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Acalanes Hosts Special Olympic Games

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500-plus athletes participated at Acalanes High School in the county's Special Olympic Games. Pictured is athlete Jamal Swain from Stanley Middle School in Lafayette. Photo Gint Federas

More than 500 students in special education and general education programs from 50 different schools converged at Acalanes High school April 25 for the Special Olympics Northern California Contra Costa County School Games. Special education students had the opportunity to compete in Special Olympics track and field events and earn medals for their accomplishments. General education students also joined in as Unified Partners, competing with their special education peers on the same relays. Unified Sports encourages inclusion, awareness and respect at an early age. Dick Callahan, public address announcer for the Oakland Athletics, was the emcee. The Contra Costa County School Games were presented by Chevron. The event will also take place at Liberty High School in Brentwood on Friday, May 12.



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