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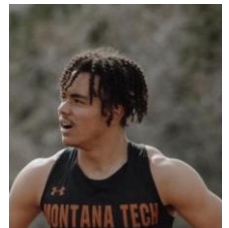
Montana 100 Meter Kicks Off State Games at Opening Ceremonies

The 2026 Montana 100 Meter, sponsored by Dawson Community College, marks the 2nd annual race at the Big Sky State Games Opening Ceremonies. The race begins at approximately 8:00-8:30 p.m. Friday, July 17 at Lockwood High School. The race will take place before the Montana Mile. The Montana 100 Meter is an invitational race featuring some of the state's fastest high school, college, and post-collegiate sprinters.

Men's Field

Jaxon Allery

Missoula's Jaxon Allery is an incoming sophomore at Montana Tech and he holds the record for the 100 at Tech. He also holds the conference meet record for the Frontier Conference in the same event. He was the 2025 MHSA State Champion in the 100, and his 4x100 relay team at Tech qualified for NAIA nationals.



Ian Bullard

A junior, Ian Bullard is currently a student at Missoula's Hellgate High School. He qualified for three national events as well as two National Junior Olympics. He ranked fourth in the 100 in Hellgate history as a sophomore. He also received provisional marks at the 2026 Nike Outdoor Nationals.



Elijah Gibson

Elijah Gibson will be a senior this year at Billings West High. He has had a successful track career so far marking personal bests this last season in the 100, 200, and 400, and he placed first in the 200 at the SCAD Track meet last year. He qualified for the 2026 state meet and placed 7th in the 100, 12th in the 200 and was a member of the 4x100 state championship team.



Tyler Grenier

Returning, Tyler Grenier is a sophomore at Montana State University-Billings and hails from Livingston. He was an All-State and All-Conference athlete at Park High School in Livingston. He is also a four-time GNAC Qualifier and was Academic All-GNAC.

**Dawson Hammond**

Dawson Hammond will be a freshman at the University of Montana in the Fall and will play football. He holds multiple records in the 100, the 200, and the 4x100 relay at Malta High School. At the 2026 MHSA AA-B state meet, he was third in the 100, fourth in the 200, and third in the 400.

**Ryan LaMere**

A Billings Senior High alumni, Ryan LaMere is a junior at Rocky Mountain College and has lived in Billings all his life. He was a team captain and named the most improved Bronco in high school. He continues to hold Rocky's 100, 60, and 200 records. He was the 100 Frontier Conference champion in 2025.

**John Roberts**

John Roberts, a Montana State University-Billing sophomore, is from Billings. He was a student at Skyview High School and was a member fo the 2025 Eastern AA Divisionals championship team in the 4x100 Relay.

**Brayden Zikmund**

Brayden Zikmund is a senior at Manhattan High School and plans to attend the University of Montana. He has school records in the 100 and 200, and has earned All-State and All-Conference honors. His team placed fourth in the 4x100 relay at the 2026 MHSA AA-B state meet.



Women's Field

Charlize Davis

A senior, Charlize Davis goes to Rocky Mountain College and is from Billings. She was a 2023 AA state champion in the 4x100 and was second in the 100 hurdles. She also was a Midland Roundtable Top 10 champion in the 100 hurdles. She earned to all-state finishes in track during her high school career. In college, she was the 2024 Frontier Conference outdoor champion 100 hurdles and the indoor champ in the 60 hurdles.



Iris Hancock

Iris Hancock is an incoming freshman at Bozeman High School. She holds the 100, 200, 400, records at Sacajawea Middle School, and also is a member of the school record 4x100, and 4x400 relays. She was the USATF age 13-14 champion in the 100 and 200 in 2025 and 2026. Hancock was first in the 2026 STCU West Coast Indoor Championships in the 200 as an 8th grader.



Madigan Hurlbert

A senior, Madigan Hurlbert is a student at Florence-Carlton High School. She currently holds the school record in the 100. She placed fourth in the 2024 Class B state meet and 6th in the 2025 state meet. She also was the Western B Divisional champion in 20206.



Ayla Janzen

Montana Tech's Ayla Janzen and plans to graduate in 2027. She holds the Twin Bridges school records in the 100, 200, 300 hurdles, and triple jump. She was a triple jump and 4x400 state champion. Janzen is an eight-time All-State finisher, as well. Along with that, she has qualified for NAIA nationals five times and owns a triple jump championship in the Frontier Conference.



Maya Noble

Maya Noble is an incoming senior at Three Forks High School. She has the school record for 100 and pole vault. She placed first in the 200 at the District 5B meet and third in the 4x100 at Southern B/C Divisional. As a senior, she is looking forward to running her events and gaining even more school records.



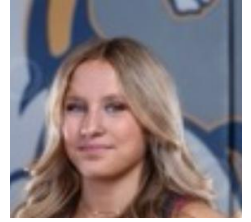
Emery Peel

Emery Peel is an incoming freshman at Montana Tech after an illustrious career at Billings Senior. She has the all-state record in the 100, earned All-State designations in the 100, 4x100, and 4x400 in 2025, and placed first in the 100 and 200 at the 2026 MHSA Class AA-B state meet. Peel also earned. This will be Peel's second Montana 100.



Sydney Sprenger

A junior, Sydney Sprenger is a student at Shepherd High School. She placed fourth in the 2026 Class B state meet in the 100 and 200. In the SCAD track meet, she placed 3rd in the 100 and fourth in the 4x100. Sprenger also placed first in the 4x400 relay at the 2026 District 4B meet.



The Athlete Fun Zone at Lockwood High School opens at 5:00 p.m. Parade of Athletes at 7:15 p.m. and the Montana 100 Meter followed by the Montana Mile at approximately 8:00 p.m. Admission is free to the Opening Ceremonies. For more information, call 406-254-7426 or go to bigskygames.org.

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