

2020 Columbiana Cross Country Meets

Columbiana will be hosting two Cross Country Meets during September (on the 8th and 22nd) as well as our 22nd Annual Clipper Invite. I've had to limit the number of Athletes that will be able to compete per school on Tuesday meets as well as the Clipper Invite. Below is information for our two Tuesday Afternoon meets and the Clipper Invite.

It is important to understand that it's early and these are very Preliminary thoughts, subject to change due to State or Local restrictions/guidelines that might occur in the weeks/month ahead.

Guideline/Restrictions that Columbiana will be following;

USATF; <https://www.usatf.org/covid19/logistical-information-and-guidance-for-event-directors-and-local-organizing-committees>

OATCCC; [file:///C:/Users/dlgro/Downloads/OATCCC%20COVID-19%20XC%20Return%20to%20Competition%20Official%20Recommendations%20\(2\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/dlgro/Downloads/OATCCC%20COVID-19%20XC%20Return%20to%20Competition%20Official%20Recommendations%20(2).pdf)

Please contact either me or Columbiana's AD Erin Heasley if you are interested in Competing on Tuesday September 8th, September 22nd or October 3rd. I will be able to give each of you what guidelines and restrictions we will have the Ward Athletic Complex for each meet.

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Dates of Hosting Tuesday Afternoon Meets

Tuesday September 8th, 2020

Tuesday September 22nd, 2020

***Clipper CC Invite, Saturday October 3rd, 2020, will have its own info and fees, as well as awards.

Races Distances

Middle School will compete on the 3K course

High School will compete on the 4K course

Maps are attached below of each course.

Each Division (MS Girls, MS Boys, HS Girls and HS Boys) will run their races in Waves, each wave with a maximum of 60 runners per wave. First wave will have each school's top 4 runners, the second wave will have each school's #5-8 runners. Visiting schools will only be allowed to have 8 runners, whoever, Wild Card Student-Athletes can be used if other competing schools have less than 8 runners per division.

The start of each Division's Second Wave will begin 5 minutes after the First wave starts. On the MS 3K course, there is just one loop, there is no worry of slower runners being lapped. On the HS 4K course, this will have two loops on the lower course, but with the staggered start, there should be no lappage during the race.

Starting Times -- Tuesday Meets

4:30pm -- High School Girls 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

5:10pm -- High School Boys 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

5:45pm -- Middle School Girls 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

6:10pm -- Middle School boys 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

Timing and Officials

Timing will be done with a FAT, using Chip Timing service by Josh Boggs and Second Sole. Josh has been timing our Summer Series the past 4 years and have been very successful with the numbers we have had in our Series the past years. **To cover the cost of Bibs that have a timing chip, Second Sole services and Registered OHSAA Officials, a fee of \$2.00/Student-Athlete from each school will be charged (Maximum of \$64.00 per school).**

Josh's system is able to time two separate races and then blend them together. Scoring can be done from the print outs at the end of each race.

Officials needed for the Tuesday meets will be 1) Starter, 2) Starting Line Coordinator/Clerk and myself who will work with Josh as a Finish Line Coordinator and scorer, as well as the Meet Manager/CC Course Official. I'm looking at the Clipper Invite for the number of Officials and looking at possible one more Official, to help with the scoring. Each Official (not including myself) will be \$45.00. -The role of the Starting Line Coordinator is to make sure the RIGHT

athlete is in the RIGHT wave. This will help Josh in the timing and myself in the scoring, we need accountability and cannot trust Kids or Coaches.

Team rosters must be submitted to Josh Boggs one week before each meet, with designated top four runners and designated second four runners, at josh@secondsoleohio.com

Limited Number of Schools

Hosting Tuesday afternoon meets on 9/8 and 9/22; each wave is at 60 runners -- 15 schools. Columbiana Schools have the first choice of competing in our Tuesday afternoon meets. We will open to other schools interested only after the Columbiana Schools have made a commitment to the two meets.

Social Distancing, Mask, Coaches and Parents/Fans

Following the guidelines set by the OATCCC, NCAA, State and Local Health Departments.

2020 Clipper Cross Country Invitational -- 22nd Annual

Saturday October 3rd, 2020

-Will be limited to 15/20 schools

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Starting Times -- Tuesday Meets

10:30am -- Middle School Girls 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

11:10am -- Middle School Boys 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

11:45am -- High School Girls 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

12:45pm -- High School boys 1st wave, 2nd wave 5 minutes later

Races Distances

Middle School will compete on the 3K course

High School will compete on the 4K course

Each Division (MS Girls, MS Boys, HS Girls and HS Boys) will run their races in Waves, each wave with a maximum of 75-80 runners per wave. First wave will have each school's top 4 runners, the second wave will have each school's #5-8 runners. Visiting schools will only be allowed to have 8 runners, whoever, Wild Card Student-Athletes can be used if other competing schools have less than 8 runners per division.

The start of each Division's Second Wave will begin 5 minutes after the First wave starts. On the MS 3K course, there is just one loop, there is no worry of slower runners being lapped. On the HS 4K course, this will have two loops on the lower course, but with the staggered start, there should be no lappage during the race.

AWARDS, ENTRY FEES for the 22nd Annual Clipper Invite

AWARDS

Middle school

team champion

team runner-up

plaques to top seven runners

medals to 8th to 25th place

ribbons to 26th to 50th place

High school

team champion

team runner-up

team 3rd place

plaques to top fourteen runners

medals to 15th to 30th place

ribbons to 31st to 60th place

ENTRY FEES high school (both boys and girls) \$75.00

middle school (both boys and girls) \$65.00

Both \$140.00

Unlike in the past, there will not be an Award Ceremony, all awards will be staged somewhere in or near the Facility where a Coach can collect the awards of his Athletes after results have been posted.