

2023 District and Regional Tournament Managers Track & Field Manual





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MEMORANDUM

TO: Track and Field District and Regional Tournament Managers

FROM: Dustin Ware, Sport Administrator - Track & Field

DATE: February 2023

RE: 2023 OHSAA Track and Field Tournament Managers Information

Hopefully your spring season is going well, and you are all set for the upcoming tournament season!

Please find enclosed with this manual your tournament managers manual and other information necessary to assist you in preparing for the tournaments. All district and regional tournament managers are receiving the same manual. There are specific instructions included for each level of the tournament and there is a list of enclosures that indicates what should be needed for each level of the tournament.

Some managers administer tournaments at multiple levels (i.e. district, and / or regional). You will receive one mailing that includes all necessary information.

If you discover that you are missing any information, please contact me at dware@ohsaa.org or 614-267-2502 ext. 129. Please feel free to make additional copies of any forms as needed.

Again, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, and thanks again for all your hard work!

POINTS OF EMPHASIS

Event Entry Limitations

The four-event limitation applies to single and multi-day competition – regular season and tournaments. An athlete who has competed in an event and qualifies for the semi-finals or finals of that particular event may not withdraw from that event to compete in another event unless he/she still remains under the maximum of four allowable events. An athlete who exceeds the participation limitation shall be disqualified. The forfeiture bylaws apply as written in Bylaw 11. In support of this, NFHS Rule 4-2-PEN specifies that a competitor who participates in more than the four allowable events shall forfeit all places and points and shall be disqualified from further competition in the meet/ tournament. In relay events, the team's relay points and places shall also be forfeited.

No Jury of Appeals in Ohio

In 1999 the NFHS rules changed, thereby eliminating the choice of using the Jury of Appeals either as a final arbiter or in an advisory capacity. Therefore, in OHSAA track and field competition, regular season and tournament, no Jury of Appeals shall be appointed. The games committee, as per rule, may serve in this capacity, but may only advise the referee. **The referee shall have the final decision in all appeals. Refer to NFHS Rule 3-5 for additional information on the appeals process.**

Please note: In all situations involving ineligible participation, the Executive Director of the OHSAA retains final authority to rule on such participation. The Executive Director has the authority to disqualify participants who are ineligible under the Bylaws and sports regulations of the OHSAA.

Use of Video/Electronic Systems for Making Officiating Decisions

In accordance with NFHS Rule 3-2-7, video replay or television monitoring equipment **shall not** be used to make decisions related to the competition except for finish line placement.

ENCLOSURES

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT MANAGERS

- Financial & Personnel Reports: <https://www.ohsaa.org/financial/reports>
- Record Applications: <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/tf/TFRecordForm.pdf>
- Relay Cards: 2 package per division (for additional cards, email dware@ohsaa.org)
- Violation Report Forms: 25
- Pole Vault Certification Cards: 40
- Track and Field Rules, Case and Officials Manuals
- 2023 OHSAA Track and Field Tournament Participation Form

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT MANAGERS

- Financial & Personnel Reports: <https://www.ohsaa.org/financial/reports>
- Record Applications: <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/tf/TFRecordForm.pdf>
- Relay Cards: 2 package per division (for additional cards, email dware@ohsaa.org)
- Violation Report Forms: 25
- Pole Vault Certification Cards: 40
- Track and Field Rules, Case and Officials Manuals
- Regional Records from 2022
- .32 caliber blank shells: 2 boxes per tournament division

IMPORTANT DATES

2023 OHSAA Track and Field Calendar

District Tournaments	May 15-20
Regional Tournaments	May 24-27
State Tournaments JESSE OWENS MEMORIAL STADIUM (OSU) Div. I – Div. III	June 2-3

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TRACK EVENTS

1. **Sprint and Hurdle Races (100, 200, 100 M. [33"] and 110 M. [39"] Hurdles)**

No preliminary heats shall be run. All races are semi-finals with the eight fastest times advancing to the finals.

The races shall be run in lanes for the entire course.

Lane assignments in the semi-finals shall be determined by the Games Committee in accordance with Rule 5-6-5 and based upon submitted times.

The time schedule shall be established to guarantee that no more than two races in each sprint event shall be run during one day.

In the event of a tie for the qualifying position and lanes are not available, the tying competitors shall compete again for the available lane or lanes. The Games Committee shall determine and announce the time of a qualifying race so that adequate rest is provided for all competitors*

If fully automatic timing to 1/1000 of a second is available, it may be used to break the tie.

* With approval of the Games Committee, exception to this procedure may be made and preliminary heats may be run at District sites where 20 or more teams are competing. If preliminary heats are run, the regional format will be followed in the semi-finals, whereby the top 2 in each semi-final heat shall advance to the finals, along with the next best four times.

Preferred Lanes shall be as follows:

<u>Seed</u>	<u>6 lanes</u>	<u>7 lanes</u>	<u>8 lanes</u>	<u>9 lanes</u>
1	3	3	4	4
2	4	4	5	5
3	5	5	6	6
4	2	2	3	3
5	6	6	2	2
6	1	7	7	7
7		1	8	8
8			1	1
9				9

2. **Hurdles Races (Girls 300 M.-30" and Boys 300 M.-36")**

2.1 Semifinal heats shall be established based upon times submitted by the coaches via the official online entry using the Principles of Heat Drawing (Rule 5-6).

2.2 The races shall be run in lanes for the entire course.

2.3 Lane assignments in the semifinal heats shall be determined by the Games Committee in accordance with the Preferred Lane Table.

2.4 Each runner shall be timed with accurate watches. A minimum of two watches per individual is required. The fastest times from all semifinal heats shall qualify to the finals.

2.5 In the event of a tie for a qualifying position and lanes are not available, the tying competitors shall compete again for the available lane or lanes. The Games Committee shall determine and announce the time of a qualifying race so that adequate rest is provided for all competitors.*

2.6 Lane assignments for the District final shall be assigned by the Games Committee as specified in Rule 5-6-5 and using the Preferred Lane Table.

*If fully automatic timing to 1/1000 of a second is available, it may be used to break the tie.

3. **400 Meters, Dash**

- 3.1 Semifinal heats shall be established based upon times submitted by the coaches via the official online entry using the Principles of Heat Drawing (Rule 5-6).
- 3.2 The races shall be run in lanes for the entire course using the two curves staggered starting lines.
- 3.3 Lane assignments in the semifinal heats shall be determined by the Games Committee in accordance with the Preferred Lane Table.
- 3.4 Each runner shall be timed with accurate watches. A minimum of two watches per individual is required. The fastest times from all semifinal heats shall qualify to the finals
- 3.5 In the event of a tie for a qualifying position and lanes are not available, the tying competitors shall compete again for the available lane or lanes. The Games Committee shall determine and announce the time of a qualifying race so that adequate rest is provided for all competitors. *
- 3.6 Lane assignments for the Sectional or District final shall be assigned by the Games Committee as specified in Rule 5-6-5 and using the Preferred Lane Table.
- *If fully automatic timing to 1/1000 of a second is available, it may be used to break the tie.

4. **Middle Distance Races (800 Meters)**

- 4.1 These races shall be run from a two curves staggered start according to the following procedure.
- 4.11 42" or 48" lanes - two or three runners per lane using the two curves staggered starting lines.
- 4.12 Runners may break for the pole at the start of the straightaway leading toward the finish line after completing the two full turns on each end of the track and after crossing the break line in the lane to which assigned .
- 4.2 Two semifinal seeded heats shall be established based upon times submitted by the coaches via the official online entry using the Principles of Heat Drawing (Rule 5-6), whenever there are more than 20 contestants entered.
- The need for two heats if there are more than 20 is a guide and the Games Committee will decide regarding the running of semifinal heats after considering the track width, the actual number to compete, times of the competitors and the number of umpires available.
- 4.3 Individual position assignments in each lane shall be determined by lot and conducted by the Games Committee (5-6-7).
- 4.4 When semifinal heats are run, the first eight place finishers in each heat shall qualify for the finals.
- 4.5 In the event of a tie for a qualifying position for the next tournament, the tying competitors shall compete again. The Games Committee shall determine and announce the time of the qualifying race so that adequate rest is provided for all competitors. *
- *If fully automatic timing to 1/1000 of a second is available, it may be used to break the tie.

5. **Distance Races (1600 Meters, 3200 Meters)**

- 5.1 These races shall be run from one curve staggered starting lines. Assign two or three runners per lane by open draw.
- 5.2 Two semifinal seeded heats shall be established based upon times submitted by the coaches via the official online entry using the Principles of Heat Drawing (Rule 5-6), whenever there are more contestants participating than is reasonable for the track. The following table shall be used as a **guideline** in deciding whether preliminary heats are necessary.

	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Girls</u>
	1600	3200	1600	3200
8 lanes	24	32	32	36

The Games Committee shall determine the need for two heats after considering the track width, the actual number to compete, times of the competitors and the number of umpires available. Semifinal heats shall be run only if the number of competitors in one race could affect fairness of competition.

- 5.3 If two heats have been scheduled, but not enough athletes report to justify two heats, the event shall be run as a final. Only those athletes who have reported for the scheduled semifinals are eligible to compete in the finals.
- 5.4 Individual position assignments in each lane shall be determined by lot and conducted by the Games Committee. (5-6-6).
- 5.5 When semifinal heats are run, the first eight place finishers in each heat shall qualify for the finals.
- 5.6 In the event of a tie for a qualifying position for the next tournament, the tying competitors shall compete again. The Games Committee shall determine and announce the time of the qualifying race so that adequate rest is provided for all competitors.*
- 5.7 If a runner is lapped, the competitor shall run the normal course and will be permitted to remain in the race.
*If fully automatic timing to 1/1000 of a second is available, it may be used to break the tie.

6. **Relay Races**

- 6.1 Course of each relay race and starting line.
 - 6.11 4x100: run in lanes for entire course, use two turns stagger starting lines.
 - 6.12 4x200: run in lanes for entire course, use four turns stagger starting lines.
 - 6.13 4x400: three turns stagger
 - 6.14 4x800: Use the two turns staggered start. Same as the start for the 800 meters, run.
- 6.2 Lane Assignments
 - 6.21 Semifinal Heats-lane assignments (See 1.8) shall be determined in accordance with Rule 5-6-5; i.e., preferred lane procedure in 4x100, 4x200, and 4x400; by lot in 4x800.
 - 6.22 Finals:
 - 1. 4x100, 4x200, 4x400 - lane assignments for the district finals shall be assigned by the Games Committee in accordance with the Preferred Lane Table.
 - 2. 4x800 - starting positions shall be determined by lot.
- 6.3 Each relay team shall be timed with accurate watches. A minimum of two per relay team required. The fastest times from all heats shall qualify to the finals.
- 6.4 In the event of a tie for a qualifying position and lanes are not available, the tying relay teams shall compete again for the available lane or lanes. The Games Committee shall determine and announce the time of a qualifying race so that adequate rest is provided for all competitors.*
*If fully automatic timing to 1/1000 of a second is available, it may be used to break the tie.

NOTE: It is highly recommended that a Fully Automatic Timing System (F.A.T) be secured for the District Finals. If this is not possible, the manager shall secure another backup system to provide a video graphic picture of all finishes in addition to the manual timing and placement system employed.

FIELD EVENTS

***Updated 2023* Field Event Seeding**

Field Events **will be** seeded from worst to best.

- High Jump & Pole Vault – Seeding in the vertical jumps should be lowest to highest
- Long Jump, Shot Put, and Discus – Competitors should be divided into flights. Seeding in these horizontal events should be shortest to farthest, with the first flight being the shorter qualifying performance and the final flight being the longer entry performance.
- District Meet managers will use marks from regular season results from MileSplit to seed these events for the District Meets. From there, the advancement to Regional & State meet would use the results from the previous round.

***Updated 2023* Official Final Results for Field Events**

The paper results used by Field Event officials are to be considered the “Official Results”. Any form of electronic results system that is used for ANY Field Event is NOT official and is used only for the purposes of live/unofficial results.

A. **Jumping Events (Rule 6)**

1. **Pole Vault (Rule 6-5)**

- 1.1 ~~The order of competition shall be determined by open draw.~~
- 1.2 The continuing flight procedure in Rule 6-1-2 shall be utilized.
- 1.3 The starting height and distance the bar is raised shall be determined by the Games Committee.
- 1.4 **After competition has started, the bar shall not be lowered, except to determine a first place winner when a tie for first is involved or to determine qualifiers for the next tournament when there is a tie involving more competitors than there are qualifying positions. (Rule 6-3-2).**
- 1.5 No individual shall be permitted to enter competition after the event judge starts competition (Rule 4-1-3).
- 1.6 Schedule the pole vault for competition on the first day in order that the second day may be available in case of inclement weather on the first day.
- 1.7 Pole Vault standards must be secured in a manner that will prevent them tipping over.
- 1.8 **Competitors tied for the last qualifying place shall be given one additional jump at the tying height before continuing with the competition.** If the tie is not broken, the jump-off for the last qualifying place shall take place only after the conclusion of the event when the other qualifying positions have been determined. A reasonable warm-up period with the bar set at an appropriate height subject to the discretion of the head event judge shall be given.
- 1.9 In the event that a competitor breaks a pole during competition, the competitor shall be placed back in the rotation and then permitted one warm-up run through on the new pole. The competitor, at the discretion of the head event judge, could take the warm-up at an earlier opportunity.
- 1.10 ***Update 2023* All field events will utilize Finals (when applicable). Consecutive attempts WILL NOT be permitted.**

2. **High Jump (Rule 6-4)**

- 2.1 ~~The order of competition shall be determined by open draw.~~
- 2.2 The continuing flight procedure in Rule 6-1-2 shall be utilized.
- 2.3 The starting height and distance the bar is raised shall be determined by the Games Committee.
- 2.4 **After competition has started, the bar shall not be lowered, except to determine a first place winner when a tie for first is involved or to determine qualifiers for the next tournament when there is a tie involving more competitors than there are qualifying positions. (Rule 6-3-2).**
- 2.5 No individual shall be permitted to enter competition after the event judge starts competition (Rule 4-1-3).
- 2.6 **Competitors tied for the last qualifying place shall be given one additional jump at the tying height before continuing with the competition.** If the tie is not broken, the jump-off for the last qualifying place shall take place only after the conclusion of the event when the other qualifying positions have been determined. A reasonable warm-up period with the bar set at an appropriate height subject to the discretion of the head event judge shall be given.
- 2.7 ***Update 2023* All field events will utilize Finals (when applicable). Consecutive attempts WILL NOT be permitted.**

3. **Long Jump (Rule 6-9)**

- 3.1 ~~The order of competition and placement into flights for preliminary trials shall be determined by open draw.~~
- 3.2 Preliminary trials will be taken in groups of 4 to 12, maximum of three trials (Rule 6-2-15, 16).
- 3.3 One more competitor than there are scoring places shall qualify for the finals (6-2-17)
- 3.4 All legal jumps shall be measured and recorded
- 3.5 When the preliminary competition is conducted in flights, individual competitors must report prior to the beginning of the flight to which assigned.
- 3.6 Three additional trials shall be allowed each participant in the finals in reverse order of performance, in single rotation, so that the best qualifier will compete last in each rotation (Rule 6-2-18)
- 3.7 Ties shall be resolved in accordance with Rule 6-3
- 3.8 Open Pit Procedure -The open pit procedure for preliminary trials may be used at the discretion of the manager. When the open pit procedure is used, it is required that the coaches and participants be notified well in advance. In addition, a definite period of time for preliminary trials shall be announced and followed. The finals for those who qualify for the finals must use the procedure as stated in 3.6 above.
- 3.9 ***Update 2023* All field events will utilize Finals (when applicable). Consecutive attempts WILL NOT be permitted.**

B. **Throwing Events (Rule 6)**

1. **Discus (6-4)**

- 1.1 ~~The order of competition and placement into flights for preliminary trials shall be determined by open draw.~~
- 1.2 Preliminary trials will be taken in groups of 4 to 12, maximum of three trials (Rule 6-2-15, 16).
- 1.3 One more competitor than there are scoring places shall qualify for the finals (6-2-17)
- 1.4 All legal throws shall be measured and recorded.
- 1.5 No individual shall be permitted to enter competition after the event judge starts competition (Rule 4-1-3). When the preliminary competition is conducted in flights, individual competitors must report prior to the beginning of the flight to which assigned.
- 1.6 Three additional trials shall be allowed each participant in the Finals in reverse order of performance, in single rotation, so that the best qualifier will compete last in each rotation. (Rule 6-2-18).
- 1.7 Ties shall be resolved in accordance with Rule 6-3.

