PRECHAMPIONSHIPS 2026-27 MANUAL

NCAA General Administrative Guidelines

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Section 1 • Introduction

During the 2026-27 academic year, the Association will sponsor 94 national championships — 43 for men, 49 for women and two for both men and women. Of the men's championships, four are National Collegiate Championships, 13 are Division I championships, 12 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. Of the women's championships, 10 are National Collegiate Championships, 12 are Division I championships, 13 are Division II championships and 14 are Division III championships. The combined men's and women's championships are National Collegiate Championships.

The Prechampionship Manual will serve as a resource for institutions to prepare for the championship. This manual is divided into three sections: General Administrative Guidelines, Sport-Specific Information and Appendixes.

Sections one through nine apply to policies applicable to all 94 championships, while the remaining sections are sport specific.

Section 1•1 Definitions

Prechampionship Manual. Resource for institutions to prepare for the championship.

Administrative Meeting. Prechampionship meeting for coaches and/or administrators.

Appendixes. Any supplemental documents to be provided and distributed through the various resources.

Championship Manager. The NCAA staff member(s) responsible for the operational oversight of the championship.

Games Committee. The committee assigned to supervise the conduct of each championship session at a specific site. For finals sites, the games committee is typically the NCAA national committee.

NCAA National Committee. The sport committee with direct oversight responsibilities for the championship.

Nonpredetermined Sites. Those sites that are selected to host at the time of the participant/team selections announcement.

Playing Rules. The rules under which the competition will be conducted.

Predetermined Sites. Those sites that are selected to host before the participant/team selections announcement.

Preliminary Rounds. The rounds of the championship before the final or championship round.

Regional Alignment. The geographic location of institutions or regional advisory committees.

Schedule of Events. Official event schedule – includes all required activities (e.g., practices, banquets).

Selection Criteria. Policies and procedures in place to guide the team selection process.

Site Selection Criteria. Policies and procedures in place to guide the site selection process.

Squad Size. In any championship in which a squad limit has been established by the governing sport committee or by the bylaws, the number of eligible student-athletes in competitive uniform eligible to participate at the start of competition.

Tournament Physician. The physician designated by the host institution/conference to serve as the chief medical advisor for the championship event(s) to be hosted at the host venue.

Section 2 • Championship Core Statement

The championships and alliances staff strives to administer competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner so that the experience of the student-athlete is paramount.

This is attained by:

Ensuring student-athletes' optimal experience.

Executing championship events reflecting appropriate quality and values to/for stakeholders — student-athletes, coaches, administrators, member institutions, sport committees, fans, broadcast partners and corporate champions/partners.

Coordinating all aspects of the championship in an efficient, effective manner through common operating policies and practices, using internal and external resources.

Integrating championships with broadcast and corporate relationships in a manner that maintains the integrity of the championship.

Assuring effective management of the business aspects of the operation.

Enhancing the assets of the NCAA and their value by collaborating with internal and external expertise to achieve heightened exposure (e.g., community programs, fan events, banquets, anniversaries).

Section 3 • Conduct

Section 3•1 Certification of Eligibility/Availability

[Reference: Certification of Eligibility/Availability in Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20.2.4, 31.2.1.7.1, 31.2.1.7.1.2 and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual, Bylaws 7.3.1.5 and 18.2.1 in the NCAA Division II Manual and Division II Championships Committee Policy and Bylaws 31.2.1.5, 31.2.1.5.2, and 31.2.2 in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

Only student-athletes eligible under Bylaws 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 may compete in NCAA championships. Member institutions are required to certify the eligibility of their student-athletes before the beginning of each academic year and to withhold ineligible student-athletes from all intercollegiate competition.

Member institutions are reminded to notify the NCAA national office before the selection date for each championship of any student-athlete who may have participated in regular-season competition but subsequently is determined to be ineligible or unavailable for NCAA championship competition.

DISCOVERY OF INELIGIBILITY OF A STUDENT-ATHLETE AFTER SELECTION

If an institution fails to report an ineligible student-athlete and the omission is not discovered until after the institution is selected to participate in the championship, necessitating the institution's withdrawal from the championship, that withdrawal shall be considered as one of the years of ineligibility, provided another institution participates in the championship in place of the disqualified institution. If the discovery of the ineligible student-athlete occurs so near the beginning of the championship that the governing sport committee does not have a reasonable period of time to replace the disqualified institution in the bracket, that fact shall be taken into consideration in determining the number of years the disqualified institution shall be ineligible to participate.

Section 3•2 Drug Testing

As part of preparation and planning to participate in championship events, member institutions are reminded and encouraged to review all applicable policy and legislative requirements pertaining to banned substances, drug testing and related eligibility requirements with their student-athletes. Student-athletes who compete in NCAA championships may be subjected to drug tests in accordance with legislation and may be determined to be ineligible as a result thereof. Only student-athletes who have consented in writing to such testing are initially eligible for these championships; and thereafter, student-athletes who are tested shall remain eligible only if they test negative.

Section 3•3 Honesty and Sportsmanship

Individuals employed by (or associated with) a member institution to administer, conduct or coach intercollegiate athletics and all participating student-athletes shall act with honesty and sportsmanship at all times so that intercollegiate athletics as a whole, their institutions and they, as individuals, shall represent the honor and dignity of fair play and the generally recognized high standards associated with wholesome competitive sports.

Section 3•4 Misconduct/Failure to Adhere to Policies

MISCONDUCT

Misconduct in an NCAA championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law, occurring from the time the championship field is announced through the end of the championship, that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics. Each games committee shall hold an administrative meeting with the representatives of participating institutions to review and explain the policies related to misconduct.

FAILURE TO ADHERE TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A governing sport committee may assess a financial penalty against an institution for failure of any of its representatives to adhere to the policies and procedures governing the administration of the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with the procedures and deadlines for submitting scores, score sheets, schedules, rosters and entry/march-in forms for qualification and other materials necessary for the efficient administration of the competition. **Click here** to see the full misconduct/failure to adhere to policies and procedures online.

Section 3•5 Sports Wagering Policy

Sports wagering includes placing, accepting or soliciting a wager (on a staff member's or student-athlete's own behalf or on the behalf of others) of any type with any individual or organization on any intercollegiate, amateur or professional team or contest. Examples of sports wagering include, but are not limited to, the use of a bookmaker or parlay card; internet sports wagering; mobile betting; auctions in which bids are placed on teams, individuals or contests; and pools or fantasy leagues in which an entry fee is required and there is an opportunity to win a prize.

