

# PARTICIPANT 2024-25 MANUAL First Rounds



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Dear Championship Participants,

I want to start by saying congratulations to you and your teams. Your journey has brought you here and we are incredibly excited and honored to host the 2025 West First Rounds as your teams and student-athletes continue to compete for a National Championship.

We take great pride in our facilities, and we believe that E.B. Cushing Stadium is at the pinnacle of the sport. Here you will find everything that you need to ensure that your student-athletes can perform at their absolute best. Our goal is to ensure that every student-athlete has a world-class experience that everyone involved can be proud of.

Our event staff comprised of Texas A&M Athletics Department staff members, volunteers and coaches are some of the best in the country with a notable reputation for planning and executing top-tier events. At Texas A&M, one of our Core Values is Selfless Service. We intend to display that to the fullest during the 2025 NCAA West First Rounds.

Please refer to this packet as it will contain important contacts and information in regard to the meet and our community. Our staff in partnership with the NCAA are here to help and offer our services. You will find that the Brazos Valley is a beautiful place with great food and even better people that are willing to go the extra mile to show you our southern hospitality.

We wish you safe travels as everyone makes their way to College Station and congratulations again for qualifying for NCAAs. We are grateful to be able to host this event and look forward to the opportunity.

Sincerely,

**Trev Alberts** 

**Director of Athletics** 

Texas A&M University









The 90,500-square foot E.B. Cushing Stadium opened on Texas A&M's west campus on April 6, 2019, giving the Aggie track and field program one of the nation's finest collegiate facilities to call home.

Features of the track and field area of E.B. Cushing Stadium include an IAAF certified Benyon track surface with 130-foot radius. In addition to the nine-lane oval, there is a nine-lane sprint and hurdle runway inside the oval. Field events held inside the oval include high jump, pole vault, long jump, triple jump, and shot put.

The longer throwing events – discus, hammer, and javelin – will utilize the Anderson Practice Track and Field Complex that lies adjacent to the new facility and serves as a warm-up track.

The track surface in Cushing Stadium is by Benyon, which offers a specialized, high performance synthetic athletic surface designed for speed, competition, and daily training. The surface is resilient by formulation and the physical properties of the IAAF certified system do not change as they are exposed to the elements.

In addition to having a fast-track surface, another important factor in the Benyon track surface is athlete safety regarding force reduction, enhanced feel under foot, and resiliency without sacrificing performance.

Another unique feature inside the track oval is multiple runway options for the pole vault.



# **E.B. Cushing Records**

# <u>Facility Records – Men:</u>

100 Meters:

10.00 Micah Williams, Oregon, 2021

200 Meters:

19.82 Terrance Laird, LSU, 2021

400 Meters:

44.37 Noah Williams, LSU, 2021

800 Meters:

1:45.57 Brandon Miller, Texas A&M, 2021

1,500 Meters:

3:36.60 Eliud Kipsang, Alabama, 2021

5,000 Meters:

13:52.98 Amon Kemboi, Arkansas, 2021

10,000 Meters:

28:55.56 Vincent Kiprop, Alabama, 2021

110 Meter Hurdles:

13.36 Damion Thomas, LSU, 2021

**400 Meter Hurdles:** 

48.58 Isaiah Levingston, Oklahoma, 2021

3,000 Meter Steeplechase:

8:37.45 Bennett Pascoe, Arkansas State, 2021

4x100 Meter Relay:

38.75 TCU, 2022

4x400 Meter Relay:

3:01.71 Kentucky, 2021

**High Jump:** 

2.36m JuVaughn Harrison, LSU, 2021

**Pole Vault:** 

5.75m Clayton Fritsch, Sam Houston, 2022

Long Jump:

8.34m Carey Mcleod, Tennessee, 2021

**Triple Jump:** 

16.98m Emmanuel Ihemeje, Oregon, 2021

**Shot Put:** 

21.53m Adrian Piperi, Texas, 2022

**Discus:** 

64.87m Turner Washington, Arizona St., 2021

**Hammer Throw:** 

74.78m Thomas Mardal, Florida, 2021

Javelin:

80.00m Keyshawn Strachan, Nebraska, 2025

# Facility Records – Women:

100 Meters:

10.89 Twanisha Terry, USC, 2021

200 Meters:

22.32 Madison Whyte, USC, 2025

400 Meters:

49.68 Athing Mu, Texas A&M, 2021

800 Meters:

2:02.13 Aaliyah Miller, Baylor, 2021

1,500 Meters:

4:09.89 Julia Heymach, Stanford, 2021

5,000 Meters:

15:45.32 Mercy Chelangat, Alabama, 2021

10,000 Meters:

32:13.13 Mercy Chelangat, Alabama, 2021

100 Meter Hurdles:

12.52 Tonea Marshall, LSU, 2021

**400 Meter Hurdles:** 

55.28 Savannah Sutherland, Michigan, 2025

3,000 Meter Steeplechase:

9:38.62 Krissy Gear, Arkansas, 2021

4x100 Meter Relay:

42.52 LSU, 2021

4x400 Meter Relay:

3:25.84 Texas A&M, 2021

**High Jump:** 

1.97m Lamara Distin, Texas A&M, 2022

Pole Vault:

4.54m, Nastassja Campbell, Arkansas, 2021

Long Jump:

6.96m Tyra Gittens, Texas A&M, 2021

**Triple Jump:** 

14.39m Jasmine Moore, UGA, 2021

**Shot Put:** 

18.71m Latavia Maines, Tennessee, 2021

Discus:

64.44m Jorinde Van Klinken, Arizona St., 2021

**Hammer Throw:** 

72.16m Camryn Rogers, California, 2021

Javelin:

59.52m Ari Ince, United States, 2019



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# **CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### (ALL TIMES LISTED ARE CENTRAL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.)

Monday, May 19

8 p.m. (Eastern) Declarations open on <u>www.directathletics.com</u>.

Wednesday, May 21

2 p.m. (Eastern) On-time declaration deadline on www.directathletics.com.

4 p.m. (Eastern) Late declaration deadline with fine on www.directathletics.com.

Declarations officially close at this time.

Friday, May 23

1 p.m. (Central) MANDATORY virtual coaches technical meeting – Virtual link will be

provided to all head coaches after selections.

Sunday, May 25

2 p.m. (Eastern) Scratch deadline (e.g., medical, eligibility, family emergency). Any

scratches must be reported by email to Sean Laughlin and Jeff Mlynski (sean@recordtiming.com and <a href="mailto:imlynski@ncaa.org">imlynski@ncaa.org</a>). No additional participants will be added to the First Round competition after 8 p.m. Eastern time. *Note: Scratches after declarations are all-*

inclusive and not selective by event.

Monday, May 26

See Schedule Practice available (see specific practice details on pages 10-14.)

Tuesday, May 27

1 - 6:30 p.m. Packet pick-up.

Northeast Entrance of R.A. "Murray" Fasken '38 Indoor Track

956 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

See Schedule Practice available (see specific practice details on pages 10-14)

Wednesday, May 28

See schedule Practice available (see specific practice details on pages 10-14)



8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Late packet pick-up

Northeast Entrance of R.A. "Murray" Fasken '38 Indoor Track

956 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

10 a.m. Championship competition begins.

Thursday, May 29

See Schedule Practice available (see specific practice details on pages 10-14)

8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Late packet pick-up

Northeast Entrance of R.A. "Murray" Fasken '38 Indoor Track

956 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

10 a.m. Championship competition begins.

Friday, May 30

See Schedule Practice available (see specific practice details on pages 10-14)

8 a.m. - 11 a.m. Late packet pick-up

Northeast Entrance of R.A. "Murray" Fasken '38 Indoor Track

956 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

1 p.m. Championship competition begins.

Saturday, May 31

See Schedule Practice available (see specific practice details on pages 10-14)

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Late packet pick-up

\*If necessary\* Northeast Entrance of R.A. "Murray" Fasken '38 Indoor Track

956 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

1 p.m. Championship competition begins.