- 1.8 ***Update 2023*** All field events will utilize Finals (when applicable). Consecutive attempts WILL NOT be permitted. All throwing attempts should use the "1-1-1 model" in both prelims and finals. This format also allows for additional coaching opportunities between throws, and add only minimal time to the event overall

2. **Shot Put (6-5)**

- 2.1 The order of competition and placement into flights for preliminary trials shall be determined by open draw.
- 2.2 Preliminary trials will be taken in groups of 4 to 12, maximum of three trials (Rule 6-2-15, 16).
- 2.3 One more competitor than there are scoring places shall qualify for the finals (6-2-17)
- 2.4 All legal puts shall be measured and recorded.
- 2.5 No individual shall be permitted to enter competition after the event judge starts competition (Rule 4-1-3). When the preliminary competition is conducted in flights, individual competitors must report prior to the beginning of the flight to which assigned.
- 2.6 Three additional trials shall be allowed each participant in the Finals in reverse order of performance, in single rotation, so that the best qualifier will compete last in each rotation (Rule 6-2-18).
- 2.7 Ties shall be resolved in accordance with Rule 6-3.
- 2.8 ***Update 2023*** All field events will utilize Finals (when applicable). Consecutive attempts WILL NOT be permitted. All throwing attempts should use the "1-1-1 model" in both prelims and finals. This format also allows for additional coaching opportunities between throws, and add only minimal time to the event overall

3. **Provision of Implements in Shot Put and Discus**

There are two procedures that may be used regarding implements in these two events. The District Athletic Board in each athletic district shall determine the procedure to be used at each district tournament site. However, ONLY APPROVED AND LEGAL IMPLEMENTS may be used in warm-up as well as competition. The following is a description of the two procedures.

A. **Common Implements**

This procedure describes a method whereby the tournament site provides all implements. The tournament manager insures, and the head field referee verifies, that all equipment meets rules specifications. Athletes are limited to using the common implements provided.

B. **Use of Personal or School-Issued Implements**

In order for an implement to be approved for use, it must be weighed and gauged at the tournament site and certified as legal. Once this process is accomplished the equipment is released back to the athlete at the beginning of warm-ups. **Athletes are not permitted to take their approved implements away from the competition area once the implement has been certified as legal.** This procedure does not mean that athletes must share implements. An athlete may not use the implement of another competitor without that competitor's permission. The Tournament Manager should insure that all instructions are very specific relative to this procedure.

Note: Athletes may not use implements that are less than the minimum specifications or exceed the maximum dimensions (i.e. college implements) for warm-up since ONLY NFHS legal and approved implements may be used in warm-up and competition. Rule 6-2-10

This procedure permits athletes to use either their own personal or school-issued implements.

4. **Throwing Sectors**

All District, Regional, and State Tournaments shall use the 34.92-degree throwing sector for shot put and discus competition. (Rules 6-4-5 and 6-5-5)

TOURNAMENT MANAGER INSTRUCTIONS

DISTRICT MANAGERS ONLY

I. INFORMATION ITEMS

District Entry Procedures –

Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) District meets will be contested throughout the state between the date range of May 15th – May 20th.

In advance of the competition, review the [MileSplit Ohio meet pages](#) for the District round of the postseason tournament. You can find other helpful tournament information, including a guide document, as well as instructions for our preferred meet results submission method.

- Eligible schools must submit their entries via the MileSplit online entry process (<https://oh.milesplit.com/>).
- Entries shall be submitted electronically via MileSplit, which must include the name and number of the individual entries in all events except relays, and a numerical list of all squad members with the assigned number of each athlete.
- The completed electronic entry must be in the possession of the tournament manager no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 12, 2023, or at a later date and time if established by your district athletic board.

For additional assistance navigating the MileSplit process, please contact:

Jeffrey Oncken (jeffrey.oncken@flosports.tv) or Mark Dwyer (mark.dwyer@flosports.tv)

- A. Qualifiers from the district to the regional tournament are published on the OHSAA web site.
- B. Please visit your individual District Track Page for more information regarding the exact location, date, & times of your district meet.
 - [CENTRAL](#)
 - [EAST](#)
 - [NORTHEAST](#)
 - [SOUTHEAST](#)
 - [NORTHWEST](#)
 - [SOUTHWEST](#)

Updated 2023

***Relay Alternates:** To stay in line with what was permitted at the 2022 Regional & State Track Meet, as well as the updated language in the 2023 NFHS Rule Book, The following allowance will be made for Relay Alternates for the OHSAA Track & Field tournament:

- Up to 8 athletes would be allowed to be listed on the 'new' relay cards
- Each qualifying relay team would receive **FREE** admission for 6 of the runners listed on the Relay Card
- If a school lists 8 runners of the Relay Card, the school would need to provide a **"paid ticket"** for the remaining 2 runners upon their teams entry into the Regional & State Meet site.
 - The logistics of how the Regional & State Meet sites will manage these ticketed alternate athletes entry into the site would be a meet management decision.

II. **ACTION ITEMS** – please duplicate any forms as needed

A. Participation Forms

1. Complete and email to the OHSAA office **IMMEDIATELY** after completion of your tournament. Be sure to send both a boys and a girls participation form, designating each one, and including **ONLY THOSE WHO ACTUALLY PARTICIPATED IN AN EVENT.**
2. You can return it in any of the following manners:
 - a. Via Mail
 - b. Via E-Mail – to Dustin Ware (dware@ohsaa.org)
3. A copy of the form can be found online (T&F page).

B. Financial & Personnel Reports

1. The required reports can be found at <https://www.ohsaa.org/financial/reports> where you will be provided with instructions on downloading and completing the forms. **Please read and follow the instructions provided.**
2. Complete all sections and submit one copy to the treasurer of your District Athletic Board within 10 days after your tournament, and retain one copy for your files.

C. Qualifiers –District Managers shall electronically transmit the qualifiers’ files & results via the MileSplit hosted meet page assigned to your Regional meet immediately upon completion of the District Tournament.

D. Additional Assistance with MileSplit Process – Detailed information will be provided on the [Meet Hub](#) page on the MileSplit website. The [Meet Hub](#) is a dedicated site that will host the District & Regional meet information. For more information with how to access the Meet Hub or other technical issues, please use the following link: <https://oh.milesplit.com/support>.

For additional assistance navigating the MileSplit process, please contact:

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DISTRICT MANAGERS INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING OFFICIALS

1. Only OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials shall be used unless there are not enough available.
2. Each manager, unless the District Board assigns officials, shall contract for OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials prior to employing non-registered officials in any position.
3. **District Boards shall be responsible to assign the following officials:** Referee (1); Field Referee (1); Clerks (3); Starters (2); Head Umpire (1); Head Discus Judge (1); Head High Jump Judge (1); Head Pole Vault Judge (1); Head Shot Put Judge (1); Head Long Jump Judge (1) . All other officials shall be assigned by the District Managers.
4. Class 1 Track and Field Officials shall be used in key positions in all events when there is not a sufficient number of Class 1 Track and Field Officials for all positions. **Key positions are as follows in order of importance: Referee, Starter, Clerk of The Course, Head F.A.T. Operator (in place of a Head Finish Judge/Head Timer; if not using F.A.T. , then Head Finish Judge and Head Timer), Head Umpire, Head Field Judge, Head Judges in field events.** All persons who are making officiating decisions in field events and running events must be 18 years of age or older and no longer enrolled in high school. This includes those officials who mark the landing spot of the shot and discus and the competitor in the long jump.

The Board of Directors has adopted a resolution that the tournament manager must use Class 1 OHSAA Registered Track and Field Officials in accordance with the priority listed above!

5. The Referee and Clerks shall be OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials.
6. The Referee shall not serve as the Starter. The decisions and interpretations of the rules by the Referee are final! The Executive Director (formerly called the Commissioner) does not have authority to change an official's decision except as it pertains to an eligibility situation. (OHSAA Bylaw 8-3-1) The Referee shall not view any type of video device except that which is authorized in accordance with NFHS Rule 3-8-4.
7. The Tournament Manager shall not serve in any officiating capacity except to help as an umpire if necessary.
8. A minimum of 12 umpires shall be employed and utilized for each track and field tournament. **All umpires shall be Class 1-licensed OHSAA track and field officials.**
9. Games Committee - A Games Committee shall be appointed by the tournament manager consisting of:
 - Tournament Manager
 - Referee
 - Head Field Judge
 - Head Umpire
 - Head Clerk or other official chosen by the Meet Referee.
 - One coach of a boys team
 - One coach of a girls team
- 9.1 The Games Committee "shall set the time limit when competitors are excused to compete in another event." (NFHS 3-2-3m) It is recommended that the Games Committee authorize the head field event judge in each event to set the time limit based upon: 1) the time needed to compete in the track or field event to which the athlete is excused and, 2) whether the delay will unduly inconvenience the remaining competitors in the field event.
- 9.2 The OHSAA does not employ a Jury of Appeals as referenced in the NFHS Rules. The Games Committee may serve informally in an advisory capacity only if the Referee wishes to consult with it.

10. Officials' Jurisdiction - The jurisdiction of officials is specified in the National Federation Track and Field Rules Book. Officials shall remain available for a maximum of 30 minutes after the conclusion of a tournament if a formal appeal has been filed. If no appeals are filed or if appeals filed have been resolved, officials may leave after the problem has been resolved. The official score sheet/results printout must be signed by the referee and the time and date noted.

District Officials Fees

Official's fees are paid through Arbiter. To see the specific rules, see pages 31 and 32 of the OHSAA Officials Handbook:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Officiating/OHSAAOfficialsHandbook.pdf>

CLARIFICATION OF STAFFING DEFINITIONS

Licensed (Registered) Official – Individual who holds a valid OHSAA officiating permit that is authorized/charged with enforcement and interpretation of contest rules.

Unlicensed (Non-registered) Official – Individual assists or substitutes for the licensed official in the conduct of the contest.

Worker – Individual that does not have a direct relationship to the conduct of the contest and interpretation of the rules. A worker is a person that is not classified as a licensed or unlicensed official.

NOTE: Under no circumstances shall a head coach or assistant coach from a school with competitors involved be employed as any official named above.

11. District Tournaments FAT Recommendations

- Two (2) cameras running as two separate systems on separate computers.
- Can be located on the same side of the track or opposite.
- One (1) IdentiLynx camera attached to the primary camera.
- Two (2) dedicated staff.
- Two (2) wind gages, electronic or manual.
- If manual, staff need to be properly trained on use.
- One (1) positioned for running events.
- One (1) positioned for long jump.

*Please see notes below on officiating needs if two cameras are not used.

12. District Tournament Recommended Staffing of Officials

This is the recommended minimum number of officials needed to conduct a District Tournament. This number of officials will provide a minimum coverage of each area but leaves substantial opportunity for unfair competition due to missed calls. Tournament Managers are encouraged to hire at least the below officials but are strongly encouraged to use the preferred staffing levels. For more details on officials, see the 2022 District and Regional Tournament Managers Manual.

Note: "Field Referee" should read "Head Field Judge." While many invitations do use two referees (field and running), only one referee is utilized for tournaments.

Mandatory Assignments: Referee (1) Head Field Judge (1) Clerks (3) Starters (2) Head Umpire (1) Head Discus Judge (1) Head High Jump Judge (1) Head Pole Vault Judge (1) Head Shot Put Judge (1) Head Long Jump Judge (1)	Meet Manager Assignments: Shot Put (1) Discus (1) Long Jump (1) Umpires (8) *If FAT recommendations are not met: Head Finish Judge/Timer (1) Timers (4) Total Officials: 24 *Total Officials: 29 (Staffing level if FAT minimums are not met)
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13. District Tournament Preferred Staffing of Officials

This is the preferred number of officials that should be contracted to conduct a District Tournament. This staffing level provides an adequate number of officials to provide a fair and safe competition. If additional officials are available it is recommended, they be contracted and assigned in order of importance (1 umpires, 2 discus, 3 shot put, 4 long jump, 5 pole vault, 6 high jump). For more details on officials, see the 2022 District and Regional Tournament Managers Manual.

Note: "Field Referee" should read "Head Field Judge." While many invitations do use two referees (field and running), only one referee is utilized for tournaments.

Mandatory Assignments: Referee(1) Head Field Judge (1) Clerks (3) Starters (2) Head Umpire (1) Head Discus Judge (1) Head High Jump Judge (1) Head Pole Vault Judge (1) Head Shot Put Judge (1) Head Long Jump Judge (1)	Meet Manager Assignments: Field Event Judges in DAB assignments Long Jump (2) High Jump (1) Pole Vault (2) Shot Put (2) Discus (3) Umpires (12) *If FAT recommendations are not met: Head Finish Judge (1) Head Timer (1) Timers (7) Total Officials: 35 *Total Officials: 44 (Staffing level if FAT minimums are not met)
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TOURNAMENT MANAGERS INSTRUCTIONS

REGIONAL MANAGERS ONLY

I. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Qualifiers from the Regional to the State Tournaments are published on the OHSAA website. The qualifiers are also stipulated in the tournament regulations enclosed in this manual.
- B. The Regional site assignments and Entry Procedures can be found online at <https://oh.milesplit.com/> or [MileSplit Meet Hub page](#)
 - a. For additional assistance navigating the MileSplit process, please contact:
 - i. **Jeffrey Oncken** (jeffrey.oncken@flosports.tv)
 - ii. **Mark Dwyer** (mark.dwyer@flosports.tv)
- C. **Please note:** You should designate two coaches (one boys and one girls) who have been selected to your games committee. In the past the OHSAA office appointed these coaches, however, now it is the responsibility of each respective regional manager. Please forward the name or names of those selected to Dustin Ware (dware@ohsaa.org).

II. ACTION ITEMS – please duplicate forms as needed

B. Qualifiers

- 1. Regionals to State – Regional Managers shall electronically transmit the qualifiers' files & results via the MileSplit as soon as your Regional Tournament is completed. For additional instructions or assistance with this process, contact Mike Chatfield (mike@finishtiming.com).
- 2. Forms for Submission
 - a. Updated Regional Records – Current records enclosed
 - b. State Records – Use online form.

