



M.S.T.C.A. Winter Festival

Small Schools – Saturday, December 14, 2024 – 10:00 AM Large Schools – Sunday, December 15, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Robert McIntyre Track at Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center 1350 Tremont St., Roxbury, MA

Hosted by:	Small Schools – Quabbin Regional School District Large Schools – Wachusett Regional High School
Sanctioning:	M.I.A.A. sanctioned for all MA association member schools.
Sponsors:	MSTCA and The Run House: https://therunhouse.com/
Meet Directors:	Small Schools – Matt Castriotta, <u>mcastriotta@qrsd.org</u> Large Schools – Mike O'Malley, <u>wrhscoacho@gmail.com</u>
Small/Large School Threshold:	 Large Schools are those in MIAA Divisions 1 and 2 for Indoor Track & Field. Small Schools are those in MIAA Divisions 3, 4, and 5 for Indoor Track & Field. Each school's placement is based on the 2023-25 MIAA alignments for Indoor Track & Field: INDOOR TRACK ALIGNMENTS for 2023-24 and 2024-25
	 If you are uncertain of your school's alignment, or believe the wrong meet is in your athletic.net entry calendar, please contact Director of Meet Operations Matt Carr at <u>mstca.indoor@gmail.com</u>
Meet Description:	The Winter Festival is a developmental meet, sponsored by the Massachusetts State Track Coaches Association, with the objective of enhancing the track and field experience for the youth of Massachusetts. With only a few, modest entry standards and an open long jump pit for practice sessions, the Winter Festival meets are designed to give almost any of your athletes a chance for quality performances early in the season.

Mandatory Paperwork Entry Fees and Forms:	All of the following 3 FORMS can be found on the MSTCA website by selecting "Coaches Corner" and then "MSTCA Forms," or via this link: <u>https://mstca.org/forms</u>
	All teams must submit the MSTCA Single Waiver Form for the Indoor Season prior to their team being allowed to compete in any meets.
	Emergency Contact Form:
	All teams must fill out the MSTCA Emergency Contact Form for the Indoor Season.
	Payment Forms:
	Payment must be arranged IN ADVANCE of any meet that your team will attend. Regardless of payment method, please complete the Single Payment Form.
	Entry Fees:
	 \$12 per individual event \$30 per relay team \$325 maximum fee per school per gender for 30 entries or fewer. \$350 maximum fee per school per gender for 31-40 entries. \$375 maximum fee per school per gender for more than 40 entries.
	Please note these are entry fees, not participation fees. Once the entries close, each school is responsible for paying the total fee for its entries, regardless of how many athletes or relay teams actually compete.
	Questions regarding entry fees should be addressed to Jayson Sylvain, the MSTCA's Chief Financial Officer, at mstca.cfo@gmail.com
	Checks should be made payable to the "MSTCA"MSTCA Tax ID# 04-3394224
	Mailing Address: MSTCA P.O. Box 1008 Mansfield, MA 02048
Events and Standards:	Events (Standards):55m Hurdles (No Standard)One Mile (Boys - 6:00; Girls - 6:45)55m Dash (No Standard)Two Mile (Boys - 12:00; Girls - 13:30)300 Meters (No Standard)4 x 200m Relay (No Standard)600 Meters (No Standard)4 x 400m Relay (No Standard)1000 Meters (No Standard)4 x 800m Relay (No Standard)Long Jump (No Standard)4 x 800m Relay (No Standard)High Jump (No Standard)High Jump (No Standard)

