

• Special to the Leader & Times    Approximately 200 boys and girls ages 9 to 14 years old from the Liberal area will compete at 1 p.m. June 1 at Liberal High School Track Field in the Liberal running of the Hershey's Track and Field Games. Winners in the Liberal meet will advance to the state provincial meet on Saturday, June 21-22.

State meet winners do not automatically advance to the North American Final. They are entered into a regional pool and become eligible for selection to a Regional Team which will travel to Hershey, Pa., to compete in the North American Final, scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 1. All regional winners will qualify for the North American Final Meet.

Events will include the 50-meter dash, 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 400-meter dash, 800-meter run, 1600-meter run, 4X100 meter relay, standing long jump and softball throw.

The Hershey Youth Program has involved millions of youngsters from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the 10 provinces and three territories of Canada. It is sponsored by the National Recreation and Park Association, USA Track & Field, Athletics Canada and by the Hershey Company.

The state/provincial sponsor of this program is Kansas Recreation and Park Association. The local sponsor of this program is Liberal Recreation Department.

Pick up an entry form at the Liberal Recreation Center, 1109 W. 7th. Those born between 2002 and 1999, are eligible to compete.

For more information, contact the Recreation Office during regular business hours at 626-0133.