

Cross Country (D1-4 & D4-33)



Location: DeWitt High School, 13601 Panther Drive, DeWitt, Michigan 48820

Directions: Enter campus on Panther Drive from Clark Road. (Coming from I-69, take exit 85 to DeWitt, head south on DeWitt Road, turn right onto W. Clark Road, turn right onto Panther Drive. Buses will be asked to drop off student-athletes at the High School entrance then proceed down the service drive and park at the Middle School.)

Date: Friday, October 25, 2019

Schedule: Girls run first in odd years; Boys run first in even years.

1:30 PM	Course open for running, walking, and viewing
3:00 PM	D4 Varsity Girls
3:30 PM	D4 Varsity Boys
4:00 PM	D4 Awards
4:00 PM	D1 Varsity Girls
4:30 PM	D1 Varsity Boys
5:00 PM	D1 Awards

Packet Pickup: Coach's Packets with competitor bibs, pins, and appeal forms will be available at the check-in table located by the bus drop-off zone.

Course Map: The course map is available on Athletic.net. A limited number of maps will be available on race day. Please forward them on to your parents or print and distribute them in advance.

Teams: The following teams will be attending:

D1-4: Ann Arbor Skyline, Battle Creek Central, Battle Creek Lakeview, Brighton, DeWitt, Dexter, East Lansing, Grand Ledge, Holt, Howell, Jackson, Lansing Everett, Lansing Waverly, Okemos, Pinckney, South Lyon, South Lyon East

D4-33: Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner, Bellevue, Brighton Charyl Stockwell Prep, Dansville, Fowler, Genesee, Genesee Christian, Lansing Christian, Livingston Christian, Morrice, Novi Christian Academy, Portland St. Patrick, Saranac, Webberville, West Bloomfield Frankel Jewish Academy, Whitmore Lake

- Meet Manager:** Please direct questions and concerns to the meet manager using this contact information prior to meet day. On meet day, the meet manager (or representative) will be available at the finish line. Michael Brya, Athletic Director, bryam@dewittschools.net, (517) 668-3143
- Meet Officials:** Referee – Dan Peabody
Starter – Mike Nestell
Timer/Scorer – Chuck Block, Michigan Running Foundation
- Rosters:** Rosters and Master Eligibility must be submitted by October 11, 2019. Please email to Michael Brya, Athletic Director, at bryam@dewittschools.net.
- Opt-Out Date:** Schools not intending to participate in the Regional Meet must inform the Meet Manager and the MHSAA by October 11, 2019. Email to bryam@dewittschools.net.
- Entries:** Each school is permitted one team in the Varsity Race. In accordance with MHSAA policy, entries are comprised of a roster submitted via **Athletic.net** online entry system for the meet. If you have not done so, create a free account on Athletic.net. Enter your Regional into your schedule. Click on that meet and then go to "Register Athletes." Please enter **ONLY** your **top seven (7) student-athletes** per MHSAA Tournament Information. (Late changes can be made on meet day.) **Entries are DUE by 10/19/2019 at 6:00 PM (EST).**
- Regional Meet Electronic Entry Materials and instructions for on-line entry are on the MHSAA Website. Entry information must be placed online no later than 6:00 PM (EST) on Oct. 19, 2019 for LP at www.athletic.net. **Late entries** – A \$50 late fee must be paid to the Meet Manager before the contestant or team will be allowed to participate. The \$50 late fee shall be retained by the host school. There can be no late entries after the team starting line positions have been determined. Late fee checks should be made out to Dewitt High School.
- Disclaimer:** MHSAA Regional Cross Country information may be found online at MHSAA.com under the Cross Country page. The MHSAA Participating School Tournament Information and the MHSAA Cross Country Manager's Manual will be used to administer this Regional meet.
- * Please have your athletes to the starting line 10 minutes before the scheduled start of their race.**
- Team Tents:** There is plenty of room for team tents. The Team Tent area is on the Southeast grass cove between the high school and the cross country course tree line. Please keep your tents and tarps within this area. **Absolutely no teams will be allowed to set up camp along the course straightaway, the soccer fields, nor the awards area.** Please remind your student-athletes that they are on school grounds and therefore should remove all trash from their area at the end of the meet.
- Uniforms:** Please remind your athletes that MHSAA rules governing uniforms & temporary adornment shall be upheld. Watches and jewelry is allowed.
- Coaching:** Per MHSAA mandate, coaches are NOT allowed to use any transportation aids such as bikes, scooters, etc. to move around the course.
- Pets:** **NO PETS ALLOWED** at Regional or State Championship meets. Please advise your cross country enthusiasts and families of team members.
- Awards:** The Award Ceremonies will take place in the grass cove Southwest of the high school. Medals are awarded to the top 15 places in each Varsity race; 7 medals and a team trophy to the championship team from each division. If a student-athlete is not present for the awards ceremony, their coach should pick-up all medals earned before departing; medals will NOT be mailed.
- Scoring:** All events will be scored using Athletic.net. Traditional cross country scoring will be used. Runners will be given a number to wear on the front of their singlet. The number includes a tear off section at the bottom. Please check this for accuracy and report any mistakes to the scoring table located near the school marquee.

