2024 OHSAA Track & Field State Championships Welcome Stadium, Dayton, Ohio **2024 OHSAA Track & Field**Respect GAME

General Information

Spectator Questions: Spectators should direct their questions to their coach or athletic administrator. OHSAA staff will not be available via phone or email as they will be working on final preparations for the event.

Map: A map of the facility including parking, admission gates, field event venue locations, etc. can be found <u>HERE</u>.

Gates Open: The gates will open 90 minutes prior to the start of the first event.

Parking: <u>Free parking</u> is available at 1601 S. Edwin C Mosses Blvd. Dayton Ohio 45417 via entrance at A, B, C, & D on the map. <u>NO PARKING</u> will be available in the discus area or at the Courtyard hotel. Vehicles parked there will be subject to tow at the owner's expense.

RV Parking: A limited number of RV parking spaces are available. Two-day passes for Thursday/Friday and Friday/Saturday can be purchased at ohsaa.org/tickets for \$40. RVs can park in the area indicated on the map linked above.

Tickets: Tickets are available at ohsaa.org/tickets. Students \$10, Adults \$16

Live Results: Live results and heat sheets for the finals can be found on the OHSAA Championship Page

Smoking/Vaping/Tobacco: Smoking/Vaping and the use of tobacco products are prohibited in all areas.

Umbrellas: Umbrellas are prohibited in the stands and spectator areas.

Food & Drink: No outside food or drink is permitted inside the stadium. Food from food trucks parked outside of the stadium may be taken into the stadium.

Concessions: Food and drink will be available both inside the stadium, as well as from food trucks outside of the stadium.

Programs/ Merchandise: Programs will be on sale during the event for \$5. 2024 State meet merchandise will be available for purchase from EA Graphics.

Spectator Access: Spectators are prohibited from accessing competition areas during the event. No spectators are permitted inside the fence, on the track, or in the field event venues. Spectators or parents who enter restricted areas will be removed from the facility.

Team, Coach, & Athlete Information

Stadium Walk Through: There will be no walk through time available this year. Gates to the stadium will open 90 minutes prior to the start of the first event each day.

Packet Pick Up: Packets will be available for pick up in the West Concourse of UD Arena per the below schedule. Coaches will need to sign the NFHS required Verification Form before picking up the packet. It is recommended that you complete one in advance to save time when you arrive. The Verification Form can be found <u>HERE</u>. Parents may not pick up packets. Coaches and athlete tickets will be in the packets, so you must pick up the packet before entering the stadium.

Thursday:	Noon – 8 pm
Friday:	7 am – 8 pm
Saturday:	8 am – 3 pm

Coach & Athlete Admission: Coaches passes will be issued based on the number of competitors according to the following, there are no exceptions:

1-4 competitors	One
5-8 competitors	Two
9 or more competitors	Three

Only two alternate members of relay teams will receive passes.

League and school-issued passes are not valid and will not be accepted for admission. Only passes issued specifically for the state tournament will be accepted.

Field Event Credentials: Field event credentials will be issued based on entries in each field event. The credential is only valid for the field event area is it issued for. Those using the credential to access other areas will have the pass revoked and their athlete is subject to disqualification per NFHS Rule 4-6-5e. Once the field event has ended, coaches must vacate the field event venue.

Coaches Access: Except for properly credential coaches in field event areas, coaches are not permitted inside of the fence or in competition area at any time including the time between divisions for warmups.

Bib Numbers: Bib numbers will be issued to all athletes entered to compete at the championship including alternates in relays. Athletes are required to wear their bib number on their back during all running events; athletes must keep their numbers for the second day of competition. Athletes in field events do not wear their bib numbers and can keep them as a commemorative item.

To ensure bib numbers can be issued for the correct athletes, if you plan to have different athletes listed for your relay than who was entered for the district tournament, please complete the replacement form found on the MileSplit meet.

Relay Cards: Relay cards will be distributed in each packet. Please complete the card appropriately; your athletes must turn it in when they check in for the event. Only those listed on the relay card are eligible to compete.

Pole Vault Certification Cards: Pole vault certification cards will be distributed in each coach's packet. The card must be completed and signed before the athlete will be able to check in and warm up for the event.

Spikes: Only pyramid spikes no longer than 1/4" are permitted. Needle spikes and Christmas tree spikes are not permitted. The clerks will be checking spike length just before the races and at check-in. If a competitor is in violation of this rule, he/she will not be allowed to participate.

Check In:

- Running events should check in at the clerking tent as indicated on the map linked above.
- Field events should check in at the event venue.
- All seated events will check in at the seated athlete tent.

Implement Inspection:

- Vaulting poles will be inspected upon check in at the event venue.
- Throwing implements will be checked in near the event venue both inside the stadium and in the discus area.

Athletic Training: Athletic trainers and physicians from Kettering Health will be on hand to handle athlete-related needs. They will be available near the finish line, and at each field event venue. NO parents or coaches will be permitted access to the competition area unless requested by the medical staff.

Electronic Starting Device: Electronic Starting Devices will not be used for this year's state championship. They will be used at all three levels of the tournament starting in 2025.

Coaches or Administrator Questions: Coaches and administrators with questions should first review this document & the <u>OHSAA Championship Page</u>. If, after reviewing the information, there are still questions, please send them via email to the contacts listed on this document. Every possible effort will be made to respond promptly, however, responses will be delayed due to final tournament preparations.

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