The current NCAA legislation against sports wagering prohibits NCAA student-athletes, member institutions' athletics staff and non-athletics staff with athletics responsibilities, and conference office staff from participating in sports wagering activities or providing information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activities concerning intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics practice or competition in a sport in which the NCAA conducts championship competition, in bowl subdivision football and in emerging sports for women.

A wager is any agreement in which an individual or entity agrees to give up an item of value (e.g., cash, shirt, dinner) in exchange for the possibility of gaining another item of value.

STUDENT-ATHLETES

A student-athlete found in violation of the prohibition against knowingly participating in any sports wagering activities or providing information to individuals involved in or associated with any type of sports wagering activity that involves intercollegiate, amateur or professional athletics competition shall be ineligible for further intercollegiate competition, subject to appeal to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for restoration of eligibility.

POSTSEASON

In championships in which a bracket format is used, student-athletes, coaches and administrators may not participate in bracket competitions where there is both a required entry fee and an opportunity to win a prize. Student-athletes and administrators may participate under current NCAA rules in bracket contests where there is no entry fee but a possibility of winning a prize. Some NCAA member schools, however, have chosen to ban student-athletes from participating in these types of bracket contests.

HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES

It is permissible for NCAA championships to be conducted at locations in states that permit sports wagering.

Section 3•6 Student-Athlete Experience Survey

During the NCAA championships, the student-athlete experience is paramount. NCAA staff and hosts dedicate themselves to planning the best experiences for all involved. As part of our commitment to getting better, following the championship, participants will receive a survey to provide feedback on their experience and input on how

championships can be improved for future NCAA student-athletes. Institutional administrators and coaches will receive an email containing a link to the survey and will be asked to forward the survey to student-athletes. Additionally, this survey will be accessible via QR code found on the back of NCAA-issued championship credentials.

We also understand that sometimes certain circumstances or conditions occurring during the events may require real-time consideration. When this is the case, student-athletes may reach out to their site representative or NCAA national office staff on-site.

Section 4 • Elite Scholar-Athlete™ Award

The Elite Scholar-Athlete award was created to recognize the true essence of student-athletes by honoring individuals who have reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in their sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among their peers. The award is presented in every sport, every division, and goes to the student-athlete who has the highest cumulative grade-point average of all student-athletes competing at the finals site. One student-athlete per championship will receive the award, and the announcement of the winner will be made at the finals site.

Institutions that wish to nominate a student-athlete must do so through an online nomination process. For more information or to access the online form and submit a nomination, **click here**.

Section 5 • Fan Travel

Through support from Marriott International as the Official Hotel Partner of the NCAA, NCAA championships are pleased to provide easy and affordable accommodations for family and fans to follow their favorite student-athlete(s) and team(s) as they participate in NCAA championships competition. Travel arrangements completed through Marriott and NCAA Travel help support NCAA student-athletes. Please direct your fans to **ncaa.com/travel** to search and book online hotel reservations.

Section 6 • Health and Safety

As part of preparation and planning to host and/or participate in championship events, member institutions are reminded and encouraged to review all applicable health and safety policy and legislative requirements and guidance including, among others, those relating to concussion management, catastrophic injury prevention, inclement weather and independent medical care. These requirements and related information can be found in applicable division manuals, sports playing rules and the materials located on the **Health, Safety & Performance website**. In addition, a summary of some of the key health and safety considerations related to traveling to championship events can be found in the **NCAA's Guidance for Medical Care and Coverage for Student-Athletes at Away Events**.

Section 7 • Logo Policy

[Reference: Bylaw 22.4.1 in the NCAA Division I Manual, 17.1.10 Bylaw in the NCAA Division II Manual and 12.5.3 Bylaw in the NCAA Division III Manual.]

A student-athlete may use athletics equipment or wear athletics apparel that bears the trademark or logo of an athletics equipment or apparel manufacturer or distributor in athletics competition and pregame and postgame activities (e.g., celebrations on the court, pregame or postgame press conferences), provided the following criteria are met.

(a) Athletics equipment (e.g., shoes, helmets, baseball bats and gloves, batting or golf gloves, hockey and lacrosse sticks, goggles and skis) shall bear only the manufacturer's normal label or trademark, as it is used on all such items for sale to the general public; and

(b) The student-athlete's institution's official uniform (including numbered racing bibs and warm-ups) and all other items of apparel (e.g., socks, head bands, T-shirts, wrist bands, visors or hats, swim caps and towels) shall bear only a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal label or trademark (regardless of the visibility of the label or trademark), not to exceed four square inches in area (rectangle, square, parallelogram) including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The student-athlete's institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel shall not bear a design element similar to the manufacturer's trademark/logo that is in addition to another trademark/logo that is contrary to the size restriction.

Section 8 • Research

In order to avoid inappropriate and unnecessary participant distraction and disruption of championship events, it is expected any data collection or other research efforts conducted at or during championship events will be coordinated through the national office, with notice and a description of any research proposal to be submitted to the NCAA research staff at least six weeks before the championships event begins.

Section 9 • Travel Party

Please refer to the NCAA travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. NCAA Travel policies are updated annually and can be found online **here**. Please reference Appendix A of the travel policies for reimbursable travel party numbers. The travel policies supersede all other documents.

Section 10 • Religious Conflicts

[Reference: Bylaws 31.1.4.1 and 31.1.4.2 in the NCAA Division I Manual.]

Institutional Policy. If a participating institution has a written policy against competition on a particular day for religious reasons, it shall inform the NCAA national office on or before Sept. 1 of each academic year in order for it or one of its student-athletes to be excused from competing on that day. The championship schedule shall be adjusted to accommodate that institution. *(Adopted: 4/22/98, Revised: 8/11/98, 10/28/99, 5/2/13)*

Individual Championships. In individual championships, an athlete must compete according to the institution's policy regarding Sunday competition (if the institution has no policy against Sunday competition, the student-athlete shall compete on Sunday if required by the schedule).

Section 11 • Team Replacement Policy

Division I developed a team replacement policy considering the possibility of unforeseen circumstances impacting championship fields. The policy will be implemented in accordance with the terms set forth in the policy document available **here** when, despite best efforts, a team within the championship field is impeded or hindered from participating in the championship for reasons beyond its control.

