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Press Release

CRC STUDENT PICKED TO RUN FOR GREAT BRITAIN

A Cambridge Regional College student tipped as a future Olympian is off to Canada today (mon) to represent Great Britain in the World Junior Championships.

Sam Watts, one of the country's most talented young sprinters, was selected for the 100m relay squad after an outstanding season.



He was on top form again at the weekend, when he competed in the English Schools Championships in Birmingham, winning the Senior Boys' – Under 19 – 200m race and setting a new personal best.

Sam, who has just completed a two-year BTEC National Certificate in IT at CRC, is due back at the College in September to start a personal trainer's course in the sports academy.

The 18 year-old, who lives in Bishop's Stortford, represented Cambridgeshire in the English Schools race, and knocked 0.25 seconds off his previous best time to win in 21.10 seconds.

Sam's tutor, Josie Maisey, said everyone was absolutely delighted that Sam had been picked by the Great Britain selectors.

"We are very, very proud of Sam. He works well at College and then goes training several nights a week and all weekend," she said.

The World Junior Championships take place in Moncton, Canada, from July 19 to 25.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is the second largest provider of full-time education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has around 3,500 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes.