

Dear Coaches,

First off let me apologize for all the changes each year with our Obenour Cross Country Invitational course. As I am sure you are aware here at Vermilion there has been a lot of additions to our campus. With these changes it has forced us to continue to change our course. With that said this being my 5th year we will be running our 3rd new course. I feel this course is our best and most safe course so far as we no longer have to cross the street and go on the other side of Sailorway Dr. and we have cancelled out crossing the in/out parking lot of where the buses park. My hope is that this will also be our final course for some time moving forward!

We have also decided to make a change to the format of our meet to allow for the opportunity for athletes on the same team to compete in the same race. We have decided to get rid of open races and create two division races, the PURPLE RACE will be for Div. II & III schools while the GOLD RACE will be for Div I schools. If a Div. II or III school would like to move up to Div I we will allow you to choose so, we just ask that you email us ahead of time so we place your school in the proper race. On the other hand a Div. I school CANNOT choose to move down to the Div. II & III race.

With the schools that attended last year this is the race times and what you would be running in:

8:30am - Girls Middle School Purple Race
9:00am - Boys Middle School Purple Race
9:30am - Girls Middle School Gold Race
10:00am - Boys Middle School Gold Race
10:30am - Girls High School Purple Race
11:00am - Boys High School Purple Race
11:30am - Girls High School Gold Race
12:00pm - Boys High School Gold Race

HS & MS PURPLE RACE (Division II & III): Perkins, Open Door, Firelands, Willard, Margaretta, Wellington, Brookside, Clearview, Vermilion, Oberlin, Lake Ridge Academy, Bay, Revere, Orange, Warrensville Hts, Fairview (MS), Buckeye (MS)

HS & MS GOLD RACE (Division I): Westlake, Medina, Elyria, Amherst, Midview, N. Ridgeville, N. Olmsted, Garfield Hts, Valley Forge, Rocky River (MS), Olmsted Falls (MS)

Awards will be as followed for all races

Team Trophies: 1st & 2nd place teams in each race
Individuals: 1st - 15th receive medals, 16th - 30th receive ribbons