



TIFFIN COLUMBIAN ATHLETICS

300 S. MONROE STREET – TIFFIN, OH 44883

TC³ INVITATIONAL

(TIFFIN COLUMBIAN COVID CARNIVAL)

1. Thank you for entering the TC³ Invitational, being held Saturday September 12 at Hedges-Boyer Park (491 Coe Street).
2. Team buses must enter at the park entrance located on Coe Street. Team drop offs will be located inside the oval. Buses will then be directed to park in the National Machinery lot. Race packets will be delivered to coaches upon entrance. Race entrants must be verified at the registration tent immediately upon arrival.
3. In all team races, you are allowed to enter a minimum of five (5) runners, with a maximum of ten (10) runners. Those with less than five runners must enter the open race. If you have more than ten runners, those extra runners must enter an open race. One team per school per race.
4. We will be using baumspage again this year for entering your rosters. The entry deadline is Wednesday, September 9 at 9:00 PM. We will be using chip timing as we have in the past.
5. Results will be made available as soon as possible after each race. Coaches can get a finished packet at the scoring area to get results for their respective races. Open races will be displayed. Results will also be available at Finishtiming.com or on baumspage.com
6. Due to the current climate, individual and team awards will be delivered directly to the Athletic Directors of the respective runners, to avoid congregating by participants and spectators.
7. Apparel sheets have been delivered to each participating school prior to the event.
8. Please keep team tents and athletes away from the residential side of the park oval.
9. Runners will follow the white lines identifying the course route. Please help with spectators parking on or near the course.
10. A medical tent will be located near the finish line. However, a doctor may not be readily available
11. There will be NO elementary races at this Invitational.
12. Coaches are responsible for turning in runners' chips to the registration tent near the finish line. Schools will be billed for missing runners' chips, if not returned in a timely fashion.
13. **Spectators** will only be allowed to enter and exit at the Summit Street entrance (near YMCA). Admission is \$5 per carload. Masks, as well as the necessity of social distancing for spectators is strongly encouraged.



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Saturday September 12, 2020

Race Schedule(s)

Division A Races

8:00 AM High School Girls
 8:30 AM High School Boys
 9:00 AM Middle School Girls
 9:20 AM Middle School Boys
 9:45 AM [High School Girls Open](#)
 10:15 AM [High School Boys Open](#)

Division A Teams (13): Colonel Crawford, Calvert, Gibsonburg, Mohawk, Danbury, Woodmore Hopewell Loudon, Old Fort, New Riegel, Mansfield Christian, Fremont St. Joseph CC, St. Mary's Central Catholic, and Seneca East

Division B Races

11:00 PM High School Girls
 11:30 PM High School Boys
 12:00 PM Middle School Girls
 12:20 PM Middle School Boys
 1:00 PM [High School Girls Open \(Division B and C\)](#)
 1:30 PM [High School Boys Open \(Division B and C\)](#)

Division B Teams (13): Eastwood, Otsego, Lake, Genoa, Liberty Benton, Willard, Lakota, Wynford, Bucyrus, Huron, Van Buren, Edison, Oak Harbor

Division C Races

2:00 PM High School Girls
 2:30 PM High School Boys
 3:00 PM Middle School Girls
 3:20 PM Middle School Boys
 3:40 PM [Middle School Girls \(Division B and C\)](#)
 4:00 PM [Middle School Boys \(Division B and C\)](#)

Division C Teams (14): Fremont Ross, Columbian, Norwalk, Clyde, River Valley, Bellevue, Perkins, Port Clinton, Rossford, Fostoria, Sandusky, Vermilion, Shelby and Upper Sandusky (St. Michaels - Middle School only)

AWARDS: Team 1st, 2nd Place Trophies
 Individuals: 1st - 10th place will receive a plaque
 11th - 20th place will receive a medal

ENTRY FEES - includes entries in 'open' races

Boys' High School \$100
 Girls' High School \$100
 Boys' / Girls' Middle School \$50 (for both)

Please send payment to:

Tiffin Columbian High School
 Attn: Daniel Hartsel, Athletic Director
 300 South Monroe Street
 Tiffin, OH 44883



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As this current climate has proven, sporting events are not going to be like any we have seen before. Although contests are being held with new parameters, it is extremely important that all involved (coaches, student-athletes, staff members, and spectators) follow the guidelines set forth by the governing administrations. Although, we may not agree with these guidelines and recommendations, our student-athletes are getting the chance to compete because of them. It is imperative that we follow the guidelines / recommendations, do the best we can to make these events happen for our entire athletic programs.

