

4A Girls

SW DeKalb AAAA- SW DeKalb could score some big points in the Field including the throws led by Sectional winner Demetria Dickens in the Discus, Kenya Wheeler in the Shot Put, Ariel Walker in the horizontal jumps. The Panthers also easily qualified squads in both relays and in the individual track events have the ability to rack up the points Saturday behind Greciana Cooper in both the 800/1600 and Shunika Jarrells in the short sprints. Coach Nicole Anderson allowed, "Demetria Dickens, Greciana Cooper, Charlotte Williams, and Kenya Wheeler were a part of last years championship, so they have been there before. If the team rallies behind them, they will win"

Redan AAAA- Senior India Hammond is ranked first in the 300 meters hurdles in class 4A with time of 44.22 and second in the 100 hurdles time 14.22, shes ranked 6th in the triple jump with a distances 38-0. Senior Nikkia Jefferson is ranked second in the 300 hurdles time of 44.67 and third in the 100 hurdles time of 14.66. Junior Crystal Gray ranked fifth in the 400 meters time of 57.23 and 200 meters she has one of the top times 25.15. Redan 4x100 meters relay team consisted of Nikkia Jefferson, Freshman Jade Johnson, Crystal Gray has ran the fastest time in class 4A 47.44. The 4x400 meters relay team has ran the third fastest time 3:55.18 (Jefferson, Gary, Junior Destiny Reid and Hammond). Coach Griffith replied, "We feel that we have a great squad of young ladies. We are few in numbers but, they are big in heart and determination. We feel that we have the opportunity to finish in the top four in team standings at the Girls State Meet.

Dunwoody AAAA- The Dunwoody High School girls team is very excited about running at Albany. The 4x100 and 4x400 teams (Shari Ladsen, Monika Nwajei, Sadia Yansaneh, Erika Banks, and Asya Yavuncu) are hoping to break school records and find a place on the podium. Asya Yavuncu and Erika Banks will also compete individually in the 400m and 200m respectively. Sophomore Alex Cameron hopes to find a place on the podium in extremely competitive 1600 and 3200m races. Erin Berger will be holding down the field events in pole vault.

Statesboro AAAA- The Statesboro girls are coming off of winning their fourth region championship in a row. Statesboro is led by Alisia Jenkins, a University of South Florida signee in basketball. She is entered in the long jump and the triple jump. She is also the anchor on both relay teams. Seniors Shanice Walker is entered in both hurdle races and the 4 x 400. Anesha Drummer is back at the state meet after taking her junior year off from track, competing in the 100 hurdles. Heather Wasdin makes her 4th appearance in Albany as the opening leg on both relay teams. Mahagony Lanier will compete in the 100 meters. Keiyonna Gusby will also return in the 300 hurdles. Teisha Murray will compete in the 400 meters and freshman Genevieve Okafor will run the second leg of the 4 x 400 relay. All 8 girls have qualified for the state meet every year they have participated in track. Jenkins placed 3rd last year in the triple jump. Statesboro is projected to place in the top 10 in team standings, but with some outstanding performances, they could move up the rankings.

Kell- Kendell Williams alone should pop out 30 points for Kell as she is at or near the top nationally in the HJ, 100 hurdles and Long Jump and clearly #1 in GA.