C. Financial & Personnel Reports

- 1. The required reports can be found at <https://www.ohsaa.org/financial/reports> where you will be provided with instructions on downloading and completing the forms. Complete all sections and submit one copy to the Laura Vermilya / Controller (lvermilya@ohsaa.org) at the OHSAA within 10 days after your tournament, and retain one copy for your files.

REGIONAL MANAGERS TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

1. **Tournament Manager**- The tournament manager shall serve as overall director and administrator for the tournament. The tournament manager shall employ officials, clerical help, ticket takers, sellers and other personnel in order to conduct an efficient, progressive and first-class experience for the athletes. The tournament manager will not officiate in the tournaments and will not be involved in any decisions in regard to qualification or disqualification of athletes. The tournament manager will provide all physical apparatus necessary to conduct the tournaments and to promptly file all reports required.

Each regional tournament manager will direct a simultaneous boy and girls tournament in the same classification.

2. **Entries**

- a) The District Tournament Managers of boys and girls track and field tournaments or his/her designated data manager will transmit the electronic results of the district tournament to you or your designee no later than **Sunday, May 21, 2023** at 1:00 P.M. as directed by you the Regional manager.
- b) **Individual boys and girls** who have qualified at the District Tournaments automatically become eligible for participation in the Regional Track and Field Tournament to which assigned.
- c) Relays - members of qualifying relay teams from District Tournaments may be changed for Regional competition.

3. **Qualifiers from District Tournaments** -The first four individuals or relay teams in each event in the District Tournaments will qualify for Regional Competition. Under no circumstances will more than the number specified in each event above be permitted to qualify from a District Tournament. Use the appropriate tiebreaker procedure to determine qualifiers in case of ties.

4. **Qualifiers to State Tournament** – The first four in each running event and each field event shall qualify for the State Track and Field Tournament, **along with the next two (2) fastest times, 2 highest jumps, and 2 longest throws across the state from all four regionals**. All information concerning individual qualifiers and qualifying relay teams for **Divisions I and III shall be transmitted as per electronic instructions no later than 10:00 P.M., Friday, May 26, 2023**. Qualifiers for Division II shall be transmitted no later than **4:00 P.M., Saturday, May 27, 2023**. Please insure that all information relative to correct spelling of names, uniform number, full name of school and grade of participant is included.

Note: Relay team members for each qualifying school must be transmitted in the required electronic format with competitor number and grade in school. Use the names of the four runners who competed in the regional finals.

5. **Miscellaneous**

- 5.1 **Awards**

Individual Awards will be presented to the first eight finishers in each event. In case of ties, duplicate awards will be ordered and presented later. For duplicates, record the name of the athlete, the home address and the event and place earned. Send the information to **Dustin Ware / dware@ohsaa.org**. He will order the duplicate awards, and the awards will be shipped directly to the athlete from our supplier.

Team Awards will be presented to the championship and runner-up teams. Trophies will be presented for the school plus an individual award for the head coach and manager or assistant coach of the championship and runner-up team.

Each Manager **will develop an appropriate procedure** for presentation of awards.

5.2 Admission

There will be admission charged at all regional sites. The pricing is \$8 Student Ticket & \$10 General Admission. Children under 5 years old will not need a ticket. Tickets will be handled by the OHSAA's online partner, HomeTown Ticketing, and procedures will be shared with the participating schools.

5.3 Passes

Complimentary admittance to Regional Track and Field Tournaments is restricted to the following people.

- a) Officials - 1 per person plus 1 guest
- b) Workers employed by you - 1 per person
- c) Competitors and Coaches according to the following schedule:

<u>Number of Competitors</u>	<u>Passes</u>
1-4	One more than number of competitors
5-8	Two more than number of competitors
9 or more	Three more than number of competitors

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***Relay Alternates:** To stay in line with what was permitted at the 2022 Regional & State Track Meet, as well as the updated language in the 2023 NFHS Rule Book, The following allowance will be made for Relay Alternates for the OHSAA Track & Field tournament:

- Up to 8 athletes would be allowed to be listed on the 'new' relay cards
- Each qualifying relay team would receive **FREE** admission for 6 of the runners listed on the Relay Card
- If a school lists 8 runners of the Relay Card, the school would need to provide a **"paid ticket"** for the remaining 2 runners upon their teams entry into the Regional & State Meet site.
 - The logistics of how the Regional & State Meet sites will manage these ticketed alternate athletes entry into the site would be a meet management decision.

Note: Passes will not be provided to alternate members of relay teams unless they participate.

- d) Board Members
 - 1) District Board Members have received through the OHSAA and HomeTown Ticketing for admittance.
 - 2) Board of Directors Members have received passes from the OHSAA and HomeTown Ticketing for admittance.

6. **Records - Reference: National Federation Track and Field Rule 9. National Federation Track and Field Rule 10 specifies provisions for establishing and recognizing records.**

6.1 Ohio high School Athletic Association Record application forms, which can be found at <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/tf/TFRecordForm.pdf> are available for your use for record consideration. It is imperative that these forms be used and completed.

6.2 Regional Track and Field Records

The best performance in each event, whether in the semifinals, trials or finals will constitute the Regional Record for that event. No special application is necessary, but provision must be made to compile these records and submit a copy to the OHSAA office.

6.3 State Interscholastic Records

The OHSAA maintains an active file of State Records in Track and Field by Division I, II, III Boys and Girls. All provisions of Rule 9 of the National Federation Track and Field Rules must be followed for record consideration. Applications for record consideration must be filed within six months of the performance.

It is the responsibility of the manager to be sure that performances that tie or exceed accepted records are documented and filed with the OHSAA office on the proper form. Be sure that you have the needed equipment available in the event a contestant's performance exceeds a listed record.

The Ohio State Interscholastic Track and Field Records are located on the OHSAA web site at

<http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/records/tfrecrd.htm>. Rule 10 specifies provisions that must be certified.

7. **Tournament Officials - Reference: National Federation Track and Field - Rule 3.**

- 7.1 It is imperative that qualified, competent officials be used at all officiating positions in Regional Tournaments. Every effort will be made by Tournament Managers to obtain the best track and field officials available.

The Referee, Clerks, Starters, Head Field Judge and Head Umpire will be assigned from the OHSAA Office. The Tournament Manager will be responsible for assigning all other officials and for paying all officials according to the schedule.

All officials shall be OHSAA registered Class 1 officials unless there are not enough available. Second priority shall be nonregistered officials. In no case shall nonregistered officials be assigned ahead of registered officials. All key and head positions shall be filled by registered Class 1 officials. **All persons who are making officiating decisions in field events and running events must be 18 years of age or older and no longer enrolled in high school. This includes those officials who mark the landing spot of the shot and discus.**

7.2 **Games Committee**

- 7.21 Each Regional Track and Field Tournament will have a Games Committee composed of one coach of a boys team, one coach of a girls team, the Head Umpire, the Head Field Judge, The Head Clerk or another official appointed by the Referee and the Referee who will chair and conduct all meetings of the Games Committee. The coaches on the Games Committee will be appointed by each respective tournament manager.

- 7.22 **It is the prerogative of the manager to decide if a Games Committee meeting is necessary. It is possible to meet with the referee and then conduct all other games committee business electronically.**

- 7.23 The Games Committee will be responsible for all provisions of National Federation Track and Field Rule 3-2-3.

- 7.24 **Appeals** - When an appeal is filed, the Games Committee will serve in an advisory capacity, subject to the call of the Referee. **Note:** Ohio does not use Juries of Appeals. The decision of the Referee shall be final except in the case of an ineligible athlete.

7.3 **Tournament Referee**

- 7.31 The authority of the Referee is contained in National Federation Rule 3-4.

7.32 **Additional Duties and Responsibilities**

- 7.321 Chairman of Games Committee Meeting on Sunday prior to the tournaments as well as any called meetings.
- 7.322 Shall serve as the final authority in determining places using the FAT systems that are authorized.
- 7.323 Shall not observe any type of video device except that which is authorized and approved.

7.4 **Regional Officials Fees**

Official's fees are paid through Arbiter. To see the specific rules, see pages 31 and 32 of the OHSAA Officials Handbook:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Officiating/OHSAAOfficialsHandbook.pdf>

CLARIFICATION OF STAFFING DEFINITIONS

Licensed (Registered) Official – Individual who holds a valid OHSAA officiating permit that is authorized/charged with enforcement and interpretation of contest rules.

Unlicensed (Non-registered) Official – Individual assists or substitutes for the licensed official in the conduct of the contest.

Worker – Individual that does not have a direct relationship to the conduct of the contest and interpretation of the rules. A worker is a person that is not classified as a licensed or unlicensed official.

NOTE: Under no circumstances shall a head coach or assistant coach from a school with competitors involved be employed as any official named above.

8. **Running Events - Reference: National Federation Track and Field-Rule 5.**

8.1 **Starting Lines and Stagers**

In order that there be uniformity, the starting lines and staggers, as stated below, will be used in tournament competition.

8.11 400 meters, dash - two turns stagger, in lanes the entire race.

8.12 800 meters, dash - two turns stagger, break at the start of the second straightaway.

Two competitors in each lane, random draw as assigned by Hy-Tek.

8.13 1600 meters, run - one turn stagger, two or three competitors in each lane, random draw.

8.14 3200 meters, run - one turn stagger, two or three competitors in each lane, random draw.

8.15 4x100 meters, relay - two turns stagger, in lanes the entire race.

8.16 4x200 meters, relay - four turns stagger, in lanes the entire race.

8.17 4x400 meters, relay – three turns stagger

8.18 4x800 meters, relay - two turns stagger, two runners per lane, in lanes around two turns, break at start of second straightaway. Random draw.

BE SURE THAT THERE ARE CORRECT MARKINGS ON THE TRACK!

8.2 **Seeding and Lane Assignments**

National Federation Track and Field Rule 5-6 will be the basis for seeding competitors and forming heats. Results of District competition will be used in seeding and forming heats, which is done electronically via Hy-Tek.

a) **800m, 1600m, 3200m, 4x800m relay** - starting line assignments shall be determined by an **open draw** utilizing the Hy-Tek software management system and approved by the Games Committee.

b) In **all other track events** except the 800m, 1600m, 3200m runs and 4x800m relay - the **runners shall be assigned to the lanes based upon their seeded position** and using the following order:

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Lane</u>
1	4
2	5
3	6
4	3
5	2
6	7
7	8
8	1

8.3 **Finals**

Lane assignments for track events in which semifinals were run shall be assigned by the Hy-Tek system and approved by the Games Committee using the same procedures for assignments in the semifinals.

8.4 **Relay Teams and Relay Check-In Form**

a) Relay Check-In forms provided by the OHSAA shall be used.

4x100m - Pink 4x400m- White

4x200m - Blue 4x800m - Green

The name and number of each relay team member must be listed on the form.

b) The relay team (4, 5, or 6 individuals), officially becomes an entry when the Relay Check-In Form is handed to the Clerk of Course for the semifinal or final relay, whichever is first. (5-9-2) The four individuals become competitors when they have reported to the clerk. (4-1-2)

c) Once the relay team is officially entered, there may be no additions, deletions or changes to the form.

- d) Clerk Procedure - check off names of four individuals who will compete. Mark through name spaces left blank.
- e) The Relay Check-In Form of qualifying teams for the finals shall be provided to the clerk who will determine individually the four who will compete in the finals.
- f) It is necessary for only one Relay Check-In Form to be completed for each relay in a given tournament. This procedure facilitates checking relay team members, but does require individual reporting for each competitor.

8.5 Semifinal Heats

In all running events in which semi-finals are held, the top 2 in each heat and the next best 4 times will advance to the finals

9. Throwing Events - Discus, Shot Put – National Federation Track and Field Rule 6.

- 9.1 Throwing implements used in the shot put and discus throw events shall be provided by the individual or be school-issued. All implements shall be weighed at the site and meet the minimum standards found in NF Rules 6-4-2 and 6-5-2. Per NFHS Rule, athletes may not use implements that are less than the minimum specifications or exceed the maximum specifications (i.e. college implements) during practice since only NFHS legal and approved implements are acceptable. **Once weighed, gauged and marked as legal, the implements shall not be released to the contestants until they begin their competition. There is no requirement that equipment be shared. Each athlete is responsible for bringing his or her own legal implement. Only legal implements shall be used in both warm-up and competition.**
- 9.2 All legal trials shall be measured and recorded. Accurate measuring tapes are essential.
- 9.3 National Federation Rule 6 will apply without modification.
- 9.4 **There shall be two flights of eight each in the preliminary trials.** The Hy-tech software system shall randomly determine the order of competition and shall be approved by the Games Committee.

10. Jumping Events

High Jump, Pole Vault, Long Jump-Reference National Federation Track and Field Rule 7.

- 10.1 Provisions of National Federation Track and Field Rule 7 apply. Equipment for accurate measurement is essential.
- 10.2 Long Jump
There shall be two flights of eight each in the preliminary trials. The Hy-tech software system shall randomly determine the order of competition and shall be approved by the Games Committee.
- 10.3 High Jump, Pole Vault
The continuing flight procedure in Rule 7-4-10 and 7-5-16 with five participants active at a time shall be utilized. The Hy-tech software system shall randomly determine the order of competition and shall be approved by the Games Committee.

- 11. **Disqualification** - National Federation Track and Field Rule 4-5 applies. Violation Report Forms shall be completed by the officials and countersigned by the Referee whenever disqualification occurs. **Completed Violation Report Forms and Appeal Forms shall be forwarded to the OHSA with all final results.**

- 12. **Videotape or other electronic reproduction and its use** –Video replay or television monitoring equipment , other than the official finish line equipment approved by the games committee prior to the start of competition, shall not be used to make decisions related to the meet. **Use of wireless communication devices, that is, official communication equipment, is allowed.**

Electronic devices may be used in unrestricted areas and coaching boxes, provided the location does not interfere with progress of the meet as determined by the meet referee – NFHS rule 3-2-8. Electronic devices shall not be used to transmit information to the competitor during the race or trial ; Electronic devices shall not be used for any review of an official's decision.

The manager shall make clear to all coaches and competitors those areas of the competition venue where these devices are permitted or disallowed. In addition, the manager shall also designate those areas in which it is illegal for a competitor to remove his or her uniform.

N.B. Once a competitor is called up, the trial and allowable time has begun for an attempt, at which time coaches must cease use of electronic devices in communication with the athlete. Electronic communication may be resumed in accordance with NFHS rule 3-2-8 (see above) following the athlete's attempt.

13. Regional Tournament FAT Minimum Requirements

This is a list of the minimum acceptable set up for FAT for this level of competition.

- Two (2) cameras running as two separate systems on separate computers.
- Can be located on the same side of the track or opposite.
- One (1) IdentiLynx camera attached to the primary camera.
- Two (2) dedicated staff.
- Two (2) wind gages, electronic or manual.
- If manual, staff need to be properly trained on use.
- One (1) positioned for running events.
- One (1) positioned for long jump.

14. Regional Tournament FAT Recommendations

This is a list of the recommended set up for FAT for this level of competition.

- Where space provides, three (3) cameras running as separate systems on separate computers.
- One located on the opposite side of the track
- One (1) IdentiLynx camera attached to the primary camera.
- Three (3) to four (4) dedicated staff.
- One of the staff specifically dedicated to recording field events, relay cards etc.
- Two (2) wind gages, electronic or manual.
- If manual, staff need to be properly trained on use.
- One (1) positioned for running events.
- One (1) positioned for long jump.

