

**ZEELAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

May 19, 2008

**To: Qualifying Schools
MHSAA Division 2 Track and Field Finals**

The Zeeland Public Schools are honored to host the Division 2 Track and Field Finals on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at Zeeland Stadium on the campus of Zeeland East and West High Schools. This is the second year as host to the Final, however given the pristine condition of our facility, we are confident you will enjoy a very positive experience. We have compiled this packet of information to ensure that all involved will feel comfortable during their visit to Zeeland. We ask coaches to cooperate with our staff in keeping a safe and efficient operation throughout the day.

All qualifiers will be submitted electronically from the Regional Meet Manager and posted on the MHSAA website. Please follow instructions to verify/correct all entries.

Please review the parking plan carefully for the team bus and van area. Each qualifying team received a parking pass which must be displayed to assure admittance into the parking area. All spectator parking is in the West lot next to the stadium across Riley Road in the High school lot and overflow is on neighborhood streets adjacent to the stadium. Please provide a copy of the map for families and friends attending the meet.

We are looking forward to a warm and sunny day and great competition. Call us if you have any questions.

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On behalf of the MHSAA and the Athletic Departments of Zeeland East and West High Schools, we would like to welcome you and congratulate your efforts, to the 2007 Division 2 Track and Field Championship Meet.

The Zeeland Public Schools is proud to be your host. It will be held at Zeeland Municipal Stadium on Saturday, May 31, 2008. It is our hope that you and your student/athletes enjoy the highest level of competition that is possible with the least amount of problems. With this in mind, we have included some information materials and would like to pass along some important facts that should make day one to remember.

Zeeland Municipal Stadium is located on the Campus of Zeeland East and West High Schools. Team bus and van parking is located on the East side of the stadium, of Riley Road. Parking passes have been mailed to you (one per qualifying team) and they must be displayed to gain admittance to the lot. We will allow only authorized vehicles into this lot up to 11:00 am on the day of the meet. After this time it will be opened to the public if there are available spaces. If there is an extenuating circumstance for special consideration, please contact one of the Meet Managers listed below.

As is the case of all Final sites, there are no locker facilities. Athletes should come dressed to compete.

The facility will be opened for your inspection on Friday May 30, 2008, from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. You can pick up your coaches packets and passes (three per team – no exceptions) at this time. Please plan on being at the facility prior to 7:00 pm as the Managers have an obligation at 8:00 pm and the gates will be closed at 7:00 pm. Poles can be inspected and stored at this time. You will be allowed to mark steps for Long Jump, High Jump and Pole Vault. Only chalk can be used, no tape. The marks should not exceed Federation guidelines of 4" by 4". Field event venues will not be opened for run through or throws, just for measuring steps. Remember, no marks on the Long Jump or Pole Vault runways, only along side of same.

Please remind your athletes of the uniform and jewelry rules which will be strictly enforced. Also, inform your athletes of the time constraints for reporting back to a field event after competing in a running event. These times are listed in the Information posted on the MHSAA website.

At the weigh in of implements, all implements that do not meet competitive specifications will be confiscated, to be returned after the completion of competition.

If one of your athletes is an award winner, Please use all of your influence to keep him/her available by the awards tent for the presentation. We will be announcing and presenting awards no more than two events after the completion of the competition. We will be using a three call system. Please remind your athletes to pay attention to the P.A. announcements throughout the day. Hotel information is available on the MHSAA website.

¼" spikes only

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**TRACK & FIELD FINALS
TIME SCHEDULE
DIVISION 2
05/31/08**

8:00 AM	Gates Open
8:00 – 9:15 am	Weigh-in and Pole Inspection
9:00 am	Morning scratches due
9:30 am	Boys/Girls High Jump
	Boys/Girls Pole Vault
	Boys/Girls Long Jump (open pit 9:30 am-10:45am)
	Girls Shot Put/Boys Disc (competition reversed after 1st rotation)
9:55 am	National Anthem
10:00am	Prelims – 100 m/100m, 110 m Hurdles/200 m 4 x 800 m Relay Semi-Finals – 100m/100m,110m Hurdles/200m
11:00 am	Boys/Girls Long Jump Finals
12:00 pm	Afternoon scratches due
1:25 pm	National Anthem
1:30 pm	Running Finals
4:30 pm	Trophy presentation (time approximate)

ZEELAND MUNICIPAL STADIUM LOCAL INFORMATION

Zeeland Stadium is located on Riley Road in Zeeland.

The track at Zeeland Stadium is an 8 lane polyurethane track. There are several local rules we would like you to be aware of.

- 1) No food or drink on the infield at any time.**
- 2) No bags on the infield at any time.**
- 3) ¼" spikes only.**
- 4) All markings done in chalk, not to exceed 4" by 4".**
- 5) No Frisbees, balls, radios on the infield at any time. (personal devices are legal)**
- 6) Only athletes in uniform allowed on the infield during competition.**
- 7) All athletes and coaches should enter the stadium via the Northeast gate.**
- 8) Restroom and concessions will be available on site. There are no locker facilities so your athletes should come dressed to compete.**
- 9) Team bus and van parking will be available in the lot east of the stadium.**
- 10) The restricted areas at Zeeland are:
 All field event venues (Vault coaches will have a box provided)
 Starting areas and Finish Line
 Exchange Zones
All Federation and MHSAA regulations pertaining to restricted areas will be enforced.**
- 11) The Meet Monitor will be located against the West wall on the Press Box side at the 50 yrd.line.**
- 12) There is a 120 yard, 6 lane warm-up area on the southeast side of the Stadium. There is a green area along this runway which is where we would like tents to be set up. There is ample room for all the tents, plenty of warm up space on the runway and on the Soccer field behind the fence.**
- 13) Zeeland Public Schools is a tobacco free environment. Please instruct your parents and friends of this and ask them to cooperate.**
- 14) All pertinent information for the meet can be found on the MHSAA website.**

**MHSAA
Division 2 Track and Field Finals
June 2, 2007**

Directions to Zeeland

Zeeland East and West High schools are located on the same campus, northwest of the downtown area of the city of Zeeland. To get to the stadium follow these directions.

From the east (Lansing, Detroit, Flint area etc) Follow 96 to Highway 6, just East of Grand Rapids. Take 6 west to the Hudsonville/Bus196 exit. Exit to 196 and proceed west to Exit 55 (Zeeland/Bus 196). Follow the Bus 196 signs west to State Street (Burger King on the Northeast corner) Turn Right onto State and go about two miles to Riley Rd. Turn left onto Riley and go past the baseball and soccer fields and the team parking lot will be on your left.

From the south (Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Jackson etc) go north on 131 to highway 6 and head west on 6. Once on 6 – follow the directions stated above.

From the north (Traverse City, Petoskey, Cadillac etc) go south on 131 to 196 (Ford Freeway in Grand Rapids). Go west on 196 to exit 55 and follow the same directions stated in the first paragraph to get to the stadium.

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