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2026 OHSAA Track & Field Tournament Manager Manual

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A Note From The OHSAA

I want to extend a big THANK YOU to you and your staff for taking on the responsibility of hosting one of our 2026 tournaments. I sincerely appreciate the countless hours of preparation you have already given and will continue to give to ensure our tournaments provide the best possible competitive experience for our student-athletes and environment for our fans and coaches.

This season marks a significant change to the sport as we move to five divisions and transition to Athletic.net. Those changes will present new challenges to each of our sites and managers; I am certain you are up to the challenge. **Items in red indicate a change for the 2026 season, items in blue indicate a editorial change.**

This manual is meant to help aid the tournament managers and complement the tournament regulations; **it is not an all-inclusive document.** Specific instructions are included for each level of the tournament, and there is a list of enclosures that indicate what should be needed for each level of the tournament. Keep in mind that meet managers and the games committees they assemble do not have the authority to set aside NFHS or OHSAA rules/policies, nor do contest officials.

If you need anything, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at the information listed below.

Thank you for making OHSAA Track & Field Tournaments the best in the country!

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Provided Items

Please utilize the below links.

- Financial & Personnel Reports: <https://www.ohsaa.org/financial/reports>
- Record Applications: <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/tf/TFRecordForm.pdf>
- Electronic Start Guide, Officials Manual, & Coaches Manual: <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/track>
- Track and Field Rules, Case and Officials Manuals: Mailed to each school this winter

The following items will be mailed to each site

- Violation Report Forms
- Appeal Forms
- Bib Number Replacement & Fine Forms
- OHSAA Track and Field Tournament Participation Form (included in this manual), for district only **and Division 1 Super Regional only**.

2026 OHSAA Track and Field Calendar & Contact Information

District Tournaments	May 18 – May 23, 2026		
Regional Tournaments	Preliminary	Semifinal	Final
Divisions 1, 3, & 5	Div 1 ONLY: May 18 or 19	Thursday, May 28	Saturday, May 30
Divisions 2 & 4		Wednesday, May 27	Friday, May 29
State Tournament	Preliminary	Semifinal	Final
Divisions 4 & 5		Thursday, June 4	Friday, June 5
Division 3		Friday, June 5	Saturday, June 6
Division 1 & 2		Saturday, June 6	Sunday, June 7

Tournament Manager

The tournament manager shall serve as the overall director and administrator for the tournament under the guidance of the OHSAA office and District Athletic Board (when appropriate). The tournament manager shall employ officials, clerical help, ticket takers/sellers, a hurdle crew, block holders, 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 tournament they manage and will not be involved in any decisions regarding the qualification or disqualification of athletes (see notes on games committees and appeals). The tournament manager will provide all physical apparatus necessary to conduct the tournaments and promptly file all reports required. Each District Tournament Manager will direct tournaments as scheduled by the District Athletic Board. The Regional Tournament Manager will direct simultaneous boys' and girls' tournaments in the same division. No Meet Manager, Games Committee, District Athletic Board, or official may modify any OHSAA or NFHS regulation.

General Tournament Information

Verification Forms

Coaches verification forms for the tournament will be collected electronically when teams register for the District Tournament via MileSplit. The electronically signed form will be good for all three levels. No sites should collect paper forms.

Financial & Personnel Reports

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.

Awards

- Awards presented at the site of the OHSAA Track & Field Tournament must be approved by the Executive Director. Each Manager **will develop an appropriate procedure** for the presentation of awards.

Name	Title	Responsibilities	E-mail/Phone
BJ Duckworth	Sport Administrator & Director of Officiating Development	Oversee the day-to-day of the sport and provides general supervision for tournaments. State Rules Interpreter	bjduckworth@ohsaa.org
Beau Rugg	Director of Officiating	Oversee OHSAA Officiating.	brugg@ohsaa.org
Dr. John Kronour	Director of Sports Management	Oversee OHSAA Sport Management	jkronour@ohsaa.org
Dave DeAngelo	State Championships Manager	Manages all aspects of the State Meet	deangelo.1@osu.edu
Josh Bodnar	OHSAA Track & Field Data & Technology Manager	Manages and coordinates the data and technology for the state series. Handles seeding and scoring at the state meet. Provides support for district and regional meet managers.	jbodnar@ohsaa.org
Rick Campbell	Track & Field Tournament Assigner / Officials Coordinator	Assigns key officials to regional meets and all positions at the state championship. Supports officials at the championship as Officials Coordinator	assigntrackandcc@gmail.com
Dennis Sabo	Regional Contract Administrator	Handles entering of all regional officials contracts	densabo@gmail.com
Athletic.net	No direct contact for Athletic.net is provided. Managers should use the general support line for technical issues and direct all other questions to the Data Manager & Sport Administrator		

- 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 uniforms and shall be free of all other articles deemed unsporting and/or inappropriate. There shall be no flowers brought to the awards podium.
- For team ties for first place, duplicate championship trophies shall be awarded but no second-place trophy shall be presented.
- If ties exist in individual events and additional medals are not available, meet managers will send the [athlete's name, school, home address, place, and event the tie occurred](#) to the sport administrator, and a duplicate medal will be shipped directly by the supplier.
- [No other awards may be given at the podium at the District & Regional Tournaments.](#)
- [The OATCCC shall give OATCCC All Ohio Awards at the podium at the State Championships ONLY.](#)
- **District Awards**
 - Team - The district champion and runner-up teams will receive a team trophy.
- **Regional Awards**
 - Team - Regional championships and runner-up trophy will be presented.
 - Individual - Individual awards shall be presented to the top eight finishers in each event
- **State Awards**
 - Team - State championships and runner-up trophy shall be presented.
 - Individual - Individual awards shall be presented to the top eight finishers in each event

Ticket Prices

	District	Regional	State
Student	\$5	\$5	\$10
Adult	\$10	\$12	\$16
	<small>HomeTown</small>	<small>HomeTown</small>	<small>Ticket Master</small>

Cash and digital ticket prices must be the same. Digital tickets are subject to fees.

School Administrator Tickets

Each participating school will receive complimentary admission for three school administrators digitally through HomeTown Ticketing. One digital code will be provided to each school. Each code will have three tickets attached to the code. The same code will be utilized as a school advances in the tournament. As OSU does not use HomeTown Tickets, for the championship, three administrators will be [provided admission with a valid school ID at the Media & VIP Gate located in the SE corner of the stadium.](#)

Complimentary Admission

- **Officials** - 1 for the official plus one guest
- **Workers** - 1 for the worker
- **Athlete Admission**
 - Only those athletes scheduled to compete at the respective level of tournament and alternates, as detailed below, shall be issued complimentary admission. This admission shall be granted for all days of the respective tournament level.
 - **Relay Alternates:** Each qualifying relay team will receive **FREE** admission for **up to** six athletes. [Only athletes entered electronically as alternates shall be provided admission.](#)
 - How the sites will manage these ticketed alternate athletes' entry into the site would be a meet management decision.
- **Coaches:** According to the following, **all admission is based on teams**, not schools.

- Athlete and coaches admission will be handled with electronic tickets through the Ohio State Athletic Ticket App. Coaches must set up an account on the app using the same email listed on Final Forms by their school. Coaches will receive the digital tickets and will then be responsible for distribution. More information on the ticket app can be found at: <https://ohiostatebuckeyes.com/feature/digital-ticketing>

All teams receive admission for one (1) head coach plus one (1) additional coach for each specialty area listed below when their team has entries in the specialty . Maximum six (6) per team					
Specialty	Jumps	Pole Vault	Sprints/Hurdles	Distance	Throws
Events in specialty	High Jump	Pole Vault	100, 200, 400	800, 1600, 3200	Shot Put
	Long Jump		100, 110, 300 Hurdles	4x800 Relay	Discus
			4x100, 4x200, 4x400 Relay		

Note: Regardless of the number of complimentary admissions provided, each team will be given access for a maximum of one coach in each coaching box. Coaches in excess of the one allowed will be in violation of the access policy included in the tournament regulations.

Board Passes

District and OHSAA Board Members have received passes through the OHSAA and HomeTown for admittance to the district and regional tournaments. **No board credentials will be accepted;** however, OHSAA staff tournament credentials will be accepted. As OSU does not use HomeTown Tickets, for the championship, a separate process for board admission will be used; emails will be sent directly to board members on that process

Restricted Access & Coaches Boxes

To ensure ongoing safety & fairness, the use of infield areas for warmups, coaching or congregating is strictly prohibited and subject to Tournament Regulations on warnings and ejections as detailed below.

- Sites **must** provide coaching boxes for coaches at any field events located in the infield area. One coach per team will be allowed in designated coaching areas. [Each site must have a process in place to facilitate ensuring only appropriate coaches are in the designated coaches box.](#)
- [Managers should consult with the games committee on the locations of coaching boxes.](#)
- When feasible, it is **RECOMMENDED** that an area near the finish line (outside of the track) be provided for coaches who have athletes in the current race. [Each site must have a process in place to facilitate ensuring only appropriate coaches are in the designated coaches box.](#)
- **Spectators** who access the competition area or other restricted areas will be removed from the facility with no refund issued.
- **Team Members** who access restricted areas/competition areas without authorization, such as but not limited to the infield, are subject to the below policy. Meet management and the referee shall work together to enforce this policy.
 - First Offense: Warning issued to the **TEAM**.
 - The official will report the warning to the referee, documenting the time. The referee will then attempt to notify the head coach. The warning stands regardless of if the coach is officially notified.
 - Second Offense: Disqualification from the meet (ejection) for those accessing the restricted area.
 - As the warning applies to the team, any member of that team is subject to disqualification for the meet
 - Third & All Following Offenses: Disqualification from the meet (ejection) for those accessing the competition area & disqualification from the event for any participating athletes.

Note: Per NFHS Rule 1, school administrators (athletic directors, principals, school administration, superintendents, etc.) are considered members of a team and, therefore, are subject to NFHS and OHSAA rules and enforcement of rules by contest officials and meet management. This includes NFHS rules on unsporting & unacceptable conduct and rules related to restricted areas such as infields/competition areas and interference.

Officials, Games Committee & Appeals

- The decisions and interpretations of the rules by the Referee are final! The Executive Director **does not** have the 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 Rules.
- **The Tournament Manager shall not serve in any officiating capacity.**
- **A Games Committee will be assembled per the information outlined in the tournament regulations.** The Games Committee will be responsible for all provisions of National Federation Track and Field Rules and as outlined in the Tournament Regulations. Games committees cannot set aside regulations outlined in the Tournament Regulations, NFHS Rules, Sport Regulations, or any other OHSAA/NFHS regulation.
- The jurisdiction of officials is specified in the National Federation Track and Field Rules Book. The referee retains authority over the event from their arrival until after the meet has concluded and all applicable documents/information has been submitted.
- 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.
- When an appeal is filed:
 - **For the District & Regional Tournament:** The Games Committee may serve in an advisory capacity, subject to the call of the Referee. The decision of the Referee shall be final except in the case of an ineligible athlete. Appeals forms were sent to each site and can be found in the appendix of this document.
 - **For the State Championships ONLY : A Jury of Appeals will be assembled and used per the process outlined in the tournament regulations.**
- National Federation Track and Field Rules apply. 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 OHSAA immediately following the event.**
- Officials fees are paid through DragonFly. To see the specific rules, Officials Handbook: <https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Officiating/OHSAAOfficialsHandbook.pdf>
- **Clarification Of Staffing Definitions**
 - A. Licensed (Registered) Official – Individual who holds a valid OHSAA officiating permit that is authorized/charged with enforcement and interpretation of contest rules.
 - B. Unlicensed (Non-registered) Official – Individual assists or substitutes for the licensed official in the conduct of the contest.
 - C. 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. They may work as a “worker”.

