OHSAA Boys & Girls State Cross Country Championships Information for Qualifying Teams / Individuals & Spectators

National Trail Raceway November 5, 2011

Greetings from the 83rd Boys State Cross Country Tournament and 34th Girls State Cross Country Tournament. 2011 begins a new era in Ohio scholastic cross country history with a different meet site after competing at Scioto Downs for 26 consecutive years. National Trail Raceway in Hebron, Ohio welcomes us to their fine facility. The management and staff of National Trail have worked diligently during the past months in preparation for this year's event, and are excited to host the competitors, coaches, parents, officials, and fans.

National Trail Raceway is located at 2650 National Road SW Hebron, OH 43025

- The National Trail facility and tournament competition course will be open for competitor and spectator inspection on Thursday November 3rd and Friday November 4th from 10:00 AM— 5:00 PM. There is no admission charge on these days.
- School transportation and spectators should enter Gate A off State Route 40 and follow parking coordinator directions to designated parking.
- School spirit signs are permitted to be placed on facility fencing. Recommendation is for zip tied material. Taping of signs is not recommended.
- T-Shirts and other commemorative gear will be on sale on Friday. Concessions will be open on Thursday and Friday.

No team packets will be distributed prior to 8:00 AM Saturday.

• Meet Entry Pa sses for Saturday

Passes shall be provided to competitors and coaches according to the following schedule

Individual qualifier(s)—number of qualifiers plus one coach Team qualifiers—7 team members, one alternate team member, two coaches (10)

Spectators--\$9.00 for school age and older. Parking is free.

• School transportation enter Gate A on Saturday. All riders will disembark from the bus prior to the driver entering the asphalt parking area on the grounds. The coach(s) and competitors will enter the Pass Gate. All other riders will be charged the \$9.00 admission fee at the Spectator Admission Gate at this disembarking site.

School vans will be parked in the grass lot adjacent to Gate A. The coach and competitors will then enter the Pass Gate. Other riders will be charged the \$9.00 admission fee.

• Spectator vehicles will enter either Gate A when traveling from the East on Route 40, or Parking Area C when traveling from the West. After parking, admission into the facility is \$9.00 for all school age and older.

Handicapped registered vehicles will enter Gate D from State Route 40.

- Official Meet programs are \$4.00.
- Indoor viewing suites hosting between 30/60 people are available for rent by contacting Mike Fornataro. See <u>http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/cc/2011/2011-SuiteAvailability.pdf</u> for more information.
- On Saturday the course will be open for inspection from 8:00 AM to 10:30 AM and between races.
- Team camps and tents are permitted in the open grass area inside the Pass Gate and adjacent to the south end of the starting line. One large tent will be provided for all competitors, but it is recommended that each school be prepared to provide their own shelter. Portable rest rooms will be available in the team camp and starting line areas. Please be good guests by policing your team camp before leaving the National Trail Raceway facility.
- Go to <u>www.ohsaa.org</u> to view course map and gain more meet information
- Prohibited Items

The presence of pets (on any of the three days) and recreational equipment at the State Cross Country Tournament site will not be permitted. Frisbees, footballs, baseballs, softballs, and dogs (except service animals) are prohibited. In addition, no permanent or temporary fences are to be climbed at National Trail Raceway. Individuals who violate this regulation will be requested to leave without refund of the admission fee. Food and beverages, except for competitor drink and nutrition through the Pass Gate are prohibited to be carried into the facility.

• The competition area will be separated from the spectator area by snow fence and/or chain link fence. During the six races throughout the day, coaches and non racing competitors must remain in a coaching area which will be marked by roping located inside the competition area. Do not cross over any fencing or the white retaining wall bordering the race track. Use the open red gate to cross through the racetrack retaining wall. During competition, coaches will not be allowed to cross the competition path. Warm ups on the competition path will be allowed before and after each race.

| Race Schedule | Girls Div | III | 11:00 AM |
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| | Girls Div | II | 11:45 |
| | Girls Div | Ι | 12:30 PM |
| | Boys Div | III | 1:30 |
| | Boys Div | II | 2:15 |
| | Boys Div | Ι | 3:00 |

- Winning and Runner Up Teams, as well as the first 15 overall finishing individuals, should report promptly to the Awards Area during the race which follows their competition for recognition after that race.
- All-Ohio Academic Recognition

Bring proper documentation on the form you obtained at the Regional Meet to receive "All-Ohio Academic" certificates for your student/athletes. These certificates are available at the outdoor pavilion from the Ohio Association of Track & Cross Country Coaches.