

August, 2020

Coaches,

We look forward to hosting you in the 26th annual **Circleville Kiwanis CC Invitational**. We had to make many modifications to be able to host this year's meet, but we're very confident in our ability to run a safe meet. The following information should help the meet run smoothly; pay particular attention to the information regarding entries and, of course, the COVID guidelines for teams and spectators. Be sure to share this info with your runners and their parents. If you have any questions, please contact me. We're excited to be able to give our kids an opportunity to compete and hope you are too.

When and Where: Sat., Sept. 5 on the campus of Circleville High School located at 380 Clark Dr., Circleville, Ohio 43113 and accessible from SR22 or Nicholas Drive.

Teams: Amanda Clearcreek, Bishop Watterson, Bloom Carroll, Circleville, Fairfield Union, Liberty Union, Logan Elm, Washington CH, & Westfall

Time Schedule

9:30 a.m. JH Girls (max 10 runners/team, only top 7 are scored, everyone eligible for awards)
10:00 a.m. JH Boys (max 10 runners/team, only top 7 are scored, everyone eligible for awards)
10:30 a.m. HS Girls (max 10 runners/team, only top 7 are scored, everyone eligible for awards)
11:15 a.m. HS Boys (max 10 runners/team, only top 7 are scored, everyone eligible for awards)

Entries: Entries will be done on Baum's Page. You need to register, claim your team, input your roster, and enter your team in our meet. **There will be NO runner additions on the day of the meet, so please ensure your roster is accurate before the entry deadline.** The entry window is open until Thurs., Sept. 3 at 9 p.m. **Late fees may be charged for late entries.** If you do have problems, email gary@baumspage.com.

Entry Fee: \$75/full team for each race or \$15/individual. Maximum fee of \$250 per school. **Entry fees are based on entries, not actual participation.** Send check to Chad Spradlin, Athletic Director, Circleville HS, 380 Clark Dr., Circleville, OH 43113.

Scoring/Results: Scoring/timing will be done by TriStateRacer. Results will be posted on www.tristateracer.com and Baum's Page. We will be using disposable chips this year (built into runners' bibs). This will allow runners to leave the finish area immediately after finishing the race, so we do not have any congestion in that area.

Course: The course is relatively flat with just a few small hills and strikes a good balance of being both runner and spectator friendly. The MS course is the same as last year with one small change behind the football field. The HS race is largely the same, though we did eliminate the west loop due to construction and lengthened the east loop around the athletic fields. **Course maps will be posted on Baums Page, and, as always, it will be well-marked on race day.**

Awards: Team: Trophy to the top team in each race.

Individual: 1st—champion resin trophy; 2nd-10th—medals; 11th-35th—ribbons

*****Individual awards will be placed into packets for coaches to pick up at the end of the meet.**

Buses: Team buses should use the driveway off Clark Drive and drop off teams at the back of the stadium. Buses will then park in this same area.

Concessions and T-shirts: Concessions will be sold by Circleville CC. T-shirts will not be sold this year.

Admission: Each team will be given one ticket per runner, which will be good for 2 people. These tickets must be presented to gain admittance to school grounds. **The ticket will be \$5.00.**

Thank you. We look forward to hosting you and your team.

Sincerely,

Bill Search, CHS CC coach (william.search@cvcsd.com)

COVID PROCEDURES

Please read and share with your runners and parents.

What we have done to promote safety and allow for social distancing:

- The number of teams has been limited to 9 with a max of 10 runners per team per race.
- The youth race and T-shirt sales have been eliminated for this year.
- The starting line has 12-foot starting boxes with 6 feet between each team's box.
- Runners are restricted from being in the area of the course other than during their race.
- We are using disposable chip timing and not handing out awards at the finish to avoid needing a finish chute/corral. Runners will be encouraged to leave this area as soon as they finish the race.
- Spectators are limited to 2 per runner.
- Spectators are restricted from being in the start/finish field and the stadium.
- Spectators are required to wear masks while on campus.

Guidelines for teams/athletes:

- All coaches should ensure their runners and coaches have had a temperature check and are symptom free before arriving at the meet.
- Team buses should use the driveway off Clark Drive and drop off teams behind the stadium.
- All team camps will be set up inside the football stadium. Please social distance from other teams and do your best to encourage it among your own team.
- Runners should not be on the course once races begin. If you want to scout the course, please do so before the MS girls race begins at 9:30 a.m.
- Runners can warm up on the track and in the areas west of the stadium.
- Runners should not report to the starting line until 5 minutes before their race (though please be there before the gun).
- There will be no check-in at the start, and runners are not allowed to do team huddles or runouts.

Guidelines for parents:

- Each team will be given one ticket per runner. The ticket will be good for 2 people only. These tickets must be presented to parking attendants to gain admittance to school grounds.
- **Tickets will be \$5.00.**
- **No passes will be accepted.**
- All spectators will wear masks over mouth and nose at all times and maintain 6 feet of social distancing. Spectators will perform a pre-COVID symptoms check and practice proper hand hygiene
- Spectators are not allowed in the stadium.
- The start/finish field will be fenced off with only runners, coaches, and meet personnel allowed inside. **Spectators are not allowed in the start/finish area.** Much of the race can be seen from the sidewalks outside this area (in fact, even more than in the past in the HS races).