\*Children under the age of 18 (unless they are competing student-athletes) and infants will only be allowed in team camp areas, not warm-up/active competition and practice areas for safety. Additionally, practice and warm-up venues are off limits to any post-collegians. These facilities are strictly available only for competing student-athletes.



#### Monday, May 26

Fasken Outdoor Competition Long Throws / Warm-up Facility: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

10:00 am – 6:00 pm J Track – Track Specific Warm-up

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Javelin (Men Only)

 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
 Hammer (Women only)

 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
 Discus (Women Only)

 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Javelin (Women Only)

 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm
 Hammer (Men Only)

 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 Discus (Men Only)

EB Cushing Track: 12:00 pm-6:00 pm

Track Event Practice Schedule: (12:00 pm - 6:00 pm)

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm (NO HURDLES)

Oval Practice – Lanes 1-3 (NO HURDLES)

200m/400m/Relays – Lanes 4-9 at the Common Start/Finish Line (NO HURDLES)

Steeplechase – Only the Water Barrier is available (NO HURDLES)

Straightway Starts – Center lanes 1-9 (NO HURDLES)

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm (HURDLE ONLY PRACTICE ON TRACK)

100mh/110mh - Center lanes 1-9

400mh - Lanes 1-9 at the Common Start/Finish Line

3:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Oval Practice – Lanes 1-2

200m/400m/Relays – Lanes 3-6 at the Common Start/Finish Line

400mh – Lanes 7-9 at the Common Start/Finish Line

Steeplechase – Only the Water Barrier is available

Straightway Starts – Center lanes 1-4

100mh/110mh - Center lanes 5-9

Field Events Practice Schedule: (12:00 pm – 6:00 pm)

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Pole Vault 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm High Jump

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Long Jump / Triple Jump

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Shot Put

Penberthy Fields 9 & 10: 9:00 am-7:00 pm

9:00 am-7:00 pm General Warm-up



#### Tuesday, May 27

Fasken Outdoor Competition Long Throws / Warm-up Facility: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

10:00 am – 6:00 pm J Track – Track Specific Warm-up

 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
 Javelin (Women Only)

 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
 Hammer (Men Only)

 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
 Discus (Men Only)

 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 Javelin (Men Only)

2:00 pm – 4:30 pm Hammer (Women Only) 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Discus (Women Only)

EB Cushing Track: 12:00 pm-6:00 pm

Track Event Practice Schedule: (12:00 pm – 6:00 pm)

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm (NO HURDLES)

Oval Practice – Lanes 1-3 (NO HURDLES)

200m/400m/Relays – Lanes 4-9 at the Common Start/Finish Line (NO HURDLES)

Steeplechase – Only the Water Barrier is available (NO HURDLES)

Straightway Starts – Center lanes 1-9 (NO HURDLES)

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm (HURDLE ONLY PRACTICE ON TRACK)

100mh/110mh – Center lanes 1-9

400mh – Lanes 1-9 at the Common Start/Finish Line

3:30 pm – 6:00 pm

Oval Practice – Lanes 1-2

200m/400m/Relays – Lanes 3-6 at the Common Start/Finish Line

400mh – Lanes 7-9 at the Common Start/Finish Line

Steeplechase – Only the Water Barrier is available

Straightway Starts – Center lanes 1-4

100mh/110mh - Center lanes 5-9

Field Events Practice Schedule: (12:00 pm – 6:00 pm)

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Pole Vault 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm High Jump

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Long Jump / Triple Jump

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm Shot Put

Penberthy Fields 9 & 10: 9:00 am-7:00 pm

9:00 am-7:00 pm General Warm-up



#### Wednesday, May 28

Fasken Outdoor Competition Long Throws / Warm-up Facility: 8:00 am - 10:00pm

8:00 am – 10:00 pm J Track – For Competitor Track Specific Warm-up Only

8:00 am – 9:30 am Javelin (Women Only)
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm Hammer (Women Only)

No Other Practice Availability Due to Competition

Warm-up track will be available during all practice windows. Please note that on competition days warm-up areas are limited to athletes on that day's start lists starting two (2) hours prior to the first running event of the day (110H, 100H, 4x100m Relay).

#### **EB Cushing Track:**

No Available Practice Time Due to Competition

Penberthy Fields 9 & 10: 8:00 am-11:00 pm

8:00 am-11:00 pm General Warm-up

Bryan High School – Merrill Green Stadium:9:00 am-2:00 pm

No Hammer Throw or Javelin Throw Available

#### Thursday, May 29

Fasken Outdoor Competition Long Throws / Warm-up Facility: 8:00 am - 10:00pm

8:00 am - 10:00 pm J Track - For Competitor Track Specific Warm-up only

No Other Practice Availability Due to Competition

Warm-up track will be available during all practice windows. Please note that on competition days warm-up areas are limited to athletes on that day's start lists starting two (2) hours prior to the first running event of the day (110H, 100H, 4x100m Relay).

#### **EB Cushing Track:**

No Available Practice Time Due to Competition

Penberthy Fields 9 & 10: 8:00 am-11:00 pm

8:00 am-11:00 pm General Warm-up

Bryan High School – Merrill Green Stadium:9:00 am-2:00 pm

No Hammer Throw or Javelin Throw Available



#### Friday, May 30

Fasken Outdoor Competition Long Throws / Warm-up Facility: 8:30 am - 9:30pm

8:30 am – 9:30 pm J Track – For Competitor Track Specific Warm-up only

9:00 am – 10:30 am Hammer (12 M/W Qualifiers Only) 9:00 am – 10:30 am Javelin (12 M/W Qualifiers Only)

No Other Practice Availability Due to Competition

Warm-up track will be available during all practice windows. Please note that on competition days warm-up areas are limited to athletes on that day's start lists starting two (2) hours prior to the first running event of the day (110H, 100H, 4x100m Relay).

#### **EB Cushing Track:**

No Available Practice Time Due to Competition

Penberthy Fields 9 & 10: 11:00 am-10:00 pm

11:00 am-10:00 pm General Warm-up

Bryan High School – Merrill Green Stadium:9:00 am-2:00 pm

No Hammer Throw or Javelin Throw Available

#### Saturday, May 31

Fasken Outdoor Competition Long Throws / Warm-up Facility: 8:30 am – 9:30pm

8:30 am – 9:30 pm J Track – For Track Specific Warm-up only

9:00 am – 10:30 am Hammer (12 M/W Qualifiers Only) 9:00 am – 10:30 am Javelin (12 M/W Qualifiers Only)

No Other Practice Availability Due to Competition

Warm-up track will be available during all practice windows. Please note that on competition days warm-up areas are limited to athletes on that day's start lists starting two (2) hours prior to the first running event of the day (110H, 100H, 4x100m Relay).

#### **EB Cushing Track:**

No Available Practice Time Due to Competition

Penberthy Fields 9 & 10: 11:00 am-10:00 pm

11:00 am-10:00 pm General Warm-up

Bryan High School - Merrill Green Stadium:9:00 am-2:00 pm

No Hammer Throw or Javelin Throw Available



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# **COMPETITION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 28**

#### Time Event Division Round 6:00 PM 110 Hurdles Men First Round First Round 6:30 PM 1500 Meters Men 7:00 PM 100 Meters Men First Round 7:25 PM 400 Meters Men First Round 7:50 PM 800 Meters Men First Round 8:20 PM 400 Hurdles Men First Round 8:45 PM 200 Meters Men First Round 9:10 PM 10,000 Meters Men Semifinal

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 29**

#### TRACK EVENTS

Time	Event	Division	Round
6:00 PM	100 Hurdles	Women	First Round
6:30 PM	1500 Meters	Women	First Round
7:00 PM	100 Meters	Women	First Round
7:25 PM	400 Meters	Women	First Round
7:50 PM	800 Meters	Women	First Round
8:20 PM	400 Hurdles	Women	First Round
8:45 PM	200 Meters	Women	First Round
9:10 PM	10,000 Meters	Women	Semifinal