Results: Final results will be available for coaches 15 minutes after the completion of each race. A copy will be posted on the backside of the school marquee, near the awards area. The results will also be submitted to the MHSAA and Athletic.net for publication on their websites. Results will be posted. There will NOT be printed copies.

State Meet: **(A) Team Qualification** – The top 3 teams automatically qualify for the state championship meet. If a school has 4 athletes placing in the top 20 places at the Regional meet AND is the 4th place team in the meet then that school will be listed as the FOURTH team qualifying to the State Meet from our region (there must be 8 COMPLETE teams competing in that race).

(B) Individual Qualification – All medalists, who are not members of a qualifying team, shall qualify as individuals to the State Meet. If your team (or individuals) qualify to the State Meet be sure to pick up your State Meet packet prior to departing. State Meet packets will not be mailed.

Appeals: The Head Referee will be the final authority on judgments and interpretations of the rules. A Board of Appeals will be called if deemed necessary by the Head Referee and the Meet Manager. The Board of Appeals will consist of a men's head coach and women's head coach. If called, please respond immediately. All decisions by the Appeals Board will be final. Judgment call made by officials may NOT be appealed.

Security: Coaches please inform your athletes NOT TO LEAVE BAGS OR PERSONAL ITEMS UNATTENDED FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME. It is preferred that student-athletes leave "gear bags" at their team camp or on the bus. Meet personnel are instructed to pick up stray bags throughout the duration of the meet.

T-shirts: A limited number of event-specific merchandise from E. A. Graphics will be available.

Concessions: Concessions will be available.

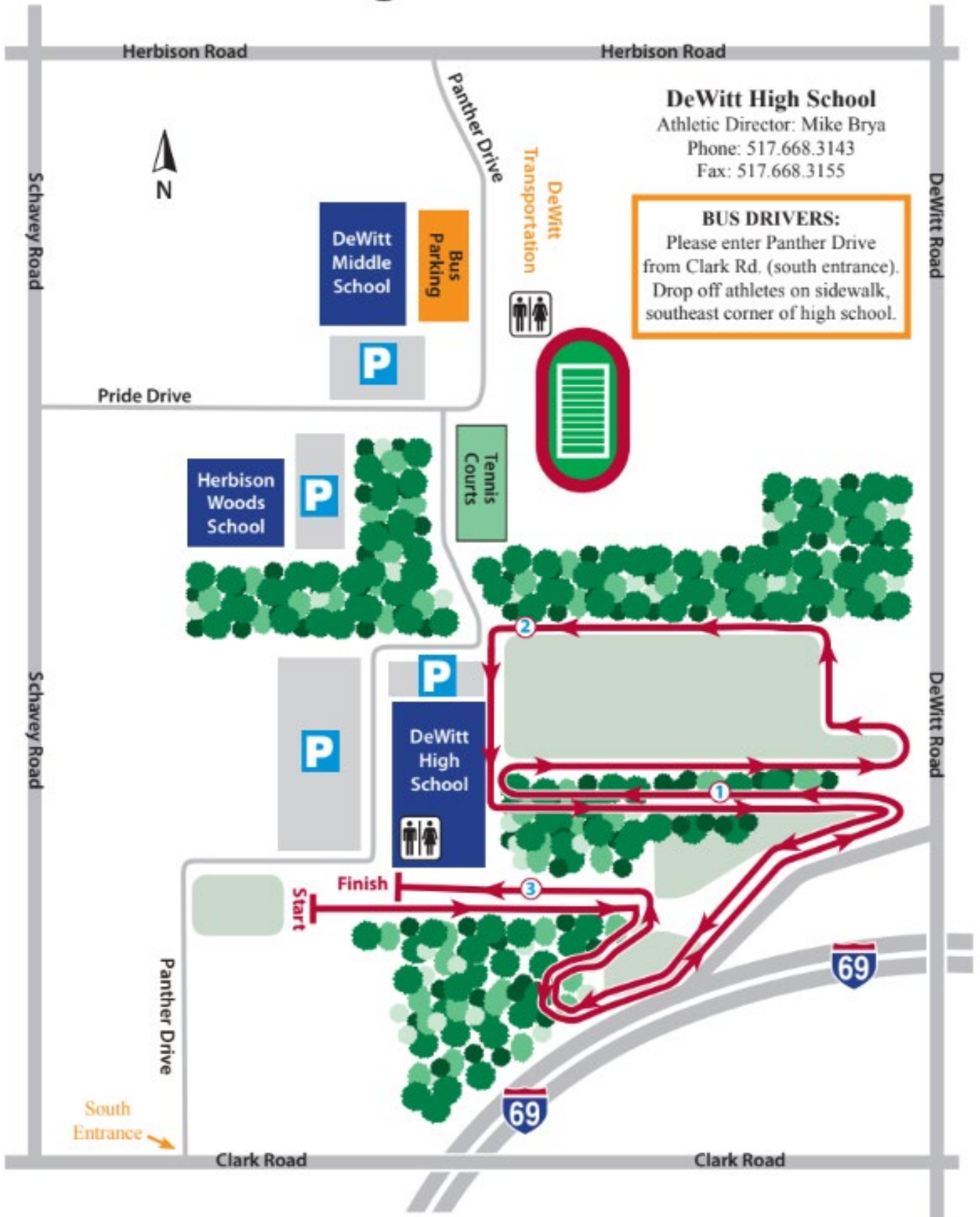
Medical Needs: There will be an athletic trainer on site, as well as EMTs. Ice and water will be available at the finish line.