Division I Cross Country

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Section 1 • General Administration

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Section 1•2 National Committee

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Section 1•3 Important Dates

Tuesday, Sept. 1	First date of allowable competition.
Date of first institutional competition	Deadline for team roster registration on DirectAthletics.
Friday, Sept. 11	Qualifying window for cross country season begins.
Friday, Oct. 16	Pre-Nationals, Terre Haute, Indiana.
Monday, Nov. 2	Regional online entry forms available on DirectAthletics at 8 a.m. Eastern time.
Thursday, Nov. 5	Deadline for submission of regional online entry form – 5 p.m. Eastern time.
Friday, Nov. 6	LATE DEADLINE for regional entries with fine by 5 p.m. Eastern time. Fine will be assessed to any new entries or changes you make to initial entries during the late window.
	Entries officially closed at this time.
Monday, Nov. 9	Deadline for all regular-season meet results to be submitted for qualification purposes into TFRRS-XC by 5 p.m. Eastern time.
	Regional entries posted on respective regional websites by noon Eastern time.
Tuesday, Nov. 10	Regional box draws posted by noon Eastern time.
	Regional virtual coaches meeting.
Thursday, Nov. 12	Regional practices and packet pickup.
Friday, Nov. 13	NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Regional Championships.
Saturday, Nov. 14	Selections field announced by 5 p.m. Eastern time on ncaa.com.
Tuesday, Nov. 17	National Championship virtual coaches meeting.
Friday, Nov. 20	Championships practice and packet pickup, Terre Haute, Indiana.
Saturday, Nov. 21	NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships Terre Haute, Indiana.

CHAMPIONSHIP DATES AND SITES

Great Lakes Region	Michigan State University and Lansing Sports Commission, cohosts; Forest Akers East, East Lansing, Michigan.
Mid-Atlantic Region	Lehigh University, host; Goodman Campus Cross Country Course, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.
Midwest Region	Iowa State University, host; Iowa State Cross Country Course, Ames, Iowa.
Mountain Region	University of New Mexico, host; North Golf Course, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
Northeast Region	Hofstra University, host; Bethpage State Park, Farmingdale, New York.
South Central Region	Texas A&M University, College Station, host; Dale Watts '71 Cross Country Course, College Station, Texas.
Southeast Region	University of South Carolina Upstate and OneSpartanburg, Inc., cohosts; Roger Milliken Center, Spartanburg, South Carolina.
South Region	Florida State University, host; Apalachee Regional Park, Tallahassee, Florida.
West Region	California State University, Sacramento and Sacramento Sports Commission, cohosts; Arcade Creek Cross Country Course, Sacramento, California.

Nov. 21, 2026 - NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships

Finals	Indiana State University, host; LaVern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course, Terre Haute, Indiana.

DATE FORMULA

The cross country national championships meet will take place on the Saturday prior to Thanksgiving. The cross country regional championships competition will take place on the Friday, eight days before the national championships meet.

FUTURE DATES

Nov. 12, 2027 – NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Regional Championships

Great Lakes Region	University of Wisconsin-Madison, host;Thomas Zimmer Championship Course, Verona, Wisconsin.
Mid-Atlantic Region	Pennsylvania State University, host; Blue/White Golf Courses, State College, Pennsylvania.
Midwest Region	University of Missouri, Columbia and Columbia CVB/Sports Commission, cohosts; Gans Creek Cross Country Course, Columbia, Missouri.
Mountain Region	Colorado State University, host; Collindale Golf Course, Fort Collins, Colorado.
Northeast Region	Hofstra University, host; Bethpage State Park, Farmingdale, New York.
South Central Region	University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, host; University of Arkansas-Agri Park, Fayetteville, Arkansas.
Southeast Region	University of Richmond, host; Pole Green Park, Mechanicsville, Virginia.
South Region	Jacksonville State University and Huntsville Sports Commission, cohost; John Hunt Park - Cross Country Course, Huntsville, Alabama.
West Region	Gonzaga University and Spokane Sports Commission, cohosts; The Course Spokane Valley, Spokane Valley, Washington.

Nov. 20, 2027 - NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships

Finals	Oklahoma State University, host; Greiner Family OSU Cross Country Course, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Section 1•4 Equipment

The host institution shall provide all the necessary equipment for conducting the cross country championships.

Section 1•5 Rules

[Reference: Bylaw 17.30 and 31.1.6 in the NCAA Manual.]

Per NCAA Bylaw 17.30, member institutions shall conduct all of their intercollegiate competition in accordance with the playing rules of the Association in all sports for which the NCAA develops playing rules. For those sports in which the Association follows rules that are developed by other governing bodies and modified by the governing sports committee, the adopted playing rules shall be used. The governing sports committee will not consider any results for selection purposes that are not played in accordance with the NCAA rules, or those rules adopted by an outside organization.

The 2025 and 2026 NCAA Men's and Women's Cross Country/Track and Field Rules Book will be followed. Men's races will be 10,000 meters at regional and national competitions. Women's races will be 6,000 meters at regional and national competitions.

Section 1•6 Uniforms

[Reference the Rules Book and Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Manual.]

Uniform and logo rules contained in the Rules Book shall apply, in addition to the following: In all events and award ceremonies, competitors must wear the proper uniform (warmups included) of the institution they represent in the championships.

Uniforms for all cross country team members must meet the following criteria:

- All cross country team members must wear uniforms clearly indicating through the same primary color, logo and combination of all worn outer garments that members are from the same team;
- Other visible garments useful in team recognition (that is T-shirts, arm-warmers, tights of any length, leg-warmers, each taken separately) worn by team members must be of an identical solid color. This does not apply to items of apparel above the shoulder or those covering the hands/feet.

LOGOS

Refer to General Administrative Guidelines, Section 7.

NOTE: These restrictions apply to all apparel worn by student-athletes during the competition, which includes prerace and/or postrace activities.

This bylaw will be strictly enforced at all NCAA championships and the names of individuals and institutions that are not in compliance with this bylaw shall be forwarded to the NCAA enforcement staff.

