

4 PSL Powers on Track Move

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Cooley and Northwestern on the West Side and Pershing and Kettering on the East Side loom as the favorites in Thursday's Public School League divisional track and field meets.

Cooley qualified 14 individuals and two relays Tuesday and Northwestern 11 individuals and two relays at Central High's all-weather track.

Over at Martin Luther King, Pershing sent 11 individuals and three relays into the finals while Kettering qualified 10 individuals and three relays.

AFTER THURSDAY'S division finals, which start at 3:30 p.m., the league championships will be staged next Monday and Wednesday at Wayne State University.

Cooley's Art Little came up with the finest performance of the day when he long-jumped 23 feet 2 3/4 inches to lead the West Side qualifiers.

"I did so poorly in the state meet I've got to make up for it this time," Little said.

At King, state champion Kelsey Johnson of Osborn could get away a mediocre jump of 21 feet 1 1/2 inches.

Jeff Dill of Northern, Harland Huckleby of Cass Tech and Larry Stokes of Central will battle it out in the sprints. Both Dill and Stokes were caught in 9.9 seconds with Huckleby touring the distance in 10 seconds flat.

Northwestern's David Blakeley had a qualifying time of 21.8 in the 220.

Kettering obviously has the best 440-year relay team in town. The Pioneers, who won the state title, were clocked Tuesday in 44 seconds flat.

Bruce Lee of Chadsey came up with the day's best shot put — a toss of 53 feet 6 inches. Three hurdlers, Jim Nichols and Randy Williams of Cooley and Walt Howard of Murray Wright, all were caught in 15.2 seconds for the 120-yard high hurdles.

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