15. Officials

OHSAA registered track and field officials shall be used at all officiating positions. Assignment of the regional tournament officials shall be made by the Track & Field Director of Officiating Development (DOD) & their assigners. Please contact **BJ Duckworth** (bjduckworth@ohsaa.org) if you have any officiating questions.

16. Regional Tournament Minimum Officiating Staffing Requirements

This is the **mandatory minimum** number of officials needed to conduct a Regional Tournament. This number of officials will provide coverage of each area but leaves opportunity for unfair competition due to missed calls. Tournament Managers must hire at least the below officials but are strongly encouraged to use the recommended staffing levels. If additional officials are available but recommended staffing levels can't be met, it is recommended they be contracted and assigned in order of importance (1 umpires, 2 discus, 3 shot put, 4 long jump, 5 pole vault, 6 high jump).

OHSAA Assigned Officials Referee (1) Head Field Judge (1) Clerks (3) Starters (3) Head Umpire (1)	Meet Manager assignments Long Jump (3) High Jump (2) Pole Vault (2) Shot Put (3) Discus (4) *Meet Managers must indicate and assign one person in each field event as the head for that event. Management can coordinate with the Referee or Head Field Judge on what officials should be given these positions. Umpires (12) *Referees and Head Umpires will determine Zone Chiefs and appoint them the day of the meet. No assignments are made for these.
Total Officials: 35	

17. Regional Tournament Recommended Staffing of Officials

OHSAA Assigned Officials: Referee (1) Head Field Judge (1) Clerks (3) Starters (3) Head Umpire (1)	Meet Manager assignments: Long Jump (4) High Jump (3) Pole Vault (3) Shot Put (4) Discus (5) * Meet Managers must indicate and assign one person in each field event as the head for that event. Management can coordinate with the Referee or Head Field Judge on what officials should be given these positions. Umpires (18) *Referees and Head Umpires will determine Zone Chiefs and appoint them the day of the meet. No assignments are made for these.
Total Officials: 46	



Wednesday, May 24

2023 OHSA Regional Track and Field Tournaments Schedule

Thursday, May 25

Friday, May 26

Saturday, May 27



DIVISION I
(Youngstown, Amberst, Pickerington North, Huber Heights)

Start Times
Youngstown – Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30
Amberst – Field Events 4:00, Track Events 5:30
Pickerington – Field Events 4:30, Track Events 6:00
Huber Heights–Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30

DIVISION III

(Norwayue, Fostoria, Heath, Troy)
Norwayue –Field Events 4:30, Track Events 6:00
Fostoria – Field Events 4:00 Track Events 5:30
Heath – Field Events 4:00, Track Events 5:30
Troy – Field Events 4:30, Track Events 6:00

Field Events
Preliminary Trials and Finals
(See Starting Times Above)
Boys Pole Vault
Girls High Jump
Boys Long Jump
Girls Shot Put
Boys Discus

Track Events
(See Starting Times Above)
Girls Relay 4x800m (female)
Boys Relay 4x800m (female)
Girls Hurdles (33") 100m
Boys Hurdles (39") 110m
Girls Dash 100m
Boys Dash 100m
Girls Relay 4x200m
Boys Relay 4x200m
Girls Relay 4x100m (a)
Boys Relay 4x100m (b)
Girls Dash 400m
Boys Dash 400m
Girls Hurdles (30") 300m
Boys Hurdles (36") 300m
Girls Dash 200m
Boys Dash 200m
Girls Relay 4x400m (c)
Boys Relay 4x400m (d)

(e) The first heat of the girls 4x100 relay may begin no earlier than 15 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls 4x200 Relay.
(f) The first heat of the boys 4x100 relay may begin no earlier than 15 minutes after the start of the first heat of the boys 4x200 Relay.
(g) The first heat of the girls 4x400 relay may begin no earlier than 20 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls 200 meter dash.
(h) The first heat of the boys 4x400 relay may begin no earlier than 20 minutes after the start of the first heat of the boys 200 meter dash.

DIVISION II
(Youngstown, Lexington, New Concord, Piqua)

Start Times
Youngstown – Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30
Lexington – Field Events 4:00, Track Events 5:30
New Concord – Field Events 4:30, Track Events 6:00
Piqua – Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30

Field Events
Preliminary Trials and Finals
(See Starting Times Above)
Boys Pole Vault
Girls High Jump
Boys Long Jump
Girls Shot Put
Boys Discus

Track Events
(See Starting Times Above)
Girls Relay 4x800m (female)
Boys Relay 4x800m (female)
Girls Hurdles (33") 100m
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Girls Dash 100m
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Boys Relay 4x200m
Girls Relay 4x100m (a)
Boys Relay 4x100m (b)
Girls Dash 400m
Boys Dash 400m
Girls Hurdles (30") 300m
Boys Hurdles (36") 300m
Girls Dash 200m
Boys Dash 200m
Girls Relay 4x400m (c)
Boys Relay 4x400m (d)

(e) The first heat of the girls 4x100 relay may begin no earlier than 15 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls 4x200 Relay.
(f) The first heat of the boys 4x100 relay may begin no earlier than 15 minutes after the start of the first heat of the boys 4x200 Relay.
(g) The first heat of the girls 4x400 relay may begin no earlier than 20 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls 200 meter dash.
(h) The first heat of the boys 4x400 relay may begin no earlier than 20 minutes after the start of the first heat of the boys 200 meter dash.

DIVISION I
(Youngstown, Amberst, Pickerington North, Huber Heights)

Start Times
Youngstown – Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30
Amberst – Field Events 4:00, Track Events 5:30
Pickerington – Field Events 4:30, Track Events 6:00
Huber Heights–Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30

DIVISION III

(Norwayue, Fostoria, Heath, Troy)
Norwayue –Field Events 4:30, Track Events 6:00
Fostoria – Field Events 4:00 Track Events 5:30
Heath – Field Events 4:00, Track Events 5:30
Troy – Field Events 5:00, Track Events 6:30

Field Events
Prelims & Finals
(See Starting Times Above)
Girls Pole Vault
Boys High Jump
Girls Long Jump
Boys Shot Put
Girls Discus

Track Events
(See Starting Times Above)
Girls Hurdles (33") 100m
Boys Hurdles (39") 110m
Girls Dash 100m
Boys Dash 100m
Girls Relay 4x200m
Boys Relay 4x200m
Girls Run 1600m
Boys Run 1600m
Girls Relay 4x100m
Boys Relay 4x100m
Girls Dash 400m
Boys Dash 400m
Girls Hurdles (30") 300m
Boys Hurdles (36") 300m
Girls Run 800m
Boys Run 800m
Girls Dash 200m
Boys Dash 200m
Girls Run 3200m
Boys Run 3200m
Girls Relay 4x400m
Boys Relay 4x400m

DIVISION II
(Youngstown, Lexington, New Concord, Piqua)

Start Times
Youngstown – Field Events 11:00, Track Events 12:30
Lexington – Field Events 11:00, Track Events 12:30
New Concord – Field Events 11:00, Track Events 12:30
Piqua – Field Events 11:00, Track Events 12:30

Field Events
Preliminary Trials and Finals
(See Starting Times Above)
Girls Pole Vault
Boys High Jump
Girls Long Jump
Boys Shot Put
Girls Discus

Track Events
(See Starting Times Above)
Girls Hurdles (33") 100m
Boys Hurdles (39") 110m
Girls Dash 100m
Boys Dash 100m
Girls Relay 4x200m
Boys Relay 4x200m
Girls Run 1600m
Boys Run 1600m
Girls Relay 4x100m
Boys Relay 4x100m
Girls Dash 400m
Boys Dash 400m
Girls Hurdles (30") 300m
Boys Hurdles (36") 300m
Girls Run 800m
Boys Run 800m
Girls Dash 200m
Boys Dash 200m
Girls Run 3200m
Boys Run 3200m
Girls Relay 4x400m
Boys Relay 4x400m

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DISTRICT ENTRY & SCRATCH/SUBSTITUTION FORMS, WEB DATA AND QUALIFIER INFORMATION

Meet Page Management

- The Meet manager or Timing manager will need to have a MileSplit account in order to have access to their individual meet page.

Team Entries

- All District & Regional meet pages will be created & setup by MileSplit.
- Access to each meet page will be provided to each meet manager &/or timing manager. These meet pages can be found on the [OHSAA Meet Hub](#).
- All Team entries must be made in MileSplit on the MileSplit created meet page.
- The scratch/substitution form will be posted to each meet page found in the [OHSAA Meet Hub](#).
- The school rosters will populate during the season as athletes compete in meets. If a coach would like to add any athletes to their roster that doesn't currently exist, please have them visit:
 - <https://support.milesplit.com/en/a/how-do-i-edit-my-teams-roster>
- To export your entries, please follow the instructions here.
 - <https://support.milesplit.com/en/a/how-do-i-download-entries>
- Regional Qualifier advancement will be handled by MileSplit. All MileSplit needs from each meet director is the flat HTML results from the district meets.

Results:

- Please post all results in Hytek's Flat HTML format. For directions on how to get this format, please use the link below:
 - <https://support.milesplit.com/en/a/sending-hytek-results-to-milesplit>

Contact MileSplit

- To contact MileSplit, please feel free to reach out via <https://oh.milesplit.com/support>. Reaching out in any other way will slow down the time it takes for them to get to get back to you.

2023 OHSA T TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

2023 REGULATIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK & FIELD TOURNAMENTS

District – Regional – State

Note: The following regulations apply to all levels of tournament competition unless otherwise specified. They were adopted by the Ohio High School Athletic Association Board of Directors on February 16, 2023. The Executive Director is authorized to modify these regulations when deemed necessary, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors. It should also be noted that, besides these tournament regulations, all regulations within the OHSA Handbook (Bylaws, General Sports Regulations and Track & Field Regulations) shall be followed.

1. Organization of Tournaments

The District Athletic Boards organize and supervise district tournaments in their respective districts, subject to the regulations adopted by the Board of Directors. The regional and state tournaments are under the supervision of the Board of Directors and administered through the Executive Director's office.

2. Eligibility

All participants must be eligible under the Bylaws and Regulations of the OHSA. A student who uses anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs is ineligible for interscholastic competition until such time as medical evidence can be presented that the student's system is free of anabolic steroids or other performance enhancing drugs.

3. Divisions

There will be three divisions, I, II and III in all levels of the OHSA Track and Field tournaments. Schools must compete in the division and sites to which assigned by the OHSA. For the 2023 state tournaments, all competition will be held at The Ohio State University's Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium in Columbus.

4. Rules

The 2023 NFHS Track and Field Rules shall apply in all cases unless changed in the regulations that follow. There shall be no juries of appeals convened, and the decisions of the referee are final.

5. Entry Requirements

5.1. Entries shall be submitted electronically via MileSplit, which must include the name and number of the individual entries in all events except relays, and a numerical list of all squad members with the assigned number of each athlete.

5.2. The completed electronic entry must be in the possession of the tournament manager no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 12, 2023, or at a later date and time if established by your district athletic board.

5.2.1. If the completed entry is not submitted by the designated time and date, the entry will not be accepted without payment of a \$50 late fee and approval by the OHSA.

***Note:** An earlier deadline for entries may not be established, but completed entries will be accepted earlier and are encouraged.

5.3. In the first level of competition, a maximum of two eligible athletes may be named on the entry form for each event other than relay events.

***Note:** A substitute may replace an entered athlete provided the substitute is submitted on the online roster, and provided the substitute is submitted to the tournament manager via online or on the scratch/substitution form **no later than 12:00 p.m. NOON** of the first day the event is contested. For Saturday competition, substitutions **MUST** be made at the time coaches check in that morning. After that time, no substitutions will be accepted. The Clerk of the Course will accept scratches as per usual.

In regard to the above regulation, substitutions may be permitted only in the event that a competitor becomes injured or ill during the contest. For example, a competitor is injured during the running of the high hurdles and cannot compete in a later event (e.g., 300 I.H). In this case, the coach should be permitted to substitute.

***Note:** In accordance with NFHS Rule 4-2-1, a contestant shall not compete in more than **FOUR (4)** individual events, including relays. If a contestant competes in more than the four allowable events, the tournament manager shall scratch the contestant from the excess number of event(s) by following the listed order of events. First day of competition means the day the event is to be competed. For example, an athlete who qualifies in an individual event in a tournament for the next level of competition may not be replaced by another athlete. An athlete who is disqualified due to participation in more than four events is ineligible for further tournament competition.

***Note:** NFHS rules and OHSAA participation regulations restrict each athlete to a maximum of **FOUR (4)** events in each tournament whether competed on one day or over two days. Members of relay teams must be designated on the relay card prior to competing the first time. All members of a relay team must be listed on the eligibility certificate.

Each level of tournament competition (district, regional, state) qualifies a school relay team.

5.4. Members of qualifying relay teams may be changed from one level of competition to the next level of competition provided the four-event entry limitation is observed.

5.5. Substitution Forms will be provided for changes at the first level of tournament competition.

***Note:** Scratches shall be reported to the Clerk no later than 15 minutes prior to the start of the event.

6. Uniforms

6.1 In accordance with NFHS Track and Field Rule 4-3 team members shall wear the school uniform. A competitor must be in a legal track and field uniform. Uniform numbers are no longer required on the back of contestants' uniforms.

***Note:** A contestant who competes with an illegal uniform shall be disqualified from that event.

6.2 In accordance with Rule 3-2-4, j, contestants wearing two-piece uniforms must tuck their school-issued uniform tops into their uniform bottoms. If wearing a one-piece uniform, the required hip numbers must be placed so as to be visible to the FAT operator. In addition, the games committee at each tournament site shall specify in advance those areas of competition where removal of any portion of the team uniform, except shoes, is prohibited and shall specify those areas where the use of electronic devices is allowed.

Note: *Updated 2023 Shirts need only be tucked in when they obscure the reading of a hip number

6.3 In accordance with NFHS Track and Field Rule 4-3-1-a, each competitor shall wear shoes.

***Note:** Shoes on all weather tracks must be rubber-soled shoes or track shoes as specified by the tournament manager or games committee.

6.4 NFHS Track & Field Rules Regulation 4-3-1b 8 clarifies that religious headwear is not considered a hair device. This means that there is no need for prior authorization from the state association for religious headwear.

Note: If there are any concerns about the head decorations or head gear well in advance of the start of the competition on that day, contest officials shall approach the head coach (or assistant coach, if the head coach is not available) to address the issue.

NFHS Track & Field Rules Regulation 4-3-1b 5 clarifies that garments with logos completely around the waistband on uniform bottoms are legal.

Refer to the Track & Field Manual for more regulations on uniforms.

7. School Representative

No team or individual entry will be allowed to compete in the OHSAA tournaments at any level of competition unless a coach or a person authorized by the Board of Education is present throughout the competition. Teams and individual entries unaccompanied by such a school representative will be disqualified (Bylaw 3-3-1 N.B. - see General Sports Regulation 14). When a male coach is assigned to a girl's team, a female supervisor (non-high school student) should accompany the girls team. Likewise, when a female coach is assigned to a boy's team, a male supervisor (non-high school student) should accompany the boys team.

