





2015 CROSS COUNTRY SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

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2015 CROSS COUNTRY TOURNAMENT

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & INFORMATION	DATES	TOU	RNAM	ENT D	IRECT	ORS	
Entry Deadline: Date when entry must be posted electronically by the school's Athletic Director. After this date, a late fee of \$30 per individual; \$300 per team/max	Monday, November 9, 2015 @ 11:59 pm - on Direct Athletics site All entries will then be posted on MIAA website by noon on Tuesday, November		el Mea	gher			
If school fined for a late fee, this must be paid prior to next MIAA CC/TRK Divisional Meet. Any school not paying the fine is ineligible to participate.	10, 2015	West/	/IcCaul				
Cut-off Date	November 9, 2015	I om S	Stewart				
Final Deadline: Date and time after which no entries will be accepted by the Tournament Director	Wednesday, November 11, 2015 @ 12:00 <i>Noon</i>	EMass	s – Ord	ler of th	ne race:	s for	ļ
Tournament Date:	Saturday, November 14, 2015	next 5 years (see page 3):					
	E – Wrentham Developmental Center	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'18
	C - Gardner Municipal Golf Club	B-3	G-4	G-3	B-4	B-3	B-4
	W - Stanley Park	B-2	G-5	G-2	B-5	B-2	B-5
All State Championship:	Saturday, November 21, 2015 @ Stanley	B-1	G-6	G-1	B-6	B-1	 B-6
(2015 to be held in West)	Park	G-3	B-4	B-3	G-4	G-3	G-4
	<u>Faik</u>	G-2 G-1	B-5 B-6	B-2 B-1	G-5 G-6	G-2 G-1	G-5 G-6
(2016 to be held in Central)	1	B-6	G-1	G-6	B-1	B-6	B-1
(2017 to be held in East)	If a tournament postponement is necessary	B-5	G-2	G-5	B-2	B-5	B-2
All State Meet is held on the 3 rd	for any reason, a notice will be posted on	B-4	G-3	G-4	B-3	B-4	B-3
Saturday in November.	the MIAA website: www.miaa.net	G-6	B-1	B-6	G-1	G-6	G-1
	No postponement notice means the meet	G-5	B-2	B-5	G-2	G-5	G-2
	will be held as scheduled.	G-4	B-1	B-4	G-3	G-4	G-3
	Will be field as selleduied.						

The following must be committed:

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	DEADLINE:
MIAA Official Entry Blank(Boys & Girls) – <i>Through Direct Athletics</i> –Website: www.directathletics.com	November 9, 2015 at 11:59 pm – any entry after this date must be through the Tournament Director - you will be locked out of site.
Team Sportsmanship Nomination	October 30, 2015

Direct Athletics Process:

- 1 Each school must have a user name and password for Cross Country, Indoor Track, and Outdoor Track. You need to set this account up as soon as possible, and must be done by Fri., 10/30 at the latest for all Cross Country Teams. Schools have the option of setting up one account for all three seasons, or separate accounts for each season. Athletic Directors with input from their coaches should make this decision. If you already have a Direct Athletics account for your team/school, you do not need to create a new one.
- 2 Contact information: The coach must be listed as the contact. Each tournament director will have access to this information. Please do not list the school Athletic Assistant or Secretary, as this will delay the process when an issue arises or last minute information is needed. Information should include current e-mail and phone number(s), the number should be accessible beyond school hours, since most meets occur on weekends.
- 3 Rosters need to be updated as the season goes along, this will make the entry process go smoother at the deadline time.
- 4 Once your entries are completed you must print out a copy of your entries and check for accuracy. You will make updates and be able to edit changes up to the deadline. After the deadline there is still the MIAA late entry fee process that is listed in the MIAA Cross Country Format (\$30/athlete). *Entry deadline is Monday, November 9, 2015* for Cross Country. After this date, any late entries must be done with the Tournament Director.
- 5 Cross Country Each school only has to enter maximum of 10 names (you can enter less); you do not have to declare which 7 will run.

NO MOUNTAIN BIKES ARE ALLOWED AT ANY OF THE FACILITIES.

