

AD's & Coaches,

Thank you for participating in the 2019 Smithe Invite on September 3rd at the University of Akron Wayne College 1901 Smucker Rd, Orrville, Ohio 44667. Attached you will find the 2019 meet information. Please read all information carefully!

Entry Deadline

Due to the number of teams attending, we are going to use automatic timing again for this year's Smithie Invite. We will be using Baumspage again this year. **The Baumspage entry opens August 22nd at 7:00 am and the deadline will be Friday, August 30th at 7:00 pm. Please see the scorers when you arrive if you need to add/remove any of your runners.**

Races

Starting box numbers will be listed on your packet. Please make sure your team arrives at their starting box 10-15 minutes early for check in with the official. Bibs with the timing chip in them are being used; there will be a bib for each runner in your packet. Please make sure that your runner's number on the sheet matches their bib. Any errors could result in that athlete's disqualification from the race. Please collect your runners' bibs after their race and turn them in at the end of the chute.

Race Schedule

4:30 HS Girls
5:10 HS Boys
5:40 MS Girls
6:10 MS Boys

Parking

After dropping your runners off, please have your bus driver park in the far northwest lot.

Concessions & T-Shirts

Please let your teams and parents know that this year we will be offering t-shirts at a cost of \$15. Concessions such as water for \$1 and Gatorade for \$2 will be available.

Restrooms

We will have Port-a-Pots located near the main viewing area. Please direct your runners to use these and to avoid going into the school. **Runners should not need to enter Wayne College for any reason.** Thanks for your help in this matter!

Hydration

Please make sure your athletes drink plenty of fluids leading up to race day. Every year this meet seems to be on an extremely hot and humid day, and we want all runners to have a safe and enjoyable experience.

Awards

High School: The first 10 runners in each race will receive a medal. Places 11-20 will receive a ribbon. These awards will be handed out as the runner leaves the chute. The top 2 boys and girls teams will receive a team trophy.

Middle School: The top 20 finishers in each race will receive a ribbon as they leave the chute.
Trophies for the first place boys and girls team will be awarded.

We look forward to seeing all of you on Tuesday, September 3rd!
Please call me if you have any questions. Best of luck to your teams!

Thank You,

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