8. Order of Events and Time Schedule - District

District Order of Events and SAMPLE Time Schedule for Finals - District

Day 1

Girls 4 x 800 (finals)
Boys 4 x 800 (finals)
Girls Hurdles – 100M
Boys Hurdles – 110M
Girls 100M
Boys 100M
Girls 4 x 200
Boys 4 x 200
Girls 1600M Run (if necessary)*
Boys 1600M Run (if necessary)*
Girls 4 x 100
Boys 4 x 100
Girls 400M Dash
Boys 400M Dash
Girls Hurdles – 300M
Boys Hurdles – 300M
Girls 800M Run (if necessary)*
Boys 800M Run (if necessary)*
Girls 200M Dash
Boys 200M Dash
Girls 3200M Run (if necessary)*
Boys 3200M Run (if necessary)*
Girls 4 x 400
Boys 4 x 400

*The first heat of the girls and boys 4 x 100M Relay may begin no earlier than 15 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls and boys 4 x 200M Relay.

*The first heat of the girls and boys 4 x 400M Relay may begin no earlier than 20 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls and boys 200M Dash.

Day 2

1:00 Girls Hurdles – 100M
1:05 Boys Hurdles – 110M
1:10 Girls 100M
1:12 Boys 100M
1:15 Girls 4 x 200
1:25 Boys 4 x 200
1:35 Girls 1600M Run
1:45 Boys 1600M Run
1:55 Girls 4 x 100
2:00 Boys 4 x 100
2:05 Girls 400M Dash
2:10 Boys 400M Dash
2:15 Girls Hurdles – 300M
2:20 Boys Hurdles – 300M
2:25 Girls 800M Run
2:30 Boys 800M Run
2:35 Girls 200M Dash
2:40 Boys 200M Dash
2:45 Girls 3200M Run
3:00 Boys 3200M Run
3:15 Girls 4 x 400
3:25 Boys 4 x 400

*The time schedule for District finals should allow a similar time gap in the semi-finals unless otherwise noted.

Throwing sectors shall be 34.92 degrees for the shot put and discus. See the **Track & Field Manual** for more information on implements, including inspections, and pole vault verification.

Note: *Update 2023* All Regional Meets are REQUIRED to allow for a ninety (90) minute break between the start of Field & the start of the Running events. This ninety (90) minute break shall be utilized each day of the meet in which Field & Running events are being held on the same day. This same ninety (90) minute break is recommended for the District Meets.

Note: This Order of Events Schedule is consistent with the Order of Events of both the regional and state meets.

9. Qualifying Tournaments

Each district and regional track and field tournament is a qualifying tournament for the tournament that follows. These tournaments are not preliminaries for the succeeding tournament. The personnel of qualifying relay teams may be changed from one tournament to the next.

10. Qualification to each level of the Tournament (District to Regional / Regional to State)

- District Tournament
 - The first four individuals or relay teams in each event in the district tournaments shall qualify for their assigned regional tournament.
 - Only four qualifiers in each event shall be permitted to qualify from a district tournament to a regional tournament.
- Regional Tournament
 - The first four individuals or relay teams in each event in the FOUR regional tournaments AND the next TOP 2 times/heights/distances from around the STATE shall qualify for the State Meet.

See **Section 14** for procedure to determine qualifiers in case of ties.

11. ***Updated 2023*** Field Event Seeding

Field Events will be seeded from worst to best.

- High Jump & Pole Vault – Seeding in the vertical jumps should be lowest to highest
- Long Jump, Shot Put, and Discus – Competitors should be divided into flights. Seeding in these horizontal events should be shortest to farthest, with the first flight being the shorter qualifying performance and the final flight being the longer entry performance.

- District Meet managers will use marks from regular season results from MileSplit to seed these events for the District Meets. From there, the advancement to Regional & State meet would use the results from the previous round.

***Update 2023* NOTE (Discus & Shot Put):** All field events will utilize Finals (when applicable). Consecutive attempts **WILL NOT** be permitted. All throwing attempts should use the “1-1-1 model” in both prelims and finals. This format also allows for additional coaching opportunities between throws, and add only minimal time to the event overall.

12. ***Updated 2023*** Official Final Results for Field Events

The paper results used by Field Event officials are to be considered the “Official Results”. Any form of electronic results system that is used for **ANY** Field Event is **NOT** official and is used only for the purposes of live/unofficial results.

13. ***Updated 2023*** Heat Sheets for Running & Relay Races

Heat sheets with relay lane assignments **MUST** be provided to officials working runner events, specifically umpires, to aid in the placement of athletes. PA announcements **MUST** be made prior to the start of all relays announcing lane assignments, and ensuring umpires at each zone are ready.

14. Scoring and Ties

NFHS Track and Field Rule 2-2-1 shall apply. In field events, ties shall be broken by applying the specific procedures outlined in NFHS Track and Field Rule 6-3-2 and 6-3-4.

15. Determining Qualifiers in Case of Ties

If there is a tie in an event that would result in more qualifiers than permitted, refer to NFHS Track and Field Rule 4-5-4. Accordingly,

15.1 Track Events: “if there is a tie in any heat or flight which affects qualification for the next level of competition, the tying competitors shall qualify if lanes or positions are available; if they are not available, the tied competitors shall compete against each other for the available lane or position.”

***Note:** When using F.A.T., timing to the 1/1000 may be used to break a tie for the last qualifying position.

15.2 Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump; ties shall be broken according to NFHS Track and Field Rules 6-3-2. It is mandatory that all legal trials be measured and recorded.

15.3 High Jump and Pole Vault; the qualifier shall be determined according to NFHS Track and Field Rule 6-3-2.

***Note:** Be sure that contestants are notified of any ties in qualifying positions immediately after the event so they will be available to compete for the qualifying position. When further competition is required to determine qualifiers, no records may be established and the awarding of points as well as awards shall be based upon the ties prior to the additional competition required to select a qualifier. Competitors tied for the last qualifying place in District and Regional competition shall be given one additional jump at the tying height before continuing with the competition. If the tie is not broken, the jump off for the last qualifying place shall take place only after the conclusion of the event when the other qualifying positions have been determined. A reasonable warm-up period with the bar set at an appropriate height subject to the discretion of the head event judge shall be given.

14. Decisions

Referees’ decisions are final in all tournaments. Exception: The Executive Director retains the right to rule on all instances involving ineligible participants. The Games Committee will serve in an advisory capacity to the referee if the referee chooses to seek advice. The referee shall not observe any type of video device unless the device has been approved in advance and when authorized may use the device only for determining order of finish.

15. Appeal Procedure

15.1 Obtain appeal form from the Tournament Manager.

15.2 Complete appeal form, sign and present to the tournament referee.

15.3 The tournament referee will review the appeal, reach a decision, complete and sign the referee’s decision portion of the appeal form and notify the coach of the final decision.

15.4 The decision of the tournament referee is final and not subject to further review except as indicated in #13.

16. Awards

16.1 Awards presented at the site of the OHSAA Track and Field Tournament must be approved by the Executive Director.

16.2 District Tournaments – The first-place team shall be awarded a district championship trophy. The runner-up team shall be awarded a district runner-up trophy.

16.3 Awards Ceremony – The medal ceremony and the awarding of team trophies is to be a celebration of the accomplishments of the athletes, not an opportunity to display unusual or inappropriate attire. Therefore, for all medal and trophy ceremonies, athletes shall be attired in team issued warm-ups or uniform and shall be free of all other articles deemed unsporting and/or inappropriate. There shall be no flowers brought to the awards podium.

17. District Tournament Managers

District tournament managers shall be responsible for the proper organization and management of the track and field tournaments that they are managing. District tournaments shall be conducted according to the NFHS Track and Field Rules and the OHSAA tournament regulations for girls and boys track and field. The district tournament manager shall notify the regional tournament manager that the results are completed and will electronically advance into the corresponding regional meet page hosted on MileSplit. The complete results of the district tournaments shall be transmitted electronically immediately after finals are completed and no later than Sunday, May 21, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

For district tournament assignments along with sites, dates and managers information, visit each OHSAA District Athletic Board website:

Central – <https://www.ohsaa.org/CDAB>

Northwest – <https://www.ohsaa.org/NWDAB-Home>

East – <https://www.ohsaa.org/EDAB>

Southeast – <https://www.ohsaa.org/SEDAB>

Northeast – <https://www.ohsaa.org/NEDAB>

Southwest – <https://www.ohsaa.org/SWDAB-Home>

18. Unsporting Conduct Penalty

During participation in OHSAA Tournaments, any student or coach ejected for unsporting conduct shall be ineligible for the remainder of that day as well as for all contests in track and field until two regular season/tournament contests have been competed at the same level as the ejection. Individuals ejected for unsporting conduct shall be reported to the OHSAA Executive Director by the tournament manager. The Executive Director will investigate the situation and may impose additional penalties in accordance with Bylaw 11 if the situation warrants it. Participation in athletic contests is a privilege. Each individual is expected to conduct himself or herself in an exemplary manner while participating.

Any player or coach ejected for fighting shall be ineligible for all contests for the remainder of that day. In addition, the player or coach shall be ineligible for all contests at all levels in that sport until FOUR regular season/tournament contests are played at the same level as the ejection or disqualification.

19. Property Damage

There is no insurance covering property damage. If property is damaged at a tournament site by competing school teams, student body or spectators, the school from which the students and/or spectators come shall be liable and pay the cost of repair or replacement. The tournament manager is authorized to deduct from the school's share the cost of any damages caused by competing schools. Other damages to facilities not attributed to a competing school could be a legitimate tournament expense and may be deducted from tournament receipts. If damage is extensive the District Board or Board of Directors will become involved. Student crowd control at OHSAA sponsored tournaments is the responsibility of the principals of the competing schools.

20. ***Updated 2023*** Use of Infield Areas

To ensure ongoing safety & fairness, the use of infield areas for warmups, coaching or congregating is strictly prohibited. Sites must provide coaching boxes for coaches at any field events located in the infield area.

21. Sponsorship and Rights

The Ohio High School Athletic Association is the sponsoring association for the district, regional and state track and field tournaments. The OHSAA reserves all rights in regard to the management of these tournaments and the sale of any items at the tournaments or any audio-visual reproductions of the tournaments. Any sale of food, clothing, souvenirs or any other items at each tournament site is strictly prohibited without permission of the respective District Athletic Board for district tournaments and the OHSAA Executive Director for regional and state tournaments. The videotaping of any or all portions of the tournament for resale purposes is prohibited without permission.

22. Prohibited Advertising

There shall be no advertising through printed media, billboards, radio or television that includes beer, wine, liquor, tobacco, political parties or candidates or any other advertising contrary to the philosophy of the high school athletic program.

23. Raffles Prohibited

There shall be no raffles or any type of games of chance permitted at the site of track and field tournament contests during the period beginning one hour prior to the tournaments and ending one hour after the tournaments have ended.

24. Prohibited Sales

The sale of, the distribution of, or the consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is not permitted at the site of any contests involving OHSA member schools

25. Lightning and Inclement Weather

Recognition

Coaches, certified athletic trainers, athletes and administrators shall be educated regarding the signs indicating thunderstorm development. Since the average distance between successive lightening flashes is approximately 2-to-3 miles, anytime that lightning can be seen or thunder heard, the risk is already present. Weather can be monitored using the following methods:

- Monitor Weather Patterns -- Be aware of potential thunderstorms by monitoring local weather forecasts the day before and morning of the competition and by scanning the sky for signs of potential thunderstorm activity.
- National Weather Service -- Weather can be monitored using small, portable weather radios from the NWS. The NWS uses a system of severe storm watches and warnings. A watch indicates conditions are favorable for severe weather to develop in an area; a warning indicates severe weather has been reported in an area, and everyone should take proper precautions. Any thunderstorm poses a risk of injury or death even if it does not meet the criteria for severe weather. Therefore, anytime thunderstorms are in the forecast (even if it is only a 20% chance) event organizers shall be at a heightened level of awareness to the potential danger of lightening.

Management

- Evacuation -- If lightning is imminent or a thunderstorm is approaching, all personnel, athletes and spectators shall evacuate to available safe structures or shelters. A list of the closest safe structures shall be announced and posted at all athletic venues.
- Thirty-Minute Rule -- Once lightning has been recognized, competition shall not be resumed until at least 30 minutes after the last flash of lightning is witnessed or thunder is heard to begin or resume a contest. Given the average rates of thunderstorm travel, this would allow the storm to move 10-to-12 miles away from the area and significantly reduces the risk of local lightning flashes. Any subsequent lightning or thunder after the beginning of the 30-minute count should reset the clock and another count should begin.

Note: At night, under certain atmospheric conditions, lightning flashes may be seen from distant storms. In these cases, it may be safe to continue an event. If no thunder can be heard and the flashes are low on the horizon, the storm may not pose a threat. Independently verified lightning detection information would help eliminate any uncertainty.

26. Electronic Devices and Unfair Acts

In accordance with NFHS rule 4-6-5, it is considered an unfair act for a competitor to receive communication electronically DURING a race or trial. In accordance with NFHS rule 3-2-8, electronic devices may be used in unrestricted areas and coaching boxes, providing the location does not interfere with progress of the meet as determined by the meet referee. Electronic devices shall not be used to transmit information to the competitor DURING the race or trial and electronic devices shall not be used for any review of an official's decision. The penalty for violating this rule is disqualification from the event for the competitor and disqualification from the meet, on the basis of unsportsmanlike conduct, for team personnel, including coaches, managers, etc. Once a competitor is called up, the trial and allowable time has begun for an attempt, at which time coaches must cease use of electronic devices in communication with the athlete. Electronic communication may be resumed in accordance with NFHS rule 3-2-8 (see above) following the athlete's attempt.

27. Admission – District and Regional Tournaments

All District Meets tickets:	All Regional Meets tickets:	All State Meet tickets:
STUDENT Tickets: \$6	STUDENT Tickets: \$8	STUDENT Tickets: \$12
GENERAL Tickets: \$8	GENERAL Tickets: \$10	GENERAL Tickets: \$15
Ticketing will be handled by the OHSA's online partner, HomeTown Ticketing, and procedures will be shared with the participating schools.		Ticketing will be handled by Ticketmaster.
Children age 5 and under will not be charged admission.		

28. Complimentary Admission – District and Regional Tournaments

Complimentary admittance to district and regional track and field tournaments is restricted to the following people:

- Officials - 1 for the official plus one guest
- Workers - 1 for the worker
- Competitors and Coaches according to the following :
Number of Competitors Passes
1-4 One more than number of competitors
5-8 Two more than number of competitors
9 or more Three more than number of competitors

***Updated 2023* *Relay Alternates:** To stay in line with what was permitted at the 2022 Regional & State Track Meet, as well as the updated language in the 2023 NFHS Rule Book, The following allowance will be made for Relay Alternates for the OHSA Track & Field tournament:

- Up to 8 athletes would be allowed to be listed on the 'new' relay cards
- Each qualifying relay team would receive **FREE** admission for 6 of the runners listed on the Relay Card
- If a school lists 8 runners of the Relay Card, the school would need to provide a **"paid ticket"** for the remaining 2 runners upon their teams entry into the Regional & State Meet site.
 - The logistics of how the Regional & State Meet sites will manage these ticketed alternate athletes entry into the site would be a meet management decision.

Note: Passes will not be provided to alternate members of relay teams unless they participate.

29. Media

Credentials for district and regional tournaments may be obtained by contacting the tournament manager, including telecasting/broadcasting/streaming. All media arrangements are to be made prior to the tournament. ***District and regional tournament managers should review requests for LIVE telecasting/video streaming with the Executive Director's office.*** Contact Tim Stried, Director of Media Relations, at 614-267-2502, ext. 124, or tstried@ohsaa.org. All requests for credentials for the state tournament should also be made with Mr. Stried. Note that the OHSA prohibits live television or video streaming of tournament contests unless prior permission has been obtained.