	 Please submit seed times/distances when available. If an athlete does not have a seed, please leave it blank. If an athlete is not going to be able to make the standard in the mile or two mile, PLEASE DO NOT enter them in those events. There are other event options.
Participation Rules:	 MIAA/NFHS rules will be in effect. Athletes may be entered in no more than <u>1 running, 1 field, and 1 relay event.</u> Athletes will be automatically scratched from excess events by meet order. A school may enter only one relay team per relay event. Competitor numbers must be worn on the front of the uniform, including relays.
Entry Deadline:	 Tuesday, December 10, 2024, by 8:00 PM. All entries must be submitted through <u>www.athletic.net</u> <u>Late Entry Policy:</u> There are NO late entries accepted for any MSTCA meets.
Order of Events:	FIELD EVENTS - 10:00 AM
	Shot Put: Girls followed by Boys.
	High Jump: Check in begins on the infield at the conclusion of the 55m dash. Two jumping pits in use; Boys and Girls compete simultaneously.
	Long Jump (elevated runway): Competition runway. Girls followed by Boys. Seeded best sections first.
	Long Jump (standard runway): Open practice runway. See long jump section below for information.
	INFIELD - 10:00 AM - Girls followed by Boys
	Hurdles Trials: Serpentine seeding. Fastest 8 advance to the Final. Dash Trials: Serpentine seeding. Fastest 16 advance to a two-section Final.
	Hurdles Finals: Girls followed by Boys Dash Finals: Girls followed by Boys
	OVAL - 10:30 AM - Girls followed by Boys
	 One Mile: Sections on time. Fastest section first. 600 Meters: Sections on time. Fastest section first.* 1000 Meters: Sections on time. Fastest section first. 300 Meters: Sections on time. Fastest section first. In lanes the entire race.* Two Mile: Sections on time. Fastest section first. 4 x 200m Relay: Sections on time. Fastest section first. Three-turn stagger.* 4 x 800m Relay: Sections on time. Fastest section first. 4 x 400m Relay: Sections on time. Fastest section first.
	*Lane Preference for these events: 5-6-4-3-2-1.

Performance Lists and Results:	Entry lists/performance lists will be posted on <u>live.mstca.org</u> by Thursday, December 12. Live results will be available at the same site.
Equipment:	 Teams must provide their own relay batons. Shot puts and starting blocks will be provided by meet management. Teams can not use their own.
High Jump:	 The Boys High Jump will open at 5' 4" and go up by 2" The Girls High Jump will open at 4' 6" and go up by 2"
Long Jump:	 Competition vs. Practice Runways NOTE (new for this meet): To compete in the long jump on the elevated runway, please register on athletic.net as you normally would. The standard runway will be utilized (in this meet only) as an open practice runway from 9:30 AM until the end of the meet. Athletes will be able to sign-up for 30-minute sessions of access to the long jump (approximately 15 per group). During the 30 minutes, all of the athletes in the group will be able to utilize the long jump–whether doing run-throughs, short approach work, full jumps, or any other drills. There will be NO run backs allowed and NO measuring jumps. It being an early-season meet, our aim is to allow more athletes access to the long jump area, knowing that many lack indoor jumping facilities. There will be a raker, but otherwise athletes will be expected to fairly alternate amongst themselves to make effective use of their time block. There is no athletic.net registration for the practice pit and there is no fee for its use.
Para Events:	Entries are set up to receive athletes in the 55 meters, 300 meters, 1000 meters, and shot put, as these are the events designated by the MIAA for athletes in the three para categories (Blind/Visually Impaired; Para-Ambulatory; Wheelchair). Coaches who wish to enter athletes in other events, should contact the meet director.
Shot Put:	 Half the flights (the higher seeds) will be in the cage and half the flights (the lower seeds) will be in the corner to the left of the scoreboard. All rotational throwers should still be registered via athletic.net, but coaches should also complete the form linked here to be placed in the cage regardless of seed: <u>Rotational Shot Put Declaration</u> Girls will compete first, simultaneously in both circles. Boys will follow when the relevant circle becomes available. If boys and girls entries combine for five flights or fewer, only the cage will be used. Each thrower will be allowed three throws. There will be no finals.
Spikes:	 Only 1/8" or 1/4" Pyramid spikes are allowed at R.L.C. Anyone using needle spikes or spikes longer than ¼" will be disqualified for the remainder of the meet. Spikes are allowed ONLY in the track area–not the hallways or basketball gym. Correct spikes will be sold at the Run House store.
Awards:	There are no awards for this meet.
Inclement Weather:	• Any decision to cancel the meet because of inclement weather will be made by 6:00 a.m. on meet day.

	 Notification regarding cancellations will be emailed through Athletic.net to your school's contact. <u>There is no make-up date.</u>
Parking:	Parking is available in Parking Lot 2 on weekdays and Lots 2 & 3 on weekends. Both lots are located along Columbus Ave less than 1/4 mile from the R.L.C. Lot 2 is at the corner of New Heath Street, and Lot 3 is at the corner of Centre Street.
MSTCA Online/Social Media:	Website: www.mstca.org Entry Lists and Meet Results: live.mstca.org Live Streams of Meets: https://mstca.tv/ Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/mass_state_track/ Twitter/X: @MSTCA1 Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/154532424151/ TikTok: @mstca
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