#### **FIELD EVENTS**

TRACK EVENTS

Time	Event	Division	Round
10:00 AM	*Hammer	Men	First Round
2:30 PM	*Javelin	Men	First Round
4:30 PM	Long Jump	Men	First Round
5:30 PM	Pole Vault	Men	Semifinal
6:00 PM	Shot Put	Men	First Round

#### **FIELD EVENTS**

Time	Event	Division	Round
10:00 AM	*Hammer	Women	First Round
2:30 PM	*Javelin	Women	First Round
4:30 PM	Long Jump	Women	First Round
5:30 PM	Pole Vault	Women	Semifinal
6:00 PM	Shot Put	Women	First Round

#### FRIDAY, MAY 30

#### TRACK EVENTS

Time	Event	Division	Round
5:00 PM	4x100 Relay	Men	Quarterfinals
5:15 PM	1500 Meters	Men	Quarterfinals
5:40 PM	3000 Steeplechase	Men	Quarterfinals
6:15 PM	110 Hurdles	Men	Quarterfinals
6:35 PM	100 Meters	Men	Quarterfinals
6:50 PM	400 Meters	Men	Quarterfinals
7:05 PM	800 Meters	Men	Quarterfinals
7:25 PM	400 Hurdles	Men	Quarterfinals
7:50 PM	200 Meters	Men	Quarterfinals
8:10 PM	5000 Meters	Men	Semifinals
8:45 PM	4x400 Relay	Men	Quarterfinals

#### SATURDAY, MAY 31

#### TRACK EVENTS

TRACK EVENTS			
Time	Event	Division	Round
5:00 PM	4x100 Relay	Women	Quarterfinals
5:15 PM	1500 Meters	Women	Quarterfinals
5:40 PM	3000 Steeplechase	Women	Quarterfinals
6:15 PM	100 Hurdles	Women	Quarterfinals
6:35 PM	100 Meters	Women	Quarterfinals
6:50 PM	400 Meters	Women	Quarterfinals
7:05 PM	800 Meters	Women	Quarterfinals
7:25 PM	400 Hurdles	Women	Quarterfinals
7:50 PM	200 Meters	Women	Quarterfinals
8:10 PM	5000 Meters	Women	Semifinals
8:45 PM	4x400 Relay	Women	Quarterfinals

#### **FIELD EVENTS**

Time	Event	Division	Round
1:00 PM	*Discus	Men	First Round
2:30 PM	Triple Jump	Men	First Round
3:30 PM	High Jump	Men	Semifinal

#### **FIELD EVENTS**

Time	Event	Division	Round
1:00 PM	*Discus	Women	First Round
2:30 PM	Triple Jump	Women	First Round
3:30 PM	High Jump	Women	Semifinal

All times listed are Central Time Schedule is subject to change

<sup>\*</sup> Hammer, Javelin and Discus for both men & women conducted outside the oval



#### **AWARDS**

There will be no official awards for individuals, teams or relays at the first rounds.

#### **UNIFORMS AND LOGOS**

Reference: Bylaw 12.5.4 in the NCAA Manual

All uniforms and logos must comply with the 2025-26 NCAA Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Rule Book.

#### **VIDEO/WIRELESS COMMUNICATION**

The use by competitors of video or audio devices, Fitbits or smart watches, mobile phones, computers, or any similar devices in the competition area is prohibited. Field event Student-Athletes can view video, taken outside the competition area and not brought in the competition area, between attempts. Under the direction of an official they are permitted to cross the track.

#### MISCONDUCT (Bylaw 31.3.10)

Misconduct Incident to Competition - If the act of misconduct occurs during the competition, under normal circumstances the individual shall be allowed to complete the competition in which he or she is participating at the time of the incident. An administrative hearing shall be held at the conclusion of the day's competition, during break in the continuity of the championship when no competition is being conducted or at the conclusion of the championship. However, if the act of misconduct is so flagrant that it obviously violates the principles of fair play and sportsmanship, the games committee may immediately withdraw the student-athlete or institutional representative from the competition and conduct the hearing following the action. Other acts of misconduct may be dealt with at the governing sports committee's convenience.

**Penalty for misconduct** - A governing sports committee (or the games committee authorized to act for it) may impose any one or a combination of the following penalties on an institution or any student-athlete or representative of an institution guilty of misconduct that occurs incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of competition or practice.

- (a) Public or private reprimand of the individual;
- (b) Disqualification of the individual from further participation in the NCAA championship involved;
- (c) Banishment of the individual from participation in one or more following championships of the sport involved;
- (d) Cancellation of payment to the institution of the Association's travel guarantee for individuals involved;
- (e) Withholding of all or a portion of the institution's share of the revenue distribution;
- (f) Banishment of the institution from participation in one or more following championships in which its team in that sport otherwise would be eligible to participate;
- (g) Disqualification of an institution for a period of time from serving as host institution for one or more NCAA championships;
- (h) Cancellation of all or a portion of the honorarium for hosting an NCAA Championship; and



(i) Financial or other penalties different from (a) through (h) above, but only if they have prior approval of the Competition Oversight Committee.

#### **ACADEMICS**

If academic support is required for any student-athletes, please contact Karlie Abbott by phone, 979-845-0777 or by email, <a href="mailto:kabbott@athletics.tamu.edu">kabbott@athletics.tamu.edu</a>.

# **BIB / HIP NUMBERS**

Athletes must wear the smaller competitor bib on the front of their jersey and the larger bib number on the back of their jersey/singlet. Athletes competing in the long jump, triple jump, high jump and pole vault may wear one bib on either the front or back. Bibs may not be folded, modified, worn upside down, or altered in any manner. Bib numbers will be required at checkin and for all subsequent events. Hip numbers will be issued at check-in and must be worn on both hips.

#### **DAY-OF-COMPETITION WARM-UPS**

Access to the warm-up areas are limited to athletes on that day's start lists starting two hours prior to the first main running event of the day (110H, 100H, 4x100m relay). Credentialed coaches will be able to communicate with their athletes in these areas.

#### **CHECK-IN**

Teams and/or individuals that check-in late and not in accordance with the following times outlined in this manual may jeopardize participation in their event, will have a letter sent to their institutional athletics director and will have a financial fine assessed for failing to abide by championship policies.

#### Summary of Student-Athlete Flow:

- 1) Student-athletes must check-in at the clerking area located on the Southeast end of EB Cushing Track.
- 2) Student-athletes will be escorted from the clerking area to the athlete staging area on the Southwest end of EB Cushing Track. Here the athletes can change into their spikes (if needed) and put their gear into baskets for after their race.
- 3) Student-athletes will be escorted to the post-event recovery area accordingly after each event. Please note the path from the clerk tent to the staging tent is a track surface. However, after the race, the path from the staging tent back to the team area is concrete and the athlete should have appropriate footwear for the walk back.
- 4) After completion of the event, student-athletes may be asked to conduct an interview within the media Mixed Zone.

#### Check-In (Clerking Areas)

All student-athletes are encouraged to check in as soon as possible for their event but must check in and report to the Clerks' area no later than the times outlined on the following schedule. The clerking area is located at the southeast end of EB Cushing Track. Uniform, equipment/spike/shoe check, instructions, and escorting will take place accordingly.



All student-athletes must check in with the clerk per the following running event and field event schedule (see below).

#### Check-In Times (Running Events):

Student-athletes must check-in and report to clerking as is noted below on an event-by-event and heat-by-heat basis.

# • 100 Meters, 100/110 Hurdles, 200 Meters, 400 Meters, and 400 Hurdles

In the **first-round** of each event, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **fourth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **fifth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **sixth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

In the **quarter-final round** of each event, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

# 800 Meters

In the **first-round**, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **fourth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **fifth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **sixth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

In the **quarter-final round**, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.



#### • 1500 Meters

In the **first-round**, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **fourth heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than the published scheduled start time of the event.

