

Lady Bulldogs Place at State  
By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs had several athletes on the stands at the State Track Meet in Wichita last week. They scored a total of 8.25 points as a team. "We've had a great season," said Coach Travis Smith. "What a perfect way to finish with a trip to state. Thanks for an outstanding year!"

Kami Miller, a sophomore, placed third in the finals of the 100m hurdles. She ran a 16.64 in the preliminaries on Friday and a 16.74 in Saturday's finals. "I am beyond blessed!" said Miller. "Thanks to everyone who came to watch me and who have helped me achieve this honor!" Miller also competed in the 300m hurdles where she ran a personal best time of 49.37.

Also making it onto the platform was senior Macayla Easton. Easton ran her best time of the season in the 400m at 1:02.11 to qualify for finals. On Saturday, she ran 1:03.37 for 8<sup>th</sup> place. This was Easton's third year to place in the 400m at the state meet.

Senior Kylie Jones made the return trip to state in high jump where she jumped 4' 10" for a four-way tie for 8<sup>th</sup> place. Kynndra Rush, sophomore, who ran the 4 x 400m relay at state as a freshman, ran the 800m with a time of 2:33.23, finishing 10<sup>th</sup>. She then ran the finals of the 4 x 400m with Jones, Easton, and Gabrielle Schiltz-freshman. The girls ran a 4:24.443 to qualify for finals, placing 8<sup>th</sup> with a time of 4:26.01.

The Bulldogs had two young men competing at the state meet along with the girls. Zach Spresser, senior, competed in triple jump for the second consecutive year. He just missed the platform with a 9<sup>th</sup> place finish and a 41' 5" jump. Competing for the first time at state was senior Tristan Schwarz. Schwarz threw the discus 130' 11" for an 11<sup>th</sup> place finish.