

OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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To: Media Representatives

From: Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Information Services

Welcome to National Trail Raceway and the 2011 Ohio High School Athletic Association Cross Country State Championships. We are pleased to have you as our guests and would like to thank you in advance for your coverage. With crowds annually in excess of 10,000, the OHSAA cross country state meet is the largest cross country meet in the country.

In addition to this memo, credentialed media shall also receive a media credential, weekly release and the official program that includes a course map, participants and past champions.

The format for the cross country tournament is as follows. All six races are 5,000 meters, consisting of teams and individuals that qualified for the state championships at their respective regional tournaments. Four teams from each of the four regional tournaments (16 teams total) qualified in each division. Individuals not on a qualifying team, who finished in the top 16 positions, also qualified in each division.

Race Start Times: 11:00 a.m. - Division III Girls; 11:45 a.m. - Division II Girls; 12:30 p.m. - Division I Girls; 1:30 p.m. - Division III Boys; 2:15 p.m. - Division II Boys; 3:00 p.m. - Division I Boys

Student-athletes and coaches may be interviewed following their races, but media are asked to give the competitors plenty of time to recover after a race. Interviews are permitted in the blacktop area beyond the finish line (in front of the main tower).

If needed, media work space is available in Room 304. Wireless access is available inside that room (see OHSAA or National Trail personnel for the pass code).

Printed results are available in the pavilion, located just east of the main grandstand. Results will also be posted on the OHSAA web site as soon as possible following each day's competition and posted in AP format in the Associated Press Marketplace for AP members.

Thank you for your attendance and coverage of the 2011 State Cross Country Tournament!

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