Additional Information:

- Spectator admission fee is \$10 per vehicle (except buses). Cash only.
- Please set up your team tents in the designated area. Don't make our volunteers or meet officials ask you to move. It's a hassle and annoyance for coaches, student-athletes, and meet personnel.
- Please warn parents NOT to crowd the finish area. It will be roped off, but this does not stop a determined parent. Please try to monitor your people so that they do not interfere with staff working at the finish line.
- Ask your athletes to collapse after they exit the chute as it makes everything a lot easier for our finish line workers. (They just ran 5000 meters, walking 50 more should not be an issue.)
- Coaches, please enter runners that are capable of being competitive in a Regional race. It is a tight time schedule and waiting for non-competitive runners who are jogging the race places a real strain on the schedule. Results cannot be computed until the last runner has crossed the finish line. (A good reference point would be girls that cannot finish in under 30 minutes and boys that cannot finish in under 25 minutes.)
- Please make parents aware that meet officials will not deal with any protest lodged by a parent. Meet officials will work with coaches only.

Good Luck to all runners and coaches!!

DeWitt High School XC Course



MHSAA Regional Championship Meet

Hosted by DeWitt High School

13601 Panther Drive
DeWitt, MI 48820

Friday October 25, 2019

Spectator Information Sheet

- The first race is the D4 Girls and begins at 3:00 p.m.; D4 Boys will run at 3:30 p.m.
- The D1 Girls will begin at 4:00 p.m., and D1 Boys will run at 4:30 p.m.
- Schools will enter a maximum of seven (7) runners and a minimum of one (1).
- Spectator admission fee is \$10 per vehicle (in lieu of \$6 per person) and will be collected as spectators enter campus. CASH ONLY.
- Please park in designated spaces only and do NOT park on the grass;
- Please do NOT park in the Shadybrook neighborhood off Panther Drive.
- No pets are allowed. Animals or pets shall not be permitted to enter MHSAA tournament venues; including spectator and team areas. However, properly marked or documented service animals which are leashed or harnessed at all times may accompany spectators paying admission and attending with other approved team or school personnel. Individuals who bring service animals are asked to bring their own waste disposal bags and request special seating in advance of the event if this is needed.
- The Start/Finish line is located on the North Side of DeWitt High School.
- Some bleachers will be available near the finish line for those who can't stand for long periods of time.
- Portable restrooms will be available will be available outside.
- Individual spectators and teams participating in MHSAA Tournaments are prohibited from streaming live video of any portion of an event over the Internet—including using social media platforms like Periscope and Facebook—or any other method.
- Use of alcohol or tobacco, including e-cigarettes or other smoking devices, is prohibited at MHSAA tournament events by players, coaches, and spectators.
- The use of unmanned aerial vehicles (“UAV”), also known as drones, is prohibited for any purpose by an persons at MHSAA tournament venues.
- Spectator Policies: The following general policies apply to spectators at MHSAA Cross Country Tournament events.
 - Air horns and whistles are not allowed.
 - Body paint is not allowed.
 - Recorded music may be played prior to the meet in the team area. (The volume must be such that it is not disruptive to those around the team area.)
 - Spectator Videotaping – Spectators may tape the event from their normal seating area but are not to interfere with the view of other spectators or news media personnel covering the activity. A manager is not required to provide electrical hook-ups; or tripod space and may arrange spectator videotaping from a designated location(s).