Records

- 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. **They can be sent to sport administrator immediately after the meet and then mailed to the OHSAA office per the directions on the form.**
- The best performance in each event at the District and Regional, whether in the semifinals, trials or finals will constitute the District or Regional Record for that event. No special application is necessary, but

provision must be made to compile these records and submit to the **OHSAA sport administrator no later than 48 hours after the conclusion of the meet**

- The OHSAA maintains an active file of State Records in Track and Field by Division ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#), [5](#), & [Seated](#)) Boys and Girls. All provisions of Rule 10 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.

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The Ohio State Interscholastic Track and Field Records are located on the OHSAA website at <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/records/tfrecrd.htm>. Rule 10 specifies provisions that must be certified.

Athletic.net Page, Scratch/ Substitution Forms, & Qualifier Data Meet Page Management

- The Meet Manager & [FAT Contractor](#) will need to have [Athletic.net](#) accounts in order to have access to their individual meet page. The Meet Manager account **MUST** be linked to the host school account by adding them as a coach. **The FAT Contractor will need to have an Event Manager account.**
- All timers for district tournaments will receive a free Athletic.net site supporter upgrade that will allow them to post documents to the meet page and send emails directly from Athletic.net. Most professional FAT contractors will have already received this upgrade on their Athletic.net Event Manager account prior to the tournament. Any timers who were not eligible for this upgrade will be provided it for free for any tournaments they are timing. If you need this upgrade added, please contact jbodnar@ohsaa.org to request it.
- All District & Regional meet pages will be created & setup by [Athletic.net & the OHSAA](#). **Pages created by FAT contractors will be deleted.**
- Athletic.net Meet Pages will be turned over to FAT Contracts and Meet Managers by **April 20 at 11:59pm**
- Registration for Districts & Super Regionals will open on **May 4**
- Registration for Division 2-5 Districts will close at 11:59pm on May 16 (unless the DAB has extended that deadline).
- **Division 1 teams will register for ALL events by the 11:59 pm deadline on May 16 and then can use the change process for any events not competed on May 18/19.**

Team Entries

- All Team entries must be made in [Athletic.net on the appropriate meet page using the OHSAA approved Team Page](#).
- Teams **CANNOT** modify seed performances, only official results from the regular season as found in [Athletic.net can be used for seeding](#).
- The scratch/substitution forms and process will be posted to each meet page.
- 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://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Track-Field/Athleticnet-How-To-Usage-Policy>
- Regional Qualifier advancement will be handled by [the OHSAA](#). **More information will be sent out at a later date**

Results:

- All sites **MUST** use [Athletic.net live results](#) unless approved by the OHSAA. Results **MUST** be uploaded immediately following the meet. FAT contractors will be provided with a coupon code to cover the cost of live results for the tournament.
- Information on results posting will be shared at a later date.

Bib Number Information & Process

1. The timing company at each meet will be responsible for obtaining/providing bib numbers at each level of competition, at each site. This cost should be included in their invoice to meet management, to be reimbursed by OHSAA.
2. At each level, only the athletes entered in 1 or more events (including up to 8 relay team members) will be assigned/issued a bib number. Athletes entered up to the scratch/sub window closing (at the district level) are to be included in each team packet.
3. Girls' and boys' rosters should be assigned different number sequences. This is to make sorting them for packets easier, as well as distribution of numbers to the athletes.
4. When coaches receive their packet, they are responsible for obtaining bib numbers from the timing company for athletes they may need to add to their relays. Since the scratch/sub window closes at noon the day of competition (and earlier for Saturday meets), only relay team members who were not originally entered should need new bib numbers assigned.
5. If a coach needs to make a last-minute replacement before their relay team checks in, clerks will be provided with a limited number of bib numbers to provide to those athletes. Those additions must be communicated to the scorer promptly to be included appropriately in the database. This can be done when relay cards are turned in to the scorer by the clerks.
6. If an athlete loses their bib number between day 1 and day 2, the coach is responsible for obtaining a replacement number from the timing company before the athlete competes. See more on bib replacement below.
7. In the event the meet referee allows the replacement of an injured athlete, a bib number may be issued to the replacement athlete if necessary.
8. Timing companies are to advance up to 8 athletes for each relay team that qualifies for the next level in the tournament. The four athletes who competed in the event should be the first four listed, with alternates listed in spots five through eight.
9. Coaches with relays teams advancing to the next level (District to Regional or Regional to State) may submit relay substitutions via a Google document on MileSplit no later than the noon the day of the event or 8 a.m. on Saturday.
10. Bib are ONLY needed for running events.
11. For the Division 1 Super Regional, two sets of bib numbers shall be used. Bib numbers should be issued for the prelim day to only those athletes participating. NEW bib numbers shall be issued on semifinal day that will be kept by the coach and reused for the finals. FAT Contractors will decide if they want to reissue the same numbers for semifinal day or issue a new series of number,

Getting bib numbers and rosters to meet management:

The following are suggestions, although the best procedure will vary from site to site, and will need to be worked out by the timing company and meet management.

Suggestion 1: Bib numbers assigned and rosters printed when window initially closes, and delivered to meet management to be included in team packets. Bibs for substitutions can be added to packets when timer shows up on meet day. This could be effective if timer is in reasonable proximity to meet site.

Suggestion 2: Bib numbers delivered to meet management in advance (FedEx, UPS), then numerical rosters emailed, meet management sorts them and puts in packets. This might be more effective if the timer is not located close to the meet site, but adds to the cost.

Suggestion 3: Don't assign numbers or print rosters until after scratch/sub window closes. This gives very little time to get them sorted and placed in packets, but might work if the timer gets to the meet site early enough and personnel is available to sort the numbers, and put the numbers and rosters in packets.

Bib Replacement Fee

Schools will be charged a \$20 per bib fine/fee for the replacement of a lost bib/chip. Coaches will be required to sign a bib replacement form before receiving the replacement bib. Following the meet, the forms will be sent to

BJ Duckworth (bjduckworth@ohsaa.org) for invoicing. Forms have been sent to each site and be found in the appendix of this document

Note: This fine does not include errors made by the FAT Contractor or Meet Manager in not providing the bib in the packet. Coaches **MUST** inspect their packets at packet pickup to ensure all needed items are included before leaving packet pickup. The bib replacement form can be found in the manager manual. **The head clerk MUST be notified when new bibs are issued. The method of contact will be determined by each site.**

Electronic Starting Devices (ESD) General Regulations

Starting in 2025, the use of electronic starting will be implemented at all three levels of the tournament (district, regional and state) per the implementation schedule listed below. Please review the Tournament Regulations for the full regulations.

- A minimum of two (2) speakers shall be used for district tournaments, three (3) are preferred.
 - Both speakers must be used for the start of each race. If a speaker is desired to be left at the finish line, that speaker shall be **IN ADDITION** to the two required for the start.
- A minimum of three(3) speakers shall be used for the regional and state tournaments.
 - All three (3) speakers must be used for the start of each race. If a speaker is desired to be left at the finish line, that speaker shall be **IN ADDITION** to the three required for the start.
- The sound projected from the electronic starting device must be tested to ensure each speaker reaches 90 decibels at 15 feet. Decibel meters should be used by meet managers to verify compliance with the regulations.
 - **Timing companies must show that their systems comply with this regulation to meet management prior to being contracted.**
- Recalls for false or unfair starts must be done with a second firing of the electronic starting device by the starter and/or an air horn (**not** a starter pistol) by assistant starters when ESDs are used
- The “tone” is the only allowed sound, the imitated gun sound shall **not** be used.
- Final laps (as outlined in NFHS rules) must be sounded with a bell, horn, or other item; a starter pistol cannot be used anytime an ESD is used.
- Any timing company that works an OHSAA tournament commits to meeting the standard minimum requirements for technology needs. This requirement is in addition to the other needs as outlined in the regulations.
- In the instance the electronic starting system fails, other starting methods may be used that comply with NFHS rules or are approved by the OHSAA.
- Recommended speaker set up can be found on the OHSAA website.

Event Competition Guidelines Track Events

1. Sprint and Hurdle Races

- 1.1. At Districts, all races are semi-finals with the **eight fastest times** advancing to the finals.
 - 1.1.1. If there are eight or less entries entered into the semifinal, no semifinal race shall be run and all entries will advance to the final.
 - 1.1.2. If there are more than eight entries entered into the semifinal and eight or less check-in, that semifinal event will not be contested and all checked-in entries will advance to the final.
 - 1.1.3. With approval of the Games Committee, an exception to this procedure may be made and preliminary heats may be run at District sites where 20 or more teams are competing in one meet, of the same gender. If preliminary heats are run the top 16 times will advance, 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.

- 1.1.4. For D2-5 regionals, all races are semifinals, with the top two from each heat and the next four fastest times advancing to finals.
- 1.1.5. For D1 Super Regional three rounds will be used.
 - 1.1.5.1. Prelim: Top 16 times advance to the semifinal
 - 1.1.5.1.1. If there are 16 or less entries entered into the prelim, no prelim race shall be run and all entries will advance to the semifinal.
 - 1.1.5.1.2. If there are more than 16 entries entered into the prelim and 16 or less check-in, that prelim event will not be contested and all checked-in entries will advance to the semifinal.
 - 1.1.5.2. Semifinal: Top two from each heat and the next four fastest times advancing to the final.
- 1.2. Lane assignments in the semi-finals shall be determined in accordance with NFHS Seeding Rules.
 - 1.2.1. At the District & D1 Super Regional, they will be based on “official” results from Athletic.net used by coaches during entry process
 - 1.2.2. At D2-5 Regionals, they will be based on place and time from competition at the District.
- 1.3. Races will be run entirely in lanes
- 1.4. The time schedule provided by the OHSAA must be followed.
- 1.5. 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*
- 1.6. Girls 100H will be 33”, Boys 110H will be 39”
- 1.7. Girls 300H will be 30”, Boys 300H will be 36”

2. Middle Distance Races (800 Meters)

- 2.1. These races shall be run from a two-turn staggered start
- 2.2. The break line is located after the second curve near the start of the 100D as determined by the track survey.
- 2.3. At the District & D1 Super Regional, two semifinal seeded heats shall be established based upon “official” results from Athletic.net used by coaches during entry process anytime there are more than 16 competitors entered into the race with advancement to the final based on time.
 - 2.3.1. This is NO LONGER a games committee decision
 - 2.3.2. 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.
 - 2.3.3. When semifinal heats are run, the first eight finishers in each heat shall qualify for the finals.
- 2.4. At the D2-5 Regional, this race will be competed as one heat timed final.
- 2.5. Individual position assignments in each lane shall be determined by the process outlined in the regulations.
- 2.6. 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.
- 2.7. If a runner is lapped, the competitor shall run the normal course and will be permitted to remain in the race.

3. Distance Races (1600 Meters, 3200 Meters)

- 3.1. These races shall be run from one-turn staggered starting lines.
- 3.2. The break line is located after the first curve near the start of the 300H as determined by the track survey.

- 3.3.** At the District & D1 Super Regional, two semifinal heats shall be established based upon “official” results from Athletic.net used by coaches during entry process whenever there are more than 24 entries in the 1,600M and 32 in the 3,200M.
- 3.3.1.** This is NO LONGER a games committee decision
- 3.3.2.** 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.
- 3.3.3.** When semifinal heats are run, the first eight place finishers in each heat shall qualify for the finals.
- 3.4.** At the D2-5 Regional, this event will be competed as a one heat timed final.
- 3.5.** Individual position assignments in each lane shall be determined by the process outlined in the regulations.
- 3.6.** 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.
- 3.7.** If a runner is lapped, the competitor shall run the normal course and will be permitted to remain in the race.

