinclair	B14 100m B14 200m	12.14q (-1.4) 8h= 24.59 (-1.2) 18h	dns	
Beau Sinclair Akeem Kabba Akeem Kabba Leonard Salter*	B14 100 hur B14 100 hur B14 LJ B14 HJ	` '	Silver 5th 6th 6th	14.60 (-3.2) 16.02 (-3.2) 5.63m NWI 1.65m
Shea Cassilles Michael Mathison	B14 1500m B14 1500 W	5:05.25 13h	5th	7:41.96
Michael Mathison Koben Best Koben Best	B14 DT B15 100m B15 100 hur	18th 24.24m 12.13Q (-3.7) 5h	5th Bronze	11.82 (-0.4) 15.30 (-2.4)
Westfields Koben Best	B15 4 x 100 B15 LJ	47.62 10h	Silver	5.89m NWI
Jaxson Horton Jaxson Horton Liam Hayes	B15 SP B15 DT B16 200m	11.66m 11th 23.07q (0.3) 8h	6th 7th	38.04m 23.73 (-1.8)
Liam Hayes Benjamin Long Westfields	B16 LJ B16 800m B16 4 x 100	2:11.43 11h 48.53 16h	Bronze	6.24m NWI
Bailey Latanis Bailey Latanis Bailey Latanis Benjamin Westwood Emillio Martinez Emillio Martinez Westfields Athletics	B17+ 110 hui B17+ 400 hui B17+ Pentath BB17+ 2000SC B17+ DT B17+ JT	nlon	4th Silver Silver 8th 5th 13th	15.80 NWI 57.79 2875 7:41.08 48.89m 38.62m
Darcy Coote Darcy Coote Sienna Latanis Sienna Latanis Sienna Latanis	B14 100m B14 200m G15 SP G15 DT G15 JT	11.69 (-3.9) 1h 23.81 (0.4) 4h	Silver Bronze Bronze 4th 5th	11.58 (-0.7) 24.45 (-3.3) 12.28 32.81 31.89



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