Section 2 • Determination of Championship Participation

Section 2•1 Championships Format

The Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships provide for a maximum of 32 (five-to-seven-person) teams and 38 individuals per gender. Eighteen teams automatically qualify for the championships races by finishing as one of the top two teams at any of the nine regional races. The remaining 14 at-large teams are selected by the NCAA Division I Cross Country Subcommittee. Thirty-six individuals automatically qualify for the championships races by being one of the top four regional finishers not on an advancing team. Two additional individuals are selected at-large by the committee.

Total Competitors Per Gender

32 teams of seven persons each	=	224
Individuals (who are not members of a team)	=	38
Total	=	262

START TIMES

NOTE: Regional start times may differ from the published finals times. Please refer to the participant manual for that specific region.

Finals

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10:20 a.m. Eastern time	Women's race
11:10 a.m. Eastern time	Men's race

TRAVEL PARTY/SQUAD SIZE

[Reference: Squad Size in this manual and Per Diem and Transportation in the Division I General Section.]

Please refer to the NCAA Travel policies for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses. **Travel policies** can be found online at **ncaa.org**.

[Reference: Bylaw 31.1.5 in the NCAA Manual.]

Participating teams are limited to a maximum of seven runners in uniform. An institution that is advised it is in violation of this regulation and does not promptly conform to it shall automatically forfeit the competition. There shall be no inordinate delay of the competition to allow the institution to conform to the rule.

Institutions entering five to seven runners in the regional or national championships must compete as a team. If an institution enters as a team in the regional competition and qualifies for nationals as a team, it must run as a team at nationals. If fewer than five competitors from one institution compete in the regional or national championships, they will compete as individuals only.

Please refer to the **NCAA travel policies** for all information regarding transportation and per diem expenses.

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

Coaches participating in regional and national competitions are required to attend a virtual meeting that will be scheduled accordingly and noted in the participant manual for each regional and championship site. Coaches not in attendance are subject to a minimum fine of $200 per school per gender. Attendance at the meetings will be recorded.

Section 2•2 Results Reporting

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS REPORTING

In order to be considered for selection to the 2026 cross country championships, all institutions must ensure that the electronic submission of results from all eligible competition opportunities (i.e., those that take place between the ninth weekend before the NCAA regional meet and the conclusion of NCAA Regional Cross Country Championships, Sept. 11 through Nov. 9) in which their student-athletes compete are reported by the meet host to the Track and Field Results Reporting System for Cross Country (TFRRS-XC) through the online provider DirectAthletics. This cross country results-reporting system was put in place in 2012 and was an expansion of the existing TFRRS site with a similar operational setup as track and field. Only the official electronically-reported meet results, as submitted by the meet host in TFRRS-XC, will serve as proof of performance for all NCAA Division I cross country competitions. Results will be made available on a real-time basis at **tfrrs.org**.

Reporting DNFs for both individuals and teams. Please note that for Division I, the definition of an A-Team and a B-Team is based on the individuals who **start** a race for an institution, not those who finish a race for an institution. This in turn gives credit (at-large points) during the selection process to institutions for beating teams during the qualifying window that start as a team but do not finish as a team. Please note that this is **NOT** a new rule and the reporting of team and individual DNFs in the results has been in the NCAA Cross Country and Track and Field rules book for several years (see Rules 21- 6.2a and 6.3c on page 203 of the 2025-2026 NCAA Rule Book), and the requirement to report DNF individuals went into effect in 2019. Again, please note teams will be given credit during the selection process for beating a team that starts as a team but does not finish as a team and thus the added importance for ensuring **DNF individuals and teams** are recorded in all results reported to TFRRS-XC.

It will be incumbent upon meet hosts to ensure that their timing and results company is updating results to reflect DNF's prior to uploading the results to the official NCAA results reporting site, **xc.tfrrs.org**. A method being recommended by the committee is to have clerking onsite and establish a deadline by when participating institutions must scratch student-athletes that will not run. The assumption would then be that any student-athlete not scratched, and who does not finish with a time, is a presumed DNF in the final results. Additionally, any team that starts five or more runners but finishes fewer than five would be an assumed DNF team and must be recorded as such in the official results uploaded to **xc.tfrrs.org**. Of special note is athletes that Do Not Start (DNS) do NOT need be included in any meet results. Take care not to incorrectly report athletes that did not start (DNS) a race as a DNF (Did Not Finish). Note that failure to comply with this policy may result in a fine to the host institution for improper results reporting.

Also, the Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Committee has a results reporting policy that does not allow cross country meet hosts to split out results by division when interdivisional competition occurs in the same race. If one race is run, only one set of results should be reported. The committee noted with the elimination of the old bylaw many years ago that required Division I to compete against two-thirds Division I opponents, that there is no longer a need to split out any scoring by division as when this is done, it can change who beats who.

Please also be reminded that double duals are not allowed to be used toward the minimum contests for Division I sports sponsorship or for NCAA championship at-large qualification. Double duals or multiteam competition is only allowed to count as one contest for sport sponsorship purposes. Double duals should NOT be reported to **xc.tfrrs.org** for Division I.

Responsibilities for host institutions and meet directors in submitting performances are summarized below.

All NCAA cross country results must be reported to the Track and Field Results Reporting System for Cross Country (TFRRS-XC) directly from meet management software using the JSON and XML APIs.

By standardizing to one format, meet hosts and timers can now upload cross country results to TFRRS-XC seamlessly from compliant meet management software without handling files or manipulating results data**.** This will simplify the upload process and help eliminate reporting errors.

Please note that support for legacy file formats has been discontinued, and results will only be accepted directly from compliant meet management software**.** Host institutions will be responsible for working with their timing/results companies to ensure that they are using updated and compliant software that supports the submission of all required meet data in the JSON or XML format. **If all required data is not submitted to TFRRS-XC in the necessary JSON**

or XML format, the results will not be accepted into the results-reporting system, making the results invalid for NCAA championships selections. Please see the results reporting requirement memo posted at ncaa.org/championship/division-i/cross-country.

Team Rosters. Institutions that sponsor NCAA Division I men's and women's cross country will be required to register and maintain their official team roster with DirectAthletics by the date of their first institutional competition. When applicable, users should import their existing track & field athletes to their cross country roster. Roster registration for the cross country championships season is now available on TFRRS-XC.

Accounts are per TEAM. You could have up to four accounts per institution (Women's Cross Country, Men's Cross Country, Women's Track & Field, Men's Track & Field). Only new coaches would warrant the need to create a new account. Even if the users are different for an institution (different cross country coach than track coach), the system will still bring up the rosters from the institution for you to import athletes from track to cross country and from cross country to track.

