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## **2024 Paris Olympians and Paralympians from Pennsylvania**

*41 athletes from PA are set to compete at the 2024 Paris Olympics/Paralympics.*

**MECHANICSBURG, PA** – As the countdown to the 2024 Paris Olympics continues to near closer to the opening ceremonies on Friday, July 26, 2024. Pennsylvania is represented well across various sports. Thirty-three former Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) student-athletes from member schools are among the 41 athletes, 32 Olympians and 9 Paralympians from the Keystone State. They are set to compete on the world's biggest stage, representing the United States of America, while two others are set to compete for a different country, Puerto Rico. Pa sits fourth for the state with the most 2024 Olympic qualifiers. Although each Olympic dream or vision may have come at different times of their lives. These athletes' abilities are developed at the junior high and high school levels.

Please join us in congratulating and recognizing the achievements of these outstanding individuals. Being selected and participating on an Olympic team is one of the most outstanding achievements an athlete can achieve. On behalf of all our 1,440 member schools and 350,000 student-athletes strong, the PIAA wishes you the best of luck and much success. USA proud!!

### **Below are Pennsylvania natives competing for Team USA:**

David Abrahams – Haverford HS (1) (Para Swimming) **2024 Olympian**

Valarie Allman – Hershey HS (3) (Track and Field) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Justin Best – Unionville HS (1) (Rowing) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Kahleah Cooper – Preparatory Charter HS (12) (Basketball) **2024 Olympian**

Brooke Deberdine – Penn Manor HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Emma Deberdine – Penn Manor HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Casey Eichfeld – The Keystone School (Canoe/Kayak) **4-time Olympian; 2008, 2012, 2016, 2024**



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Phia Gladioux – Oley Valley HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Michael Grady – Central Catholic HS (7) (Rowing) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Chris Guliano – Daniel Boone HS (3) (Swimming) **2024 Olympian**

Ashley Hoffman – Twin Valley HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Casey Kaufhold – Conestoga Valley HS (3) (Archery) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Karlie Kisha – Hamburg Area HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Joe Kovacs – Bethlehem Catholic HS (11) (Track and Field) – **3-time Olympian; 2016, 2020, 2024**

Spencer Lee – Franklin Regional HS (7) (Wrestling) **2024 Olympian**

Kelee Lepage – Twin Valley HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Brandon Lyons – Cumberland Valley HS (3) (Para-Cycling) **2024 Olympian**

Boyd Martin – Lives in Chester County (Equestrian) **4-time Olympian; 2012, 2016, 2020, 2024**

Josh Matheny – Upper St. Clair HS (7) (Swimming) **2024 Olympian**

Eric McElvenny – Lives in Pittsburgh (Paratriathlon) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Nick Mead – Episcopal Academy (Rowing) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Shawn Morelli – Saegertown HS (10) (Para-Cycling) **3-time Olympian; 2016, 2020, 2024**

Emelia Perry – Lives in Philadelphia (Paratriathlon) **2024 Olympian**

Kevin Polish – Mapletown HS (7) (Para Archery) **3-time Olympian; 2016, 2020, 2024**

Ivan Puskovitch – Episcopal Academy (Open Water Swimming) **2024 Olympian**

Ariana Ramsey – Upper Merion HS (1) (Rugby) **2-time Olympian; 2020, 2024**

Zain Retherford – Benton HS (4) (Wrestling) **2024 Olympian**

Jenny Rizzo – Hershey HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**



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Jovana Sekulic – Episcopal Academy (Water Polo) **2024 Olympian**

Ashley Sessa – Episcopal Academy (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Meredith Sholder – Emmaus HS (11) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Cassie Sumfest – Lewisburg HS (4) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

Mason Symons – Milton Hershey HS (3) (Wheelchair Rugby) **2024 Olympian**

Alyssa Thomas – Central Dauphin HS (3) (Basketball) **2024 Olympian**

Bridget Williams – Hempfield Area HS (7) (Track and Field) **2024 Olympian**

Cody Wills – Central Dauphin HS (3) (Para-Cycling) **2024 Olympian**

Allie Wilson – Strath Haven HS (1) (Track and Field) **2024 Olympian**

Taylor Winnett – Hershey HS (3) (Para Swimming) **2024 Olympian**

Maddie Zimmer – Hershey HS (3) (Field Hockey) **2024 Olympian**

**Below are Pennsylvania natives competing for Puerto Rico:**

Ayden Owens-Delerme – North Alleghany HS (7) (Track and Field) **2024 Olympian**

Darian Cruz – Bethlehem Catholic HS (11) (Wrestling) **2024 Olympian**

**PIAA Districts Represented:**

District I: 4

District VII: 6

District II: 0

District VIII: 0

District III: 16

District IX: 0

District IV: 2

District X: 1

District V: 0

District XI: 3

District VI: 0

District XII: 1

**Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association**

Beginning in Pittsburgh, on December 29, 1913, PIAA was given the privilege of serving its member schools and registered officials by establishing policies and adopting contest rules that emphasize the educational values of interscholastic athletics, promote safe and sportsmanlike competition, and provide uniform standards for all interscholastic levels of competition.