2023 BOYS AND GIRLS REGIONAL TRACK & FIELD TOURNAMENTS

May 24-May 27, 2023

1. Eligibility

All participants must be eligible according to Bylaws and Regulations of the OHSAA and must have qualified at the 2023 District track and field tournament to which assigned.

2. Entries

2.1. The District Tournament Managers of boys and girls track and field tournaments will transmit complete results of the district tournaments to the regional tournament manager immediately after finals are completed and no later than Sunday, May 21, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

2.2. Individuals and relay teams who have qualified at a district tournament automatically become eligible for participation in the regional track and field tournament to which assigned.

3. Regional Tournament schedule, order of events, sites, representation and schedule

See complete regional tournament information and schedule on the OHSAA website (www.ohsaa.org) under the track and field section.

4. Games Committee

Each regional track and field tournament will have a games committee composed of one coach of a boys team, one coach of a girls team, the referee, the head clerk, the head field judge and the tournament manager, ex-officio and without a vote. The coaches on the games committee will be appointed by the tournament manager.

The games committee will be responsible for all provisions of NFHS Track and Field Rules 3-2-3 and 3-2-4 and may serve in an advisory capacity to the referee in any matters involving appeals. This is subject to the discretion of the referee. Games committee members are not required to meet in person. All business may be conducted via electronic communication.

5. Seeding and Lane Assignments

NFHS Track and Field Rule 5-6 will be the basis for seeding competitors and forming heats.

5.1. 800m, 1600m, 3200m, 4x800 relay and all field events - starting line assignments and field event order of competition and flights shall be determined by the games committee by lot using an open draw.

5.2. All track events except the 800m, 1600m, 3200m runs and the 4x800 relay - the runners shall be assigned to the lanes based upon their seeded position and using the following order:

Seed	Lane
1	4
2	5
3	6
4	3
5	2
6	7
7	8
8	1

6. Semifinal Heats – *Updated 2023* District, Regional and State

Method of determining qualifiers to the finals:

6.1. In all running events at the district or regional level consisting of semi-final heats, the top two (2) from each heat and the next four (4) fastest times will qualify to the finals.

6.2. In all running events at the state meet consisting of semi-final heats, the top two (2) from each heat and the next five (5) fastest times will qualify to the finals.

7. Shot Put and Discus

Throwing implements used in the shot put and discus throw events shall be provided by the individual or be school-issued. All implements shall be weighed and gauged at the site and meet the minimum standards found in NFHS Rules 6-6-2 and 6-7-2. Competitors may use ONLY legal and approved implements in warm-up and competition according to NFHS Rule 6-2-10. Athletes may not use implements that are less than the minimum specification or exceed the maximum specification (i.e. college implements) during practice since only NFHS legal and approved implements are acceptable.

8. Regional Tournament Managers

The regional tournament managers shall send all results in the electronic format requested to the OHSA's data manager as soon as the Referee has certified the results. Divisions I and III results must be sent no later than 9:00 p.m. on Friday, May 26, 2023. The Division II results must be sent no later than 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 27, 2023. Managers will receive complete instructions from the OHSA relative to the transmission of this information.

In addition, the regional tournament managers shall deliver all paper forms and other supporting material via email (dware@ohsaa.org) or overnight mail to the OHSA office, 4080 Roselea Place, Columbus, Ohio 43214.

The complete report of the eight scoring places in each event plus complete team scoring along with the financial report shall be filed with the OHSA within 10 days after the regional tournament.

9. Qualification to State Tournament

The first four individual or relay teams in each event in each regional tournament will qualify for state tournament competition. In addition, the next two (2) best times, distances, and heights STATEWIDE in each event (running and field events) will be invited to the state meet as well. See Page 4 of this document for procedures to determine qualifiers in case of ties.

10. Awards

Tournament managers are responsible for the arrangement of award presentations. Presentations shall be conducted with proper respect and congratulations to all award winners. Individual Awards shall be presented to the first eight place winners in each event. In case of ties, duplicate awards shall be shipped later.

Team Awards shall be presented to the championship and runner-up teams. Trophies shall be presented for the school plus an individual award for the head coach and manager or assistant coach of the championship and runner-up team. For team ties for first place, duplicate championship trophies shall be awarded but no second-place trophy shall be presented.

Awards Ceremony – The medal ceremony and the awarding of team trophies is to be a celebration of the accomplishments of the athletes, not an opportunity to display unusual or inappropriate attire. Therefore, for all medal and trophy ceremonies, athletes shall be attired in team issued warm-ups or uniform and shall be free of all other articles deemed unsporting and/or inappropriate. There shall be no flowers brought to the awards podium.

11. Regional Tournament FAT Minimum Requirements

This is a list of the minimum acceptable set up for FAT for this level of competition.

- Two (2) cameras running as two separate systems on separate computers.
- Can be located on the same side of the track or opposite.
- One (1) Identilynx camera attached to the primary camera.
- Two (2) dedicated staff.
- Two (2) wind gages, electronic or manual.
- If manual, staff need to be properly trained on use.
- One (1) positioned for running events.
- One (1) positioned for long jump.

12. Regional Tournament FAT Recommendations

This is a list of the recommended set up for FAT for this level of competition.

- Where space provides, three (3) cameras running as separate systems on separate computers.
- One located on the opposite side of the track
- One (1) Identilynx camera attached to the primary camera.
- Three (3) to four (4) dedicated staff.
- One of the staff specifically dedicated to recording field events, relay cards etc.
- Two (2) wind gages, electronic or manual.
- If manual, staff need to be properly trained on use.
- One (1) positioned for running events.
- One (1) positioned for long jump.

13. Officials

OHSA registered track and field officials shall be used at all officiating positions. In the event there are not enough registered track and field officials available, non-registered track and field officials may be used. For more details on officials, see the 2023 District and Regional Tournament Managers Manual.

14. Regional Tournament Minimum Officiating Staffing Requirements

This is the mandatory minimum number of officials needed to conduct a Regional Tournament. This number of officials will provide coverage of each area but leaves opportunity for unfair competition due to missed calls. Tournament Managers must hire at least the below officials but are strongly encouraged to use the recommended staffing levels. If additional officials are available but recommended staffing levels can't be met, it is recommended they be contracted and assigned in order of importance (1 umpires, 2 discus, 3 shot put, 4 long jump, 5 pole vault, 6 high jump).

OHSAA Assigned Officials:

Referee (1)
Head Field Judge (1)
Clerks (3)
Starters (3)
Head Umpire (1)
Meet Manager assignments
Long Jump (3)
High Jump (2)
Pole Vault (2)
Shot Put (3)
Discus (4)

*Meet Managers must indicate and assign one person in each field event as the head for that event. Management can coordinate with the Referee or Head Field Judge on what officials should be given these positions.

Umpires (12)

*Referees and Head Umpires will determine Zone Chiefs and appoint them the day of the meet. No assignments are made for these.

Total Officials: 35

15. Regional Tournament Recommended Staffing of Officials

OHSAA Assigned Officials:

Referee (1)
Head Field Judge (1)
Clerks (3)
Starters (3)
Head Umpire (1)

Meet Manager assignments:

Long Jump (4)
High Jump (3)
Pole Vault (3)
Shot Put (4)
Discus (5)

Meet Managers must indicate and assign one person in each field event as the head for that event. Management can coordinate with the Referee or Head Field Judge on what officials should be given these positions.

Umpires (18)

Referees and Head Umpires will determine Zone Chiefs and appoint them the day of the meet. No assignments are made for these.

Total Officials: 46

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DIVISION I

Wednesday May 24th & Friday May 26th

<p>REGION 1 / YOUNGSTOWN – Austintown-Fitch High School 4560 Falcon Drive, Youngstown, OH 44515</p> <p>Site Manager: Allison Jones C: 330-717-1817; Email: ajones@austintownschoools.org</p> <p>Athletic Administrator: Russell Houser O: 330-797-3900 x 1080 C: 330-717-2440 Email: russellhouser@austintownschoools.org</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running). Friday, May 26, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northeast 16 Girls – Northeast 16</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Austintown-Fitch, Riverside, Nordon, North Canton</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Austintown-Fitch, Riverside, Nordon, North Canton</p>	<p>REGION 2 / AMHERST – Steele High School 450 Washington St, Amherst, OH 44001-1552</p> <p>Meet Manager: Dave Zvara C: 440-935-3475 O: 440-988-1420 Email: david_zvara@amherstk12.org</p> <p>Athletic Administrator: Casey Wolf C: 330-221-5773 O: 440-988-1325 Email: casey_wolf@amherstk12.org</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 4:00 PM (Field Events) 5:30 PM (Running) Friday, May 26, 4:00 PM (Field Events), 5:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northeast 8; Northwest 8 Girls – Northeast 8, Northwest 8</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Amherst, Brunswick, St. Francis De Sales, Findlay</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Amherst, Brunswick, St. Francis De Sales, Findlay</p>
<p>REGION 3 / PICKERINGTON – Pickerington High School North 7800 Refugee Rd., Pickerington, OH 43147</p> <p>Site Manager: Tim Starkey C: 740-739-2889 Email: tim_starkey@plsd.us</p> <p>Athletic Administrator: Colin Beemiller C: 614-403-2498 O: 614-830-2732 Email: colin_beemiller@plsd.us</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 4:30 PM (Field Events), 6:00 PM (Running) Friday, May 26, 4:30 PM (Field Events), 6:00 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Central 16 Girls – Central 16</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Hilliard Darby 1, Hilliard Darby 2, Hilliard Darby 3, TBD</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Hilliard Darby 1, Hilliard Darby 2, Hilliard Darby 3, TBD</p>	<p>REGION 4 / HUBER HEIGHTS – Wayne High School 5400 Chambersburg Road, Huber Heights, OH 45424</p> <p>Athletic Administrator: Nate Baker C: 937-607-2021; Email: nathaniel.baker@myhhcs.org</p> <p>Site Manager: Scott Amburgey C: 937-344-7983; Email: gsasports70@gmail.com</p> <p>Date & Times: (Unofficial times / as of Feb. 23rd) Wednesday, May 24, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running). Friday, May 26, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Southwest 16 Girls – Southwest 16</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Troy, Bellbrook, Mason, Hamilton Ross</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Troy, Bellbrook, Mason, Hamilton Ross</p>

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DIVISION II

Thursday May 25th & Saturday May 27th

<p>REGION 5 / YOUNGSTOWN – Austintown-Fitch High School 4560 Falcon Drive, Youngstown, OH 44515</p> <p>Site Manager: Rob Conklin 194 Carter Circle, Boardman, 44512 C: 330-501-4456; Fax: 330-797-3944; E-Mail: rconklin@austintownschoools.org</p> <p>Dates & Times: Thursday, May 25, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running) Saturday, May 27, 11:00 AM (Field Events), 12:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northeast 16 Girls - Northeast 16</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Lakeview, Orrville, Perry, Salem</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Lakeview, Orrville, Perry, Salem</p>	<p>REGION 6 / LEXINGTON – Lexington High School 103 Clever Lane, Lexington, OH 44904.</p> <p>Site Manager: Jeff Eichorn O: 419-884-2101; C: 419-512-3043; Fax: 419-884-2340 Email: eichorn.jeff@lexington.k12.oh.us</p> <p>Dates & Times: Thursday, May 25, 4:00 PM (Field Events), 5:30 PM (Running) Saturday, May 27, 11:00 AM (Field Events), 12:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Central 8, Northwest 8 Girls – Central 4, Northeast 4, Northwest 8</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Westerville South 1, Westerville South 2, Oak Harbor, Ontario</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Westerville South, Bedford, Oak Harbor, Ontario</p>
<p>REGION 7 / NEW CONCORD – Muskingum University McConagha Stadium & Johnson Track 163 Stormont St, New Concord, OH 43762</p> <p>Meet Manager: Michael Dunlap C: 740-607-6673 O: (740) 826-7641 Email: mdunlap@eastmschools.org</p> <p>Site Manager: Jake Gleason C: 740-255-6679, Email: jgleason@muskingum.edu</p> <p>Dates & Times: Thursday, May 25, 4:30 PM (Field Events), 6:00 PM (Running) Saturday, May 27, 11:00 AM (Field Events), 12:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – East 8, Southeast 8 Girls –East 8, Southeast 8</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Meadowbrook, West Holmes, Meigs, Washington Court House</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Meadowbrook, West Holmes, Meigs, Washington Court House</p>	<p>REGION 8 / PIQUA – Piqua High School 1 Indian Trail, Piqua, OH 45356</p> <p>Site Manager: Roger Bowen 653 Beechwood Dr., Tipp City 45371 C: 937-608-0951 ; Email: rogertbowen@aol.com</p> <p>Athletic Administrator: Chip Hare C: 937-238-2939 Email: harec@piqua.org</p> <p>Dates & Times: May 25, Thursday, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running) Saturday, May 27, 11:00 AM (Field Events), 12:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northwest 4, Southwest 12 Girls –Northwest 4, Southwest 12</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Defiance (NW), Graham, New Richmond, Piqua,</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Defiance (NW), Graham, New Richmond, Piqua,</p>

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DIVISION III

Wednesday May 24th & Friday May 26th

<p>REGION 9 / NORWAYNE – Norwayne High School 350 S. Main St., Creston, OH 44217-9604</p> <p>Tournament Manager: Brian West C: 330-465-6514; O: 330-435-6384 ext. 12104 Email: brwest@norwayne.net</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 4:30 PM (Field Events), 6:00 PM (Running) Friday, May 26, 4:30 PM (Field Events), 6:00 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northeast 16 Girls – Northeast 16</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Norwayne, Cuyahoga Heights (A), Cuyahoga Heights (B), Springfield,</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Norwayne, Cuyahoga Heights (A), Cuyahoga Heights (B), Springfield,</p>	<p>REGION 10 / FOSTORIA – Fostoria High School 1001 Park Ave., Fostoria, OH 44830-1455</p> <p>Tournament Manager: Tim Murray C: 419-307-2384; O: 419-307-2384 Email: tmurr2005@gmail.com</p> <p>Assistant Tournament Manager: Aaron Weidner C: 419-398-2214; O: 419-436-4110 Email: aweidner@fostoriaschools.org</p> <p>Athletic Administrator: Thom Loomis O: 419-436-4113; C: 419-619-1539 Email: tloomis@fostoriaschools.org</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 4:00 PM (Field Events), 5:30 PM (Running) Friday, May 26, 4:00 PM (Field Events), 5:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northwest 16 Girls – Northwest 16</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Ada, Gibsonburg, Ayersville, Napoleon</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Ada, Gibsonburg, Ayersville, Napoleon</p>
<p>REGION 11 / HEATH - Heath High School 300 Licking View Dr, Heath, OH 43056-1534</p> <p>Tournament Manager: Bo Hanson C: 740-403-7655; O: 740-238-7150 Email: bhanson@g.heath.k12.oh.us</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 4:00 PM (Field Events), 5:30 PM (Running) Friday, May 26, 4:00 PM (Field Events), 5:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Central 4; Southeast 4; East 4; Northwest 4 Girls – Central 4; Southeast 4; East 4; Northwest 4</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Granville, Nelsonville-York, Newcomerstown, Colonel Crawford</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Granville, Nelsonville-York, Newcomerstown, Colonel Crawford</p>	<p>REGION 12 / TROY – Troy High School 151 W. Staunton Road, Troy, OH 45373</p> <p>Tournament Manager: Charles Gase 895 Johnston Drive, Sidney 45365 H: 937-492-7213; Email: charliegase@gmail.com</p> <p>Assistant Manager: Amy Kramer C: 937-344-4874; Email: amyjkramer85@gmail.com</p> <p>Date & Times: Wednesday, May 24, 4:30 PM (Field Events), 6:00 PM (Running) Friday, May 26, 5:00 PM (Field Events), 6:30 PM (Running)</p> <p>Representation: Boys – Northwest 4, Southwest 12 Girls – Northwest 4, Southwest 12</p> <p>Boys Qualifiers from: Spencerville (NW), Graham, New Richmond, Piqua</p> <p>Girls Qualifiers from: Spencerville (NW), Graham, New Richmond, Piqua</p>

115th BOYS; 48th GIRLS, AND 10th SEATED ATHLETE STATE TRACK & FIELD TOURNAMENTS

June 2 & 3, 2023

Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium at The Ohio State University

1. Regulations

All applicable regulations for district and regional tournaments are part of the state tournament regulations.

