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LAST MINUTE BULLETIN 2023 Maryland State Indoor Track and Field Championships

Principals, Athletic Directors, and Coaches:

Congratulations on advancing members of your Indoor Track and Field team to the MPSSAA Championships on Tuesday February 21 or Wednesday February 22. The MPSSAA Indoor Track and Field committee realizes this is an exciting time for you and your student-athletes, schools, and communities. As you prepare for the championships, the committee would like to provide you with some information that will be helpful in answering the many questions you will receive as well as offer some information that will help make this a successful championship for all. Additionally, please remember to refer to the [MPSSAA Winter Tournament Bulletin](#) for additional information regarding the state championships.

I. **Venue Information** - The 2023 MPSSAA State Indoor Track and Field Meet will be conducted at the Prince George’s Sports and Learning Complex. **Doors will open to all teams at 2:30 PM each day.**

II. Schedule

All Classes		
2:30 PM - Teams may enter the complex		
3:30 PM - Coaches meeting		
4:00 PM - Meet begins		
Order of Running Events		
1. 55m HH semifinal – B,G	5. 1600m final – G,B	9. 55m final – G, B
2. 55m semifinal – B,G	6. 500m final – G,B	10. 3200m final - B
3. 4x800m relay final – G,B	7. 55m HH final – G,B	11. 4x200m relay final- G ,B
4. 300m final – G,B	8. 3200m final – G	12. 800m final - G, B
		13. 4x400m relay final-G, B
Order of Field Events		
SHOT PUT	HIGH JUMP	POLE VAULT (warm-up 3:00 PM)
GIRLS BOYS	GIRLS BOYS	BOYS GIRLS

III. Competition Information

A. Coaches' Packet

1. Coaches' team packets should be picked up at the Registration Desk located at the team entrance area (ground level) at back of the Prince Georges Sports and Learning Complex.
2. Contents include:
 - a. Relay Cards
 - b. Heat Sheets/Order of Events
 - c. Copy of School Entries

B. Alternates may attend; however, **extra athletes are not to accompany the team to the complex** due to the restrictions on the number of individuals permitted in the building.

C. Certified Athletic Trainers – The MPSSAA will staff the tournament with certified athletic trainers. All schools entered in the tournament agree to accept the recommendation of the medical professional assigned by the MPSSAA to cover the event. ALL coaches are reminded to bring their own medical kits with supplies for taping purposes.

D. Results will be posted and available at the conclusion of each race **online (<https://live.athletic.net/>)**

E. Awards

1. Within each classification, the top two teams will receive a team trophy.
2. Medals will be presented to the first three finishers in all events and ribbons to those placing fourth through eighth.

F. Points of Emphasis

1. Undesirable behavior by any of the school participants or non-participants shall be grounds for disqualification at the determination of the State Indoor Track Meet Committee. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action. ***In addition, refer to section labeled "Misconduct Detrimental to a Tournament" (page 37 in the current MPSSAA Handbook).***
2. Coaches are reminded that you set the tone for your team and are the foremost influential figures representing your school. Your coaching attire and actions should reflect a professional approach that signifies a respect for the game, respect for your school and respect for yourself. The coach, more than any other individual, can promote the spirit of sportsmanship and ensure that the tournament atmosphere is at the utmost level.
3. **The track and the infield are restricted areas and open only to meet officials, competitors in uniform and coaches with stickers in the coaching boxes. Stickers can only be obtained from the Event Official. Coaches in violation will result in disqualification of their athlete(s) from the contested event.**
4. **Student-athletes may warm up outside on the trails and grass areas until sunset (approximately 6 pm both days). The stadium is not available for warmups. A contracted coach must accompany any student-athlete who goes outside. After sunset all student-athletes must stay in the facility.**

IV. Team Logistics

A. Designated Team Drop-Off Area

1. All team buses should enter the Prince Georges Sports and Learning Complex off of Sheriff Road.
2. A designated team drop-off and pick-up area has been established in the back entrance of the Prince Georges Sports and Learning Complex to allow student-athletes to safely enter and exit their respective buses.
3. Coaches should instruct bus drivers to drive into the designated area and drop-off athletes. Bus drivers should then continue one-way out of the drop-off area and proceed to the designated bus parking lot as directed.
4. Coaches should have a contact number to call bus drivers 15 minutes prior to needed pick-up to return the same way and pick-up students. Teams should be ready when the bus arrives to leave. Buses will not be able to wait in the pick-up location.
5. Bus drivers should enter the same way they entered when drop-off teams when picking-up teams and exiting the same direction.

B. Designated Team Entrance – All team members and coaches must enter through the bottom entrance at the designated team drop-off area. **No participants or coaches, even those who self-transport, will be permitted to enter the admission gate area.** Only coaches who hold a current contract with a participating school system may enter with teams. Any outside club/personal coach must secure a ticket, enter through the spectator gate, and will not be allowed in the competition area.

1. PG County Sports & Learning complex has set a limit on the number of people in the building. The MPSSAA must report the team sizes to the complex. The “team traveling party” should consist of contracted coaches, participants in the meet (athlete and relay alternates), and a team manager. Schools are permitted 1 relay alternate per relay qualified.

C. Designated Team Seating Area - The State Indoor Track committee asks all participating schools to sit in the bleachers closest to the team entrance to reserve seating for spectators on the admission gate side bleachers. Team seating is NOT permitted at the finish line or middle section areas of the spectator seating. (Please see diagram on page 5).

D. Concessions will be sold in the upper corridor of the facility.

E. Souvenir State Tournament Merchandise – T-shirts, along with other championship apparel by PepWear will be sold on site. Only unsold merchandise will be available for online purchase at shop.mpssaa.org following the event.

F. Restrooms are in the upper corridor of the facility.

G. Each school is responsible for the clean-up of its area before leaving the meet.

V. Spectator Information

A. Parking and Directions – Spectators should enter the Prince Georges Sports and Learning Complex through the main entrance on Sheriff Rd. There will be three parking lots available for spectator parking. Vehicles parked in fire lanes and in restricted areas along Sheriff Rd. or at the Complex may be ticketed by Prince Georges County Police.

B. Admission

1. **Only online tickets will be sold through GoFan at tickets.mpssaa.org**
2. Admission Gates will open at 3:00 PM each day.
3. Admission is \$10.00 for adults and individuals 7 years of age and older.
4. There is NO re-entry after exiting the track area.
5. Complimentary Passes will only be granted to holders of neon yellow “MPSSAA Administrator/Coaches Pass”. A valid driver’s license must be presented along with each pass to identify the bearer. These passes are not transferable and only admit the bearer.
6. In the event the seating capacity for the venue is reached, a one-in-one-out procedure will be followed.

C. **MPSSAA State Championship Central** – Please see the MPSSAA [Indoor Track State Championship Central](#) for more information regarding the championships.

D. **Concessions** will be sold in the upper corridor on the restroom side of the facility.

E. **Restrooms** are in the upper corridor of the facility.

F. Spectators are prohibited from entering restricted areas of the track and facility. **The track and infield are restricted areas and open only to meet officials and competitors in uniform.** Failure to comply may result in removal from the facility.

Any further questions about the indoor track and field state tournament should be addressed to:

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Prince Georges Sports and Learning Complex

DESIGNATED TEAM DROP-OFF ROAD

DESIGNATED TEAM SEATING

**TEAM
ENTRANCE**

Meet officials, competitors in uniform, and coaches in the coaching boxes
permitted on the track and infield ONLY!

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TEAM/SPECTATOR SEATING

DESIGNATED SPECTATOR SEATING

SPECTATOR ENTRANCE

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RESTROOMS