Races will be set up as follows:

E. MASS - The Order of the Races

9:00 a.m. Boys' Division 3	10:45 a.m. Girls' Division 2	1:05 p.m. Boys' Division 4
9:25 a.m. Boys' Division 2	11:10 p.m. Girls' Division 1	1:35 p.m. Girls' Division 6
9:50 a.m. Boys' Division 1	12:15 p.m. Boys' Division 6	2:00 p.m. Girls' Division 5
10:20 a.m. Girls' Division 3	12:40 p.m. Boys' Division 5	2:25 p.m. Girls' Division 4

C. MASS – The Order of the Races (2016:B2,1,G2,1: 2017:G1,2, B1,2; 2018:G2,1, B2,1)

1:00 p.m. Boys' Division 1	2:00 p.m.	Girls' Division 1		
1:30 p.m. Boys' Division 2	2:30 p.m.	Girls' Division 2		
Runners may go over the course <i>only on Friday, November 13th</i> after 2:00 p.m. or on the day of race				
before 12:45 pm. Please keep off the greens.				

W. MASS – The Order of the Races (2016: G1,2, B1,2)

1:00 p.m. Girls' Division 2	2:10 p.m. Boys' Division 2			
1:35 p.m. Girls' Division 1	2:45 p.m. Boys' Division 1			
Runners may go over course any time during the week or weekend. Please first report to the complex.				

- 2. Each school may list ten (10) boys/girls, seven (7) of whom will be allowed to compete. The first five (5) boys/girls to finish will score for their schools. Five (5) boys/girls must leave starting box and finish for a team to score.
- 3. **Divisional Placement** See MIAA Fall Tournament Alignments for 2013-14 through 2016-17.
- 4. Athletes should come dressed in proper school uniform, (school colors jersey and shorts) ready to compete. The Uniform Rule will be strictly enforced. In case of inclement weather the Tournament Director MAY modify the Uniform Rule.
- 5. Entries: ALL ENTRIES WILL BE DONE VIA DIRECT ATHLETICS. Entries must be received by the Tournament Director by end of day on November 9, 2015. Any entries received after this date will be considered a late entry & there will be a fee of \$30.00 per individual; \$300.00 per team/maximum, and must be entered with Tournament Director. FINAL DEADLINE: Absolutely no entries will be accepted after: 11/11/15 at Noon.
- 6. Numbers should be distributed only to the seven (7) actually competing. All numbers should be pinned securely on the front of the jersey. The tear-off tags should not be pinned. EMASS & All-State will have a chip attached to number.
- 7. A plaque and certificates will be presented to each Team Champion and Team Runner-Up. Medals will be awarded to the first fifteen- (15) finishers in each race.
- 8. All teams must have adult representation in control of participants at all times. Such representation must be an employee or designated representative of the school district. If not the coach, representative must have written designation from the school principal.
- 9. The meet shall be run under the rules of the National Federation Track & Field Rule Book except as modified by the MIAA.
- 10. **Finality of Decisions** The referee's decision in all matters shall be final and without appeal except in those meets for which a Jury of Appeals has been established for that special purpose. The Jury of Appeals (3 officials and 2 coaches) then will have the final authority. In order to have an appeal processed a coach must submit the appeal in writing to the referee within thirty (30) minutes after the results are announced.
- 11. **Medical Coverage** A licensed athletic trainer, physician, physician's assistant, certified EMT, or nurse practitioner will be available at all MIAA Divisional and State Cross Country Meets. The MIAA will compensate for this coverage at these sites.
- 12. **Awards Ceremonies** –In the East the awards ceremonies will begin at approximately 10:30 and continue (once the results have been verified) in the same order as the races were run. In Central, West and All-State, will be done at conclusion of final race.
- 13. **All State Meet** –Teams qualifying will be posted on MIAA website. If listed you are in, no further information will be sent.
- 14. Ties in team scoring shall be resolved by comparing the sixth-place finishers from the tying teams. The team with the best sixth-place finisher shall prevail. If one team does not have a sixth-place finisher, the team with the sixth-place finisher shall prevail.