4. Relay Races

- 4.1.** Course of each relay race and starting line.
- 4.1.1.** 4x100: run in lanes for entire course, use two-turn staggered starting lines.
- 4.1.2.** 4x200: run in lanes for entire course, use four-turn staggered starting lines.
- 4.1.3.** 4x400: three-turn staggered, with the break after the third turn near the start of the 300M per the track survey.
- 4.1.4.** 4x800: Use the two-turn staggered start. Same as the start and break for the 800 meter run.
- 4.2.** Lane Assignments
- 4.2.1.** Semifinal Heat-lane assignments (and prelim at the D1 Super Regional) shall be determined per NFHS & OHSAA Tournament Regulations
- 4.2.1.1.** Districts & D1 Super Regional based on “official” results from Athletic.net used by coaches during entry process
- 4.2.1.2.** Regionals based on place and time at the District tournament.
- 4.2.2.** Advancement to finals
- 4.2.2.1.** At the District, top eight times will advance to finals in the 4x100,4x200, and 4x400, the 4x800 is run as a final. (Please see note in sprint section related to having 8 or fewer entries)
- 4.2.2.2.** At the Division 1 Super Regional, when preliminary heats are competed, the top 16 times will advance to the semifinal. (Please see note in sprint section related to having 16 or fewer entries)
- 4.2.2.2.1.** Two Semifinal Heats: Top two from each heat and the next four fastest times
- 4.2.2.2.2.** Three Semifinal Heats: Top two from each heat and the next two fastest times
- 4.2.3.** Finals:
- 4.2.3.1.** 4x100, 4x200, 4x400
- 4.2.3.1.1.** Seeding and lane assignments shall be assigned based on place & times.
- 4.2.3.2.** 4x800 position assignments in each lane shall be determined by the process outlined in the regulations.
- 4.2.3.3.** 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.

5. Seeding and Lane Assignments *UPDATED IN 2025

- 5.1.** 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	1
8	8

5.2. 800m, 1600m, 3200m, 4x800 relay - starting line assignments shall be determined by entry performances per NFHS regulations in the following order. A indicates inside lane positions, B indicates outside lane positions, C indicates second row inside positions, D indicates second row outside position

Seed	Lane/Position
1 = 1A	17 = 1C
2 = 2A	18 = 2C
...	...
9 = 1B	25 = 1D
10 = 2B	26 = 2D

Note: For the state championship at large, qualifiers will be placed in lane 9 (nine) for all semifinal races and finals in distance races.

5.3 Please see the tournament regulations for information on the requirements related to the use of block holders as well as the need to provide hurdles for warm up purposes.

Field Events

1. Field Events Seeding

- 1.1. Field events **must be** seeded from worst to best, both each flight and the full competition.
 - 1.1.1. High Jump & Pole Vault – Seeding in the vertical jumps must be lowest to highest.
 - 1.1.2. Long Jump, Shot Put, and Discus – Competitors must be divided into flights. Seeding in these horizontal events must be shortest to farthest, with the first flight being the shorter qualifying performance and the final flight being the longer entry performance. Please see information on open pit for the long jump below
 - 1.1.3. District Meet Managers will use “official” results from Athletic.net used by coaches during entry process to seed these events for the District Meets. From there, the advancement to Regional & State meets would use the results from the previous round.
 - 1.1.4. Seeding in each flight/section must also be done worst to best.

2. Official Final Results for Field Events

- 2.1. 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.
- 2.2. EDM results at the state meet are considered officials results.

3. Jumping Events

3.1. Pole Vault

- 3.1.1. The continuing flight procedure (5 alive) shall be utilized.
- 3.1.2. The starting height and distance the bar is raised shall be determined by the Games Committee per the guidelines outlined in the tournament regulations

- 3.1.3. **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.
- 3.1.4. 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.

3.2. **High Jump**

- 3.2.1. The continuing flight procedure (5 alive) shall be utilized.
- 3.2.2. The starting height and distance the bar is raised shall be determined by the Games Committee. Per the guidelines outlined in the tournament regulations
- 3.2.3. **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.

3.3. **Long Jump**

- 3.3.1. Preliminary trials must be taken in groups or flights of 4 to 12. **It is strongly recommended** (not mandated) that open pit not be used for consistency purposes at the District level. Three preliminary attempts must be given regardless of the use of open pit. **Open pit is prohibited at the Regional and State tournaments.**
- 3.3.2. The open pit procedure for preliminary trials may be used at the discretion of the manager at the Districts only. 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.
- 3.4. One more competitor than there are scoring places shall qualify for the finals.
- 3.5. **Please see information on the use of “Minimum Distance Measurement Lines as outlined in the tournament regulations. In some instanced Minimum Distance Measurement Lines are now mandatory.**
- 3.6. Three preliminary attempts with three attempts in the finals must be given. **Providing four attempts and skipping the finals is NOT allowed.**

4. **Throwing Events**

- 4.1. Preliminary trials must be taken in groups of 4 to 12, with a maximum of three trials
- 4.2. One more competitor than there are scoring places shall qualify for the finals.
- 4.3. **Please see information on the use of “Minimum Distance Measurement Lines as outlined in the tournament regulations. In some instanced Minimum Distance Measurement Lines are now mandatory.**
- 4.4. All throwing attempts must use the “1-1-1 model” in both prelims and finals. Consecutive attempts “2-2” or “2-1” should not be used.
 - 4.4.1. This does not prevent the allowance of consecutive attempts to accommodate an athlete who needs to be excused to participate in another event.
- 4.5. There are two procedures that may be used regarding implements in throwing events. Regardless of the procedure used, ONLY APPROVED AND LEGAL IMPLEMENTS may be used in warm-up as well as competition.
 - 4.5.1. **Use of Personal or School-Issued Implements** is the recommended and preferred method for consistency purposes. It is the process that will be used at the State Tournament.

4.5.1.1. In order for an implement to be approved for use, it must be weighed, gauged and marked 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**.

4.5.1.2. Athletes are not permitted to take their approved implements away from the competition area once the implement has been certified as legal.

4.5.1.3. 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.

4.5.2. **Use of Common Implements** is not recommended.

4.5.2.1. This procedure describes a method whereby the tournament site provides all implements.

4.5.2.2. The tournament manager ensures, and the head field referee verifies, that all equipment meets rules specifications. Athletes are limited to using the common implements provided.

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.

Minimum Distance Measurement Lines

When minimum distance measurement lines are used they should be set up in a way that clearly identifies the distance needed.

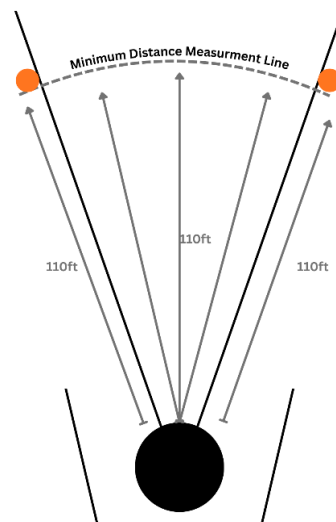
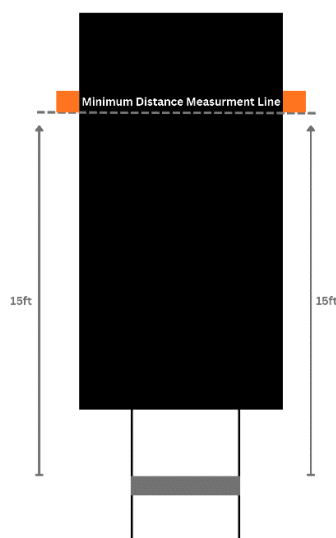
Throwing Events

- An arched line shall be painted at the appropriate distance. This can be determined by measuring the distance along each sector line and 3 locations in the sector. Per the diagram below.
- To differentiate between the lines for each gender, a cone shall be placed on the ends of the arched line at the intersection with the sector lines.
- If in doubt, measure the attempt

Long Jump

- A small chalk mark shall be placed on the sides of the pit (for example, a blue chalk line drawn on the cement border of the pit).
- Soft items such as football endzone pylons shall be used to indicate the line on each side of the pit. The front of the pylon, the side facing the take-off board shall be placed on the line drawn.
- If in doubt, measure the attempt

Distances listed in the diagrams below are for example purposes only.



Tournament Manager Instructions

District Manager Information

Information Items

- **District Entry Procedures** – In advance of the competition, review the [Athletic.net Meet Page](#) 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 [Athletic.net Meet Page](#) using only “Official” results for deed marks.
 - Entries shall be submitted electronically via [Athletic.net](#), which must include the name of the individual entries in all events **including** relays. **Coaches MUST list all athletes, including alternates during meet registration. The information entered online will be used for the relay as NO RELAY CARDS will be used.** Schools must list all relay names, but retain the ability to adjust them until their **relay team checks in with the clerk.**
 - The completed electronic entry must be in the possession of the tournament manager no later than **11:59 p.m. on Saturday, May 16, 2026**, or at a later date and time if established by your District Athletic Board.
 - Qualifiers from the District to the Regional tournament are published on the OHSAA web site.
 - 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](#)

Action Items

Please duplicate any forms as needed

- **Participation Forms**
 - 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.**
 - Please send them to BJ Duckworth (bjduckworth@ohsaa.org) & Alexis Holderman (aholderman@ohsaa.org)
 - A copy of the form can be found online (T&F page).
 - You may also send the school list as exported from HyTek
- **Qualifiers** – District Managers shall upload completed results as a html file to the [Athletic.net Meet Page](#) upon completion of the District Tournament. Back up files **MUST** also be sent to OHSAA Data Manager Josh Bodnar at jbodnar@ohsaa.org. Sending full field series in field events is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.
- The first four individuals or relay teams in each event in the District Tournaments will qualify for the regional competition **unless the Sports Administrator has approved additional qualifiers in line with the tournament regulations. Under no circumstances will more than the number specified be permitted to qualify from a District Tournament.** Use the appropriate tiebreaker procedure to determine qualifiers in case of ties.

District Tournament Officials

- Only OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials shall be used unless there are not enough available.
- Officials who have completed the official's questionnaire **must** be assigned first. If, after all, officials who completed the questionnaire are offered the opportunity and are not available or willing, officials who are eligible in every other regard may be used.
- Each manager and/or District Board shall contract for OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials prior to employing non-registered officials in any position.
- Unless the district has made a different process, District Boards shall be responsible for assigning the following officials: 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). All other officials shall be assigned by the District Managers.

- 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, Head Umpire, Head Field Judge, and Head Judges in field events.
- All Unlicensed Officials 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.
- Class 3 officials can serve in supporting officiating positions but cannot be in a “head” position.
- **It is STRONGLY recommended that any non-certified officials working in an officiating capacity (including marking in horizontal events) complete the FREE NFHS intro to officiating course found at the following link: <https://nfhslearn.com/courses/officiating-track-and-field>**
- The Referee, Clerks & Starters **MUST** be OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials. The Referee shall not serve as the Starter.
- Minimum FAT and Officiating recommendations and preferred FAT and Officiating standards can be found in the tournament regulations. Please review those before assigning them.
- We **DO NOT** utilize a Field Referee at any level of tournament, only a Head Field Judge can be used. Head Field Judges **DO NOT** have the same ability to disqualify as a referee.

Regional Manager Information Action Items

Please duplicate forms as needed

- **Division 1 Super Regional Entry Procedures** – In advance of the competition, review the Athletic.net Meet Page for this 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 Athletic.net Meet Page using only “Official” results for seed marks.
 - Entries shall be submitted electronically via Athletic.net, which must include the name of the individual entries in all events **including** relays. Coaches **MUST** list all athletes, including alternates during meet registration. The information entered online will be used for the relay as **NO RELAY CARDS** will be used. Schools must list all relay names, but retain the ability to adjust them until their relay team checks in with the clerk.
 - The completed electronic entry must be in the possession of the tournament manager no later than **11:59 p.m. on Saturday, May 16, 2026**
 - Qualifiers from D1 Super Regional tournament are published on the OHSAA web site.
- **D1 Super Regional: Participation Forms**
 - D1 Super Regionals must 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**.
 - Please send them to BJ Duckworth (bjduckworth@ohsaa.org) & Alexis Holderman (aholderman@ohsaa.org)
 - A copy of the form can be found online (T&F page).
 - You may also send the school list as exported from HyTek
- Regional Managers are responsible for ensuring that completed results are uploaded, **including a full field series** (used for breaking ties in the at large qualifiers) to the Athletic.net Meet Page assigned to your Regional meet immediately upon completion of the meet. **They MUST also upload a backup file including a full field series (used for breaking ties in the at large qualifiers) per the instructions emailed to all FAT contractors by Josh Bodnar.**

- **Forms for Submission**

- State Records – Use online form.
- Bib replacement/fine – Send all forms to Sport Administrator immediately following the conclusion on the event.
- Officiating forms – Send all forms to the Director of Officiating Development immediately following the conclusion on the event.

