



The Record Breakers

There are 17 events in Nebraska high school track and field. Because track is a sport of numbers — times and distances — the performances in those events can be tracked through the generations. The simplicity of those numbers give a special prestige to school records in track and field that they do not enjoy in other sports. There is no offensive line to pave the way. There are no teammates to pass the ball. It's just an athlete competing against history, against every other past athlete who has run that event. A quick look at the school record board gives you a list of the fastest, strongest, toughest, most explosive athletes to ever don the black and orange.

Records are made to be broken, someone once said.

Perhaps that someone was a fan of the 2014 NBC girls track and field team.

Of the aforementioned 17 events, five them were pushed to historical heights by members of this year's Tiger squad.

Those five school records — all of them in the field — are held by four athletes: Alexis Allgood, Samantha Dirkschneider, Cassidy Walla and Allison Lux.

Coach Jeff Voss said it's a special thrill to see one of his athletes do something that's never been done before. He's been busy keeping the record board up to date the last couple of years.

"When I was putting them up there on the record board, I was wondering how long they are going to be there," he said, "but I think some of them are going to be there for while. And we have some that are coming back (next year) and can improve on their records."

Having five school record holders on one team is certainly an amazing quirk of history, but it's not totally unique.

In the early days of girls track and field, which began at NBC in 1971, it was pretty easy to have multiple record holders on a team since the sport was so new. But as the years passed records grew harder to attain as the quality and depth of athletes on the all-time roster grew with each turn of the calendar.

Some of those records of decades past have stood the test of time. The 1985 Tiger girls track team holds six school records that still stand, including two relays.

Sometimes it all magically comes together. The 2001 boys track team broke five school records at one meet. It's no surprise that that team went on to win a state championship.

The 2014 Tigers made their mark in history... until the next crop of record breakers come along.

Alexis Allgood Sr. Triple jump

Allgood, the lone senior among our four record breakers, set the triple jump record at the Bergan Invite her junior year, on a day when she didn't feel her best. In fact, she went home sick and didn't finish the meet. But not before bounding 36-1, her first jump over 35 feet. Unfortunately, Allgood would never get a chance to jump her best at the state meet. Running events pulled her away in the middle of the triple jump competition both her junior and senior years. She did finish with a sixth place medal her senior year, however. Allgood, a UNO track recruit, also came within 0.58 seconds from holding three school records. Her times of 59.12 in the 400 and 2:21.42 in the 800 at this year's state meet are probably the second fastest times in those events in school history, just 0.12 and 0.46 seconds, respectively, from the records.

Allison Lux So. High jump

The idea of setting a school record hasn't always been on Lux's radar. As a freshman, she topped off at 5-2. The idea of going for the school record of 5-5 became real when she cleared 5-3 at the first meet this season. As a sophomore, she never jumped less than 5-2 at any meet and tied the 5-foot record in the third meet of the year. She made the record her own by clearing 5-6 at the district meet before going on to place second at the state meet.

Sam Dirkschneider Jr. Shot put, discus

Dirkschneider broke her sister's school record at the third meet of her freshman season and improved it to its current mark at the Bergan Invite last this season. She also set a second standard when she snapped the discus record at the district meet her sophomore year.

Cassidy Walla Jr. Pole vault

Walla became the first Tiger girl to break the 10-foot barrier when she broke the old record of 9-10 at districts her freshman year. Since then she has steadily raised that record, from 10-0, to 10-3 to 10-6 and finally to 10-8 this year. The three-time state medalist has one more year to go, with an eye set on the 11-foot barrier and beyond.



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*Greatest Of All Time

North Bend Central Girls Track and Field Records

Track

100 meters	Connie Vyhildal 1977	12.6	800 meters	Carol Rochford 1984	2:20.96
200 meters	Rose Chvatal 1985	26.2	1600 meters	Carol Rochford 1985	5:18.94
400 meters	Rose Chvatal 1985	59.0	3200 meters	Kim Kloke 1991	12:00.5
100m hurdles	Sara Bloom 2005	15.6	300m hurdles	Sara Bloom 2005	47.9
400m relay	Alyssa Brabec Cassie Schutt Chelsea Kreikemeier Kayla Van Norman 2009	51.7	1600m relay	Laura Racek Cheryl Rochford Carol Rochford Rose Chvatal 1985	4:03.6
3200m relay	Cheryl Rochford Michelle Lively Carol Rochford Tracy Winkleman 1985	9:49.6			

