

March 2, 2024

Coaches,

Thanks for your interest in the 2024 Ben Robertson Invitational on Saturday, March 2nd. I am very excited about the level of competition we will have competing this year! Please make sure your entry fee is paid prior to the meet. Make checks payable to Mesquite ISD Athletics. Entries will be due at 3:00pm on Sunday, February 25th through Athletic.net. After receiving entry invitation from athletic.net, please follow entry instructions on the site. If you have any questions, call (774)-641-0179 or email Jmalone@mesquiteisd.org. Any questions about entries, please send to Alex Figert – afigert@mesquiteisd.org. Please be sure both teams receive this information if necessary.

Meet Information

- Varsity & JV Boys/Girls; All Finals.
- Scratch meeting will be at 8:15 AM in the locker room at the South end of the track.
- Lunch will be provided for the coaches.
- Concessions will be provided.
- The cost is \$250 per Varsity team and \$200 per JV team. The cost for all 4 divisions is \$600

Please mail all entry fees to:

Mesquite ISD Athletics

c/o Cindy Jennings and/or Karen Davis

Re: Ben Robertson Invitational

3819 Towne Crossing

Mesquite, TX 75150

- *Please make payment in the form of a check or cashier's check.
- Make payable to MESQUITE ISD Athletics.

General Guidelines

- Please use objects other than tape for markings on track and runways.
- 1/4 inch spikes only.
- UIL rules will apply concerning jewelry and dress for all events.
- We will pool all shots and disc.
- Camps are to be located in or underneath the visitor bleachers. (Opposite the press box)

Concerns

- We will also need to have a total number of athletes, coaches and support
 personnel for our security measures. Coaches will need to pass out
 wristbands to the team members before entrance to the stadium will be
 granted. Each person on your team must have a wristband for identification
 as a member of your team.
- All drop offs and pick-ups by SCHOOLS and PARENTS will be on the eastside parking lot of E.H. Hanby Stadium. All athletes will enter and leave from the same southeast drop off area of E.H. Hanby Stadium. Please let your coaches, athletes and parents know of these changes to our security measures.
- We ask that you please help us by patrolling your camp area for discipline and clean up.

Order of Events:

8:15 - Scratch meeting/Weigh In (scratch or substitute)

Entries need to be in by 3:00 pm on Sunday February 25th.

9:00 - Field Events - # of flights will depend on # of entries

3 throws & 3 horizontal jumps for JV and 4 for Varsity (All finals);

10:30 - 3200 m Run (1 Heat per division) JV Girls, Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

The track will open for handoffs at the conclusion of the 3200m Run

11:30 - Meals will be provided for coaches in the locker room located at the South end of the track.

12:30 - Running Finals - All running finals will begin after field events have been completed (no preliminaries)

(Running order will be the same for each event – JV Girls, Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys)

400 M. Relay

800 M. Run

100/110 M. Hurdles

100 M. Dash

800 M. Relay

400 M. Dash

300 M. Hurdles

200 M. Dash

1600 M. Run

1600 M. Relay

Format of Field Events

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9:00 - Shot Put – Men (V/JV)

Discus – Women (JV/V)

Triple Jump (North Pit) – Men (V/JV)

Long Jump (South Pit) – Women (V/JV)

High Jump – Men (5'2" JV/5'4" V)

Pole Vault – Women (6'0") Together

10:30 - Shot Put – Women (V/JV)

Discus – Men (JV/V)

Triple Jump (South Pit) – Women (V/JV)

Long Jump (North Pit) – Men (V/JV)

High Jump – Women (4'2" JV/4'4" V)

Pole Vault – Men (8'0") Together
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Any questions about entries please send to me or our meet director Randy Wilson at **afigert@mesquiteisd.org**

- Scratch Meeting and Implement weigh-in will be held in the locker room at the south end of the track.
- Meal will be provided for all coaches. Concessions will be available for fans and athletes.
- Trophies for team 1st place and medals will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in each event
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- All drop offs and pick-ups by SCHOOLS and PARENTS will be on the east side/visitor side parking lot of E.H. Hanby Stadium. All athletes will enter and leave from the same southeast

- drop off area of E.H. Hanby Stadium. Please let your coaches, athletes and parents know of these changes to our security measures.
- Parents will not be allowed on the field at all for field events except for Shot Put, Discus, and Pole vault. All other parents/spectators will watch from the main stands.
- Shot Put and Discus check in and events will be located across the street from the Stadium. See map.
- Concession stands will be open for athletes under the visitor stands.
- Only athletes currently participating in field events will be allowed on the field while participating. All other athletes will need to be in the stands until they are called to come warmup. They will not watch from the field. Need to keep them spread out and away from the other schools the best we can.
- After the completion of the meet, awards will be on the given out in the southwest track locker room next to the finish line.

