CHESHIRE SCHOOLS ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION.

Confirmation of how to be selected to represent CHESHIRE SCHOOLS at the MASON TROPHY meeting (Inter County Schools Championships) and /or ENGLISH SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS. Summer 2022.

Selection for the Inter Counties and/or the English Schools this year will be decided as per pre-Covid, by the Cheshire Schools committee.

Athletes should progress through and take part in a District Championships to be selected for the Cheshire Schools Championships. If a District does not hold a Championships, please contact the District team manager to make sure they know you wish to be selected for the Cheshire Schools Championships. A List of District secretarys/team managers is on the front page of the website.    
The timeline is:  
1. As the District Championships is a qualifier for the Cheshire Schools event, from there, the District team manager would select the Junior Years 8 and 9, Intermediates Years 10 and 11, and Seniors Sixth Form team to represent his/her District at the Cheshire Schools Championships on Sat. June 11th at Ellesmere Port. Year 7 District teams will also be selected to take part in their own separate Cheshire Schools Championships on Monday June 20th at Warrington.

2. An athlete from Years 7 to 11 can only compete in one event at the Cheshire Schools Championships. Seniors may compete in two events if they wish to. An athlete would ideally need to take part in the event he wished to be considered for the Inter Counties / English Schools AA Champs. The Inter Counties only applies to Year 7 on Weds. June 29th, Juniors and Intermediates on Sat. June 18th, and there is no Senior competition. English Schools only applies to Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors. There are no Year 7 events at English Schools.

3. At the Cheshire Schools Championships, athletes finishing in 1st and 2nd place are asked to complete selection forms for the future events with all their best performances to date from the 2022 outdoor season for consideration. Performances can be accepted from other ‘quality’ meetings, eg Cheshire County Clubs Championships, Trafford Open meetings, Warrington Open meetings etc.  
4. On the evening of 11th June, our committee would select two athletes, usually the 1st and 2nd place in each event to then take part and represent CHESHIRE SCHOOLS in the Mason Trophy meeting (Inter County Schools meeting) on Sat. 18th June at Stoke. This involves 10 Counties and it is a strong competition involving most of the Counties situated on the M6 and M5 motorways, West Midlands, Staffs, Greater Manchester, etc.  
5. Following this Inter Counties Champs, the selection committee will meet before Tuesday 21st June, (deadline date) to decide the final 40 athletes to represent the Cheshire team, to attend the English Schools AA Champs in Manchester, on Fri/Sat. July 8th and 9th. The standards for each event are published on the ESAA website and ESAA recommend that an athlete has at least entry standard to be considered. www.esaa.net  
Selection criteria by our Cheshire Schools Committee usually follows….  
1. National standard performances   
2. Entry standard performances,  
3. Near miss to the Standards, with reference to the Power of 10 Rankings, etc.

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