



2009 Manitoba Hershey's Track & Field Games

For 30 years, HERSHEY'S Track and Field Games have put fun into fitness for kids. It is the largest youth sports program of its kind in North America. Over 17,000 athletes participated in the Manitoba Hershey's Track and Field Games in 2008 (the highest participation numbers in all of Canada).

The HERSHEY'S Track and Field Games are conducted on both a recreational and educational level. The program teaches basic running, jumping and throwing skills on the playgrounds and in the schools. No special equipment is required.

Boys and girls between ages 9 and 14 are eligible for the program. Age group classifications are determined by the participant's age on December 31, 2009.

It's never been easier to get involved in the Hershey's Track & Field Games! Results from school or zone meets can be submitted to Athletics Manitoba and athletes who finish first through third or meet or exceed provincial standards will advance to the Manitoba Hershey Finals in June. Once results are verified, schools will be contacted if athletes qualify for the Provincial Finals. Results from the Track Attack Series, and selected Athletic Manitoba Grand Prix's will also be recognized as qualifying events.

Students advancing to the Hershey's Provincial Finals in June will be required to fill out a registration form and all non-Athletic Manitoba members will need to pay a \$5.00 individual day membership fee. **There are no entry fees for the Hershey's Track & Field Games Provincial Finals!**

First place results from the Provincial Finals are submitted to a North American selection committee and a minimum of 5 athletes and two coaches will be chosen to represent Manitoba at the North American Championships in August 2009. Each participant in the North American Final receives an all-expense paid trip to Hershey, Pennsylvania for four days of fun-filled events, including the North American Final.

Don't miss this great opportunity to get your school registered for the Hershey's Track & Field Games!

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