Entries

- 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 and the OHSAA data manager no later than **Saturday, May 23, 2026 at 6 P.M.** as directed by you the Regional manager.
- 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.
- **Members of qualifying relay teams from District Tournaments will be advanced to the regional based on those that are listed as actually competing in the district finals. This is a change from recent years. This means that any changes, including adding up to 4 alternates, must be completed in Athletic.net prior to the change deadline. Only the 4 runners that actually ran at the district will be auto-advanced.**

Regional Tournament Officials

- Only OHSAA Class 1 Track and Field Officials shall be used unless there are not enough available and the Director of Officiate Development has approved the use of Class 3 Officials
- Officials who have completed the official's questionnaire **must** be assigned first. If, after all, officials who completed the questionnaire are offered the opportunity and are not available or willing, officials who are eligible in every other regard may be used with authorization from the Director of Officiate Development.
- If after following the two above bullets, additional officials are needed, district only eligible officials may be used with approval from the Director of Officiate Development.
- In no case shall nonregistered officials be used in officiating positions.
- Please see the tournament regulations for full details about tournament officials including the minimum allowed staffing levels as well as the preferred & maximum staffing levels.
- Please see the tournament regulations for full details about FAT including the minimum allowable staffing and equipment use as well as the preferred levels.

Appendix A



Tournament Regulations

2026 REGULATIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK & FIELD TOURNAMENTS

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 **December 4, 2025** and updated on **Feb 19, 2026**. 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 OHSAA Handbook (Bylaws, General Sports Regulations, and Track & Field Regulations) as well as NFHS rules shall be followed.

Items in blue indicate editorial changes or clarifications only and do not reflect any change to a rule or policy.

Items in red indicate new regulations or rule changes effective this season.

Items with a yellow highlight indicate updates made on February 19, 2026.

1. **Organization of Tournaments**

- 1.1. The District Athletic Boards organize and supervise district tournaments in their respective districts, subject to the regulations adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 1.2. 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 OHSAA. 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. Enforcement of this regulation fall to the member school.

3. **Divisions** There will be five divisions (1, 2, 3, 4, & 5). Division 1 will compete in a super regional and state tournament, while divisions 2, 3, 4, & 5 will compete in district, regional, and state tournaments. Schools must compete in the division and sites to which they are assigned by the OHSAA.

4. **Rules** The NFHS Track and Field Rules and OHSAA contest modifications shall apply in all cases unless changed in the regulations that follow.

5. **Fully Automatic Timing (FAT)** FAT shall be the official time in all running events. Please consult the referee if there is a question about placement.

6. **Electronic Distance Measurement (EDM)** The official measurements in the horizontal field events will be done using EDM at the state championship ONLY. If an EDM failure takes place, manual measurements will be taken in line with NFHS Regulations. EDM shall not be used at the district or regional level.

7. **Scoring:** Eight places shall be scored for all rounds of the tournament following NFHS Rules. Scoring shall be: 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Seated events shall not be scored.

8. **Data Policy** All paperwork must be maintained for 30 days prior to disposal, including relay information, substitution forms, etc. All bib replacement forms, appeal forms, and violation cards must be submitted to the appropriate OHSAA staff immediately following the meet. The OHSAA will provide detailed instructions related to data transfer to the approved OHSAA registration system and the Data/Technology Manager.

9. **Verification Forms** In line with NFHS Regulations, coaches must complete a verification form indicating they understand their responsibilities related to sporting conduct and verify that their teams are properly equipped. This form will be completed/acknowledged electronically via the approved OHSAA registration system when the team registers for the first round of the tournament and will carry throughout the tournament. No paper verification forms will be collected.

10. **Entry Requirements**

- 10.1. 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, which is one entry per team.
- 10.2. If the completed entry is not submitted by the designated time and date, the entry will not be accepted without payment of a \$100 late fee and approval by the OHSAA & district athletic board when the meet is at the district level.
- 10.3. No changes to seed performances are allowed once registration closes.
- 10.4. For the first round of the tournament, a substitute may replace an entered athlete provided the substitute is submitted on the online roster, and provided the substitution is submitted to the tournament manager via the online scratch/substitution form no later than NOON of the first day the event is contested. For the second day of competition, in the first round, substitutions MUST be made, via the paper change form, no later than 60minutes prior to the start of the first event. After that time, no substitutions will be accepted. The Clerk of the Course will accept scratches.

10.5. For the first round of the tournament, substitutions after the deadline 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 shall be permitted to substitute. Substitutions will not be accepted beyond the first round for individual events.

10.5.1. Athletes substituted from an event due to injury or illness may not compete for the remainder of the day; however, they may compete in events on subsequent day(s) of the first round with a signed note from a licensed medical professional, such as a physician, certified athletic trainer, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. The athlete's substitution back into the meet/an event must take place per the deadlines outlined in 10.4. Athletes who scratch from an event have no restrictions on further participation.

10.6. An athlete who qualifies in an individual event in a tournament for the next level of competition may not be replaced by another athlete.

10.7. OHSAA participation regulations restrict each athlete to a maximum of **FOUR (4)** events in each tournament, regardless of the number of days of the meet.

10.7.1. An athlete who is disqualified due to participation in more than four events is ineligible for further tournament competition.

10.8. Members of relay teams must be designated prior to competing the first time of each round. Once turned into the clerk, no changes may be made. All members of a relay team must be listed on the roster.

10.9. For each level of tournament competition (district, regional, state) relay teams qualify to the next round by team.

10.9.1. 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.

10.10. For Divisions 2-5

10.10.1. Entries for the district meet shall be submitted electronically via the approved OHSAA registration system, which must include the names of the individual entries in all events.

10.10.2. Only verified/official performances will be allowed for entry.

10.10.3. The completed electronic entry must be in the possession of the district tournament manager no later than 11:59pm on Saturday, May 16, 2026, or at a later date and time if established by the district athletic board.

10.11. For Division 1

10.11.1. Entries for the super regional meet shall be submitted electronically via the approved OHSAA registration system, which must include the names of the individual entries in all events.

10.11.2. Only verified/official performances will be allowed for entry.

10.11.3. The completed electronic entry must be in the possession of the regional tournament manager no later than 11:59pm on Saturday, May 16, 2026. Super regional managers shall not extend the deadline.

11. Uniforms

11.1. Uniform regulations can be found in the NFHS Rule Book. Additional information can be found in the OHSAA Sport Regulations, Coaches Manual, & Officials Manual

11.2. Numbers Required All athletes competing in running events are required to wear a number assigned to them by meet management on the back of their uniform between the shoulder blades. Meet management must provide numbers or "bibs" that have horizontal numerals of at least three inches in height in a contrasting color to all athletes competing in running events. The bibs provided must be TyVek or a similar material with holes for pins. No paper or cardboard bibs are allowed. Meet management must provide to the referee and all meet umpires a list of athletes and their numbers. All athletes competing in running events are required to wear the number provided to them unobstructed in accordance with NFHS Rules. Athletes in field events can not be required to wear bib numbers. Meet management is also to provide safety pins for attachment to the uniform. The number will be provided on day one of the tournament and **MUST** be worn on both days of the tournament. **The athlete is responsible for the wearing of the same bib/bib number on all days.** New numbers will be issued at each level of the tournament (district, regional, and state).

11.2.1. For the Division 1 Super Regional, bibs will be provided on prelim day and again on semifinal day. Bibs from the semifinal must be kept for the finals.

11.3. Schools will be charged a **\$20 per bib fine/fee for the replacement of a lost bib.** Coaches will be required to sign a bib replacement form before receiving the replacement bib. Following the meet, the forms will be sent to the OHSAA office for invoicing. Schools who do not pay the fine may not be permitted to participate in the tournament the following season. Note: This fine does not include errors made by the FAT provider or Meet Manager in not providing the bib in the packet. Coaches **MUST** inspect their packets at packet pickup to ensure all needed items are included before leaving packet pickup. Note: The bib replacement form can be found in the Managers' Manual.

Note: Refer to the Track & Field Officials Manual & NFHS Rule Book for more regulations on uniforms.

12. School Representative

12.1. 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 (Per OHSAA Bylaws found in the general Sports Regulations) 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.

12.2. Per NFHS Rule 1, school administrators (athletic directors, principals, school administration, superintendents, etc.) are considered members of a track and field team and therefore are subject to NFHS and OHSAA rules and enforcement of rules by contests officials and meet management. This includes NFHS rules on unsporting & unacceptable conduct, as well as rules related to restricted areas such as infields/competition areas and interference.

13. Order of Events and Time Schedule

13.1. Full details on the administration of each of the events, including starting lines, cut lines, etc. can be found in the Tournament Managers Manual **and cannot be modified.**

13.2. All rounds of the tournament must follow the order of events & time schedule below. They are subject to change by the OHSAA office.

13.2.1. Please note special information in the order of events that shall be followed including maximum & minimum competitor numbers related to quantities for prelims and semifinals.

13.2.2. The games committee may change the schedule or order of events in regard to expected weather **only**. All other changes must be approved by the sport administrator prior to publishing.

13.3. All levels of the tournament must follow the criteria below.

13.3.1. The first heat of the girls 4 x 100M Relay may begin not earlier than 15 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls 4x200M Relay when the 1,600 is not being contested and when athletes are competing in both events.

13.3.2. The first heat of the girls 200M may begin no earlier than 15 min after the start of the first heat of the girls 400M dash anytime the 800M is not competed and when athletes are competing in both events.

13.3.3. The first heat of the girls 4 x 400M may begin no earlier than 20 minutes after the start of the first heat of the girls 200M Dash anytime the 3200 is not competed and when athletes are competing in both events.

13.4. For the D1 Super Regional Prelim

13.4.1. There must be 25 minutes between the start of the first heat of the girls' 100M & the first heat of the girls' 400M regardless of if anyone is in both events.

13.4.2. There must be 20 minutes between the start of the first heat of the girls' 300H & first heat of the girls' 200M if the 800 is not competed as a prelim regardless of if anyone is in both events.



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**2026 Division 2 - 5 District Track & Field
Order & Timing of Events**

Day 1 | Semifinal

Running Events

Rolling time schedule

- Girls 4x800 Final
- Boys 4x800 Final
- Girls 100H Semi
- Boys 110H Semi
- Girls 100 Semi
- Boys 100 Semi
- Girls 4x200 Semi[†]
- Boys 4x200 Semi[†]
- Girls 1600 Semi^{*}
- Boys 1600 Semi^{*}
- Girls 4x100 Semi[†]
- Boys 4x100 Semi[†]
- Girls 400 Semi
- Boys 400 Semi
- Girls 300H Semi
- Boys 300H Semi
- Girls 800 Semi^{**}
- Boys 800 Semi^{**}
- Girls 200 Semi
- Boys 200 Semi
- Girls 3200 Final
- Boys 3200 Final
- Girls 4x400 Semi
- Boys 4x400 Semi

Field Events

- Girls Shot
- Boys Disc
- Boys Long Jump
- Boys Pole Vault
- Girls High Jump

Day 2 | Finals

Running Events

- 0:00 Girls 100H
- 0:05 Boys 110H
- 0:10 Girls 100
- 0:12 Boys 100
- 0:18 Girls 4x200
- 0:25 Boys 4x200
- 0:35 Girls 1600
- 0:43 Boys 1600
- 0:50 Girls 4x100
- 0:57 Boys 4x100
- 1:05 Girls 400
- 1:07 Boys 400
- 1:10 Girls 300H
- 1:15 Boys 300H
- 1:20 Girls 800
- 1:25 Boys 800
- 1:30 Girls 200
- 1:35 Boys 200
- 1:55 Girls 4x400
- 2:00 Boys 4x400

Field Events

- Boys Shot
- Girls Disc
- Girls Long Jump
- Girls Pole Vault
- Boys High Jump

Notes:
[†] Only competed as a semifinal if there are more than 24 entries.
^{**} Only competed as a semifinal if more than 16 entries.
^{*} If the 1600 is not competed as a semifinal, there must be 15 minutes between the start of the first heat of the girls 4x200 and first heat of the girls 4x100 anytime someone is competing in both events.