E.H. Hanby Stadium: 410 East Davis St Mesquite, TX 75149

- UIL rules will apply concerning dress for all events.
- No tape or chalk will not be allowed w/ the exception of high jump may use tape.
- We will pool all legal shots and discus. Check in and Events across the street at the 9th grade Fieldhouse. Crossing guard will be used for spectators and athletes.
- Camps are to be located in the visitor bleachers. (Opposite the press box). Please help us by patrolling your camp area to monitor, maintain, discipline and keep the area clean.
- Kids will not be allowed on the home side of the stadium for any reason
- Parents are only allowed on the field to watch Pole Vault, Shot Put, and Discus only.
 Others will be from the stands. No food or drink on the track. No drinks with color on the turf (only water)
- Warm-ups will not be allowed on the infield except for the 2 mile and jumpers. At the conclusion of field events, warmups will be on the southside of the stadium under the covered pavilion.
- Field Events- Varsity and JV participants will have 3 attempts
- Once Field Event competition begins, we will be on a rolling start for all other flights and divisions.

- All running events will be timed finals with entries being seeded by time. Please make sure to include the times on your entry forms to make sure the best athletes are competing against each other.
- No jam boxes or radios will be allowed. Headphones are OK.
- Students wanting to watch the track meet must have a student ID to purchase a ticket to enter the track meet UNLESS they enter with their parent. They will not need a Student ID if they are with their parent. They may use technology to pull up their ID if they do not have a physical ID. (Coaches inform your athletes, parents and school admin).

HANBY TRACK MEET PLANS AND PROCEDURES:

NO FOOD OR DRINKS OTHER THAN WATER ARE ALLOWED ON THE TRACK OR TURF FOR ANY REASON. THIS INCLUDES COACHES. ALL HEAD COACHES ARE EXPECTED TO MONITOR AND ENFORCE THIS WITH THEIR ASSISTANT COACHES AND ATHLETES. (FOOD, GUM, SEEDS, ETC...SHOULD BE KEPT IN THE STANDS AT ALL TIMES.)

DROP OFF & PARKING

Please drop off all athletes and park busses on the <u>Visitors Side South Gate</u>. Athletes will only be allowed to enter and leave out of this gate. If leaving early, parents will need to check athletes out from this same visitor side gate. Head Coaches should leave your cell phone number with the gate worker so they may communicate with you if needed. (Example – if you are having food delivered for your team – they can call or text when it arrives.)

CAMPS

All camps will be in the visitor stands and your teams area will be assigned and marked off for you when you arrive. No athletes may camp under the bleachers unless we have weather. Due to our District protocols, we want to be able to keep an eye on all kids to ensure that protocols are being followed (Please do not allow your athletes to block the walkways or doorways under the stands.

In the bleachers, TENTS will ONLY be allowed in the top 10 rows. <u>Coaches should check in on their camp area often</u> and teams should have a coach assigned to monitor their athletes in the stands at all times to ensure procedures <u>are being followed.</u>

ATHLETE ASSIGNED AREA

Athletes **will not** be allowed on the home side of the stadium for any reason. The athlete's area will be restricted to the visitor side stands. The restrooms and concession stands will be open on this side of the stadium. Please inform them about the open concessions stand prior to attending so that they can bring money as needed.

Coaches will need to help monitor their athletes on the visitor side. Athletes and coaches will be given wristbands as they enter the south gate that will allow them to enter into the athlete area. No one will be allowed in this area without a wristband as this will help us ensure that athletes and spectators remain separated. Please minimize the number of non- competitors who normally travel with you. Example, children, student managers/athletic trainers, etc....

WARMUPS

Warm ups will Not be allowed in the infield except for the Field Events and 3200m.

All warmups will be on the grass on the south side of the stadium at the conclusion of the shot and discus.

The North end of the Stadium is off limits and is designated for Mesquite High Athletics.

The Athletic Trainers tent will be stationed outside of the track near the finish line and the event check in location.

TRACK SURFACES & MARKERS

No tape or chalk of any kind will be allowed.

The high jump area is the only area that we will allow ATHLETIC TAPE ONLY!

Please have athletes pull up their mark once they are finished with the HJ.

Tennis balls or flat rubber will be allowed at all other field events and on the track. The inside lane is permissible for removable markers for relays. Please ensure your athletes pick up their markers at the end of each race.

FIELD EVENTS

Coaches are allowed to watch in the area of the venue. Coaches boxes will be established for you to watch and talk to your athletes. The athletes must come to the coach during competition. All venues will open for warmups, 45 minutes before the scheduled start time. Parents may come watch Pole Vault and Shot, Discus Only in the assigned area on the South Side Temporary Bleachers. All other jumps must be watched from the stands.. *Only athletes currently participating in an event need to be on the field. All others need to watch in the stands.*

RUNNING EVENTS

Coaches must watch from the stands. Only adults allowed on the field will be Finish Line Clerks, Timers, Curve Judges, and Exchange Judges and each will be in their designated area. MISD coaches will come on the field to set up hurdles and then return to their area. MISD will provide 3 student block setters. No other students other than the athletes who are on the track will be allowed on the field for any reason.

BAD WEATHER EMERGENCY PLAN

In the event of inclement weather, you are to take shelter, either in the designated safe shelter place at MHS, or on your bus.

PLEASE INFORM YOUR ATHLETES AND COACHES OF THE STADIUM RULES BEFORE YOU ARRIVE SO THEY BETTER UNDERSTAND THE EXPECTATIONS FOR OUR MEETS HERE IN MESQUITE.

