Junior High Girls Compete in Hill City By <u>Britton Knowles</u>

The Golden Plains 8th-grade girls track team competed at the Hill City Invitational on April 26, 2021. Many of the girls placed in their events while others set new Personal Record (PR). They scored a total of 31 points as a team bringing them in seventh place.

Anette Hernandez got first place in the 1600m also getting herself a new PR with a time of 6:16.71. She also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 800m with a time of 2:52.63 and the in the 200m hurdles at 37.00 seconds. Competing in the 4x400m was Sienna Vargas, Hayden Wark, Jaqueline Manriquez, and Anette Hernandez. They placed sixth with a time of 5:30.99.

Scoring additional points were Hayden Wark with a PR of 1:17.85 in the 400m for 4<sup>th</sup> place. Mariah Barnett placed sixth in 200m Hurdles running 37.13, set a PR of 19.65 in the 100m hurdles, and set a PR of 10' 2.5" in Long Jump. Jaque Manriquez placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 1600m at 7:37.79. Myah Ritter set a PR in Triple Jump of 24' 8" for 6thplace while Emma Carter set a PR of 65' 2" in Discus to place 5<sup>th</sup>.

Myah Ritter set a PR in the 100m with a time of 15.82. Vargas also competed in the long jump setting herself a new PR of 10'6".

Results for other events include 100m-McKinzie Horobik 16.01, 200m-Myah Ritter 34.38; Horobik-36.09, 800m-Manriquez 3:33.60, 1600m Manriquez 7:37.79, 100mHurdles--Wark 20.37; 200m hurdles--Wark 38.29; 4x100m Relay-Barnett, Emma Carter, Ritter, and Horobik 1:07.14, long jump-Horobik 9' 3.5"; Triple Jump—Vargas 23' 9.5"; Shot Put-Carter 22'10".

The 6th and 7th-grade girls competed together to post 8 points. Braylee Knowles and Anais Cepeda both placed in their events. Knowles placed third in shot put with a distance of 26'2". Cepeda got fifth in the 1600m with a time of 7:01.37. "I think that we still need to make some improvements as a team and individually," stated Knowles, "but we also showed a lot of improvement from our first meet in Atwood."

Results of additional events include: 100m-Knowles 17.97, Jordyn Bange 18.27; 200m--Luisa Ramirez 42.01, Addy Wessel 37.96, Katie Carter 38.00, Kaylee Wessel 38.7; 400m-Marisol Perez 1:27.14; 800m-Cepeda 3:33.56; 1600m-Bange 8:19.88; 4x100m Relay-Estella Vargas, Ramirez, Perez, Kailee Wessel 1:13.92; 4x200m-Lesley Holguin, Carter, Knowles, Cepeda 2:31.84; Long Jump-Bange 7'1", Ramirez 5'6.5"; Shot Put-Perez PR of 21'9"; and Discus-Kailee Wessel 44'3" and Katie Carter with a new PR of 40'2".

The middle school girls will continue their season on Thursday, April 29 at the Northern Valley Invitational in Logan.