Detailed account information and instructions for setting up meets and downloading team rosters in preparation for uploading 2026 cross country results are available for meet hosts, meet directors and timers at **tfrrs.org** (select the link for Login/Register). In addition, please note:

1. Meet hosts may use their method of choice to manage meet entries; however TFRRS IDs are available only via the DirectAthletics meet entry system at **directathletics.com**;
2. There is no cost to use the DirectAthletics meet entry system for college and junior college meets;
3. It is the responsibility of the meet directors/timers to download valid TFRRS for their entering teams, regardless of the meet entry method; and
4. All TFRRS IDs are single-meet IDs and not transportable from meet to meet; entry downloads for each meet will contain valid IDs for tracking results for that meet only. TFRRS IDs are available at no cost to any meet director/timer at **directathletics.com** via the DirectAthletics entry system.

If you experience technical difficulty using the DirectAthletics or TFRRS-XC system, please contact DirectAthletics (**support@directathletics.com**), and notify the NCAA national office (317-917-6503) if the difficulty will trigger a late fine.

Meet Results. It will be the responsibility of the meet HOST to submit complete meet results that include all team scores/places to TFRRS-XC by midnight Eastern time, one day after the completion of a competition. Results may not be considered for championships selection if meet results are not received from the host within the designated time period. Participating institutions must ensure that the electronic submission of results from any competition occurring between Sept. 11 and Nov. 9 in which their student-athletes compete is reported by the meet host within five days of the performance and not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time on Monday, Nov. 9. **Late or incorrect results submissions that are the basis for championships selections will result in a minimum fine of $200 per team per gender, with potential additional fines for repeated violations.**

Meet hosts will be responsible for uploading results electronically with TFRRS IDs included for all eligible NCAA student-athletes, TFRRS IDs are available for download via DirectAthletics. When official meet results are uploaded to TFRRS-XC, all performances achieved by eligible NCAA Division I student-athletes, and team scores, will be archived in the results-reporting database.

Results will be accepted only for student-athletes on the institution's TFRRS-XC roster form. The submission of incorrect performances may result in the disqualification of the student-athlete and/or team. If a result is submitted more than five days after the qualifying performance and the performance is the basis for championships selection, the institution of the selected student-athlete will be subject to a fine.

Section 2•3 Selection Information

ENTRY FORMS AND DECLARATIONS (REGIONALS AND NATIONALS)

Coaches will be allowed to submit a maximum of 14 student-athletes on the entry form. Only the 14 student-athletes listed on the entry form may compete in the regional and/or national championship meets. Coaches will not be able to change the 14 student-athletes on the entry form should the team qualify for the national championships meet. Online entries will be available on DirectAthletics beginning on Monday, Nov. 2, at 8 a.m. Eastern time. Coaches must submit the

forms ONLINE by 5 p.m. Eastern time on Thursday, Nov. 5. The late deadline for regional entries is 5 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, Nov. 6. Forms received after the deadline on Nov. 6 and before the late deadline will be subject to a minimum fine of $400 per team per gender (men's and women's teams are considered separate teams). This includes corrections to the original submission or additions/deletions to the submission. Entries officially close at 5 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, Nov. 6. Each institution should print a copy of its entry forms to hand-carry to the regional and national sites.

Declarations. Coaches may declare, during packet pickup, student-athletes who were submitted on the original entry form (maximum of 14). The runners declared for the national championships may be different than those who competed at the regional meet, but all must have appeared on the original entry form submitted by the aforementioned deadline. If an institution declares more than seven student-athletes during packet pickup (i.e., takes an eighth or ninth set of chips and bibs), those additional chips and bibs must be returned to meet management in the clerking area not later than 20 minutes before the start of the race. Hosts should give specific instructions during the coaches meeting as to where to deliver the extra chip(s) and bib(s).

Regional meet directors will notify institutions of the declaration procedures for the respective regional meets.

Declarations at the championships site must be made Friday, Nov. 20, during packet pickup. Declarations must be made in person by each coach at the location designated by the host institution. Final declarations will not be accepted by telephone or email. An employed representative of the student-athlete's institution or a coach from a participating institution may declare for a team/individual, if necessary.

Financial Penalty for Late Declarations at the championship site. Declarations received after the declared deadline may be accepted subject to a minimum fine of $400 per team per gender (men's and women's teams are considered separate teams). A letter will be sent to the director of athletics of any institution receiving a fine, with a copy to the coach, describing the petitioning circumstances.

Replacements. A replacement may be made up to 20 minutes before the start of the race. The possible replacement must be listed on the original entry form.

MEDICAL

If a team or individual chooses not to compete for whatever reason, including medical, they must notify the NCAA committee by noon Eastern time on Saturday, Nov. 14. Failure to do so will constitute misconduct and penalties may be imposed. If between Saturday, Nov. 14, and the national championships, a student-athlete becomes unable to participate due to a medical condition, it must be certified in writing by a doctor/athletic trainer that the student-athlete's medical condition warrants that he or she not participate. If a student-athlete becomes unable to participate while on site at the national championships, then the institution must provide written documentation from the host doctor/athletic trainer.

Section 2•4 Qualifying Procedures

To be eligible to participate in the 2026 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country Championships, teams and individuals must qualify from their respective regions. Conference meets may not be conducted in conjunction with NCAA regional championship meets.

Minimum Contests and Participant Requirements for Cross Country Championships Eligibility. Effective Aug. 1, 2023, in order for student-athletes to be eligible to participate in the NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Cross Country National Championships, his or her member institution must meet the minimum contest and participant requirements for sports sponsorship as is detailed in the NCAA Division I Manual (applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time at a collegiate institution on or after Aug. 1, 2023). Failure to meet these minimum requirements will preclude an institution's team and/or student-athlete(s) from being allowed to be participate in the national championships.

Bylaw 31.3.3.1 – Countable Competition. For NCAA team championship selection purposes, competition is countable only when the teams played are varsity intercollegiate teams of four-year, degree-granting institutions that conduct a majority of their competition in that team sport against varsity intercollegiate teams (see Bylaw 20.2.4.6) of United States four-year, degree-granting institutions. Competition against service teams, professional teams, semiprofessional teams, amateur teams, two-year colleges and club teams shall be excluded.

