### **GILMOUR ACADEMY**

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GILMOUR ACADEMY
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GLEN OAK SCHOOL
Founded 1969

Dear Coaches,

I hope you all are enjoying a pleasant spring. We here at GA are already preparing for next fall and the Gilmour Academy Paul Primeau Cross Country Invitational.

Last year was one of our biggest fields ever for the invitational, with over 900 runners competing. Our meet has become very competitive, with many top-tier teams and outstanding individuals. We are certainly thrilled with the success of the meet, and we are committed to making this year's event the best it can be. This year's meet will be held on Friday September 27, 2013. We hope that you will be able to attend.

This will be the **54**<sup>th</sup> **annual** running of the oldest continually-run cross country meet in the state of Ohio. The course is mostly flat and fast, and blends both wooded areas and open fields, finishing on our track in front of the football grandstand. We will be using automatic chip timing, similar to what is used at the state meet. Timers will be provided at the one mile and two mile splits. Registration will be through Baumspage.com, and more information will follow in August after we receive your confirmation.

Because of the overwhelming numbers of entries last year, we will divide the races into two divisions, based on OHSAA enrollment figures. The Gray division consists of Division I teams. The Blue division will be Division II and Division III schools. With the coming divisional realignment, if you are not sure which division you will be in this coming season, please indicate which division you think you will be in. We can adjust in the fall. **Teams with less than 5 individuals must compete in the open races. No exceptions.** 

As we did last year, teams will be allowed to enter nine (9) runners in the varsity race, but regular scoring rules will apply. The eighth and ninth runners will not displace runners from other teams. This will allow coaches to make decisions about line-ups as we approach conference and district championships. In addition, with added runners in the line-up, schools will be limited to <u>one team</u> in the varsity race.

#### The schedule is as follows

Blue Division Boys: 4:00 PM Gray Division Boys: 4:30 PM Blue Division Girls: 5:00 PM Gray Division Girls: 5:30 PM JV/Open Boys: 6:00 PM JV/Open Girls: 6:30 PM

#### 2012 participating teams that placed at the State Championships:

- Gilmour Girls (3<sup>rd</sup> in DIII)
- Mentor Boys (8<sup>th</sup> in DI)
- Bay Girls (8<sup>th</sup> in DI)
- Perry Boys (9th in DII)
- NDCL Boys (10th in DII)
- Independence Boys (10<sup>th</sup> in DIII)
- Solon Boys (11th in DI)
- Mentor Girls (12<sup>th</sup> in DI)
- North Royalton Girls (14<sup>th</sup> in DI)

Because of the strong response last year, we encourage you to get your entries in as soon as possible. Either e-mail me or return the attached form, and our athletic department will send your school an online contract via MyOHSAA. In order to have a safe, enjoyable race, we are limiting the field to the first 18 schools in each division that enter.

The cost will be \$125.00 for one team and \$200.00 for two teams.

We will have team trophies for first, second and third places in the varsity races and a trophy for the top team in the JV races. In addition, there will be individual awards for both varsity and open races, including plaques for the individual champions.

Please return the enclosed contract to indicate your participation by June 1, 2013 to ensure your spot in the meet. We hope to see you here!

Yours truly,

Matthew Lindley

Head Coach/Meet Manager

# 2013 Gilmour Academy Paul Primeau Cross Country Invitational

## **September 27, 2013**

Invitational.		_ will/will not	attend this year	's Gilmour Paul	Primeau Cross Country
Circle races:					
	Boys:	Varsity	Open	Girls: Varsit	y Open
		Division:	Blue (DII-	III) Gr	ray(DI)
Coach's name:					
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