In the **quarter-final round**, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### • 3000 Steeplechase

In the **quarter-final round**, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### 5000 Meters

In the **semi-final round**, competitors in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Competitors in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### • 10,000 Meters

In the **semi-final round**, competitors must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### 4x100 Relay and 4x400 Relay

In the **quarter-final round**, teams in the **first heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Teams in the **second heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than ten (10) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Teams in the **third heat** must check-in with the clerk no later than five (5) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

Any final changes or replacements to relays may occur up until five (5) minutes before the published start time of the event. Any changes must be done by the institution's coach at the Clerking area. No changes will be allowed later than five (5) minutes before the published start time of the relay event.



#### **Check-In Times (Field Events):**

Student-athletes must check-in and report to clerking as is noted below on an event-by-event and flight-by-flight basis.

#### • <u>Discus, Hammer, Javelin</u>

In the Discus, Hammer, and Javelin, **flight one (1)** must check-in with the clerk not later than forty-five (45) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight one (1) competitors will be escorted by a clerk to the competition area forty (40) minutes prior to the published scheduled start of the event.

**Flight two (2)** must check-in with the clerk not later than twenty (20) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight two (2) competitors will be escorted by a clerk to the competition area twenty (25) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

**Flight three (3)** must check-in with the clerk not later than one (1) hour and twenty-five (25) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight three (3) competitors will be escorted by a clerk to the competition area one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

**Flight four (4)** must check-in with the clerk not later than two (2) hours and thirty minutes (30) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight four (4) competitors will be escorted by a clerk to the competition area two (2) hours and thirty-five (35) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### Shot Put

In the Shot Put, **flights one (1) and two (2)** must check-in with the clerk not later than forty-five (45) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight one (1) and flight two (2) competitors will be escorted by clerks to their assigned competition area forty (40) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

Flights three (3) and four (4) must check-in with the clerk not later than fifteen (15) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight three (3) and flight four (4) competitors will be escorted by clerks to their assigned competition area twenty (20) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### • Long Jump, Triple Jump

In the Long Jump and Triple Jump, **flights one (1) and two (2)** must check-in with the clerk no later than forty-five (45) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight one (1) and flight two (2) competitors will be escorted by clerks to their assigned competition area forty (40) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

**Flights three (3) and four (4)** must check-in with the clerk no later than forty (40) minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight three (3) and flight four (4) competitors will be escorted by clerks to their assigned competition area forty-five (45)



minutes after the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### High Jump

Flight one (1) and flight two (2) competitors must check-in with the clerk not later than one (1) hour and twenty (20) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight one (1) and flight two (2) competitors will be escorted by clerks to their assigned competition area one (1) hour and fifteen (15) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### Pole Vault

Flight one (1) and flight two (2) competitors must check-in with the clerk not later than one (1) hour and thirty-five (35) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event. Flight one (1) and flight two (2) competitors will be escorted by clerks to their assigned competition area one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes prior to the published scheduled start time of the event.

#### **COACHES MEETING**

There will be a virtual coaches meeting on Friday, May 23 at 1 p.m. CENTRAL. A virtual link will be provided to all qualifying head coaches after selections. All aspects of the competition and administrative procedures will be discussed. It is **MANDATORY** that each institution's head coach, or a representative of the institution, be present during the meeting. A minimum fine of \$200 per gender/per team will be assessed for those participating institutions not in attendance.

#### **COACHING BOXES AND FIELD EVENT VENUE DESIGNATION**

Reference coaching box and field event venue designation diagram in Appendix C and D.

Coaching Boxes locations are as follows: Hammer, Javelin, and Discus coaches boxes will be near the event runway or ring.

Pole Vault and High Jump will have coaching boxes located on the infield. A credential will be provided for each team with an athlete competing.

Shot put and horizontal jumps coach boxes will be surrounding the competition track.

Only one coach from each institution (provided they have a student-athlete competing in that event), will be admitted to the coaching box area.

#### Field Event Flight Locations:

Pole Vault: Shot Put:

Flight 1: South Pit Flights 1 & 3: East Ring Flight 2: North Pit Flights 2 & 4: West Ring

High Jump: Long Jump, Triple Jump:

Flight 1: East Pit Flights 1 & 3: West Runway Flight 2: West Pit Flights 2 & 4: East Runway

#### **CREDENTIALS**

Credentials will be provided for all coaches, student-athletes, media, officials, and other personnel as stipulated in NCAA Bylaw 11. Credentials for each institution will be distributed at packet pick-up for coaches, athletic trainers, university personnel, and student-athletes. Media credentials for team personnel will be distributed during packet pick-up. Any additional media credentials can be picked up at the ticket windows during operating hours. (1 hour prior to the first event each day – conclusion of day)

Competitors must have credentials in order to access ticketed and credentialed areas. At the conclusion of each event, unless it is a final, competitors will be directed to leave the track. No competitor shall be on the track unless involved in an event or an approved warm-up period for an upcoming event.

Credentials should be worn accordingly at all times.

#### **DRUG TESTING**

Drug testing facilities will be located in the visiting team locker room at the softball facility, Davis Diamond should drug testing be conducted at this event.

Student-athletes who compete in this championship may be subjected to a drug test in accordance with bylaws 18.4.1.5 and 31.2.3, and may be determined to be ineligible as a result thereof. If drug testing occurs at this session of the championships, couriers will make contact with the student-athletes immediately following the 10-minute cooling off period. The student-athletes who are to be tested will be escorted to the drug-testing area within one hour after the conclusion of the competition. Student-athletes selected for drug-testing should first attend any post meet interviews (if designated by the sports information director) before reporting to the drug-testing area.

Please also be aware of the following as it relates to drug testing for record ratification purposes:

- If NCAA drug testing occurs during this championship round, Drug Free Sport (DFS) will be onsite and has the authority to conduct testing for tests required outside of the standard championship protocol (e.g., national record, world junior record, etc.) for United States athletes ONLY.
- 2. If NCAA drug testing does not occur during this championship round and/or a test is required outside of the standard championship protocol (e.g., national record, world junior record, etc.), or your athlete is an international athlete, it will be the responsibility of the student-athlete's school to contact the appropriate drug testing agency (e.g., USADA, DFS, etc.) as authorized by the appropriate national/governing body to set up and confirm the necessary test during the event. Schools that anticipate a possible record requiring drug testing for ratification, are encouraged to be proactive in contacting an authorized testing agency in advance to inform them of a possible need for testing.

3. Additionally, any cost associated with such a test will be the responsibility of the tested student-athlete's school.

#### **ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION**

Websites

**Host site:** https://12thman.com/feature/ncaawest25

NCAA Track and Field Championships: http://www.ncaa.com/trackandfield

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To get meet management updates (e.g. weather delays) via X please follow @aggietfxc.

#### FIELD EVENT WARM-UP PROCEDURES

Field Event Competitors will be permitted onto the competition site based on their flight. There is no general warm-up for any throwing and horizontal jumping event. Student-athletes, by flight, will be escorted to the event site prior to each flight, in order to be part of the 30-minute flight specific warm-up period (for the Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Hammer, Javelin), which will begin when the officials at the event have received the escorted competitors and have the event site ready. Each flight of the High Jump will be allowed a 1-hour warm-up period. Each flight of the Pole Vault will be allowed a 1 hour and 15-minute warm-up period. Please read the Technical manual for regulations regarding determination of flights and advancement as well as specifics regarding each event.

#### **IMPLEMENT INSPECTION**

Implement inspection will take place in the Weights and Measurements room located in the southwest side of the R.A. Murray Fasken '38 Indoor Track. Student-athletes and coaches are encouraged to turn in implements the day prior to competition. **NO IMPLEMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED LATER THAN 3 HOURS PRIOR TO THE WARM-UP PERIOD FOR THE EVENT.** Once an implement is submitted for certification, it will remain impounded until the completion of the competition. Illegal implements will be secured until after the meet and may be picked up at the conclusion of competition. Only certified implements may be used during official warm-ups and competition.

Implements passing certification will be brought to the event site prior to the start of warm-ups.

Implements can be picked up at the implement inspection area 30 minutes after the conclusion of the final flight of the event.

Competitors who require implements for practice after inspection should bring secondary implements.