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION

Teams

The top two teams at each regional championships meet automatically qualify for the championships meet.

Individuals

From each NCAA regional meet, the first four student-athletes, not on a qualifying team, to finish will be automatic qualifiers to the NCAA championships meet. All individual automatic qualifiers must finish in the top 25 within their region.

AT-LARGE SELECTION — TEAM

Fourteen (14) at-large teams will be selected by the NCAA Division I Cross Country Subcommittee. This selection will be conducted on the Saturday following regional competition unless extraordinary circumstances arise.

The committee reviews regular-season results to apply the selection criteria as detailed below.

Course Length Requirements: Please note that in order for results achieved before the regional championships to count toward at-large selection, the course length must not be less than 75% of the championship race distance. Races contested on courses that are less than 75% of the championship distance will not be eligible for consideration for at-large qualification.

The committee will determine at-large berths by examining the following selection criteria in order:

1. **Regional finish.** Teams will come under consideration in the order of their regional finish.
    a. As an example, a fourth-place team may not be selected for an at-large berth ahead of a third-place team from the same region. However, a fourth-place team from one region may be selected ahead of a third-place team from another region if the committee decides that the selection criteria favor the fourth-place team.
    b. This criterion does not mean that any or all third-place teams must be selected into the championships before the committee considers fourth-place teams, etc.
    c. When a team from a region is selected as an at-large team for the championships, the committee moves the next team from that region, based upon the order of regional finish, into consideration. At all times during the selection process, the committee is reviewing not fewer than two teams from each region (total of 18 teams on the board) so as to be able to identify any potential "push" situations.
    d. The Push Process: The situation may arise when the next team under consideration (Team X), based upon regional finish from a specific region, does not have enough wins (points) to earn an at-large bid, but the team immediately behind Team X in regional finish (Team Y) does have enough wins (points) to be the next at-large team selected. In this case, both teams X and Y will receive at-large bids (Team Y "pushes" Team X into the championships) if:
        (1) The push process has not been used within that specific region earlier in the at-large selection process;
        (2) There are two or more at-large positions available in the selection process; and
        (3) Team Y would not be able to receive an at-large berth on its own -- in other words, when Team X is permanently blocking Team Y. There have been occasions when Team Y has the most wins of the teams under consideration, but the committee can determine that Team Y will receive an at-large berth later in the process. In these cases a "push" is not absolutely necessary and would not be applied.
    e. Teams still under consideration for at-large selection will not be awarded wins (points) for having defeated any Team X advancing to the championship finals by virtue of the "push process."
2. **Wins (points) against teams already in the championships**. Once the automatic qualifiers (AQs) have been confirmed, and the teams from each region are placed under consideration by their regional finish, the committee reviews two teams from each region (a total of 18 teams) for the wins against teams already in the championships.
    a. In order to maintain nine competition opportunities, institutions must accumulate wins (points) between the ninth weekend before the NCAA regional meet (i.e., Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11-13, 2026) and the conclusion of NCAA Regional Cross Country Championships (scheduled for Nov. 13, 2026).

b. The committee begins the selection process by analyzing the win totals the third- and fourth-place finishers in each region have accumulated against the 18 automatic qualifiers. The next at-large berth is awarded to the team with the highest win total. As each at-large team is selected into the championships, the win totals of all teams under consideration are adjusted to reflect any victories over all the teams selected to the championships (i.e., the 18 automatic qualifiers and any at-large selections). This process continues until all the at-large teams are selected.

c. During the at-large selection process, institutions can only accumulate wins against any opponent's "A" team. (See "A" Teams/"B" Teams information below.)

3. **Head-to-head competition between teams under consideration.** If there is a tie among teams under consideration for total wins, the committee reviews head-to-head results.

   a. In order to maintain nine competition opportunities, the head-to-head competitions must have taken place between the ninth weekend before the NCAA regional meet (i.e., Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11-13, 2026) and the conclusion of NCAA Regional Cross Country Championships (scheduled for Nov. 13, 2026).

   b. All teams tied for total wins against teams already in the championship will be compared head-to-head.

      (1) If only two teams under consideration are tied in total wins against the teams already in the championships, the committee will select the team with the best head-to-head record. If head-to-head records are equal (e.g., two teams with 1-1 or 2-2, etc., records against each other), the committee will select the team with the head-to-head win that occurred closest to the regional championship date. If the two teams have no head-to-head matchups, the committee will use records versus common opponents as described in (4) below to break the tie.

      (2) If three or more teams under consideration are tied in total wins against teams already in the championship, the committee will compare each team under consideration head-to-head against every other team under consideration as described in (3.b.1). If the head-to-head records between any two teams are equal, the team with the head-to-head win that occurred closest to the regional championship date will win the head-to-head comparison. The committee will select the team without any losing head-to-head comparisons. If there is more than one team without any losing head-to-head comparisons, the committee will use the records against common opponents as described in (4) below to break the tie.

4. **Records of the teams under consideration against common opponents.** If the committee cannot make a decision based upon head-to-head competition, it reviews results against common opponents (Division I only).

   a. In order to maintain nine competition opportunities, results versus common opponents must have occurred between the ninth weekend before the NCAA regional meet (i.e., Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11-13, 2026) and the conclusion of NCAA Regional Cross Country Championships (scheduled for Nov. 13, 2026).

   b. If a decision cannot be made based on head-to-head competition, the committee reviews the results against Division I common opponents as follows:

      (1) If there are only two teams under consideration that are tied in total wins against the teams already in the championship, and have no losses in head-to-head comparisons as described in (3.b.1), the committee will select the team with the best cumulative record (win percentage) against common opponents, including multiple wins and/or losses against an opponent(s).

      In situations where the win percentage against common opponents is equal between the two teams under consideration, or when there are no common opponents, the committee will select the team that finished highest at the NCAA Regional Championship. If a tie still remains, the point differential between tied teams and the last automatic team qualifier (2nd place) at their regional will be compared. The team with the smallest differential will advance.

      (2) If there are three or more teams under consideration that are tied in total wins against teams already in the championship, and have no losses in head-to-head comparisons as described in (3.b), the committee will compare each team under consideration to every other team under consideration using their records against their specific common opponents as described in (4.b.1). The committee will select the team without any losing common opponents comparisons.