All District meets shall follow the above order of events unless the District Athletic Board has received approval for an alternative schedule due to their meeting operating under a different format such as competing all field events on a single day or changes needed due to expected weather.



2026 Division 2 - 5 Regional Track & Field Order & Timing of Events

Semifinal | May 27 & 28

Running Events

0:00 Girls 4x800 Final
0:15 Boys 4x800 Final
0:30 Girls 100H Semi
0:40 Boys 110H Semi
0:50 Girls 100 Semi
0:55 Boys 100 Semi
1:02 Girls 4x200 Semi
1:12 Boys 4x200 Semi
1:25 Girls 4x100 Semi
1:30 Boys 4x100 Semi
1:35 Girls 400 Semi
1:45 Boys 400 Semi
1:55 Girls 300H Semi
2:05 Boys 300H Semi
2:15 Girls 200 Semi
2:20 Boys 200 Semi
2:25 Girls 3200 Final
2:40 Boys 3200 Final
2:55 Girls 4x400 Semi
3:05 Boys 4x400 Semi

Field Events

Start 90min prior to running
Girls Shot
Boys Disc
Boys Long Jump
Boys Pole Vault
Girls High Jump
Seated Shot

Final | May 29 & 30

Running Events

0:00 Girls 100H
0:05 Boys 110H
0:10 Girls 100
0:12 Boys 100
Seated 100
0:18 Girls 4x200
0:25 Boys 4x200
0:35 Girls 1600
0:43 Boys 1600
0:50 Girls 4x100
0:57 Boys 4x100
1:05 Girls 400
1:07 Boys 400
Seated 400
1:10 Girls 300H
1:15 Boys 300H
1:20 Girls 800
1:25 Boys 800
Seated 800
1:30 Girls 200
1:35 Boys 200
1:55 Girls 4x400
2:00 Boys 4x400

Field Events

Start 90min prior to running
Boys Shot
Girls Disc
Girls Long Jump
Girls Pole Vault
Boys High Jump



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2026 Division 1 Super Regional Track & Field Order & Timing of Events

Prelim | May 18 or 19*

Running Events

4x800 Semi^h
100H/110H Prelim
100 Prelim
4x200 Prelim**
1600 Semi**
4x100M Prelim**
400 Prelim^g
300H Prelim
800 Semi^h
200 Prelim^g
3200 Semi***
4x400M Prelim**

No Field Events

Notes:
*The prelim will be held on May 19 unless a conflict exists with the district meet. Please see the regional site list for dates and times for each site.
^hOnly if more than 16 entries
^{**}Only if more than 24 entries
^{***}Only if more than 32 entries
^gThere must be 25 minutes between the start of the first heat of the girls' 100M & the first heat of the girls' 400M regardless of if anyone is in both events.
^hThere must be 20 minutes between the start of the first heat of the girls' 300H & first heat of the girls' 200M if the 800 is not competed as a prelim regardless of if anyone is in both events.

Semifinal | May 28

Running Events

0:00 Girls 4x800 Final
0:15 Boys 4x800 Final
0:30 Girls 100H Semi
0:40 Boys 110H Semi
0:50 Girls 100 Semi
0:55 Boys 100 Semi
1:02 Girls 4x200 Semi*
1:15 Boys 4x200 Semi*
1:30 Girls 4x100 Semi*
1:42 Boys 4x100 Semi*
1:55 Girls 400 Semi
2:05 Boys 400 Semi
2:15 Girls 300H Semi
2:25 Boys 300H Semi
2:35 Girls 200 Semi
2:40 Boys 200 Semi
2:45 Girls 3200 Final
3:00 Boys 3200 Final
3:15 Girls 4x400 Semi*
3:35 Boys 4x400 Semi*

Field Events

Start 120min prior to running
Girls Shot
Boys Disc
Boys Long Jump
Boys Pole Vault
Girls High Jump
Seated Shot

Note:
^hRun as a three section semi final, if less than 24 teams are entered in the prelim.

Final | May 30

Running Events

0:00 Girls 100H
0:05 Boys 110H
0:10 Girls 100
0:12 Boys 100
Seated 100
0:18 Girls 4x200
0:25 Boys 4x200
0:35 Girls 1600
0:43 Boys 1600
0:50 Girls 4x100
0:57 Boys 4x100
1:05 Girls 400
1:07 Boys 400
Seated 400
1:10 Girls 300H
1:15 Boys 300H
1:20 Girls 800
1:25 Boys 800
Seated 800
1:30 Girls 200
1:35 Boys 200
1:55 Girls 4x400
2:00 Boys 4x400

Field Events

Start 120min prior to running
Boys Shot
Girls Disc
Girls Long Jump
Girls Pole Vault
Boys High Jump

14. District Sites, Managers, & School Assignments

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>

15. **Regional Sites, Managers, & Representation:** This information will be posted on the OHSAA website and is not included in this document. It can be found at <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/track/tournament-info>

16. **State Meet Schedule & Additional Information:** This information will be posted on the OHSAA website and is not included in the document. It can be found at <https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Track-Field/2026-Track-and-Field/2026-Track-Field-State-Coverage>

17. **Tournament Dates:** This information will be posted on the OHSAA website and is not included in the document. It can be found at <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/track/tournament-info>

18. Games Committee

- 18.1. A games committee at the district and regional tournaments 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. The referee will serve as chairperson, and majority rule will be followed.
- 18.2. A games committee at the state tournament shall be appointed by the OHSAA office, consisting of: Sport Administrator/DOD, Meet Manager, Three (3) Meet Referees, One (1) Head Field Judge, the Officials Coordinator, and two coaches as selected by the Sport Administrator. The Director of Officiating Development will serve as chairperson, and majority rule will be followed.
- 18.3. The games committee will be responsible for all duties as outlined in NFHS Rules unless those decisions have been outlined in the tournament regulations or manual.

- 18.4. The games committee will be responsible for all provisions of NFHS Track and Field Rules and may serve in an advisory capacity to the referee in any matters. This is subject to the discretion of the referee.
- 18.5. Games committee members are not required to meet in person. All business may be conducted via electronic communication unless otherwise needed.
- 18.6. Meet Managers and Games Committees do not have the authority to overrule the decisions of the referee.
- 19. Appeals & Jury of Appeals**
- 19.1. At the district and regional levels, there shall be no Jury of Appeals; the decision of the referee is final.**
- 19.1.1. If after discussion with the meet referee a coach is not satisfied with the ruling, coaches may file an appeal if they believe there has been a misapplication of a rule.
- 19.1.2. Judgement calls including starts are not appealable.
- 19.1.3. All appeals must be made in writing using the form provided at the meet within 30 minutes of the posting of results or announcement of the decision.
- 19.1.4. Officiating decisions are not appealable to the OHSAA office.
- 19.1.5. Appeal Procedure
- 19.1.5.1. Obtain appeal form from the Tournament Manager or Meet Referee.
- 19.1.5.2. Complete appeal form, sign and present to the tournament referee. Failure to complete the form in its entirety will result in it being denied
- 19.1.5.3. 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. This must be done BEFORE the conclusion of the meet.
- 19.1.5.4. The decision of the tournament referee is final and not subject to further review.
- 19.1.6. The Executive Director retains the right to rule on all instances involving ineligible participants
- 19.2. At the state championship ONLY, a Jury of Appeals will be used.**
- 19.2.1. The Jury of Appeals will be made up of five members: Director of Officiating Development (Chair), Officials Assignor, Meet Manager, and two coaches as determined by the OHSAA
- 19.2.2. Per NFHS rules, written appeals must be filed within 30 minutes of the announced result or officiating decision. Coaches should discuss the officiating decision with the meet referee prior to filing an appeal.
- 19.2.3. Per NFHS rules, only misapplication of the rules can be appealed.
- 19.2.3.1. Judgment calls and starts are not appealable. Appeals filed for judgment calls and starts will be automatically denied, and the jury will not be assembled.
- 19.2.4. The written appeal must include the rule number or page number from the NFHS Rule Book, Tournament Regulations, or Coaches/Officials Manual.
- 19.2.4.1. An appeal that is missing any information as per the above will be automatically denied, and the jury will not be assembled.
- 19.2.5. Only the head coach of a team affected by the decision can file an appeal. School administrators, parents, and coaches not directly affected cannot file an appeal.
- 19.2.6. Appeal forms will be available at the awards tent and should be returned to the awards tent.
- 19.2.7. For a properly completed appeal turned in during the 30min time frame to the awards stand, the jury will be assembled, and the referee will be given 5 minutes to detail the issue and decision. The appealing coach will then be given the same time to detail their reasoning.
- 19.2.8. The outcome determined by the jury is final and cannot be appealed again or to the OHSAA office.
- 19.2.9. The Executive Director retains the right to rule on all instances involving ineligible participants
- 20. Qualifying Tournaments**
- 20.1. Each district and regional track and field tournament is a qualifying tournament for the tournament that follows.
- 20.2. These tournaments are not preliminaries for the succeeding tournament.
- 20.3. The personnel of qualifying relay teams may be changed from one tournament to the next.
- 20.4. 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.
- 20.5. Individuals and relay teams who have qualified at a regional tournament automatically become eligible for participation in the state track and field tournament to which assigned.
- 21. Qualification To Each Level of The Tournament**
- 21.1. In the instance of a scratch by a competitor or relay team, in the second or third round of competition, the position previously held by the scratched competitor or relay team will be left open. The next best performance will NOT advance.
- 21.2. Divisions 2-5**
- 21.2.1. Qualification to The Regional Tournament:**
- 21.2.1.1. The first four individuals or relay teams in each event in the district tournaments shall qualify for their assigned regional tournament.
- 21.2.1.1.1. Only four qualifiers in each event shall be permitted to qualify from a district tournament to a regional tournament. All ties for advancing spots must be broken.
- 21.2.2. Qualification to State Tournament:**

- 21.2.2.1. The first **five** individual or relay teams in each event in each regional tournament will qualify for state tournament competition.
- 21.2.2.1.1. Only five qualifiers in each event shall be permitted to qualify from a regional tournament to a state tournament, excluding those selected per the at large process. **All ties for advancing spots must be broken.**
- 21.2.2.2. In addition, **the next three (3) best performances** statewide in each event (running and field events) will be advanced to the state meet. **Please see below for information on the approved tie-breaking measures for at-large qualifiers.**

21.3. Division 1

21.3.1. Qualification to State Tournament:

- 21.3.1.1. The first four individual or relay teams in each event in each regional tournament will qualify for state tournament competition.
- 21.3.1.1.1. Only four qualifiers in each event shall be permitted to qualify from a regional tournament to a state tournament, excluding those selected per the at large process. **All ties for advancing spots must be broken.**
- 21.3.1.2. In addition, the next two (2) best performances statewide in each event (running and field events) will be advanced to the state meet. **Please see below for information on the approved tie-breaking measures for at-large qualifiers**

21.4. When ties exist for at-large qualifiers:

- 21.4.1. In field events, the tie-breaking processes as outlined in the NFHS regulations will be utilized to break the tie.
- 21.4.1.1. If after applying the NFHS tie-breaking processes, the tie still exists for the final at-large qualifying position, all qualifiers with unbreakable ties will advance.
- 21.4.2. In running events, times to the thousandths will be used to break the tie.
- 21.4.2.1. If after comparing times to the thousandths, the tie still exists for the final at large qualifying position, all qualifiers with the unbreakable tie will participate in a runoff at the state championship for the final qualifying position. The time of said runoff will be decided by meet management.