Implements Inspection days and hours are as follows:

	Open	Last Check-In Times	Close
Tuesday, May 27	10:00 AM		7:00 PM
Wednesday, May 28	8:00 AM		9:30 PM
Men Hammer		Before Tuesday close	
Men Javelin		11:30 AM	
Men Shot Put		3:00 PM	
Thursday, May 29	8:00 AM		9:30 PM
Women Hammer		Before Wednesday close	
Women Javelin		11:30 AM	
Women Shot Put		3:00 PM	
Friday, May 30	9:30 AM		6:00 PM
Men Discus		10:00 AM	
Saturday, May 31	9:30 AM		6:00 PM
Women Discus		10:00 AM	

#### **MEDIA RELATIONS**

#### Credentials – Photo, SID, Media

- Requests for media credentials should be submitted using this Google Forms link: <a href="https://aggi.es/430UN5M">https://aggi.es/430UN5M</a>.
- Credentials are granted to authorized working press, Host/NCAA approved officials and event management personnel only.
- Media organization identification and the name of the media member covering the event for that outlet are required for every credential.
- Passes are not transferable. Media members that need to alter their original request should do so by contacting Rachel Perreault (<a href="mailto:rperreault@athletics.tamu.edu">rperreault@athletics.tamu.edu</a>) or Sam Thornton (<a href="mailto:sthornton@athletics.tamu.edu">sthornton@athletics.tamu.edu</a>).
- Media credentials for team personnel will be distributed during packet pick-up. Any additional media credentials can be picked up at the ticket windows during operating hours. (1 hour prior to the first event each day conclusion of day)

• Media Parking: Media parking will be in Lot 100d.

#### Media/Mixed Zone Area

Media will have access to the press box and hospitality room located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of E.B. Cushing Stadium. The mixed zone area will be located in the SW corner of E.B. Cushing Stadium.

#### MEDICAL INFORMATION

#### **Ambulance**

An ambulance will be on site during the practice sessions and on all competition days at the competition venue.

#### **Athletic Training / Medical Information**

The host medical tent is located in the SW corner of E.B. Cushing Stadium.

Athletic training facilities will be available for the competing institutions before, during, and after all practices and events. Access to these facilities at other times will be by arrangement with the host school athletic training staff.

If a certified athletic trainer cannot travel with your team, then a letter stating any treatments that should be performed on their student-athlete(s) should be provided and signed by the certified athletic trainer.

A host team physician will be available to you for the duration of the championship.

If a medical scratch occurs prior to arriving on site, then the scratch must be verified by the institution's team doctor. If the scratch occurs after arriving on site, the scratch must be verified by host medical personnel by completing an evaluation and proper paperwork.

Once competition begins, a student-athlete who fails to compete or finish in any event at the first rounds or national championship sites, and is entered in additional events, must receive medical verification from the host medical staff stating that they were unable to finish or start the event. Additionally, they must then get medically cleared before they can be eligible to return to competition in any other event. The proper medical paperwork must be completed and will be available in the medical area at each site. (Rule 12-19)

Please contact the host athletic training staff if any services are necessary.

Each day, ice and other first aid items will be available. In the event a modality is needed, prior request should be made with the host sports medicine staff.

#### **Championship Medical Contacts**

Saul Luna	Stacy Guerrero
361-739-4993	469-360-4339

sluna@athletics.tamu.edu	sguerrero@athletics.tamu.edu
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### **Concussion Management / Hospitals and Emergency Services**

Baylor Scott & White Medical Center	College Station Medical Center	
700 Scott & White Dr College Station, TX	1604 Rock Prairie Road College Station, TX	
77845	77845	
979-207-0100	979-764-5100	

#### **PACKET PICK-UP**

Tuesday, May 27 at 1 – 6:30 p.m. at the Northeast Entrance of the Fasken Murray Indoor Track.

Team vans/cars are permitted to park in **Lot 100j for packet pick-up on Tuesday only.** No cars can be unmanned or parked in the bicycle lanes on Olsen Drive.

Late Packet Pickup will be at Northeast entrance of the Fasken Murray Indoor Track from 8 a.m. – 11a.m. (Wed. – Fri) and 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Saturday if necessary).

#### **PARKING**

<u>All team vehicles including buses and vans will need to turn into Lot 100d</u> then turn into the "dump station" to drop-off near team camps located at Penberthy Intramural Fields. After dropping off, <u>all team vehicles including buses and vans need to relocate to Lot 58</u>. All team vehicles must have a parking placard visible. Please see Appendix H, I & J for more information.

<u>Spectators should plan to park in lots 100e, f, and g and incur a \$10 charge, which is valid for the entire day</u>. QR codes will be posted throughout these lots for payment.

Officials and NCAA staff parking will be in lot 100m south with overflow to 100d.

<u>Media</u> parking will be in lot 100d. Parking placards will be required, or a \$10 charge will be incurred.

**ADA** Parking is available with a valid ADA permit or ADA license plate in Lot 100m north.

#### PARTICIPANT ENTRANCES/DROP-OFF

<u>All team vehicles including buses and vans will need to turn into Lot 100d</u> then turn into the "dump station" to drop-off near team camps located at Penberthy Intramural Fields. After dropping off, <u>all team vehicles including buses and vans need to relocate to Lot 58</u>. All team vehicles must have a parking placard visible. Please see Appendix H, I & J for more information.

Participant entrance is located at the Northeast corner of EB Cushing Track and at the Southeast corner of EB Cushing Track.

#### POLE SHIPPING / STORAGE

Texas A&M will NOT accept delivery of pole vault poles. All poles should be shipped to hotels.

Teams can bring poles to track and drop off pole bags onto designated carts at the Southeast Corner of EB Cushing Stadium.

#### PRACTICE FIELDS / AREAS AND WEIGHT ROOM ACCESS

#### **FASKEN OUTDOOR COMPETITON LONG THROWS / WARM-UP FACILITY:**

Address: 956 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

Hours: See Practice Schedule on Pages 10-14 for available hours.

#### **EB CUSHING TRACK:**

Address: 977 Penberthy Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

Hours: See Practice Schedule on Pages 10-14 for available hours.

# PENBERTHY FIELDS 9 AND 10 (General Warm-Up only):

Address: Penberthy Blvd, College Station, TX 77843

Hours: See Practice Schedule on Pages 10-14 for available hours.

#### BRYAN HIGH SCHOOL - MERRIL GREEN STADIUM (NO HAMMER THROW OR JAVELIN THROW)

Address: 3450 Campus Dr, Bryan, TX 77802

Hours: See Practice Schedule on Pages 10-14 for available hours.

#### WEIGHT ROOM ACCESS: West Campus Player Development Center

Address: Tom Chandler Drive, College Station, TX 77843

Hours: All teams wanting weight-room availability should contact Evan Kubicek

(<a href="mailto:ekwathletics.tamu.edu">ekubicek@athletics.tamu.edu</a>) regarding weight room access. All teams must enter through the main entry off Tom Chandler Drive and sign a waiver prior to accessing.

\*Children under the age of 18 (unless they are competing student-athletes) and infants will only be allowed in team camp areas, not warm-up/active competition and practice areas for safety. Additionally, practice and warm-up venues are off limits to any post-collegians. These facilities are strictly available only for competing student-athletes.

#### MERCHANDISE AND CONCESSIONS

Merchandise and concessions will be available on the EB Cushing Stadium concourse at all times when gates are open.

#### **LACTATION STATION**

A private lactation station can be found in the First Aid station on the concourse of EB Cushing Stadium.

#### **PROTESTS**

See the 2025-2026 NCAA Track and Field Rules Book. The protest table will be located in the Check-in Tent located at the Southeast corner of EB Cushing Track There is a \$100 protest fee (cash or check made out to host institution) due at the time of the protest. The \$100 will be reimbursed should the ruling be overturned. Please note all protests must be filed within 15 minutes of the posting of final results. The referees' decision will be final. The referees' decision will be posted at the protest area as soon as the information is available from the referees.