TEAM ARRIVAL(S)

Teams and spectators should arrive no earlier than one (1) hour before your school's scheduled race. Small division teams can arrive any time after 6:45 AM. Upon arrival, teams will be greeted at the bus with their packets. Coaches and student-athletes are required to wear facial coverings. After exiting the bus, teams can set up their tents / camps outside of the oval. Please ensure that your team area is away from other team areas as much as possible. Team tents are permitted, given the amount of time between divisions, which will allow for tear down and move out prior to the next teams arriving. **SPECTATORS ARE NOT ALLOWED** in the team tent / camp areas.

GENERAL MEET GUIDELINES

Spectators must enter through the Summit Street entrance to Hedges-Boyer Park only. Admission is \$5 per car load. Upon arrival, spectators are **REQUIRED** to wear a facial covering and must maintain the proper social distance from others who are not within their family group. Signs will be posted and markings will be visible in high traffic areas (start, finish, etc.). Restrooms will be available in the form of porta-johns, that include hand sanitizing stations. Concessions will be available throughout the day.

Behaviors during the meet should be those that meet the guidelines and/or recommendations set forth by the Governor's office. Spectators are not permitted in team camp areas, and in the start/finish areas. Spectators are encouraged to cheer on all participants while maintaining proper distance from the course.

STARTING LINE PROCEDURES

The starting line is going to be the area of greatest change, and will follow the recommendations of the OHSAA and OATCCC. It is extremely important that coaches teach runners these expectations prior to arriving on Saturday. Teams are to arrive at the starting line approximately 5 -7 minutes prior to race time (officials will start races at the exact times scheduled). There is no need to arrive earlier, as there is not a pre-race meeting, there are no run-outs or walk-outs, and there are no team huddles/cheers permitted. We will be using a "laned" start for each race. Each team will be given a box number that will be included in your packet. Each starting box is 6' in length, and there is another 6' box that will not be used to the right and left of each team box. Inside each team box there will be white dots. There are two white dots at the front, two white dots 6' behind, and etc. Athletes are to stand on a white dot so they are socially distanced while waiting for the starter's commands. When race time reaches less than one minute away (most likely around 30 seconds), the starter will blow a whistle and runners in the back can then leave their white dots and move up closer to the starting line. Once runners have moved up and are motionless, the starter will signal the start of the race by firing the gun. After leaving the starting line, runners must stay in their team's respective lanes (which will be painted on the ground out to the trees where the course begins to funnel. After reaching the trees, there will be a cone signaling the "break," at which point runners can proceed to run the race like normal as there will be no further lanes.



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FINISH LINE PROCEDURES

Athletes will finish the race as they normally would while using chip timing. Upon finishing, runners should stay on their feet (unless they require medical attention), and move toward the back of the finish area. Athletes should NOT congregate and wait on teammates to finish, or high five and chat with others. It is understood that this is natural to do in our sport, but in order to follow the guidelines set forth by our leaders, this is prohibited. Please be sure to discuss with the athletes these procedures, and inform them that once they exit the finish area to please move away, and not stand outside of the exits. Spectators are PROHIBITED from coming into the finish area, and are asked to remain away from the area to avoid crowding.

AWARDS

Results will not be posted on the board as done in years past, nor will award winners be recognized on the podium. Paper copies will be printed and available for pickup by head coach only at the scoring tent, and results will be posted on Baumspage immediately after they are finalized. Awards will be delivered to the respective schools the following week, to avoid congregating by participants and spectators.