

## V.I.A.L. Track and Field Report

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More than 350 track and field athletes from 19 high schools participated in the Virginia Scholastic Track and Field Meet, May 1, 1954, at Virginia State College, Petersburg, Virginia.

The Meet was highly exciting and successful. Athletes appeared to be in superb condition and exhibited good training in fundamentals of field and track.

Wilfred Bivins of I. C. Norcom got the Meet off to a record start by running his heat in the 100 yard dash in 9:08 seconds, thus breaking the old record set by a former Greyhound, Russel Copeland, of 10:01 seconds.

From all rumors around, I. C. Norcom was slated to win the Meet, but Thad Madden, the fox of the V.I.A.L. came through to win meet honors and to set two records. Joseph Covington of Huntington won the 120 yard high hurdles in a new record time of 16:00 and the Vikings medley relay team set up a record time of 3:44.7.