#### RELAY EVENTS – CHAMPIONSHIPS POLICY/PROCEDURES

Each relay card shall consist of the four original members that were a part of the qualifying team. However, each institution will also be allowed to name up to four alternates by no later than the close of packet pick-up. Additionally, any other student-athlete who is competing in another event during the championships is considered a substitute and is eligible as a replacement on the relay team. No other student-athlete other than those on the original qualifying team, those listed as an alternate or those already in the meet in another event may run on the relay.

Relay cards must be completed by coaches during the packet pick-up period. Changes in relay teams must be reported to the clerk during athlete check-in. All relay procedures must abide by the regulations as detailed above and as further outlined in the Outdoor Technical Manual.

For exchange zones, tape or similar material that is <u>adhered</u> to the track are the only materials that will be allowed for marking in track events.

#### **RESULTS / HEAT SHEETS**

Heat sheets and results will be posted at the guest services booth on the concourse of EB Cushing Stadium and will also be available online at <a href="NCAA.com">NCAA.com</a>.

#### **RULES**

The NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships First Rounds will be conducted according to 2025-2026 NCAA Track and Field Rules.

#### **SPIKES/SHOES**

A maximum of 7mm spike length may be used for all events with the exception of the high jump and javelin. Participants in the high jump and javelin may use spikes up to 9mm in length.

- The only spike pin allowed for our facility for all running events, Long/Triple Jump and Pole Vault is the ¼" pyramid spike.
- The only spike pin allowed for our facility for High Jump and Javelin is the ¼" or 3/8" pyramid spike.
- The use of ¼" pyramid spikes will be strictly enforced.
- NO NEEDLE SPIKES OR CHRISTMAS TREE SPIKES ALLOWED.
- Shoes must be checked and tagged prior to their event.
- Shoes will be re-checked at last call in the Clerk Area and prior to getting on the track.

<u>Shoe Requirements:</u> In accordance with World Athletics/USATF requirements, <u>AND NOW NCAA RULES</u>, in order for performances to count at the NCAA championships and be recognized by both World Athletics and USATF (e.g., ranking points, event qualification, and records) legally worn shoes are required during competition as recognized by World Athletics. Shoe checking will occur during pre-competition clerking and also post event competition. A full list of approved shoes can be found at <a href="https://certcheck.worldathletics.org/">https://certcheck.worldathletics.org/</a>.

#### World Athletics/USATF Requirement:

Additionally, per World Athletics/USATF requirements, in order for marks to be recognized by both World Athletics and USATF (e.g., ranking points, event qualification, and records) in laned track events, any two steps on the inside lane line while running on the bend at any point during a competition, including across multiple rounds of the same event in a meet, will result in WA/USATF mark disqualification. In track events not run completely in lanes, any two steps over the line at any point during a competition will result in WA/USATF mark disqualification. **Note:** This item does NOT supersede NCAA rules for conduct of NCAA championship competition and would only disqualify athletes' marks for consideration for WA/USATF purposes.

#### **BLOCKS AND BATONS**

The NCAA Division I Track and Field and Cross Country Committee has elected to require the use of starting blocks by all student-athletes that compete in the 100m, 200m, 400m, 100 hurdles, 110 hurdles, 400 hurdles, 4x100m relay and 4x400m relay. The committee has also elected to approve the use of an electronic start information system that shall be used by the starters to its fullest capabilities. Starters shall use information provided by this system to detect false starts and disqualify student-athletes or recall the race.

The only starting blocks that may be used are those as provided on site by the host meet management and Gill Athletics.

Additionally, batons will be provided by Gill Athletics and will be the only batons allowed for use during the relay events.

#### **TENTS / TEAM AREAS**

All team tents must be reserved through KS College Station Tent and Event, Texas A&M's local tent vendor.

Depending on the tent size reserved, each team will be placed accordingly.

- TEAM CAMP Located on concrete and grass areas of Penberthy Intramural Fields.
  - All team tents must be ordered through KS College Station Tent and Event using this link <a href="https://www.cstattent.com/prelims-team-tent-request">https://www.cstattent.com/prelims-team-tent-request</a>

KS College Station Tent & Event ATTN: Daren Satsky (210) 748-9775

\*Children under the age of 18 (unless they are competing student-athletes) and infants will only be allowed in team camp areas, not warm-up/active competition and practice areas for safety. Additionally, practice and warm-up venues are off limits to any post-collegians. These facilities are strictly available only for competing student-athletes.

#### **TICKETS AND PASS LIST INFORMATION**

Tickets may be purchased from the 12th Man Foundation Ticket Office by visiting <a href="https://12th.info/TrackandFieldPostseason">https://12th.info/TrackandFieldPostseason</a> or calling 888-992-4443. Tickets will be digital only and must be presented on a phone for entry. Ticket windows at the E.B. Cushing Stadium open one hour prior to the first scheduled event on each day for any ticket resolution needs.

Everyone regardless of age must have a ticket in reserved seating areas. Children that are not yet 2 may sit in General Admission without a ticket.

\*General Admission seating is in sections 101-102 and 108-117. Those holding General Admission tickets are permitted to move between these areas if seats are available.

\*\*Youth is high school and under. A college student must present a valid college ID.

Clear Bag Policy: Texas A&M University follows the Southeastern Conference Clear Bag Policy that will be implemented for all spectators at the Championship. Please visit <a href="https://12thman.com/beclear">https://12thman.com/beclear</a> for more information regarding the Clear Bag Policy. The policy will not apply to Student-Athletes and team personnel who enter through the designated team entrance with an appropriate credential.

**Pass List:** All player-guest pass list tickets for the track and field first rounds will be mobile and in general admission seating. All allocated tickets will be forwarded to each institutional designated ticket manager, who will then be responsible for transferring the tickets to the end user. To transfer the tickets, each guest's first and last name, and email address will be needed.

Participating institutions must submit ticket purchases for the entire weekend of competition to Alex Rodriguez (arodriguez24@12thmanfoundation.com) no later than Sunday, May 25 at Noon CT. Submitted information must include quantity of tickets requested per day or request of all session pass(es), and the name, cell phone number and email address of the institutional ticket representative who will be responsible for mobile ticket distribution. The institutional ticket representative should be available to address any issues or questions that may arise during competition. Information submitted late or incomplete will not be accepted.

Institutions will be permitted to assign a maximum of six (6) tickets per qualified student-athlete. For example, if an institution qualifies 4 student-athletes, they may assign a maximum of 24 tickets for each day of competition. It will be important when submitting your player guest pass lists to note how many single day tickets are needed for Wednesday, how many single day tickets are

needed for Thursday, how many single day tickets are needed for Friday, how many single day tickets are needed for Saturday, and/or how many 4-day all-session tickets are needed. If specific days are not indicated, the guest will be assigned an all-session ticket. All tickets will be General Admission. Teams submitting a pass list will be invoiced by the host following the event and will be billed for all requested tickets to the championships whether they were used or not.

Changes/additions, along with late requests will not be allowed. All NCAA pass list policies will be applied. Again, please note that all pass list tickets will be sent electronically to the email address of the institutional ticket representative provided, and it will then be the individual school's responsibility to disseminate tickets electronically to their player guests in advance of the first-round competition.

If you have any questions regarding pass list submissions, please contact Alex Rodriguez (arodriguez24@12thmanfoundation.com).

# First Round Championship Ticket Pricing (Seating includes fees.)

All Session (4 Days)	Price
Reserved	\$102.00
General Admission	\$81.00
Student/Youth	\$61.00
Single Day Pricing	Price

Reserved	\$29.00
General Admission	\$24.00
Youth (17 and under)	\$18.00

#### Items restricted in venue:

Purses, bags, & backpacks that do not adhere to the 12-1-1 bag policy

Artificial noise makers

Food & beverages (exception: 1 sealed, clear plastic bottle of water)

Firearms

Tobacco products of any kind

Ice chests Umbrellas

Strollers

Pets
Stadium seats larger than 16 inches
Lawn chairs
Unauthorized banners, signs, or flags

Gates will open to spectators at

- 9AM on Wednesday, May 28
- 9AM on Thursday, May 29
- 12PM on Friday, May 30
- 12PM on Saturday, May 31

#### TIE-BREAKING AND ADVANCEMENT PROCEDURES

Note that at each First Round Site, in each event contested, <u>no more</u> than twelve (12) competitors or twelve (12) relay teams shall advance from a First Round Site of the Championships to the Final Championships Competition site. <u>The stated maximums are absolute and will not be extended</u>.

