



2023 OHSAA Cross Country Championships

November 4 at Fortress Obetz and Memorial Park

4175 Alum Creek Drive, Obetz, OH 43207

- * Deadline is Wednesday, November 1 at noon.
- * Read notes at the right and on page 2 before submitting.
- * Fax (or scan/email PDF) to the attention of Tim Stried at tstried@ohsaa.org or fax 614-267-1677

Name and Title

All fields below are required for processing. Form should be completed by editor or assignor. No school photographers, parents of qualifiers or coaches allowed.

Media Outlet

Street Address

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email (print clearly) _____

Area(s) or School(s) Covering at the State Championships:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Media Type (check all that apply and see notes)

- A.) Newspaper _____ *Daily, Weekly or Other* _____
B.) Website _____
C.) Television News _____
D.) Radio News _____

Names of Persons Attending (if request is approved)

- Media who are writing AND taking photos should only put name once on Photo/TV line.
- No school photographers, parents of qualifiers, coaches or children (under 18) are permitted to receive OHSAA state tournament media credentials.
- Photos from OHSAA state tournaments may not be sold by individual photographers.

Writer Name _____ Full-Time ____ or Stringer ____

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Photo/TV Name _____ Full-Time ____ or Stringer ____

Photo/TV Name _____ Full-Time ____ or Stringer ____

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ROC _____ VAR _____ SYS _____
ECON _____

Confirmation Email and List

Upon processing a credential application, the OHSAA will email a confirmation memo to the media outlet (specifically to the person submitting the application). In addition, a list of approved media outlets will be posted at www.ohsaa.org (click on 'News & Media' and then 'State Finals Media Credentials').

Media Access

Media are permitted around the state cross country course. Media are not permitted in the pressbox. There is a media workroom on the south side of the stadium at Fortress Obetz.

Media Policies & Information

See the Media Policies and Information following this application and posted at www.ohsaa.org for details concerning parking, media entrance, facility notes, wireless access, media work space, broadcast fees and post-race interviews and results.

Coaches, school staff, freelance photographers and parents of competitors are not permitted to receive media credentials. Media outlets found to be in violation could be subject to reduced access at future OHSAA state tournaments.

Coverage, Media Types and Number of Credentials

The number of credentials granted depends on space, the type of coverage being provided and other factors. See Section 5 of the OHSAA Media Regulations for details.



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2023 OHSAA Cross Country State Championships Media Information

State Tournament Media Information:

The following information was prepared to assist you with your coverage of the upcoming OHSAA cross state championships. Please contact Tim Stried (tstried@ohsaa.org or 614-267-2502, ext. 124) at the OHSAA office if you have additional questions. State qualifiers and additional information will be posted on the OHSAA web site the week of the state championships.

Date and Location: Saturday, November 4, 2023. The state championships venue is Fortress Obetz and Memorial Park, located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive, Obetz, OH 43207 (southeast side of Columbus).

Schedule for Nov. 4, 2023:

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

Media Credentials for the State Championships:

Media shall use the OHSAA's official cross country credential application form and send it (via email or fax) to Tim Stried at tstried@ohsaa.org or fax 614-267-1677. The deadline is noon on Wednesday, Nov. 1. Credentials will be held for pickup near Gate E, which is located on the south side of the facility. All media must show company identification to pick up their credential. No credentials will be issued to school, student, parent or freelance photographers who have not been assigned by a credentialed media outlet.

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.

Confirmation Email and Approved List:

Upon processing a credential application, the OHSAA will send a confirmation email to the media outlet. In addition, a list of those media members who have been approved for credentials will be posted on the credential information webpage at OHSAA.org.

Parking: Approved media shall park in the South Gravel Lot near Gate E. Media will enter through Gate E to receive their credential.

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 Division I awards have 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 commonly done after the awards presentations. Interviews are permitted in the blacktop area beyond the finish line, or around the podium area close to the grandstand

Format: All six races are 5,000 meters. Teams and individuals will qualify for the state championships at their respective regional tournaments.

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

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