*Note: A District Athletic Board may request permission from the Executive Director's Office to modify the quantity of advancers out of district meet(s) to the OHSAA to determine regional meet(s). This request can ONLY be made when the number of boys' qualifiers and girls' qualifiers within the same division in the respective athletic district is unbalanced. This request must be made in writing to the designated sport administrator and approved before being published.

22. Determining Qualifiers To The Finals & Semifinal (D1)

22.1. Divisions 2-5 District

- 22.1.1. In all running events at the district level consisting of semi-final heats, except for the 4x800MR, 800M, 1600M, & 3200M, the top eight (8) times will advance to the finals. Nine (9) cannot advance to the finals.
- 22.1.2. **For the 4x800MR, 800M, 1600M, & 3200M, the top 8 from each heat will advance to the final if 2 semi-final races are used.**
- 22.1.3. **For the shot put, discus, and long jump; nine performances, plus ties will advance to the finals**

22.2. Divisions 2-5 Regional

- 22.2.1. In all running events at the 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. Nine (9) cannot be advanced to the finals.
- 22.2.2. **For the shot put, discus, and long jump; nine performances, plus ties will advance to the finals**

22.3. Division 1 Super Regional

22.3.1. Qualifications for the Semifinal

- 22.3.1.1. **Top 16 performances advance to the semifinal in all running events being competed as a prelim.**

22.3.2. Qualifications for the Finals

- 22.3.2.1. **For the 4x800MR, 800M, 1600M, & 3200M, the top 8 from each heat will advance to the final if 2 semi-final races are used.**
- 22.3.2.2. **Top 2 from each heat and the next 4 (four) fastest times advance to the final in all non-distance (4x800, 800, 1600, 3200) events being contested as 2 (two) semifinal heats.**
- 22.3.2.3. **Top 2 from each heat and the next 2 (two) fastest times to the final in all non-distance events being contested as 3 (three) semifinal heats.**

- 22.3.2.4. **For the shot put, discus, and long jump; nine performances, plus ties will advance to the finals**

22.4. All Divisions State

- 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.
- **For the shot put, discus, and long jump; nine performances, plus ties will advance to the finals**

23. Checking Out of Field Events – District & Regional

- 23.1. The head field judge should identify any conflicts with athletes in field events and other events. They should speak with each head field event official to notify them of the conflict. Communication should also be made to the clerking team.
- 23.2. The athlete may check out of the field event:
- 23.2.1. A) No sooner than 5 minutes before the start of their race, when time schedule used. B) 3rd call when no time schedule is used.

- 23.2.2. The athlete may leave to check in sooner, with the permission of the head event official, as long as they immediately return to the field event after checking in at their other event. They then can return to that event: A) At the final call when no time schedule is used. B) 5 minutes before when time schedule used.
- 23.3. The athlete **MUST** return to the field event immediately upon the completion of their running event, no more than 5 minutes after the race.
- 23.3.1. When athletes are being taken to the podium, the officials **MUST** make reasonable accommodations related to the return time and allow more than 5 minutes if needed. The Head Field Judge must help coordinate the time needed at the podium to ensure minimal interruption to the event.
- 23.4. The athlete will be given a minimum 5-minute rest period upon return to the event before being called up or added back to the rotation. The rest period can be extended at the discretion of the head event official but cannot be shortened unless the athlete and/or coach requests or agrees to a shorter time.
- 23.5. If the athlete is in two field events at the same time, the head field judge will coordinate with both events and determine the best course of action to accommodate both events. Subject to approval from the referee. This may include the use of consecutive attempts.
- Note:** Officials should work with the athlete's coach to identify if going out of order or changing flights is a better solution.

*The games committee has the authority to modify these rules based on site specific logistical needs **after** receiving approval from the OHSAA Office.

24. Starting Heights, Progressions, & Minimum Distance Measurement Lines.

24.1. **District Tournaments**

24.1.1. "Minimum Measurement Distance Lines" **must** be used any time there are 34 or more athletes entered in a single gender for the Shot Put, Discus, and Long Jump.

24.1.1.1. The minimum distance will be set by the games committee by identifying the entry mark that can be achieved by 50% of those entered in the event.

24.1.1.2. All athletes shall receive one legal mark regardless of distance; this mark will be taken on their first legal attempt

24.1.1.3. When less than 34 athletes are entered, the games committee may choose to follow the above process.

24.1.2. More aggressive starting heights and progressions **must** be used anytime there are more than 24 athletes entered in a single gender for the High Jump and 18 in the Pole Vault.

24.1.2.1. The starting height will be set by the games committee by identifying the entry mark that can be achieved by 60% of those entered in the event.

24.1.2.2. Aggressive progressions can be used.

24.1.2.3. When less than the above listed athletes are entered the games, committee may choose to follow the above process or set starting heights of their choosing.

24.1.3. 1ft, 6in, & 4in progressions shall be used in the pole vault, 3in increments cannot be used. The games committee shall determine when to transition to each progression.

24.1.4. 2in & 1in progressions shall be used in the high jump. The games committee shall determine when to transition to each progression.

24.2. **Division 2-5 Regional**

24.2.1. Starting Heights

24.2.1.1. Both vertical jumps shall be at the lowest height that can be achieved by 80% of the field

24.2.1.2. Pole Vault: Must be at an even foot or 6" increment. If the lowest height is not at an even foot or 6" increment, the starting height should be at the nearest lesser increment.

24.2.1.3. High Jump: Must be at an even foot or inch.

24.2.2. Progressions

24.2.2.1. Pole Vault

24.2.2.1.1. 6" increments shall be used.

Notes: A) If needed, due to the starting height, 12" increments can be used for the first increment(s).

24.2.2.1.2. At an even foot, transition to 4" increments for the rest of competition. The games committee will determine when to transition to 4" increments. **3" increments cannot be used.**

24.2.2.2. High Jump

24.2.2.2.1. 2" increments shall be used.

Notes: A) If needed due to the starting height, 3" or 4" increments can be used for the first increment(s).

24.2.2.2.2. The games committee will determine when to transition to 1" increments.

24.3. **Division 1 Super Regional Field Events**

24.3.1. "Minimum Measurement Distance Lines" **must** be used for the Shot Put, Discus, and Long Jump.

24.3.1.1. The minimum distance will be set by the games committee by identifying the entry mark that can be achieved by 50% of those entered in the event.

24.3.1.2. All athletes will receive one legal mark regardless of distance, this mark will be taken on their first legal attempt

24.3.2. Aggressive starting heights and progressions **must** be used for the High Jump and Pole Vault.

24.3.2.1. The starting height will be set games committee by identifying the entry mark that can be achieved by 60% of those entered in the event.

24.3.2.2. 1ft, 6in, & 4in progressions will be used in the pole vault, 3in increments cannot be used.

24.3.2.2.1. At an even foot, transition to 4" increments for the rest of competition. The games committee will determine when to transition to 4" increments.

24.3.2.3. 2in & 1in progressions shall be used in the high jump

24.3.2.3.1. The games committee will determine when to transition to 1" increments.

25. Field Event Seeding Field Events will be seeded from worst to best.

25.1. High Jump & Pole Vault – Seeding in the vertical jumps should be lowest to highest

25.2. 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. Seeding in each flight/section will also be done worst to best.

25.3. District Meet managers will use entries from the approved OHSAA registration system to seed these events for the District Meets. From there, the advancement to Regional & State meet would use the results from the previous round.

Note: the use of this seeding does NOT prevent a meet referee from altering the order to accommodate an athlete participating in multiple events at the same time.

26. Running Event Seeding and Lane Assignments

26.1. NFHS Track and Field Rules will be the basis for seeding competitors and forming heats for all races.

26.1.1. Only time shall be used in the Division 2-5 District semifinal and the first round of the Division 1 Super Regional.

26.1.2. Time and place will be used for the Division 2-5 finals and the second/third round of the Division 1 Super Regional, per NFHS rules.

26.1.3. For the regional and state, place and time will be used for all rounds & races, per NFHS rule 5-6-5.

26.2. For the state championship at large qualifiers, in running events, will be seeded last using both place and time to determine their seed in relation to the other at large qualifiers and placed in the preferred lanes as 17 & 18 seeds in Division 1 and 16, 17, & 18 in Divisions 2-5. If an unbreakable tie exists between two large qualifiers in a running event, a coin toss will be conducted during the meet seeding to determine seed.

26.3. In the instance a semifinal must be canceled due to weather or other issues out of our control. The event will be reseeded per NFHS regulations as a timed final.

26.4. 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 per preferred lane order: 4, 5, 6, 3, 2, 7, 1, 8

26.4.1. At the state meet lane 9 will be the final lane in the preferred order.

26.5. 800m, 1600m, 3200m, 4x800 relay – the runners shall be assigned to the lanes based upon their seeded position and using the following per preferred lane order: A indicates inside lane positions, B indicates outside lane positions, C indicates second row inside positions, D indicates second row outside positions.

1 = 1A	17 = 1C
2 = 2A	18 = 2C
...	...
9 = 1B	25 = 1D
10 = 2B	26 = 2D

26.5.1. The above chart will be adjusted to reflect 9 (nine) lanes used at the state meet.

27. **3M Step back Line** All races that require a three-meter step back per the NFHS (800M, 1600M, 3200M, & 4x800M) **MUST** have a marking in each lane indicating where the athletes must stand before receiving the “on your mark” command. This mark must be three meters behind the appropriate starting line. Lines do not need to be painted on the track and can be added using chalk before the meet. If meet management has failed to add this line, the head starter and referee are authorized to add the marking as appropriate using chalk or tape.

28. **Discus & Shot Put Trials:** 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 allows for appropriate coaching opportunities between throws.

Note: The meet referee does retain the ability to allow consecutive attempts to accommodate an athlete to participate in multiple events happening at the same time.

29. **Throwing Implements** Throwing implements used in the shot put and discus shall be provided by the individual competitor or be school-issued.

All implements shall be weighed and gauged at the site and meet the minimum standards found in NFHS Rules. Competitors may use ONLY legal and approved implements in warm-up and competition. Athletes may not use implements that are less than the minimum specification or exceed the maximum specification (i.e. college implements) during practice/warmup since only NFHS legal and approved implements are acceptable.

30. Official Final Results for Field Events

30.1. 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.

30.2. At the state meet when Electronic Distance Measurement (EDM) is used in field events, the electronic data from the EDM system is considered to be "Officials Results" once approved by the Head Field Judge or Referee.

31. **Heat Sheets for Running & Relay Races** Heat sheets with relay lane assignments and athlete numbers **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.

32. **Scoring and Ties** NFHS Track and Field Rules shall apply. In field events, ties shall be broken by applying the specific procedures outlined in NFHS Track and Field Rules. **Ties for advancing positions MUST be broken**

33. **Live Results**

33.1. Only live results from the approved OHSAA registration system may be promoted within the venue in any capacity, including signage, video board, or PA announcements.

33.2. Live results from the approved OHSAA registration system **MUST BE used for all rounds of the tournament.**

34. **Starting Procedures/Electronic Starting Devices (ESDs)**

34.1. Starting in 2025, the use of electronic starting will be implemented at all three levels of the tournament (district, regional and state) per the implementation schedule listed below.

34.2. **Use of electronic start systems**

34.2.1. Any electronic starting device may be used that is fully integrated with the FAT system, produces a flash and a sound and is compliant with all NFHS Rules.

34.2.2. A minimum of two(2) speakers shall be used for district tournaments, three(3) are preferred. A minimum of three(3) speakers shall be used for the regional and state tournaments.