Refer to the NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Technical Manual for full details.

#### **INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES**

In the event of inclement weather or a disaster of any kind, as it is determined by NCAA Championship Officials, Host Meet Management Officials and/or University Police Department personnel, the following plan has been established should it be necessary to evacuate the venue:

All student-athletes/coaches/trainers from the competing institutions will be evacuated to team busses or team vehicles.

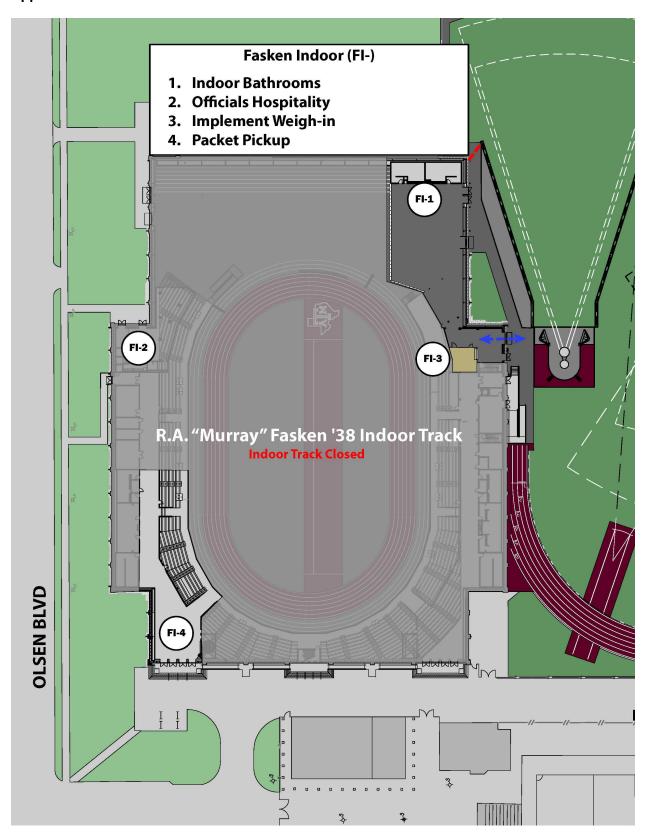
All meet and championship officials will be directed to Fasken Indoor Track Officials Room. All fans/patrons will be directed to the concourse area or may return to their vehicles.

Following NCAA protocol, we will be using an online lightning detection and weather monitoring system. Once lightning enters the 30-mile radius of competition, we will begin preparations to protect the student-athletes and spectators. Once lightning enters within an eight-mile radius of our site, competition must stop, and student-athletes and spectators will be moved to safe areas. We will not begin any activity until 30 minutes have passed since the last lightning strike inside the warning ring.

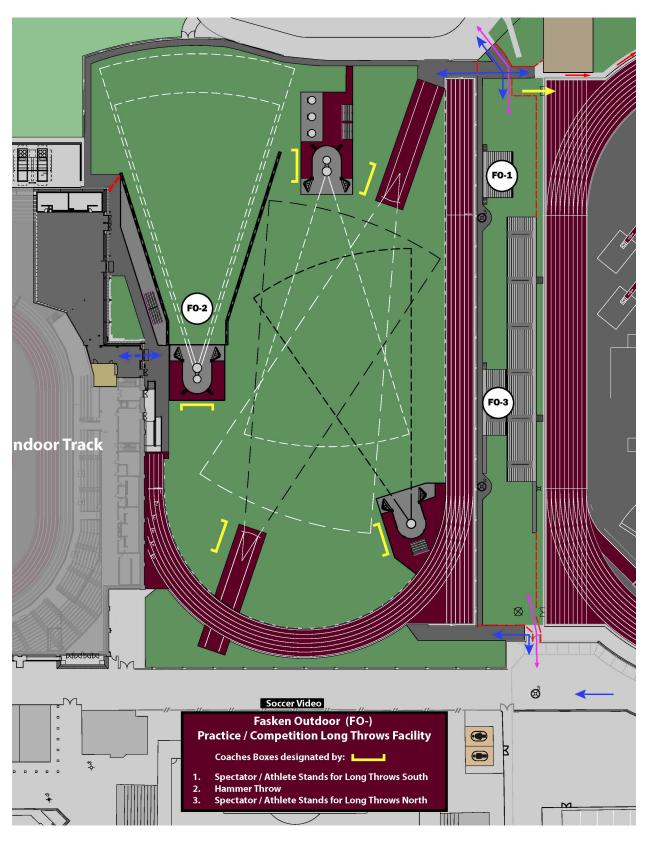
Meet management will update all participants and spectators by loudspeaker, internet, and X updates.

Appendix A - Facility Diagram OLSEN BLVD\_ **8** 0 • **LOT 100E** ERTHY BLVD PENBERTHY BLVD PENBERTHY BLVD TEAM CAMPS

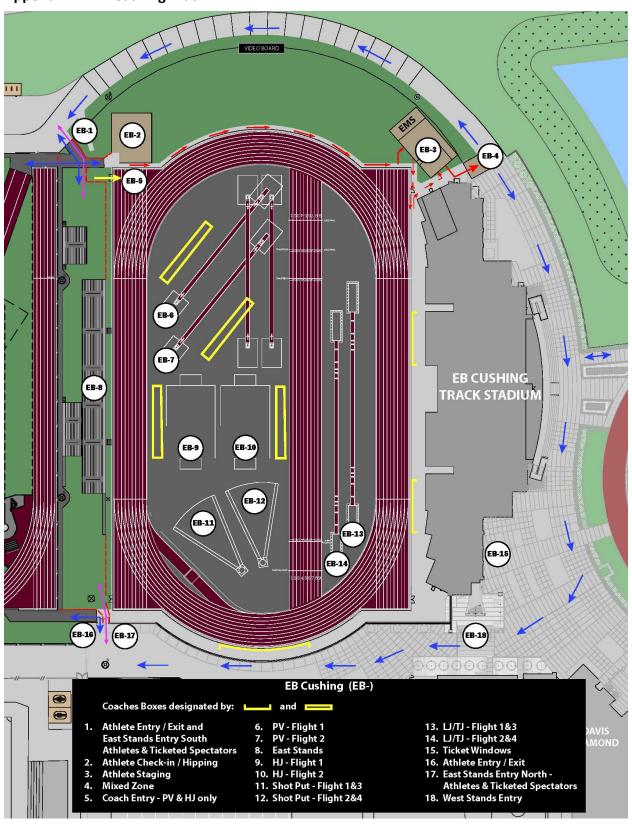
Appendix B - Fasken Indoor Track



Appendix C - Fasken Outdoor Long Throws / Warm-up Track



**Appendix D - EB Cushing Track** 



#### Appendix E

#### **Facility Specifications**

Tape for any marking on the track (relay exchange zones, jumpers'/throwers' markings) must be white athletic tape. **NO other tape will be allowed**. Chalk is prohibited for any marking.

#### LJ / TJ WEST/EAST RUNWAY

Runway Width 1.22m (4')

Landing Pit Length 9.75m (32')

Landing Pit Width 2.99m (9'9.6")

**Long Jump** 

Runway Length 66.14m (217')

Board to Pit 3.00m (9' 10")

**Men Triple Jump** 

Runway Length 53.34m (175')

Board to Pit 12.90m (42' 3.6")

**Women Triple Jump** 

Runway Length 55.16m (181')

Board to Pit 10.98m (36')

POLE VAULT NORTH / SOUTH DIAGONAL

Runway Length 45.11m (148")

Runway Width 1.22m (4')

HIGH JUMP NORTH TO SOUTH / SOUTH TO NORTH

Runway Approach 24.99m (82')

Javelin NORTH/SOUTH RUNWAY

Runway Length 40.00m (131')

Appendix F - Penberthy Complex (Team Camps, Spike Check, Warm-up) TEAM **CAMPS** FIELD 10 PENBERTHY BLVD TEAM DROP OFF PENBERTHY FIELDS

Athlete travel to and from track

Spike Check

# NCAA WEST PRELIMINARY ROUND TEAM TENT RENTAL



Please review the package options and email your selection to College Station Tent & Event. Only tents reserved through College Station Tent & Event are allowed in the team tent area—no pop-up tents permitted.



