



Due to its increasing popularity, 2013 saw the Leicestershire Disability Sportshall Athletics event integrated into the Sainsbury's School Games calendar for the first time.

Building on last year's event which saw 10 schools taking part, this year saw fantastic growth to **19 teams from 16**

schools, including 7 mainstream schools from across the county, all taking part in this SG Level 2 qualifying event.

A wide range of abilities competed, with power & manual wheelchair users taking part alongside frame-

users, cerebral palsy athletes and ambulant athletes with intellectual disabilities.

119 young people from ages 11-19 years old took part in a variety of adapted running, throwing and jumping events including soft javelin and standing long-jump.

The enthusiasm and excitement throughout the day was incredible, one pupil from Redmoor Academy, a mainstream school in Hinckley said; "Usually in PE I'm slow, but today I was fast!" which really encapsulates the effect the event had on so many of the young people. There were some remarkable performances by everyone who took part, in particular very well done to the following individuals who came top of their age groups:

Boys KS4/5 – Jake Lambert (Ellesmere College – Yr12) – 269.5 points Girls KS4/5 – Kara Mosely (Forest Way School – Yr12) – 245.3 points Boys KS3 – Manav Deugi (Crown Hills College – Yr9) – 259.6 points Girls KS3 – Chantel McFarlane (Soar Valley College – Yr9) – 257.4 points

As well as the outstanding individual performances, congratulations to the overall winning team **Ellesmere College** who now go on to the Level 3 final along with the 6 other district qualifiers, resulting in 4 special & 3 mainstream schools from Leicestershire & Rutland.

A huge thank you to Crown Hills CC who not only hosted the event in their fantastic new facility, but also provided excellent young leaders who helped ensure the participants had the best possible experience. A big thank you also to all the volunteers from the Leicestershire Disability Athletics Development Group and LARISA.

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Participating Schools:

Ash Field Academy, Ashmount School,
Birch Wood School, Birkett House School,
Castle Rock High School, Crown Hills
College, Ellesmere College, Forest Way
School, Judgemeadow College, Leysland
High School, Maplewell Hall School,
Nether Hall School, Redmoor Academy,
Soar Valley College, South Wigston High
School and West Gate School