Note: Speakers positioned at the finish line for use by the FAT company DO NOT count as one of the speakers in the system. All speakers must be positioned to alert the runners. If the FAT contractors wishes to position a speaker at the finish line for their benefit, it shall be in addition to the number mandated.

34.2.3. All athletes must hear the starting tone simultaneously.

34.2.4. The sound projected from the electronic starting device must be tested to ensure each speaker reaches 90 decibels at 15 feet.

34.2.4.1. Timing companies must show that their systems comply with this regulation to meet management prior to being contracted. This may be done in a variety of methods, please contact the OHSAA Sport Administrator for more information.

34.2.5. Recalls for false or unfair starts must be done with a second firing of the electronic starting device by the starter and/or an air horn (**not** a starter pistol) by assistant starters.

34.2.6. The "tone" is the only allowed sound, the imitated gun sound shall **not** be used.

34.2.7. Final laps (as outlined in NFHS rules) must be sounded with a bell, horn or other item; a starter pistol **cannot** be used.

34.2.8. Electronic starting systems shall be provided by the contracted timing companies. It is not the responsibility of the contest officials to provide this system.

Note: A) Any timing company that works an OHSAA tournament commits to meeting the standard minimum requirements for technology needs. This requirement is in addition to the other needs as outlined in these regulations. **B)** In the instance the electronic starting system fails, other starting methods may be used that comply with NFHS rules or are approved by the OHSAA. **C)** Recommended speaker set up can be found on the OHSAA website.

35. **Determining Qualifiers in Case of Ties** If there is a tie in the event that would result in more qualifiers than permitted, refer to NFHS Track and Field Rules.

35.1. 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."

35.2. Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump; ties shall be broken according to NFHS Track and Field Rules.

35.3. High Jump and Pole Vault; the qualifier shall be determined according to NFHS Track and Field Rule via a mandatory jump off.

***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.

36. **Decisions**

36.1. Referees' decisions are final in all tournaments except for the details as outlined in section 19 of this document.

36.2. 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.

36.3. The Executive Director retains the right to rule on all instances involving ineligible participants

37. Awards

37.1. 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.

37.2. Tournament managers are responsible for the arrangement of award presentations. Presentations shall be conducted with proper respect and congratulations to all award winners.

37.3. Awards presented at the site of the OHSAA Track and Field Tournament must be approved by the OHSAA. **No awards other than those provided by the OHSAA may be presented at the podium.**

37.4. District Tournaments

37.4.1. The first-place team shall be awarded a district championship trophy. The runner-up team shall be awarded a district runner-up trophy.

37.4.2. No individual awards shall be issued

37.5. Regional & State Tournaments

37.5.1. 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.

37.5.2. **Individual awards will be presented to the top eight finishers of each event and shall be done on an awards podium or stage.**

37.5.3. **At the state championship ONLY, the OATCCC shall be allowed to present All Ohio certificates to student athletes at the podium.**

38. 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.

39. 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.

40. 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. One coach per team will be allowed in designated coaching areas. When feasible, it is RECOMMENDED that an area near the finish line (outside of the track) be provided for coaches who have athletes in the current race.

41. Access Restrictions

41.1. Spectators who access the competition area or other restricted areas will be removed from the facility with no refund issued.

41.2. Team Members who access restricted areas/competition areas without authorization, such as but not limited to the infield, are subject to the below policy:

- **First Offense:** Warning issued to the **TEAM**.
 - o The official will report the warning to the referee, documenting the time. The referee will then attempt to notify the head coach. The warning stands regardless of if the coach is officially notified. **The warning issued applies to the entire meet, if issued on the first day, it is applicable for day two or three.**
- **Second Offense:** Disqualification from the meet (ejection) for those accessing the restricted area.
 - o As the warning applies to the team, any member of that team is subject to disqualification for the meet
- **Third Offense:** Disqualification from the meet (ejection) for those accessing the competition area & disqualification from the event for any participating athletes.

Note 1: Those disqualified from the meet are subject to additional penalties in line with OHSAA policy.

Note 2: Per NFHS Rule 1, school administrators (athletic directors, principals, school administration, superintendents, etc.) are considered members of a team and, therefore, are subject to NFHS and OHSAA rules and enforcement of rules by contest officials and meet management. This includes NFHS rules on unsporting & unacceptable conduct and rules related to restricted areas such as infields/competition areas and interference.

- 42. Hurdles, Batons, & Starting Blocks:**
- 42.1. Sites cannot mandate the sharing of participating schools' equipment.
 - 42.2. Tournament sites may choose to mandate the use of provided or common starting blocks & batons. If common starting blocks and batons are used, they **MUST** be provided by the host site. When common starting blocks are used and Moyer starting blocks are not provided, the site must allow athletes to use their own Moyer block.
 - 42.3. Block holders shall be allowed.
 - 42.3.1. When block holders are provided, no participating athlete or coach may hold the blocks.
 - 42.3.2. When block holders are not provided, coaches and/or other athletes may be allowed to hold blocks. They must immediately leave the competition area once holding the blocks.
 - 42.3.3. Block holders shall not be required to sit down.
 - 42.4. A minimum of 20 hurdles **MUST** be made available to athletes prior to the beginning of the meet through the conclusion of the 400 for warm up purposes.
- 43. 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.
- 44. 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.
- 45. 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.
- 46. 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 OHSAA member schools
- 47. Prohibited Items**
- 47.1. Teams are prohibited from utilizing bicycles, scooters, and other wheeled transportation to move through the competition area; this is considered an illegal aid and, therefore, a violation of NFHS 4-6-5d. Teams and spectators alike shall not bring these items to the meet.*
 - 47.2. The use of air horns, bull horns (or other voice amplification devices), whistles, or other means to communicate pace or instructions to athletes by teams or spectators is prohibited as a violation of NFHS 4-6-5d.
 - 47.3. The use of drones by teams or spectators is prohibited anywhere in the area of the meet.
 - 47.4. Pets are not permitted at any level of the tournament. Please see the below link for the OHSAA policy on service dogs:
<https://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/SchoolResources/ServiceDogs.pdf>
 - 47.5. The presence of recreational equipment will not be permitted (frisbees, footballs, baseballs, softballs, etc.)
*Wheeled transportation, such as medical scooters or wheelchairs, are permitted when accompanied by a physician's note. Bicycles are not approved items for medical use.
- 48. Drones/ Unmanned Aerial Vehicles** The use of drones is prohibited for any purpose by any persons at OHSAA tournament contests. Tournament management shall remove anyone attempting to use a drone and/or confiscate the drone until the event has been completed. NOTE: An exception to this policy may be made in specific cases for OHSAA broadcast partners, provided the management of the tournament facility permits the presence of drones for broadcast purposes under the control of the OHSAA.
- 49. Lightning and Inclement Weather** [Please refer to the procedures as outlined in the NFHS regulations and OHSAA Coaches & Officials Manuals](#)
- 50. Paid Admission** Ticket prices shall be listed on the OHSAA website and are subject to change without notice. Please see the following link for current ticket prices: <https://www.ohsaa.org/sports/track/tournament-info>
- 51. Complimentary Admission – District, Regional, & State Tournaments**
Complimentary admittance 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, all admission is based on teams, not schools.

All teams receive admission for one (1) head coach plus one (1) additional coach for each specialty area listed below (jumps, pole vault, sprints/hurdles, distance, throws) when their team has entries in the specialty. Maximum six (6) per team					
Specialty	Jumps	Pole Vault	Sprints/Hurdles	Distance	Throws
Events in specialty	High Jump	Pole Vault	100, 200, 400 Dash	800, 1600, 3200 Run	Shot Put
	Long Jump		100, 110, 300 Hurdles	4x800 Relay	Discus
			4x100, 4x200, 4x400 Relay		

Note: Regardless of the number of complimentary admissions provided, each team will be given access for a maximum of one coach in each coaching box. Coaches in excess of the one allowed will be in violation of the access policy included in this document.

47.1 Athlete Admission

47.1.1 Only those athletes scheduled to compete at the respective level of tournament, and alternates as detailed below, shall be issued complimentary admission. This admission shall be granted for all days of the respective level of tournament.

47.1.2 **Relay Alternates:** The following allowance will be made for Relay Alternates for the OHSAA Track & Field tournament:

47.1.2.1 8 athletes would be allowed to be listed for relays

47.1.2.2 Each qualifying relay team will receive admission for **up to 6** (six) runners entered for each relay. **If fewer than six are entered in the relay, fewer than six will be admitted. Admission will be provided for alternates only if they are listed in the entry system for the meet or have been submitted via a change form by the deadline previously listed in the results.**

Note: Any alternate not listed will not receive complimentary admission, and a ticket will need to be purchased. Admission will be based on the names of the actual athletes entered in the meet. For example, if the same athlete is listed as an alternate on three relays, the team would receive one admission for the athlete, not three.

47.1.2.3 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.

52. **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 OHSAA prohibits live television or video streaming of tournament contests unless prior permission has been obtained.

53. FAT Regulations

53.1. District Recommendations

Item	Quantity	Notes
FinishLynx (or similar)	Two on separate systems	Can be on the same side of the track or opposite, recommended on opposite sides.
IdentiLynx (or similar)	One on the primary system	
Staff	Two	
Wing Gauge	Two, one each running and LJ	If manual, two non-officiating staff will be needed

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

53.2. Regional Mandates

Item	Minimum Allowed	Recommended	Notes
FinishLynx (or similar)	Two	Three on two separate system	Can be on the same side of the track or opposite, recommended on opposite sides.
IdentiLynx (or similar)	One on the primary system	One or more on the primary system	It's recommended that one of the staff members be dedicated specifically to recording field events, relay cards, etc.
Staff	Two	Three to four	
Wind Gauge	Two, one running and LJ	Two, one running and LJ	If manual, two non-officiating staff will be needed

54. Officiating Information

54.1. Officials assigned to the meet must come from the eligibility list provided by the OHSAA office. Non-eligible officials must not be used unless all eligible officials have been contacted and there is still a need for additional officials.

- 54.2. Officials' pay is per the schedule located in the official's manual. [This cannot be modified by a District Athletic Board or Meet Manager without permission from the OHSAA.](#)
- 54.3. [The Director of Officiating Development may adjust pay for officials for situations such as late arriving officials, officials out of uniform, or other needed changes.](#)
- 54.4. [Wing Gauge Operator, Head Finish Judge, Head Timer, Awards, or other positions not listed may not be in officials' uniforms or paid through the OHSAA as these are not officiating positions in the tournament. If a site does not meet FAT requirements the positions may be used.](#)
- 54.5. District Tournament Recommended Staffing of Officials:**
- 54.5.1. Officials assigned to the meet must come from the eligibility list provided by the OHSAA office. Non-eligible officials must not be used unless all eligible officials have been contacted and there is still a need for additional officials.
- 54.5.2. Officials' pay is per the schedule located in the official's manual. [This cannot be modified by a District Athletic Board or Meet Manager without permission from the OHSAA.](#)
- 54.5.3. Below are the recommended minimum and preferred number of officials.
- 54.5.3.1. The recommended minimum numbers provide minimum coverage of each area but leave a higher opportunity for error. Tournament Managers are encouraged to hire at least the recommended number of officials but are strongly encouraged to use the preferred staffing levels.
- 54.5.3.2. 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).

Position	Rec. Min.	Suggested	Notes
Referee	1	1	Would need to help cover exchange zones with rec. min staffing
*Head Field Judge	1	1	Does not have the authority to disqualify
Clerk	2	3	
Starter	2	2	Would need to help cover exchange zones with rec. min staffing
Head Umpire	1	1	Would need to help cover exchange zones with rec. min staffing
Head Discus	1	1	
Head High Jump	1	1	
Head Pole Vault	1	1	Would be working alone with rec. min staffing.
Head Shot Put	1	1	
Head Long Jump	1	1	
Umpire	3	8	
Discus	1	3	
High Jump	0	1	
Pole Vault	0	1	
Shot Put	1	2	
Long Jump	1	1	
Total	18	29	
IF FAT RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT MET			
Head Finish Judge	1	1	
Head Timer		1	
Timer	4	7	
Total WO/FAT	23	38	

* While many invitations use two referees (field and running), only one referee is allowed for OHSAA tournaments. A head field judge does not have the same authority as a meet referee. For more details on officials, see the Tournament Managers Manual.

