2026 Joe Piane – Notre Dame Invitational

Meet Information - UPDATED 6/15/2026
Friday, October 2, 2026

Schedule:

10:00 am - Women's Blue Division - 5,000 Meters
10:40 am - Men's Blue Division - 8,000 Meters
11:20 am - Women's Open Division - 5,000 Meters / Men's Open Division - 8,000 Meters
12:00 pm - Women's Gold Division - 5,000 Meters
12:40 pm - Men's Gold Division - 8,000 Meters

Team Race Assignments:

- Blue Division race assignments are by Invitation only. To be considered for the Blue Division, please contact David Beauchem (850-228-1916 / dbeauch2@nd.edu). All other teams will be assigned to the Gold Division Race, unless the Open Division is specifically requested.
- We will make a final decision on the Open Division Races being separate or combined, as we get closer to the meet date. If we combine the Open Division to one race, we will adjust the Gold Division race times accordingly.

Entry Procedure:

- All entries must be completed online via Direct Athletics. Entries close Monday, September 28 at 5:00 pm (EDT).
- Teams may enter up to 15 Competitors.
- Unattached Entries should contact David Beauchem (dbeauch2@nd.edu) for a Direct Athletics Invitation for entry.

Team Limitations:

- Teams assigned to the Blue or Gold Division may compete up to **10** runners in their assigned race.
- Teams assigned to the Blue or Gold Division may compete additional **5** runners per gender in the Open Division race.
- Teams assigned to the Open Division may compete **15** runners in the race.

Entry Fees:

- $550 per gender, per team competing in the Blue Division or Gold Division. Entry fees can be paid prior to Packet Pick-up on DirectAthletics or at Packet Pick-up via cash / check.
- Please make all checks payable to: University of Notre Dame.
- Notre Dame Students with a valid Irish1Card & proof of fitness can compete in the Open Division Race for FREE.
- Individual Unattached Entries are accepted. The entry fee will be $30 per person, payable by cash or check at Packet Pick-up.

Packet Pick-up:

- Team Packet Pick-up will be located at the operations tent located near the finish line / timing trailer.
- Team Packets will be available during a portion of the course preview time on Thursday, October 1 and Friday, October 2.
- Entry Fees must be paid in full before collecting packets.

Declaration & Scratches:

- To properly facilitate the NCAA results reporting rules for "Did Not Start" / "Did Not Finish" please return bib numbers of scratched entrants to the packet pick-up tent, no less than 15 minutes prior to the start of your assigned race.

Course Inspection & Practice:

- The Cross Country Course will be available for Pre-Meet Workout from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm on Thursday, October 1.

Parking:

- Team and spectator parking will be located just north of Burke Golf Course on Door Road in Lot D6 North / D6 South.

Team Camps / Facilities:

- Team Camp / drop-off area will be located outside of the Golf Course (behind the starting line, just to the east).
- Team Tent Rental will be through AAYS Rental. Please submit the Team Tent Rental Form. The deadline to reserve a team tent will be Thursday, September 18.
- The Team Camp Area should only be Team Personnel and Competitors.
- All Team Tents need to be 10'x20' or smaller. If you're bringing your own Team Tent and it is larger than 10'x20', please let me know. I will need to have it registered with Campus Facilities.

Sports Medicine:

- Athletic Trainers will be available 90 minutes prior to the first race, until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the final race.
- Athletic Trainers will be located in the tents just South of the finish line.
- Any additional medical questions can be direct to our Allison Marlatt (agawinsk@nd.edu).

Timing:

- Timing will be conducted by **Prime Time Event & Race Management, LLC.**

Questions and Further Information:

- Please contact Director of Operations, David Beauchem at (850-228-1916 / dbeauch2@nd.edu) for any further questions.
- Please contact Associate Athletics Communications Director, Kevin McMahon (kmcmaho9@nd.edu) for media questions.

Future Dates:

- Friday, October 1, 2027 / Friday, September 29, 2028

as of 8/18/2026