



# 2026 OHSAA 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade State Track and Field Championships

Hilliard Darby High School | Hilliard, Ohio

## General & Spectator Information

**Spectator Questions:** Spectators should direct their questions to their coach or athletic administrator. OHSAA staff and meet management will not be available for questions from spectators prior to the event.

**Map & Schedule:** A map of the facility & event schedule can be found [HERE](#)

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

**Parking:** Parking is available in lots along Leppert Rd. and at Heritage Middle School, which sits at the corner of Leppert and Scioto Darby Roads. **Parking will be \$5, cash only.**

**Tickets:** Tickets are available at [ohsaa.org/tickets](https://ohsaa.org/tickets). Students \$5, Adults \$10

**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.

**Concessions:** Food and drink will be available for purchase inside of the stadium

**Programs/ Merchandise:** Programs will be on sale during the event for \$5. 2026 State Championship 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 in front of the stands, on the track, or in the field event venues.** Spectators or parents who enter restricted areas will be removed from the facility without refund.

**Drones:** Under OHSAA regulations, drones are prohibited. The use of drones will be subject to penalties per the local police.

**Medical Assistance:** Ohio Health EMS, will be on hand to address all spectator-related medical issues.

**Safety & Security:** Uniformed police and private security supported by Hilliard Darby and OHSAA staff will be on hand. If you need assistance, please notify the nearest event staff.

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## Team, Coach, & Athlete Information

**Packet Pick Up:** Packets will be available for pick up at the athlete and coach entrance gate #1 on the map, starting at 7:15 am. **Parents may not pick up packets.** Coaches will NOT need to sign the NFHS required Verification Form before picking up the packet, as it was signed when you registered for the meet in MileSplit.

**Coach & Athlete Admission:** Coaches' complimentary admission will be issued based on the number of competitors, according to the following: **There are no exceptions.**

Specialty	Jumps	Pole Vault	Sprints/Hurdles	Distance	Throws
Events in the specialty	High Jump	Pole Vault	100, 200, 400 Dash	800, 1600, 3200 Run	Shot Put
	Long Jump		100, 110, 300 Hurdles	4x800 Relay	Discus
			4x100, 4x200, 4x400 Relay		

- Up to two alternates, per relay, will receive complimentary admission pending they are listed in the teams Athletic.net entry. Alternates not listed, will NOT receive complimentary admission.
- 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.
- Only competing athletes and alternates per the above will be admitted; all others must purchase a ticket.

**School Transportation Parking & Drop Off:** Team buses or school vans should use the stadium parking lot for drop off and for pick up. Buses should not park in this lot. Buses should enter the northernmost entrance to the stadium lot, continue past the stadium, and unload kids near the last brick wall. Once empty, buses should continue onto our front lot or, if full, into the Heritage Middle School lot. See the map for drop-off and parking.

**Field Event Credentials:** Field event wristbands will be issued based on entries in each field event. The credential is only valid for the field event area for which it is issued. 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. These wristbands ONLY provide access to field event coaching areas.

**Coaches Access:** Except for coaches with the provided wristband in field event areas, **coaches are not permitted in front of the stands, on the track, in the athlete reporting area, or in the competition areas at any time.** Coaches accessing areas without proper credentials are subject to penalties up to and including ejection, per OHSAA Tournament Regulations.

**Infield Access For Warm Up:** Per OHSAA Tournament Regulations, the use of the infield for warm-ups, congregating, and coaching **is prohibited.** Those in this area are subject to penalty per OHSAA Tournament Regulations.

**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 numbers on their backs during all running events. Athletes in field events do not wear their bib numbers, which have been provided 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 [Athletoc.net](#) meet page.

Replacement of lost bibs will be available per the Tournament Regulations with a \$20 fee. If you are in need of a bib replacement:

- Prior to the start of running events, please visit the timing crew at the finish line.
- After the beginning of running events, please visit the clerking tent.

**Team Camps:** Camps are permitted in the areas indicated on the map

**Relay Cards:** Relay cards will not be distributed. Clerks will use the names entered on the [Athletic.net](#) meet page for check in. If you need to make changes to these names, please do so at registration or by following the change process.

**Pole Vault Certification Cards:** Pole vault certification cards will not be used. Coaches will complete the pole vault certification process electronically as part of registration via a virtual form.

**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.

**Relay & Runway Markers:** Provide your own cut tennis balls or popsicle sticks. No other markers, including chalk, are permitted on the track surface. Chalk is permitted at the high jump only.

**Check In:**

- Running events should check in at the clerking tent as indicated on the map linked above no later than 20 minutes prior to your event.
- Field events should check in at the event venue no later than 45 minutes prior to your event.
- 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 under the scoreboard

**Athletic Training:** Athletic trainers and EMS from Ohio Health will be on hand to handle athlete-related medical needs. They will be available near the finish line. **NO parents or coaches will be permitted access to the competition area unless requested by the medical staff.**

**Electronic Starting Device (ESD):** Electronic Starting Devices, also known as ESDs, will be used for all races.

**Coaches or Administrator Questions:** Coaches and administrators with questions should first review this document & the [OHSAA Championship Page](#). 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. No correspondence from parents, student athletes, or spectators will be responded to.

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