If there is more than one team without any losing common opponents comparisons, the committee will select the team that finished highest at the NCAA Regional Championship. If a tie still remains, the committee will compare the point differential between tied teams and the last automatic team qualifier (2nd place) at their regional and select the team with the smallest differential.

5. **Top individuals on the teams under consideration.** If the committee cannot make a decision based upon records against common opponents, it reviews the individual runners from the teams under consideration. The committee may give the advantage to the team whose individual(s) is most likely to score highly at the championships, as determined by the committee.

"A" Teams/"B" Teams. The committee recognizes that coaches experiment with lineups during the year, especially early in the season, as well as the impact injuries may have on establishing a team's top seven runners. During the at-large selection process, institutions can only accumulate wins against any opponent's "A" team. An "A" team is considered to have competed if four or more of those individuals who compete at the regional qualifying meet started the regular-season race. Any team that starts three or fewer of the institution's top seven runners is designated as a "B" team. The committee defines each institution's top seven runners as those student-athletes who compete at the NCAA regional meet. Designation of "A" teams or "B" teams can only be accomplished after the results of the NCAA regional meets have been completed.

NOTE: An institution's "A" team or "B" team can earn at-large points for having beaten another institution's "A" Team. If an institution's "B" team is strong enough to earn a victory over another institution's "A" Team, they will be awarded an at-large point for championship at-large selection consideration.

Coaches' polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used as a criterion by the Track and Field and Cross Country Committee for selection purposes.

Breaking Ties

Team ties in regional championships meets shall be broken in accordance with Rule 21-6.3f of the NCAA Cross Country/Track and Field Rule Book.

AT-LARGE SELECTION — INDIVIDUALS

The committee will select two at-large individuals by identifying the highest nonqualifying individual finishers at the regional meets. All individual at-large qualifiers must finish in the top 25 within their regional meet. In cases where regions have less than four automatic individual qualifiers meet the required selection criteria, the committee will add individual at-large qualifiers to maintain the maximum number of 262 participants per gender. The next selected at-large individual(s) would be the next highest nonqualifying individual finishers among the regional meets. Any additional at-large individuals selected must finish in the top 25 of their regional meet.

Breaking Ties to Advance to Championship Finals

1. **Automatic qualifiers.** If a true tie exists between two or more individuals from a region for the fourth automatic qualifying position, all tied individuals will advance to the NCAA championships meet. However, the additional automatic qualifiers will reduce the number of at-large individuals selected to the championships meet.
2. **At-large selections.** To break a tie for any at-large individual selection, the time differential between tied runners and the last automatic individual qualifier (the fourth-place automatic qualifier) from their respective regions will be compared. The runner with the smallest differential will advance.

BOX DRAWS

The committee does box draws for regionals and nationals. Box draws will be sent to regional hosts and should be posted a minimum of two days prior to competition on the website. All starting boxes are randomly drawn.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Please refer to the NCAA Travel and Reimbursement Policies, located at ncaa.org/championships/travel.

Section 2•5 Site Selection

Any institution or conference interested in hosting a future regional round of the NCAA Division I Cross Country Championships must submit a proposed budget, respond to sport-specific questions (if applicable) and ensure that the institution's key contacts and facility information are complete and current in the Championships Bid and Profile System. Please contact Jeff Mlynski (**jmlynski@ncaa.org**), the championships manager, to inquire about current vacancies that may exist.

All bid-related forms can be accessed on **ncaa.org/bids**.

A final financial report from each championships site must be submitted via the online host reporting system to the NCAA not later than 60 days after the competition.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the bid process, please contact the NCAA Championships and Alliances staff at 317-917-6222 or **championshipbid@ncaa.org**.

HOST REPORTING SYSTEM, FACILITY EVALUATION AND KEY CONTACT FORM

web1.ncaa.org/champsBidV20/exec/login?loginSubmit=LoginWithTabs

SAFETY AND SECURITY PLAN

Based upon a review of current and future Championships competition venues, discussions with safety and security experts, and its own expertise and knowledge, the NCAA has established a Safety and Security Advisory Group (SSAG) to develop a compilation of Best Practices for NCAA Championships, which can be found in the "Help/Other Resources" tab in the championship host portal. We urge each competition venue to take these Best Practices into account when developing its safety and security program.

As part of your bid, please submit a safety and security plan for your venue, which would be inclusive of the NCAA Championships Safety and Security Team contact information form, located in Appendix A of the **Best Practices document**. This information should be submitted as part of your bid to be considered for championships site selection.

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Kent State University
Marquette University
Miami University (Ohio)
University of Michigan
Michigan State University
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The Ohio State University
Ohio University
Purdue University
Purdue University Fort Wayne
University of Southern Indiana
University of Toledo
Valparaiso University
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay
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South Dakota State University
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Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)
Tarleton State University
The University of Tulsa
Utah Tech University
Western Illinois University
Wichita State University

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University of Colorado, Boulder
Colorado State University
Idaho State University
University of Montana
Montana State University-Bozeman
University of Nevada, Reno
University of New Mexico
New Mexico State University
Northern Arizona University
University of Northern Colorado
Southern Utah University
University of Texas at El Paso
Texas Tech University
U.S. Air Force Academy
Utah State University
Utah Valley University
Weber State University
University of Wyoming

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Boston University
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University at Buffalo, the State University of New York
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Central Connecticut State University
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Columbia University-Barnard College
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Fairfield University
Fordham University
Harvard University
Hofstra University
College of the Holy Cross
Iona University
Long Island University
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Manhattan University
Marist College
Merrimack College
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University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of New Hampshire
Niagara University
Northeastern University
Providence College
Quinnipiac University
University of Rhode Island
Sacred Heart University
Siena College
St. Bonaventure University
Stonehill College
Stony Brook University
Syracuse University
U.S. Military Academy
University of Vermont
Wagner College
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SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

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Arkansas State University
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
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University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff
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University of Central Arkansas
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University of Houston
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University of the Incarnate Word
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University of Louisiana Monroe
Louisiana State University
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Texas A&M University, College Station
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Alcorn State University
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Bethune-Cookman University
East Tennessee State University
University of Florida
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida International University
Florida State University
University of Georgia
Georgia Institute of Technology
Jackson State University
Jacksonville State University
Jacksonville University
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Lipscomb University
University of Memphis
Mercer University
University of Miami (Florida)
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University of Mississippi
Mississippi State University
Mississippi Valley State University
University of North Alabama
University of North Florida
Samford University
University of South Alabama
University of South Florida
Stetson University
Tennessee State University
Tennessee Technological University
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
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University of Tennessee at Martin
Troy University
Vanderbilt University

