

DATE: June 24, 2024

TO: All Track & Field / Cross Country Officials

FROM: BJ Duckworth | Sport Administrator & Director of Officiating Development

RE: Cross Country State Championship Clinic Announcement



### **2024 Cross Country State Championship Clinic**

Based on feedback from officials and the success of the Track State Championship Clinic, we will be holding our first Cross Country State Championship Clinic this fall in conjunction with the 2024 OHSAA Cross Country State Championship at Fortress Obetz & Memorial Park on November 2, 2024.

The 2024 OHSAA Cross Country State Championship will serve as the backdrop for this opportunity, where veteran mentors instruct clinic participants on rules, mechanics, and best practices as they happen in real time. The clinic is open to **ALL** officials who have **not** officiated the Cross Country State Championship. 20 participants will be paired with 4 mentors who will lead them on scheduled experiences. Two groups will start early morning during the first division competition; two additional groups will start late morning/early afternoon during the second division competition. Participants will experience sessions covering:

- Meet Management/How Assignments Work
- Clerking
- Starting
- Referee
- Umpiring
- Pressbox/Announcing
- Awards
- Finish line/Timing scoring

**When:** November 2, 2024

**Where:** Fortress Obetz & Memorial Park, Obetz Ohio

**Who:** The first 20 officials who have not worked the Cross Country State Championship who register.

**Cost:** FREE

**What You Receive:**

- Lunch
- All-access pass
- Souvenir program
- 1 local meeting credit for the 2025 Cross Country season
- Valuable experience

**Registration:** Due to venue space limitations, registration is limited to **20 people**. Please do not register if you are not 100% committed to attending. To register, click [HERE](#)

**Questions?** Please contact BJ Duckworth @ [bjduckworth@ohsaa.org](mailto:bjduckworth@ohsaa.org)

A special and huge thank you to Assistant State Rules Interpreter, John Daubenspeck, for putting this clinic together!

Note: The Track & Field State Meet Clinic did not take place in 2024 because the meet was located in Dayton for one year. The clinic is planned to return in 2025 at Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium and more information will be released closer to it.