Note: While the suggested numbers offer an adequate number of officials, there is always a margin of error, and mistakes/missed calls are always possible regardless of the number of officials assigned

54.6. Regional Mandatory Officiating Information

- 54.6.1. The minimum officials' number must be followed by all regional sites unless approved by the OHSAA office.
- 54.6.2. This minimum number of officials will provide coverage of each area but leaves a higher opportunity for error than the preferred numbers. Tournament Managers must hire at least the minimum number of officials required but are encouraged to use the preferred staffing levels.
- 54.6.3. If additional officials are available, but you cannot reach the preferred staffing numbers, it is recommended they be contracted and assigned in order of importance (1 umpires, 2 discus, 3 shot put, 4 long jump).
- 54.6.4. The preferred/maximum number of officials is an adequate number of officials to provide a fair and safe competition. Sites cannot hire more than the preferred/maximum numbers

Position	Min #	Per/Max #	Who Assigns	Notes
Referee	1	1	OHSAA	
Head Starter	1	1	OHSAA	
Starter	2	2	OHSAA	
*Head Field Judge	1	1	OHSAA	Does not have the authority to disqualify
Head Clerk	1	1	OHSAA	
Clerk	3	3	OHSAA	
Head Umpire	1	1	OHSAA	
Observer	1	1	OHSAA	Will not be in an uniform but has all access of an official
Announcer	1	1	Meet Mgr.	It is preferred that the announcer is an official; if one is not available, it can be a non-official. If a non-official is hired, they must be paid directly by the host site not as an official.
Head Long Jump	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Head High Jump	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Head Pole Vault	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Head Shot Put	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Head Discus	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Long Jump	1	2	Meet Mgr.	Officials assigned to this event cannot work the wing gauge.
High Jump	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Pole Vault	1	1	Meet Mgr.	
Shot Put	1	2	Meet Mgr.	
Discus	2	3	Meet Mgr.	
Zone Chief	4	4	Meet Mgr.	Consultation with the referee & head umpire is recommended before selection.
Umpire/Finish Marshall	1	1	Meet Mgr.	Is responsible for: 1) umpiring races as part of the zone, 2) for signaling when FAT is ready, 3) ensuring the time schedule is followed, 4) responsible for keeping the finish area clear.
Umpire	5	9	Meet Mgr.	
Total	33	40		Maximum and recommended numbers have been reduced.

* While many invitations use two referees (field and running), only one referee is allowed for OHSAA tournaments. A head field judge does not have the same authority as a meet referee. For more details on officials, see the Tournament Managers Manual.

Note: While the suggested numbers offer an adequate number of officials, there is always a margin of error, and mistakes/missed calls are always possible regardless of the number of officials assigned.

54.7. State Meet Officials

54.7.1. Shall follow the processes and procedures posted on the OHSAA website and in this document.

55. Tournament Manager Responsibilities

55.1. Tournament Managers shall be responsible for the proper organization and management of the track and field tournaments that they are managing. Tournaments shall be conducted according to the NFHS Track and Field Rules, the OHSAA tournament regulations for track and field and all other OHSAA policy documents.

55.2. The Tournament Manager shall notify the Data Manager that the results are completed and will electronically advance into the corresponding page hosted on the approved OHSAA registration system as well as the backup process. The complete results of the tournament shall be transmitted electronically immediately after finals are completed and **shall be transmitted prior to the FAT contractor leaving the site.**

55.3. Participation reports shall be transmitted to the OHSAA via email **within five days of the first round of the tournament.**

55.4. Fully completed bib replacement forms shall be transmitted to the OHSAA via email **within five days of the first round of the tournament.**

55.5. **All violation cards shall be transmitted to the OHSAA via email within 24 hours of the completion of each day.**

55.6. The financial report shall be filed with the OHSAA within 10 days after the tournament.

56. State Championship Regulations

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

56.2. **All coaches shall watch the state championship qualifying coaches' video by June 3, 2025 at 11:59pm. In addition, they shall review and obey the operational regulations outlined in the meeting information document. Both will be available at the following link. Failure to view the mandatory meeting by the due date will result in a \$50 fine.**

56.3. <https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Track-Field/2026-Track-and-Field/2026-Track-Field-State-Coverage>

56.4. Tournament Management

- Manager: Dave DeAngelo
- OHSAA Sport Administrator & DOD: BJ Duckworth
- Data & Technology Manager: Josh Bodner
- Officials Assigner & Coordinator: Rick Campbell
- FAT Operator: SEO Timing
- EDM Operator: Lightning Timing

56.5. Entries & Changes

56.5.1. Coaches must submit changes per the process and deadlines communicated by the OHSAA.

56.5.2. A list of qualifying athletes and heat sheets will be posted at a time announced by the OHSAA office on its website

56.6. **Expense Allowance for State Tournament** There will be no expense allowance given to competing schools, unless this provision is update at a later date by the OHSAA Board of Directors.

56.7. **Coaches Materials** Packet Pick-up information will be provided at a later date

56.8. **Stadium Walk Through** No stadium walk through will be available.

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

56.10. Shoes, Length of Spikes, Marking Materials, & Provided Items

56.10.1. If track spikes are worn, the maximum length permitted will be ¼". This applies to all events except the shot put and discus where spikes may not be worn

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

56.11. **Media** Credentials may be obtained by contacting Tim Stried, Media Relations Director, OHSAA, 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.

56.12. **Starting Blocks & Batons** All competitors are required to use the starting blocks and batons provided by the OHSAA. The only exception to this would be for those competitors who use a stand-up start and require the Moye starting blocks.

OHSAA Seated Events

56.13. Qualification to the state tournament will be based on meeting the minimum performance standard at a regular season contest **OR at the Regional Tournament**

56.13.1. In 2027, qualifications to the state tournament will be based on meeting the minimum performance standard at the district or regional meet **ONLY**.

56.14. Coaches of seated athletes shall verify that Meet Managers of meets (*utilizing approved qualifying results*) have submitted the qualifying results the approved OHSAA registration system and that they are properly listed as seated events

56.15. The deadline to submit **regular season** results will be (*11:59pm on the Sunday before the start of the Regional Meets*).

56.16. Coaches will enter their athletes into the seated state championship per the directions shared with them.

56.17. Advancers will be notified via email following the conclusion of the regional tournament.

56.18. All procedures as outlined in the seated athlete manual will be used for this competition.

56.19. Track event times **MUST** be FAT to be considered for the championship.

56.20. Advancement

56.20.1. **1-9 Competitors:** All all who qualified will compete in one section or flight on the day of the State finals.

56.20.2. **10 or more Competitors:** Multiple seeded heats will be held on Friday in semifinal competition by all who qualified to determine the top nine (9) qualifiers for finals. In the event that only 9 competitors appear/check in due to scratches or withdrawals, semifinal competition will not take place.

56.20.3. For the seated shot put, athletes will receive three preliminary attempts and three additional attempts in the finals. If there are nine or less competitors, all competitors will receive six attempts.

56.21. Events, Awards, & Scoring

56.21.1. 100 meters, 400 meters, 800 meters, Shot Put

56.21.2. One Division: All Divisions will compete against each other in one Division

56.21.3. Awards: Both boys and girls will be recognized with individual awards

56.21.4. Scoring: All seated events will be non-scoring in relation to team standings

56.22. Qualifying Standards:

	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'

Appendix B



Additional Information

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 and/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 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 OHSAA'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 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.

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

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.

Appendix C



FORMS

- Appeal & Bib Replacement Forms will be mailed to each site with their tournament supplies. You only need to print these if you run out.
- Participation forms will need to be completed and returned; copies will not be mailed.
- Record forms are not sent to schools, please print them accordingly.



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 and false starts are not subject to appeal and will not be considered.** Any form that does not reference the NFHS rule number or OHSAA manual/regulation 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

Time of Appeal: _____

Day of tournament (circle one):

1 2

3

Division (circle one):

1 2

3

4

5

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 and false starts 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 and false starts 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.





TRACK & FIELD and CROSS COUNTRY BIB REPLACEMENT FORM

Respect
THE
GAME

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM ASAP UPON IDENTIFYING A NEW BIB IS NEEDED!

Complete all information and submit this form to the timing team. New bibs will not be issued unless the form is signed.

School Name: _____ Division: _____ Date: _____

Coach Name: _____ Meet Location: _____

Athlete Information (Coach Complete)

Number Information (FAT Complete)

Last Name First Name Gender

Old # New #

1. _____

1. _____

2. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. _____

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9. _____

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10. _____

10. _____

By signing this bib replacement form, I understand that my school will be charged a **\$20 per bib replacement fee**. This fee will be billed to my school by the OHSAA office following the conclusion of the event. Failure to pay the fee may result in my team being prohibited from participating in future OHSAA tournaments.

Coach's Signature: _____

Timing Signature: _____

Note: This form should be submitted immediately following the meet to the sport administrator





2026 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 (alphabetic order)	#		School (continued)	#
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 (alphabetic order)	#		School (continued)	#
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 BJ Duckworth at the OHSAA as soon as the tournament has concluded:
Aholderman@ohsaa.org & bjduckworth@OHSAA.org. You may also send the school list as exported from HyTek



OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION TRACK & FIELD RECORD APPLICATION

State Tournament Record _____ State Interscholastic Record _____

Division _____ Boys _____ Girls _____ Date of Application _____

Please type or print all requested information and include all required signatures. **If this qualifies as a national record, you must also complete a National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Track and Field Record Application, which can be accessed from the OHSAA web site (www.ohsaa.org).**

In order for this record to be considered, it must:

- 1.) Be established in outdoor competition limited exclusively to high school contestants in a high school contest during the OHSAA approved season;
- 2.) Involve five or more high schools;
- 3.) Use fully automatic timing (FAT) for a track event, and
- 4.) Be within NFHS regulations for permissible wind gauge (anemometer) readings in the long jump, 100 meters, 200 meters and 100 or 110 meter hurdles. The current standard is that wind readings of 2.1 meters per second and above **will not** be considered for a record.

SECTION A.

Track or Field Event: _____

Record Time (**FAT only**), Height or Distance: _____

Name of FAT Operator: _____

Anemometer (Wind) Reading: _____ meters/second

Name of Meet where Record Set/Date: _____
(Date)

Location of Meet (City and State) where Record Set: _____

Print Full Name of Competitor(s) who Set Record (list all four names for relay event) and Include Grade(s) in School:

1. _____ (Name)	_____ (Grade)	2. _____ (Name)	_____ (Grade)
3. _____ (Name)	_____ (Grade)	4. _____ (Name)	_____ (Grade)

High School where Competitor(s) Attend: _____

City where High School is Located: _____

Signature of School Track & Field Head Coach, Principal or Athletic Administrator:

(Name)

(Position)

SECTION B. (Certification By Contest Officials)

I verify that the competitive conditions were in compliance with NFHS and OHSAA rules and regulations. All parameters above were met. For track events, the race course was measured in accordance with NFHS rules and found to be official. For field events, the implement used by the competitor plus all other equipment and the competition area were in accordance with NFHS rules and found to be official. I support the record application and recommend its acceptance.

Signature of Referee (running events only): _____

Signature of Field Referee (field events only): _____

Please complete and mail to:

Director of Information Services, c/o OHSAA, 4080 Roselea Place, Columbus, OH 43210

Following OHSAA Regional Tournament competition only, forms will be accepted by the OHSAA via fax at 614-267-1677, but a hard copy must also be mailed to the OHSAA Office.

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