NOTES ON STATE CHAMPIONSHIP – TO BE HELD AT <u>STANLEY PARK</u> ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2015 Open for viewing at any time.

NO MOUNTAIN BIKES & NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED.

Two Divisions of Boys (Large - Division I), (Small - Division II) Two Divisions of Girls (Large - Division I), (Small - Division II) In each division - 19 teams and 50 individuals will compete.

State Meet Qualifications:

Eastern MA: Boys and Girls - (Div. I - Large Schools)

Top four (4) teams from Division 1, 2 & 3 sectional
Top ten (10) individuals from Division 1, 2 & 3 - not on one of the qualifying teams
One - 5th place team with best time from Division 1, 2 or 3 – (Wildcard)

Eastern MA: Boys and Girls (Div. II - Small Schools)

Top four (4) teams from Division 4, 5 & 6 sectional Top ten (10) individuals from Division 4, 5 & 6 not on one of the qualifying teams One - 5th place team with best time from Division 4, 5 or 6 – (Wildcard)

Central & Western MA: Boys and Girls

Top three (3) teams from Div. I sectional and top ten (10) individuals not on those teams qualify for the Division I (Large School) State Championship Title.

Top three (3) teams from Division II sectional and top ten (10) individuals not on those teams qualify for the Division II (Small School) State Championship Title.

- 1. The races will be held on Saturday, November 21, 2015
- 2. Starting Times:

Girls' Division 2 - 11:00 a.m. Boys' Division 2 - 12:20 p.m. Girls' Division 1 - 11:40 a.m. Boys' Division 1 - 1:00 p.m. (2016: G1,2 B1,2; 2017: B2,1 G2,1; 2018: B1,2 G1,2)

Awards Ceremony Approximately 1:45 P.M. at the conclusion of races

3. A plaque and medals will be presented to the winning Team Champion and Team Finalist in each division. Medals will be awarded to the first fifteen- (15) finishers in each race.

Responsibility of Participating Schools - All schools are responsible before, during and after a contest for the proper conduct of their coaches, students and spectators and, when requested, a school must complete a report regarding the contest in which a problem occurred.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS:

East:Central:West/State:Michael MeagherPete McCauliffTom Stewart

The Fourteenth Annual Ted Dutkiewicz Team Cross Country Sportsmanship Award

co-sponsored by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association and the Massachusetts State Track Coaches Association.

This award is to be presented to the high school cross-country program in each division (boys & girls) that exemplifies the sportsmanship qualities of the late Ted Dutkiewicz, former cross country and track coach at Springfield Central High School. Mr. Dutkiewicz was an active member of the M.S.T.C.A. executive board and was the MIAA Western Mass Cross-Country meet director.

One of his great desires was seeing that high school cross-country was conducted in a fair and equitable manner with sportsmanship the goal that all athletes and coaches should keep foremost in their minds.

Kindly consider celebrating your cross-country team's successes by promoting this prestigious sportsmanship award. Please assist in directing this communication to your varsity cross-country coach.

The presentations of these awards will be made to the most outstanding sportsmanship programs at the MIAA sponsored Divisional Championship Meets:

Central Boys: Div. 1, 2

בעסג ביטעא. 1-6 East Girls: Div. 1-6 Central Girls: Div. 1, 2 West Girls: Div. 1, 2 School ___ Section: _E__C__W_ Division: 1 2 3 4 5 6 Gender: Boys' Girls' (must circle section, division & gender) City/Town: Phone Fax Principal_____ School Phone ___ Athletic Director _____ AD Phone & email Coach Email Captain(s) Name(s) ____ Please describe why you think this team should be considered for this prestigious award. List specific examples of acts of sportsmanship or community service that might help the committee with its selection. Athletic Director's Signature Date ____ Date Coach's Signature

Nominations must be received by October 30th

Please feel free to attach any further data to this application.

Mail to: Kristen Hoar-Polizzotto, 47 Harvard St., B305, Charlestown, MA 02129

West Boys: Div. 1, 2