& Field

Shot Put	Sam Dirkschneider 2014	44-7	Discus	S. Dirkschneider 2013	135-3
Triple Jump	Alexis Allgood 2013	36-1	Long Jump	Katie Blacketer 2001	17-5.25
High Jump	Allison Lux 2014	5-6			
Pole Vault	Cassidy Walla 2014	10-8			

Did you know...

that seven different girls have held the discus school record (Becky Kucera, Susan Anderson, JoLynn Krepel, Judy Emanuel, Megan Jensen, Jamie Spath and Samantha Dirkschneider)? Find out about the history of many school records on the girls track and field page at [norbendbeagle.com](#). There are also histories of other sports like boys track and football.

If you look at track like other sports, counting teams you beat in a meet as a win and teams that finish ahead of you as a loss, then the 2014 Tiger girls track team put together a 73-2 record. That's a .973 winning percentage and doesn't include the state meet, where NBC went 85-2.

73-2



What if the 2014 state track meet was scored like the Olympics? While there is no official team score in the Olympics, news organizations often use the medal count to show Olympic "standings." Using that system, the North Bend girls would have tied for the state title, with nobody earning more state medals than the Tigers. That logic would be enough for an SEC football team to claim a national championship, so we say NBC should just go ahead and hang another banner in the gym.

State track medal count:

team	G	S	B	Tot.	Act.
1. North Bend Central	1	7	8	(3)	
Laurel-Concord-Col.	1	7	8	(9)	
3. Crofton	2	2	2	6	(1)
Superior	1	4	6	(6)	
Stanton	1	1	4	6	(7)
6. Ord	1	1	3	5	(5)
Sutton	1	4	5	(10)	
Dundy Co.-Stratton	5	5	5	(14)	
Wilber-Clatonia	5	5	5	(18)	

G= gold medals S= silver medals

B= bronze medals (3-8 place)

Act= Actual team finish in real state standings

Note: Actual runner-up Kearney Catholic, who finished one point ahead of NBC, earned just four medals, all by the same person.

7-for-9

The NBC girls won seven of their nine meets this year (not including state), placing second in the other two. They also extended their district meet winning streak to 13 years.

The Top Ten

The NBC girls track team has finished in the top ten in the past eight years. This year's team had the second best state meet performance in points and placing in school history. Here is a list of the best finishes at the state meet in Tiger history:

year	pts.	place	class
1. 2008	44	2nd	C
2. 2014	33	3rd	C
3. 1985	32	6th	B
2012	32	6th	C
5. 2011	31	6th	C
6. 2013	25.3	8th	C
7. 2007	25	8th	C
8. 2009	22.5	9th	C
9. 1983	15	19th	B
10. 1993	14	10th	C

“What's best about them is that they listen and they try their hardest. If you look at the athletic ability of some of these teams we are in the hunt with (at state), we are not as athletic as they are. We just aren't. We have some good athletes, but they get the most out of their abilities.”

- Coach Jeff Voss
on his 2014 Tiger track girls

GAME OF THROWS



WINNERS ARE COMING

State medalists under coach Bob Feurer since 2003:

Shot put
6th- Jamie Williams '04
4th- D. Dirkschneider '06
5th- D. Dirkschneider '07
2nd- D. Dirkschneider '08
2nd- D. Dirkschneider '09
3rd- S. Dirkschneider '12
8th- Sam Dolezal '12
7th- S. Dirkschneider '13
6th- S. Dirkschneider '14
Discus
4th- Megan Jensen '08
5th- Jamie Spath '08
5th- D. Dirkschneider '09
1st- Sam Dolezal '11
6th- S. Dirkschneider '12
4th- S. Dirkschneider '13
7th- S. Dirkschneider '14



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Coach Bob Feurer studies one of his shot putters at a meet earlier this year.

longer than the distances and marks they set or the times they medal.”

He's not quitting cold turkey, though. Feurer said he will still be around this summer if any throwers want to work on technique until his replacement gets established.