2. State Tournament Management

In 2023, the 115th Annual Boys; 48th Annual Girls, and 10th Annual Seated Athlete State Track and Field Tournaments will be held on June 2nd & 3rd, 2023. All Divisions will be held at the Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium at The Ohio State University. The State Tournament Manager is Dave DeAngelo (deangelo.1@osu.edu). For tournament questions, contact Dustin Ware, Telephone: 614-267-2502 ext. 129 ; E-Mail: dware@ohsaa.org.

3. Entries

The regional tournament managers of boys and girls track and field tournaments will transfer regional tournament qualification data electronically as per instructions provided by the OHSAA in accordance with the established deadlines. These entries and the subsequent state tournament event qualifications shall be posted to the OHSAA Web site (www.ohsaa.org) by 9:00 a.m., Monday, May 29th, 2023.

4. Qualification to State Tournament

The first four individuals or relay teams in each event in the regional tournaments will qualify for state tournament competition. In addition, the next two best times (running), distances, and heights (field events) STATEWIDE in each event will be invited as well. See NFHS rule 2-2, 6-3-2, and 6-3-4 for procedures to determine qualifiers in case of ties.

5. Order of Events and Time Schedule

See complete state tournament information and schedule on the OHSAA website (www.ohsaa.org) under the track and field section.

6. Fully Automatic Timing

The FinishLynxTM fully automatic timing system shall be the official time in all events. Printouts of the finish will be made available only at the conclusion of each session on Friday and Saturday to a coach who questions the placement of an athlete from the coach's squad. Please consult the referee if there is a question about placement.

7. Awards

State Tournaments - The championship and runner-up teams will receive trophies. Medals will also be awarded to the coach of the championship team and the runner-up team. The first eight place finishers in each event will receive medals.

Ties - For ties in the State Tournaments, the award shall be duplicated for each of the tying contestants. Example: If two competitors tie for third place in the High Jump, each competitor shall receive a third-place award but no fourth place award will be given. In case of ties in field events, the ties shall be resolved according to the specific procedures outlined in Section 3 on each field event. For team ties for first place, duplicate championship trophies shall be awarded but no second-place trophy shall be presented.

Awards Ceremony-The medal ceremony and the awarding of team trophies is to be a celebration of the accomplishments of the athletes, not an opportunity to display unusual or inappropriate attire. Therefore, for all medal and trophy ceremonies, athletes shall be attired in team issued warm-ups or uniform and shall be free of all other articles including but not limited to headwear, sunglasses, footwear other than running shoes, and any other decorative item. There shall be no flowers brought to the awards podium.

8. Admission – State Tournaments

- State tournament ticket prices are \$12 per Student & \$15 per Adult.
- Children age 5 and under will not be charged admission.
- Tickets must be purchased through Ticketmaster

9. Complimentary Admission – State Tournaments

Complimentary admittance to state track and field tournaments is restricted to the following people:

- Officials - 1 for the official plus one guest
- Workers - 1 for the worker
- Competitors and Coaches according to the following :

Number of Competitors Passes

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

Updated 2023

***Relay Alternates:** To stay in line with what was permitted at the 2022 Regional & State Track Meet, as well as the updated language in the 2023 NFHS Rule Book, The following allowance will be made for Relay Alternates for the OHSAA Track & Field tournament:

- Up to 8 athletes would be allowed to be listed on the 'new' relay cards
- Each qualifying relay team would receive **FREE** admission for 6 of the runners listed on the Relay Card
- If a school lists 8 runners of the Relay Card, the school would need to provide a **"paid ticket"** for the remaining 2 runners upon their teams entry into the Regional & State Meet site.
 - The logistics of how the Regional & State Meet sites will manage these ticketed alternate athletes entry into the site would be a meet management decision.

Note: Passes will not be provided to alternate members of relay teams unless they participate.

10. Coaches Materials

Coaches may secure the school packet of track and field materials from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday. **Note:** Coaches are entirely responsible for all contents of the package and no duplicate or replacement passes will be given for lost or forgotten materials.

11. Locker Room Facilities

Due to limited dressing room space and the large number of competitors, athletes must come to the stadium dressed for competition.

12. Shoes, Length of Spikes, Marking Materials

All contestants are required by rule to wear shoes on both feet. If track spikes are worn, the maximum length permitted will be $\frac{1}{4}$ ". This applies to all events except the shot put and discus where rubber soled shoes without spikes may be used.

No tape will be permitted at the pole vault or long jump. Markers will be provided when requested.

13. Media

Credentials may be obtained by contacting Tim Stried, Communications Department at the OHSAA Executive Director's Office, at 614-267-2502, ext. 124, or tstried@ohsaa.org. All media arrangements are to be made prior to the state tournament. Note that the OHSAA prohibits live television or video streaming of tournament contests unless prior permission has been obtained.

14. Starting Blocks

Details will be shared prior to the tournament on how starting blocks will be handled at the state tournament.

Pre-Tournament Practice

The Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium will be open for pre-tournament inspection and use of the track only from 4:00 - 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 1st, 2023. No students shall be admitted unless accompanied by a school coach. **The field event venues shall not be open for practice, and no apparatus of any kind (shot, discus, starting blocks, batons, poles, etc.) may be used during this time.** The facility will open at 8:00 A.M. on Friday.

OHSAA Seated Qualifying Standards ****Updated 2023****

(These are the same seated standards that have been used in previous years. However, they are now being officially included in the tournament regulations)

	100 m	400 m	800 m	Shot Put
BOYS	40.0 sec	2:00 min	3:30 min	9'
GIRLS	45.0 sec	2:30 min	4:00 min	7'

Additional notes:

- Meets

hosting Seated Event are required to complete the following to ensure the seated athletes results will be calculated for qualification to the State Meet ([CLICK HERE for Form](#))

- Coaches of Seated athletes should verify that Meet Managers of meets (*utilizing approved qualifying results*) have submitted the qualifying results to **EITHER**:
 - **MileSplit** (results@milesplit.com)
 - OR**
 - **Dustin Ware** (dware@ohsaa.org)
 - The deadline to submit these results will be (*12:00pm on the Sunday before the start of the Regional Meets*).
 - Coaches and/or AD's will be contacted (via email) on the immediately following Tuesday to confirm their athlete's entry / acceptance for the State Meet. The deadline to submit your athlete's entry / acceptance (via email only) will be 12:00 PM on Friday during the week of the Regional Meets.
- 1-9 Competitors: Current structure applies whereby all WHO QUALIFIED BASED ON TIME will compete in one section or flight on the day of the State finals (Saturday);
 - 10-18 Competitors: 2 seeded heats will be held on Friday in semi-final competition by all WHO QUALIFIED BASED ON TIME to determine the top nine (9) qualifiers for Saturday finals. In the event that only 9 competitors appear/check in due to scratches or withdrawals, semi-final competition will not take place;
 - 19 or more competitors: Regional competition will be held the week before the State Championships in events registered by 19 or more competitors WHO QUALIFIED BASED ON TIME. Competition will be held at one of the current regional sites, and the top 18 competitors will advance to the State semi-final competition the following week.
- Events – 100 meter, 400 meter, 800 meter, Shot Put
 - One Division – All Divisions will compete against each other in one Division
 - Awards – Both boys and girls will be recognized with individual awards
 - Scoring – All seated events will be non-scoring in relation to team standings
 - Times Schedule (approximate)

Friday, June 2

10:30 A.M. – Boys Shot Put (follows 9:30 A.M. Boys Division II footed shot put)

2:00 P.M. – Girls Shot Put* (follows 1:00 P.M. Boys Division I footed shot put)

*Note: If there are 10 or less total competitors for the seated division, all competitors will throw following the 10:30 A.M. Boys Division II footed shot put.

12:10 P.M. – Girls 800 Meters semifinals followed by Boys 800 Meters semifinals (if needed)

3:10 P.M. – Girls 400 Meters semifinals followed by Boys 400 Meters semifinals (if needed)

5:40 P.M. – Girls 100 Meters semifinals followed by Boys 100 Meters semifinals (if needed)

Saturday, June 3

10:55 A.M. – Girls 800 Meters Final followed by Boys 800 Meters final (follow Girls and Boys Division III footed 800 Meters finals)

2:05 P.M. – Girls 400 Meters Final followed by Boys 400 Meters final (follow Girls and Boys Division II footed 400 Meters finals)

4:40 P.M. – Girls 100 Meters Final followed by Boys 100 Meters final (follow Girls and Boys Division I footed 100 Meters finals)

Note: Complete guidelines are available on the OHSAA website (www.ohsaa.org).

LIGHTNING AND INCLEMENT WEATHER

These guidelines provide a default policy to those responsible or sharing duties for making decisions concerning the suspension and restarting of practices and contests based on the presence of lightning or thunder. The preferred sources from which to request such a policy for your facility would include the nearest office of the National Weather Service.

Proactive Planning

1. Assign staff to monitor local weather conditions before and during practices and contests.
2. Develop an evacuation plan, including identification of appropriate nearby safer areas, and determine the amount of time needed to get everyone to the designated safer area:
 - a.) A designated safer place is a substantial building with plumbing and wiring where people live or work, such as a school, gymnasium or library. An alternate safer place from the threat of lightning is a fully enclosed (not convertible or soft top) metal car or school bus.
3. Develop criteria for suspension and resumption of play:
 - a.) When thunder is heard or lightning is seen*, the leading edge of the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your location with lightning. Suspend play for at least 30 minutes and vacate the outdoor activity to the previously designated safer location immediately.
 - b.) 30-minute rule. Once play has been suspended, wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or lightning is witnessed* prior to resuming play.
 - c.) Any subsequent thunder or lightning* after the beginning of the 30-minute count will reset the clock and another 30-minute count should begin.
 - d.) When lightning-detection devices or mobile phone apps are available, this technology could be used to assist in making a decision to suspend play if a lightning strike is noted to be within 10 miles of the event location. However, you should never depend on the reliability of these devices and, thus, hearing thunder or seeing lightning* should always take precedence over information from a mobile app or lightning-detection device.

***At night, under certain atmospheric conditions, lightning flashes may be seen from distant storms. In these cases, it may be safe to continue an event. If no thunder can be heard and the flashes are low on the horizon, the storm may not pose a threat. Independently verified lightning detection information would help eliminate any uncertainty.**

4. Review the lightning safety policy annually with all administrators, coaches and game personnel and train all personnel.
5. Inform student-athletes and their parents of the lightning policy at the start of the season.

CONCUSSION REGULATIONS

It is important for all individuals involved in interscholastic athletics to recognize the potential for catastrophic injury and even death from concussions. Thus, it is extremely important that each coach, administrator, contest official and medical support personnel review their responsibilities in protecting students. Further both students and parents have responsibilities in this area as well.

Note: It has always been the ultimate responsibility of the coaching staff, in all sports, to ensure that students are only put into practice or contests if they are physically capable of performing. However, all individuals involved in the conduct of interscholastic competition have responsibilities in this endeavor.

In January 2011, the OHSAA Board of Directors adopted a sports regulation which incorporated the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) playing rules related to concussion recognition and management. On April 26, 2013, legislation adopted by Ohio's General Assembly on concussion and head injuries in youth sports became effective. On February 14, 2013, the OHSAA Board of Directors mandated that these regulations become effective on April 26, 2013, for the remainder of the spring sports season and thereafter. This OHSAA regulation, as amended to incorporate this recent legislation, now reads:

Any student, while practicing for or competing in an interscholastic contest, who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with having sustained a concussion or head injury (such as loss of consciousness, headache, dizziness, confusion or balance problems) shall be immediately removed from the practice or contest by either of the following:

- 1.) The individual who is serving as the student's coach during that practice or competition.
- 2.) An individual who is serving as a contest official or referee during that practice or competition.

Return to Play Protocol

If a student is removed from practice or competition due to a suspected concussion or head injury, the coach or referee who removes the student shall not permit the student, **ON THE SAME DAY THE STUDENT IS REMOVED**, to return to that practice or competition or to participate in any other practice or competition for which the coach or contest official is responsible. Thereafter, which means no earlier than the next day, the coach or contest officials shall not permit the student to return to practice or competition until both of the following conditions are satisfied:

- 1.) The student's condition is assessed by either of the following:
 - a. A physician, who is a person authorized under Chapter 4731 of the Ohio Revised Code (OCR) to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine or surgery (M.D. or D.O.)
 - b. Any other licensed health care provider that the school district board of education or other governing authority of a chartered or non-chartered nonpublic school, authorizes to assess the student who has been removed from practice or competition.
- 2.) The student receives **written authorization** that it is safe for the student to return to practice or competition from a physician or other licensed health care provider authorized to grant the clearance. Click here <http://ohsaa.org/medicine/AuthorizationToReenter.pdf> to retrieve the OHSAA's Medical Authorization to Return To Play (RTP) form.

A school district board of education or governing authority of a chartered or non-chartered nonpublic school may authorize a licensed health care provider who is NOT a PHYSICIAN to make an assessment and grant authorization for a student to return to participation ONLY if the provider is acting in accordance with one of the following as applicable to the provider's authority to practice in Ohio:

- 1.) In consultation with a physician;
- 2.) Pursuant to the referral of a physician;
- 3.) In collaboration with a physician, or
- 4.) Under the supervision of a physician.

Note: A physician or other licensed health care provider who makes an assessment or grants clearance for a student to return to participation may be a volunteer.

Coaches Requirements

All coaches, paid and volunteer, must possess a current Department of Education-issued Pupil Activity Program/Coaching Permit. When renewing this permit, the coach will be required to complete an online concussion education course as stipulated in the section entitled **Approved Online Concussion Education Course**. This course is valid for three years.

Contest Officials Requirements

New legislation signed into law by the Governor provides that no school “shall permit” an individual to referee interscholastic athletic contests unless the individual holds a Pupil Activity Program/Coaching Permit or has successfully completed within the last three years a training program in concussion recognition. Therefore, all OHSAA licensed officials shall possess either a current Department of Education-issued Pupil Activity Program/Coaching Permit or show evidence of completing an approved online concussion education course as stipulated in the section entitled **Approved Online Concussion Education Courses**. This course is valid for three years from the date of completion.

Student and Parent Requirements

All students and their parents or legal guardians shall review and sign the “Concussion Information Sheet” which has been developed by the Ohio Department of Health and which shall be distributed by OHSAA member schools to all students and their parents prior to each sports season. Students and parents shall review and sign this form each year and should keep a copy of the form. In addition, parents and students are encouraged to complete an approved concussion education course.

