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To: Media Representatives

From: Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Media Relations

Welcome to Fortress Obetz and Memorial Park for the 2023 Ohio High School Athletic Association Cross Country State Championships. We are pleased to have you as our guests and would like to thank you for your coverage. With crowds annually in excess of 11,000, the OHSAA cross country state meet is one of the largest cross country meets in the country.

In addition to this memo, credentialed media shall also receive a media credential and the official program that includes a course map, participants, state records 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.

Schedule for Saturday, Nov. 4:

10 a.m. - Division III Girls
10:45 a.m. - Division III Boys
11:15 p.m. - Division III Awards
Noon - Division II Girls
12:45 p.m. - Division II Boys
1:15 p.m. - Division II Awards
2 p.m. - Division I Girls
2:45 p.m. - Division I Boys
3:15 p.m. - Division I Awards

Your Hosts: The Tournament Manager at Fortress Obetz is Steve Adams. The OHSAA cross country administrator is Dustin Ware. The media director is Tim Stried.

Media Work Space, Wireless Access, Internet Connections: Media desiring a work space at Fortress Obetz shall go to the media work room located near Gate E on the south side of the facility. The work room closes 60 minutes after the last race has concluded.

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

Results: The link for live results will be posted on the OHSAA website. Printed results will not be provided.