



RECOGNITION

Joseph Austin – Lakeside High School – GHSA State Wrestling Champion

- WHEREAS: The DeKalb County School District is dedicated to developing students academically and athletically. Lakeside High School senior wrestler Joseph Austin is committed to working hard and representing DeKalb athletics; and
- WHEREAS: Joseph Austin defeated South Effingham's Andreo Manlove 10-4 to win gold in the 113-pound division at the 2026 GHSA Class 5A Traditional Wrestling Championships; and
- WHEREAS: Under the direction of Head Coach Dessen Bolton, Joseph Austin finished the season undefeated at 42-0 and ended a 29-year gold medal drought for the Vikings; and
- WHEREAS: Austin also won the DeKalb County, Region 4-5A and Class 5A state sectional 113-division titles in his run to the championship; and as such,
- THEREFORE: We, the DeKalb County Board of Education, acknowledge the outstanding athletic accomplishments of the Lakeside High School senior wrestler Joseph Austin for having achieved one of the highest levels attainable by a high school wrestler. In official recognition, we affix our signatures on this 11th day of May 2026.




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