JB Firestone Cross Country Invitational

Black River High School
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Black River High School will host the 2020 JB Firestone Cross Country Invitational on September 26, 2020 with races beginning at 10:00am. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic it is very important to note the additional changes and guidelines for this year's race. Cross country coaches: Please acknowledge your receipt of the COVID-19 guidelines. Athletic Directors: Please accept the contract on Arbiter. We are limiting race size to 16 teams or 130 runners per race. We may add a JV (open) race for both high school boys and girls.

Coaches must enter their athletes online using the website: www.baumspage.com Please enter athletes in the appropriate races on the website. The online window opens on Wednesday August 12, 2020. Deadline to enter athletes online is Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Results will be posted on the www.baumspage.com website at the conclusion of the meet. If you have any questions regarding the website you may contact:

Gary Baumgartner at 513-424-6201 or Terry Young at 740-753-0561

In an effort to be fair and impartial, submitting a roster to www.baumspage.com does not guarantee entry into the meet. Schools must accept the contract on Arbiter or contact the Black River Athletic department and be approved prior to submitting a roster.

There will be no one permitted in the high school building. All athletes, coaches, and spectators must use the restrooms located at the football stadium. There will be limited pre-packaged concessions. T-shirts will **not** be sold this year.

Due to OHSSA Recommendations we ask that you limit spectators to 2 per athlete and that social distancing practices be maintained at all times. All spectators, coaches and athletes are asked to wear masks/face coverings upon entering the Black River campus and course area.

Best of luck on your upcoming season and we look forward to seeing you on September 26, 2020. We have appreciated your support and cooperation in the past years and look forward to seeing you again in the future.

Thank you,

Colleen Briggs

CC Coach Black River High School

RACE SCHEDULE:

- We will be limiting the number of teams entered per race to 16 or 130 runners per race. Runners must be able to finish their race within 30 minutes.
- Officials will not call runners to the start line. It is the responsibility of the coach to ensure that their runners arrive to the start line no more than 5 minutes prior to the start of their race.
- There will be no coaches or spectators within 30 feet of the start line.
- Keep in mind, depending on the numbers we may start in waives and starting times may change.
- There is an additional race. The high school boys will have an open race to help spread numbers out. Top 7 high school boy runners will run in the varsity race and runners 8 and up will run in the open. Please update your rosters on Baumspage.com so that those who are not running are removed, this will help us get an accurate count.

10:00 AM	High School Girls (all runners)
10:30 AM	High School Boys Varsity (top 7)
11:00 AM	**High School Boys OPEN (runners 8 and up)**
11:30 AM	Middle School Girls (all runners)
12:00 PM	Middle School Boys (all runners)

AWARDS:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic there will be no official awards ceremony at the conclusion of the meet. Teams are encouraged to clean up their camp area and leave the campus when their last runner has finished their race. Results will be posted on www.baumspage.com at the conclusion of the meet. Team awards will be available for pick up or delivery at a later date.

ARRIVAL INFORMATION:

- Schools may begin arriving/checking in at 9:00AM.
- Each team will be assigned a number and team camp location.
- WATER WILL NOT BE PROVIDED AT THE FINISH LINE. Teams are asked to bring their own water to have for their runners at the finish line.
- Due to OHSAA recommendations we ask that you limit spectators to 2 per athlete and that social distancing practices be maintained at all times.
- All spectators, coaches and athletes are asked to wear masks/face coverings upon entry of Black River campus and course areas.
    - Athletes are not required to wear a mask/face covering while actively participating.
- There will be no spectators permitted inside the ropes of the finish line
    - Finish line representatives will be standing at the finish line to guide the runners that need assistance.