

2026 Junior Development Award Recipients

2026 Outdoor Track & Field Season

October 7, 2026

Congratulations to our 2026 Junior Development Award recipients for their outstanding performances in the 2026 Outdoor Track and Field season.

JD Awards Qualifying Criteria

To qualify for a JD Award, the following criteria must be met.

- Athletes must hold a BC Athletics Annual Athlete Membership
- Athletes must have competed in at least one JD Championship within the past 12 months: either the JD Track & Field Championships or the JD Pentathlon Championships.
- Athletes must have competed in THREE BC Athletics sanctioned track and field meets within the past 12 months.
- Athletes must meet the JD Awards standard in at least one event at a sanctioned meet.
- Athletes aged 9 to 12 must also have competed in one running event, one throwing event, and one jumping event at an approved meet.

Note: Awards will be mailed to each athlete's club. Please contact Kala (kala.stone@bcathletics.org) with any questions.

Award Recipients

Athlete Name	Event	Club
Raphael Wilkie	60mH/Long Jump	Ocean Athletics
Elijah Valastiak	High Jump	Cowichan Valley Athletic Club
Ava Loconte	200mH	The Renegades
Landon Wells	800m/1200m/2000m	Langley Mustangs
Natalie Garber	High Jump	Coquitlam Cheetahs
Vera-Stin Ifunanya Iroha	60m/60mH/High Jump/Long Jump	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Evan Fikowski	High Jump	Cowichan Valley Athletic Club
Kris-Maris Chisom Iroha	Long Jump/Triple Jump	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Saiya Aujla	High Jump	Coquitlam Cheetahs
Carter Jasmins-Douglas	600m	Ocean Athletics
Jean Raphael Djida	100m/200m/Long Jump	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Owen Verkaik	1000m	Langley Mustangs

Athlete Name	Event	Club
Finn Wypych	Long Jump	Kamloops Track and Field
Kingsley Jones	100m/200m/80mH/200mH/High Jump/Long Jump	Coquitlam Cheetahs
Desmond Jones	60m/High Jump/Long Jump	Coquitlam Cheetahs
Poppy Langlois	200mH	Ocean Athletics
Gurman Sandhu	Discus	Valley Royals
Munachi Okwundu	200m	Ocean Athletics
Sebastian Wong	Long Jump/Triple Jump	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Jackson Brandsma	High Jump/Long Jump	Valley Royals
Aidan Du Plessis	Long Jump	Comox Valley Cougars
Kiran Narine	600m/1000m	Cowichan Valley Athletic Club
Udhayvir Singh Deol	Discus/Hammer	Valley Royals
Zayd Saikia	80mH/Long Jump	Coquitlam Cheetahs
Josiah Cledomin	100m	Langley Mustangs
Xavier Forer	300m	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Caleb Verkaik	2000m	Langley Mustangs
Josh Sutherland	Pole Vault	Valley Royals
Rosie Maika	1000m	Kajaks
McKinley Wasyliv	800m/1200m/2000m/Long Jump/High Jump	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Imisioluwa Oyenuga	Discus Throw	Nanaimo Track and Field
Dalia Gara	80mH/High Jump/Long Jump	Vancouver Thunderbirds
Caitlyn Newnham	High Jump/Long Jump	Langley Mustangs
Caleb Daviss	Long Jump	The Renegades
Brayden Doornenbal	Long Jump	Langley Mustangs
Chase Newstone	800m	Nanaimo Track and Field
Elijah Sabado	60m, 100m, 200m, 600m, 60mH, Long Jump	Langley Mustangs
Liberty Barrios	60m	Langley Mustangs