SOUTHEAST REGION

Appalachian State University
Bellarmine University
Campbell University
College of Charleston (South Carolina)
Charleston Southern University
The Citadel
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Davidson College
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Eastern Kentucky University
Elon University
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University of Louisville
Morehead State University
Murray State University
Norfolk State University
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University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The University of North Carolina at Charlotte
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina Wilmington
North Carolina A&T State University
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina State University
Northern Kentucky University
Presbyterian College
Radford University
University of Richmond
South Carolina State University
University of South Carolina Upstate
University of Virginia
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
Western Carolina University
Western Kentucky University
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Winthrop University
Wofford College

WEST REGION

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Arizona State University
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California State University, Sacramento
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University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
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Long Beach State University
Long Island University
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University of Detroit Mercy
Eastern Michigan University
University of Evansville
Indiana State University
Indiana University, Bloomington
Indiana University Indianapolis
Kent State University
Marquette University
Miami University (Ohio)
University of Michigan
Michigan State University
University of Notre Dame
Oakland University
Ohio University
The Ohio State University
Purdue University
Purdue University Fort Wayne
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Western Michigan University
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University of Wisconsin-Madison
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Wright State University
Xavier University
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Loyola University Maryland
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University of Maryland, Baltimore County
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Mount St. Mary's University
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University of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania State University
University of Pittsburgh
Princeton University
Rider University
Robert Morris University
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Saint Francis University (Pennsylvania)
Saint Joseph's University
Saint Peter's University
Seton Hall University
Temple University
Towson University
U.S. Naval Academy
Villanova University
West Virginia University

MIDWEST REGION

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Chicago State University
Creighton University
DePaul University
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Illinois State University
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Iowa
Iowa State University
University of Kansas
Kansas State University
Loyola University Chicago
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
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University of Missouri, Columbia
University of Missouri-Kansas City
University of Nebraska, Lincoln
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Colorado State University
Idaho State University
University of Montana
Montana State University-Bozeman
University of Nevada, Reno
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New Mexico State University
Northern Arizona University
University of Northern Colorado
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University of Connecticut
Cornell University
Dartmouth College
Fairfield University
Fordham University
Harvard University
Hofstra University
College of the Holy Cross
Iona University
Long Island University
University of Maine
Manhattan University
Marist College
Merrimack College
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Massachusetts, Lowell
University of New Hampshire
Niagara University
Northeastern University
Providence College
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University of Rhode Island
Sacred Heart University
Siena College
St. Bonaventure University
St. John's University (New York)
Stony Brook University
Syracuse University
U.S. Military Academy
University of Vermont
Wagner College
Yale University

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Abilene Christian University
Arkansas State University
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
University of Arkansas at Little Rock
University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff
Baylor University
University of Central Arkansas
Grambling State University
University of Houston
Houston Christian University
University of the Incarnate Word
Lamar University
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
University of Louisiana Monroe
Louisiana State University
Louisiana Tech University
McNeese State University
University of New Orleans
Nicholls State University
University of North Texas
Northwestern State University
Prairie View A&M University
Rice University
Sam Houston State University
Southeastern Louisiana University
Southern Methodist University
Southern University, Baton Rouge
Stephen F. Austin State University
Texas A&M University, College Station
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Texas Christian University
Texas Southern University
Texas State University
University of Texas at Arlington
University of Texas at Austin
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
University of Texas at San Antonio
Tulane University

SOUTH REGION

University of Alabama
University of Alabama at Birmingham
Alabama A&M University
Alabama State University
Alcorn State University
Auburn University
Austin Peay State University
Belmont University
Bethune-Cookman University
University of Central Florida
East Tennessee State University
University of Florida
Florida A&M University
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Florida International University
Florida State University
University of Georgia
Georgia Institute of Technology
Georgia Southern University
Georgia State University
Jackson State University
Jacksonville State University
Jacksonville University
Kennesaw State University
Lipscomb University
University of Memphis
Mercer University
University of Miami (Florida)
Middle Tennessee State University
University of Mississippi
Mississippi State University
Mississippi Valley State University
University of North Alabama
University of North Florida
Samford University
University of South Alabama
University of South Florida
The University of Southern Mississippi
Stetson University
Tennessee State University
Tennessee Technological University
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
University of Tennessee at Martin
Troy University
Vanderbilt University

SOUTHEAST REGION

Appalachian State University
Campbell University
College of Charleston (South Carolina)
Charleston Southern University
The Citadel
Clemson University
Coastal Carolina University
Davidson College
Duke University
East Carolina University
Eastern Kentucky University
Elon University
Furman University
Gardner-Webb University
George Mason University
Hampton University
High Point University
James Madison University
University of Kentucky
Liberty University
Longwood University
University of Louisville
Morehead State University
Murray State University
Norfolk State University
University of North Carolina Asheville
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The University of North Carolina at Charlotte
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina Wilmington
North Carolina A&T State University
North Carolina Central University
North Carolina State University
Northern Kentucky University
Presbyterian College
Radford University
University of Richmond
University of South Carolina, Columbia
South Carolina State University
University of South Carolina Upstate
University of Virginia
Virginia Commonwealth University
Virginia Military Institute
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Wake Forest University
Western Carolina University
Western Kentucky University
William & Mary
Winthrop University
Wofford College

WEST REGION

University of Arizona
Arizona State University
Boise State University
California Baptist University
California Polytechnic State University
California State University, Bakersfield
California State University, Fresno
California State University, Fullerton
California State University, Northridge
California State University, Sacramento
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
Eastern Washington University
Gonzaga University
Grand Canyon University
University of Hawaii, Manoa
University of Idaho
Long Beach State University
Loyola Marymount University
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
University of Oregon
Oregon State University
University of the Pacific
Pepperdine University
University of Portland
Portland State University
University of San Diego
San Diego State University
University of San Francisco
San Jose State University
Santa Clara University
Seattle University
University of Southern California
Saint Mary's College of California
Stanford University
Utah Tech University
University of Washington
Washington State University