**\$425**Includes walls, (1) 6' table, (10) tailgate chairs



**\$750** Includes walls, (2) 6' tables, (20) tailgate chairs



**\$600** Includes walls, (2) 6' tables, (15) tailgate chairs

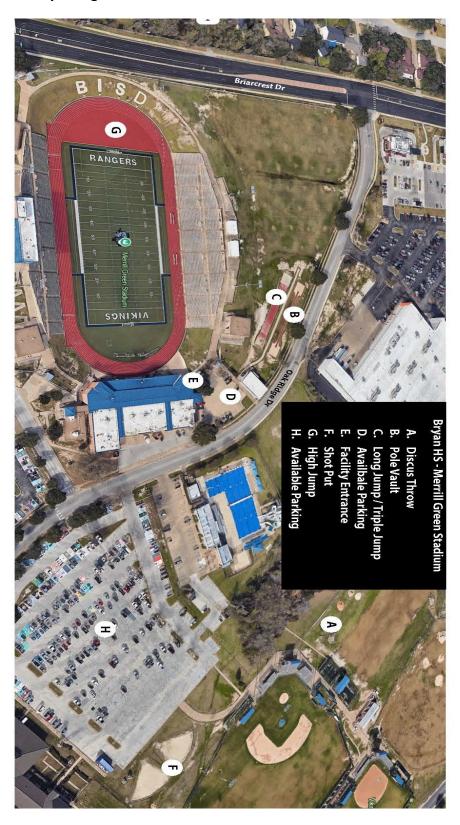


**\$1500** Includes walls, (4) 6' tables, (40) tailgate chairs

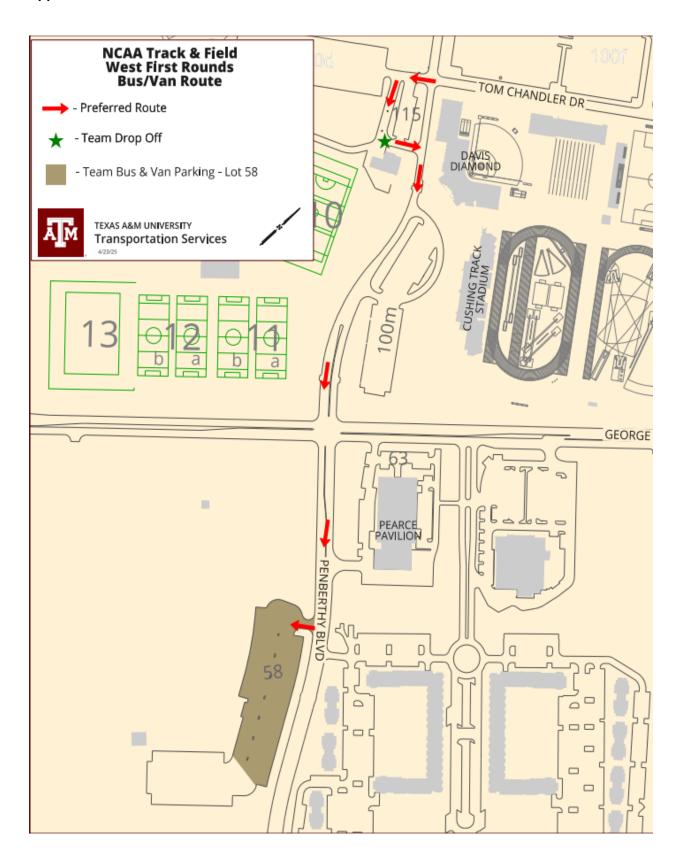
18" mounted high velocity fans available to add on for \$50/each

Please email your selection & questions to daren@cstattent.com.

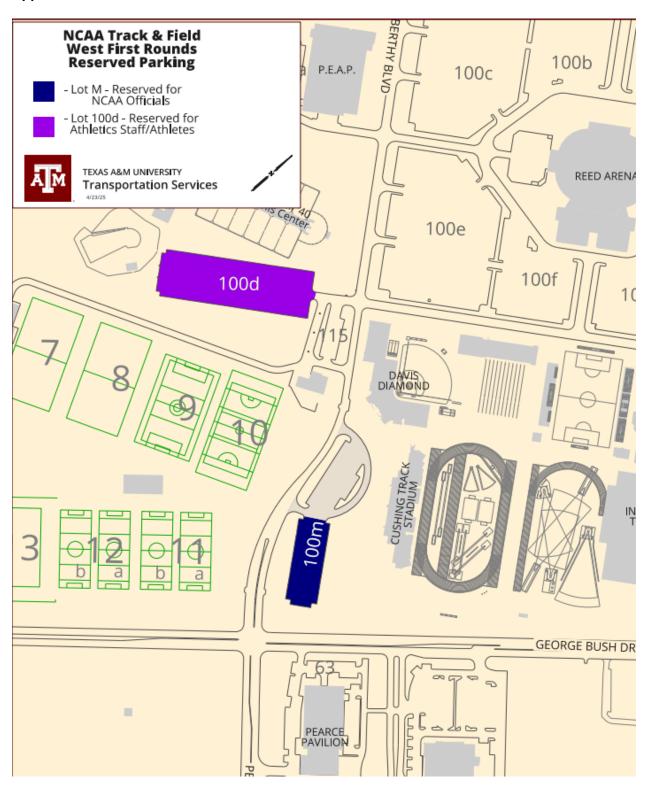
Appendix H – Bryan High School – Merrill Green Stadium



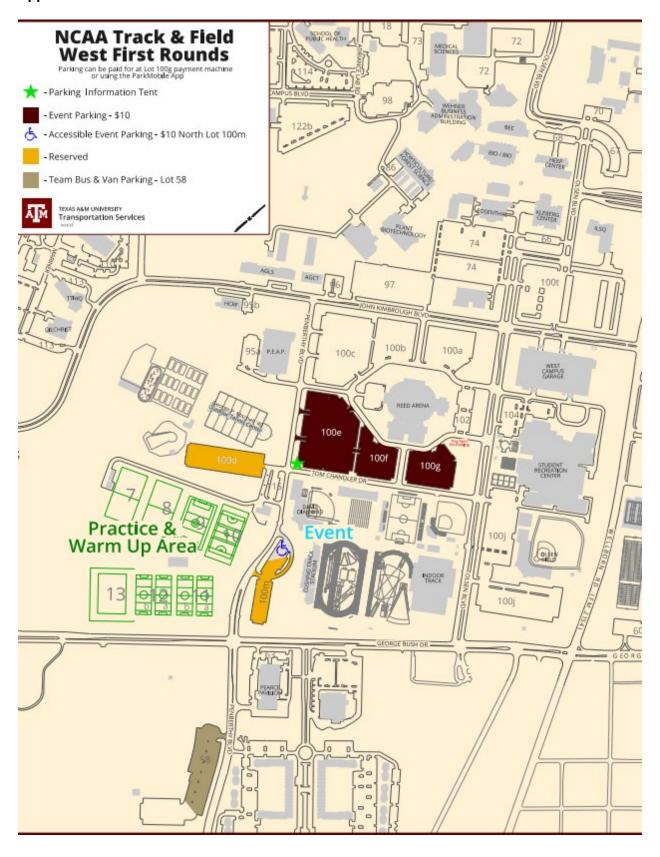
# Appendix I



# Appendix J



# Appendix K



Appendix L \*For Packet Pick-Up on Tuesday afternoon ONLY