NFHS Suggested Medical Clearance Return to Play Protocol

- 1.) No exertional activity until asymptomatic.
- 2.) When the athlete appears clear, begin low-impact activity such as walking, stationary bike, etc.
- 3.) Initiate aerobic activity fundamental to specific sport such as running or skating and may also begin progressive strength training activities.
- 4.) Begin non-contact skill drills specific to sport such as dribbling, fielding, batting, etc.
- 5.) Full contact in practice setting.
- 6.) Game play/competition.
 - Athlete must remain asymptomatic to progress to the next level. (It is often suggested that an athlete not be allowed to progress more than one level per day.)
 - If symptoms recur, athlete must return to previous level and should be reevaluated by an appropriate health care professional.
 - Medical check should occur before contact. (Final written clearance from the medical professional shall be obtained before the athlete engages in any unrestricted or full contact activity.)

OHSAA Concussion Authorization to Reenter Form

<https://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/Sports-Medicine/AuthorizationToReenter.pdf>

OHSAA Concussion Report Form

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Sports-Medicine/OHSAAConcussionReport.pdf>

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROCEDURES

Though most schools have a Certified Athletic Trainer present at Varsity contests and all coaches are required to maintain a valid Pupil Activity Certificate through the Ohio Department of Education that includes a Sports' First Aid component, it is important to keep up to date on the remote risk that blood borne infectious diseases can be transmitted during basketball practice and contests. For example, Hepatitis B can be present in blood as well as other bodily fluids. Procedures for reducing the potential transmission of these infectious diseases should include, but should not be limited to the following:

1. The bleeding must be stopped, the open wound covered and if there is an excessive amount of blood on the uniform, it must be changed before the athlete may participate.
2. Routine use of gloves or other precautions to prevent skin and mucous-membrane exposure when contact with blood and other body fluids is anticipated.
3. Immediately wash hands and other skin surfaces if contaminated (in contact) with blood or other body fluids. Wash hands immediately after removing gloves.
4. Clean all contaminated surfaces and equipment with an appropriate disinfectant before competition resumes.
5. Practice proper disposal procedures to prevent injuries caused by needles, scalpels and other sharp instruments or devices.
6. Although saliva has not been implicated in HIV transmission, to minimize the need for emergency mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, mouthpieces, resuscitation bags, or other ventilation devices should be available for use.
7. Athletic trainers/coaches with bleeding or oozing skin conditions should refrain from all direct athletic care until the condition resolves.
8. Contaminated towels should be properly disposed of/disinfected.
9. Follow acceptable guidelines in the immediate control of bleeding and when handling dressings, mouthguards and other articles containing body fluids.

For more information, go to the OHSA's website at: <https://www.ohsaa.org/communicablediseases>

EMERGENCY/CRISIS MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

The following is provided to help managers with a systematic approach to establish proper security for the specific nature of each event. With the appropriate security, the event will be conducted in a friendly environment that minimizes risk. The staff and management will be prepared to prevent, anticipate and handle problems. A basic checklist below should be adjusted accordingly for the nature of each event.

1. **Review Changes** – during pre-planning, review any changes to be made from the previous events.
2. **Head of Security** – prepare to meet with the head of security for the event and host management. Written materials outlining needs, location hours to work and responsibilities should be prepared.
3. **Usher Assignments** – during meetings with site reps and security, review the number of security officers and their locations. Review usher assignments and any supervisory responsibilities. Provide, in writing, specific policies you have which would prohibit specific actions. Be certain to plan carefully for entrance and exit to the playing area. Prepare contact information for specific problems and emergencies. Access to immediate communication via cell phones and/or remote devices is invaluable. Discuss crowd management and foot traffic flow in and out of the field.
4. **Written Emergency Plan** – review the facility plan for emergency situation and adjust as needed for your event. Steps should be outlined in advance as to the procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency (i.e. weather, structure, catastrophic injury, etc.) Public address announcements, security personnel assistance, etc. need to be discussed in advance.
5. **Who Needs to Know** – host administration should work with any sponsoring organization to determine a core group of Individuals that would need to be involved if a major decision regarding the event needs to be made. Representatives of the officiating crew, host administration, security, etc. may need to be involved. A few key reminders:
 - Obtain the Cell Phone numbers of all coaches competing at your tournament
 - Obtain the Cell Phone numbers of all Athletic Administrators of teams competing in your tournament
 - Obtain the Cell Phone numbers of the District Athletic Board Secretary at the Sectional/District level
 - Obtain the Cell Phone number of the District Board member(s) overseeing your tournament at the sectional/district level; OHSAA Director if a Regional or State Tournament
 - Obtain contact information for major media outlets for helping convey messages of cancellations
6. **Public Relations-** In case of emergency or potential evacuation, PA announcements should be prepared to address fans. Following any such occurrence, the media should be provided with a statement regarding the situation and its handling from the tournament manager, District Athletic Board member or OHSAA Director.
7. **Contingency Plan** – Have all plans in place in the event a contest cannot be played. Back-up sites, alternate dates, additional equipment are all factors to take into consideration.
8. **Entry/Exit Plan** – Crisis management plans for sites should include a clear understanding by any administrators and/or tournament management of all entries and exits. The public address announcer should be familiar with these as well.
9. **Parking & Traffic Flow** – many issues arise from parking and traffic flow problems. Eliminate many of these problems by addressing parking and traffic flow issues prior to the contest. Take into consideration the potential size of crowd, whether charges for parking exist, etc. If parking charges are enforced, provide proper receipts, have experienced people making change and directing traffic. This may require involvement from your local law enforcement agency.
10. **Crowd Expectations** – carefully study match-ups, communicate with competing administrators to anticipate size of crowds. Secure the proper security, ushers, ticket sellers/takers to eliminate security issues that may develop as a result. It is important to relay this information to the various individuals employed at your tournament site. **KEEP FANS OFF THE FIELD BEFORE, DURING and AFTER the contest! Prevent “tunnels” made by fans for introductions.**
11. **Wrap-Up and Debriefing** – At the conclusion of your tournament, solicit feedback and compile from the various individuals that worked at your tournament. This will go a long way toward improving problem areas for future tournaments.

EMERGENCY/CRISIS MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Location of Closest Working Telephone: _____ IF locked, keys to Telephone are located: _____

Is 911 Service Available? YES NO Alternate Emergency Response Number: _____

Exact Address of Tournament Site: _____

Entry location for Emergency Vehicle: _____

Normal Response Time for Emergency Vehicle is: _____

Location of AED: _____

Designated Health Care Provider for this tournament is: _____

Contact Number: _____

Closest Health Care Facility: _____ Travel Time: _____

Closest Trauma Facility: _____ Travel Time: _____

NAME OF DESIGNATED PERSON

ROLE

	Attends to injured athlete(s) or spectator(s) and controls immediate scene.
	Telephones 911 or other pre-determined emergency number, maintains procedures for calling 911.
	Supervises team and/or other athletes
	Meets medical personnel at gate and guides them to injured person(s), maintains all necessary keys to critical entry points
	Calls Parents/Guardians/School Personnel if necessary
	Accompanies injured person(s) to hospital
	Telephones security

COACHES VERIFICATION FORM

OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
4080 Roselea Place, Columbus, Ohio 43214
Ph: 614-267-2502
Fax: 614-267-1677
Web site: www.ohsaa.org

OHSAA TRACK AND FIELD COACH'S VERIFICATION OF SPORTING CONDUCT/LEGAL EQUIPMENT AND UNIFORMS FOR USE IN OHSAA TOURNAMENTS

CITY AND SCHOOL NAME _____

DIVISION _____ BOYS _____ GIRLS _____

HEAD COACH'S NAME _____

OHSAA standards require contest officials to enforce all NFHS rules relating to sporting conduct, ethical behavior and legal uniforms and equipment. Acts that intend to demean opposing competitors, team members, spectators and officials are not in keeping with the ideals of interscholastic athletics and will not be tolerated. Let this competition reflect mutual respect!

NFHS track and field and cross-country rules require the referee to meet with the head coach and captains to explain the expectations of good sporting conduct throughout this competition. In addition, the head coach is responsible for verifying to the referee/starter that all competitors are properly equipped (legal uniforms, including no dangerous jewelry, legal equipment) in compliance with NFHS rules.

In all OHSAA tournament competition and in any multi-team or invitational competition that would make it difficult for the referee to meet personally with all coaches and captains, all coaches shall agree to the following:

COACH'S VERIFICATION

I certify to the tournament referee that all contestants under my supervision are legally equipped, attired in legal uniforms and free of all dangerous jewelry in accordance with NFHS rules. I further certify that all student-athletes and other team personnel have been advised of their responsibilities relative to good sporting conduct during this competition. **In addition, I understand and accept responsibility for adhering to the OHSAA participation limitation of four events per individual athlete per tournament contest.**

Coach's Signature _____ Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE AREA AS DIRECTED BY TOURNAMENT PERSONNEL

OHSAA TRACK & FIELD and CROSS COUNTRY APPEAL FORM

Coach Section

Complete this form **in its entirety** if you feel a rule has been misapplied or misinterpreted, and present it to the Referee for consideration. **Judgment calls are not subject to appeal and will not be considered.** Any form that does not reference the NFHS rule number or OHSAA page number will be denied. It is recommended that the referee consult with the games committee before making a final decision on an appeal; however, **the decision of the referee is final.**

Date: _____

Tournament (circle one):

District

Regional

State

Day of tournament (circle one):

Day 1

Day 2

Time of Appeal: _____

Division (circle one):

I

II

III

Gender/Type (circle one):

Boys

Girls

Seated

Location of Tournament: _____

School Name: _____ Name of coach: _____

Race/event appeal applies to: _____

The rule being appealed can be found in the (circle one below):

NFHS Rules | OHSAA Officials/Coaches Manual | OHSAA Tournament Manual | OHSAA Tournament Regulations

On the lines below, list the NFHS rule number or page number of the OHSAA document related to the appeal.

Rule Reference or Page Number #1: _____ Rule Reference or Page Number #2: _____

Rule Reference or Page Number #3: _____ Rule Reference or Page Number #4: _____

State the nature of your appeal, its basis, and what you would like to see as a resolution.

Judgment decisions may not be appealed and will not be considered.

Certification: I certify that the information submitted is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that judgment decisions are not subject to appeal.

Signature _____

Referee Section

Please complete this portion of the form in its entirety. Decisions must be made and communicated to the head coach at the meet on the same day the appeal is filed. It is recommended that the referee consult with the games committee before making a final decision on an appeal; however, **the decision of the referee is final**. Per NFHS and OHSAA rules, the OHSAA cannot re-officiate decisions made by the referee at meets. The OHSAA reserves the right to take action on eligibility at any point during or after the meet. All appeals, once completed, **must** be sent to BJ Duckworth via email (bjduckworth@ohsaa.org) within 24 hours; the original violation card must also be sent in that email.

What was the original call that is being appealed: _____

Does the appeal list a NFHS rule number or page number of the OHSAA document (circle one): Yes No

If the answer is no, the appeal must be denied.

Does the appeal involve a judgment call (circle one): Yes No

If the answer is yes, the appeal must be denied.

Referee Decision (circle one): Decision Upheld Decision Changed Not Appealable
Explain in detail below.

Referee Comments (why was the decision made?):

Name of Referee: _____ Permit #: _____

Signature of Referee: _____ Date: _____

Time Decision Made: _____ Time Coach Notified: _____

Note On Reruns (Track Only)

NFHS Rule 3-4-4. The referee has the sole authority to determine if a race shall be rerun, and if so, who is eligible to participate in the rerun and when it should be scheduled. NOTE: Refer to NFHS Rules 5-9-2 and 5-9-3 for interference guidelines.

a. Determine if a rerun is necessary:

1. Acknowledge that a race rerun will rarely if ever, be fair to everyone and should be avoided if at all possible.
2. To consider a rerun, one of the following **must apply**:
 - (a) interference by another competitor resulting in disqualification;
 - (b) interference caused by a nonparticipant; or
 - (c) a meet administration error, i.e., wrong staggers, hurdle setting, official instructions, etc.
3. Reruns should be considered only in races or relays with individual legs of 400 meters or less for a one-day meet*. A competitor who is eligible and elects to participate in the rerun wipes out any performance, including in place, time, or record, in the original race.
4. Any disqualification that occurred in the original race would stand.

* OHSAA tournaments are two-day events; therefore, reruns in all races can be considered pending the above requirements being met.



2023 OHSAA Track & Field Tournament Participation Form

The OHSAA Board of Directors semi-annually sets up the representation from each district based upon the number of teams actually participating in the tournaments. Please list the school and the number of participants that actually participated in the tournament.

Tournament Date: _____ District: _____
Tournament Location: _____ Circle one: BOYS GIRLS
Tournament Manager: _____ Division: _____

Schools Represented by Teams (9 or more)

School (alpha order)	#	School (cont'd.)	#
1 _____	_____	10 _____	_____
2 _____	_____	11 _____	_____
3 _____	_____	12 _____	_____
4 _____	_____	13 _____	_____
5 _____	_____	14 _____	_____
6 _____	_____	15 _____	_____
7 _____	_____	16 _____	_____
8 _____	_____	17 _____	_____
9 _____	_____	18 _____	_____

Schools Represented by Individuals (less than 9)

School (alpha order)	#	School (cont'd.)	#
1 _____	_____	6 _____	_____
2 _____	_____	7 _____	_____
3 _____	_____	8 _____	_____
4 _____	_____	9 _____	_____
5 _____	_____	10 _____	_____

Schools That Were Registered and DID NOT PARTICIPATE

1 _____	_____	3 _____
2 _____	_____	4 _____

Please return to Dustin Ware at the OHSAA in any of the following manners:

As soon as the tournament has concluded:

E-Mail – dware@ohsaa.org

MEDIA INFORMATION

Please take time to read the OHSAA Media Regulations to review your responsibility in hosting the media during your tournament contest. For questions including those related to rights fees rates for broadcasting or streaming, contact OHSAA Director of Media Relations Tim Stried at tstried@ohsaa.org.

OHSAA Media Regulations are available here:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/News/Media/OHSAA-Media-Regulations.pdf>

OHSAA Tournament Photography Regulations are available here:

<https://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/News/Media/PhotographyRegulations.pdf>

OHSAA Tournament Broadcasting and Streaming Rights Fees Rates are available here:

<https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/News/Media/TournamentBroadcastRates.pdf>

TRACK & FIELD RECORDS

Ohio State Track & Field Records:

<https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/staterecords/tf>

Ohio State Track & Field Record Form:

<http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/tf/TFRecordForm.pdf>

PUBLIC ADDRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome and Opening Remarks

The Board of Directors, Executive Director and staff of the Ohio High School Athletic Association, along with the staff here _____, extend to each of you a cordial welcome to this OHSAA tournament event.

The officials assigned to this tournament have been selected and assigned according to procedures adopted by the Board of Directors. Their experience and their integrity qualify them for their important part in this interscholastic track and field tournament.

The student-athletes participating in this tournament thank you for your tremendous support throughout the season. All in attendance should reflect an attitude of positive sporting behavior so that this competition can be the best educational experience possible for the student-athletes participating.

National Anthem

Ladies and gentlemen, we live in a great country with freedoms like no other. To honor America and in respect for ALL who have served this great country to defend our freedoms, you are invited to stand and join in singing our National Anthem.

