



Bath Community Schools Athletics

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MHSAA Cross Country Regional #24

Saturday, October 31st, 2026

ADMISSION—Ticket prices for MHSAA Cross Country tournament events are \$10 a carload for Regional meets. Tickets can be purchased online for the State Finals using GoFan digital ticketing (<https://gofan.co/event/6920957?schoolId=MI4050>). Animals or pets shall not be permitted to enter MHSAA tournament venues, including spectator and team areas. However, properly marked or documented service animals that are leashed or harnessed at all times may accompany spectators paying admission or attending with other approved team or school personnel. Individuals who bring service animals are asked to bring their own waste disposal bags and request special seating in advance of the event if this is needed.

PARKING – Team buses, coaches, and vans will park at the High School and athletes will walk over to the Start / Finish line via a trail between the High School and Middle Schools. It's very close, and the trail is actually part of the course. Parking attendants will direct buses to their appropriate spots. **BUS DRIVERS: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DROP OFF TENTS, RUNNERS, EQUIPMENT, ETC. AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AT ANY TIME!** Doing so creates a safety issue and further congests an already congested area.

OPT OUT POLICIES, ELIGIBILITY LISTS, ROSTERS – Schools must see that tournament managers receive an accurate Eligibility List by the Opt-Out Due Date. These forms are available at mhsaa.com. Failure to fulfill the above obligations by the specified Opt-Out Due Date will result in MHSAA penalties as stipulated in the MHSAA Handbook. For cross country, the LP Opt-Out Due Date is Friday, October 9, 2026. Schools must notify the tournament managers by the Opt-Out Due Date if they DO NOT intend to participate in a previously assigned MHSAA tournament.

ENTRY/LATE FEES – Regional Meet Electronic Entry Materials and instructions for online entry are on the MHSAA Website. Entry information must be placed online no later than 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, October 24th, 2026 at www.athletic.net. Late entries – A \$50 late fee must be paid to the Meet Manager before the contestant or team will be allowed to participate. The host school shall retain the \$50 late fee. There can be no late entries after the team box assignments have been determined.

ORDER OF EVENTS –

8:30 a.m. – Course open to walk / run

9:55 a.m. – National Anthem

10:00 a.m. – Boys Division 3 Race

10:45 a.m. – Girls Division 3 Race

11:30 a.m. – Awards Ceremony

Packet Pickup – Coaches' Packets with competitor bibs, pins, and appeal forms will be available at the Information Tent located in front of the Auditorium.

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

Start Line – Box assignments were completed on with a blind draw.

TEAMS ATTENDING (Box assignments in parentheses) – Bath (6), Belding (7), Burton Bendle (3), Chesaning (10), Durand (4), Flint New Standard Academy (1), Ithaca (2), Laingsburg (12), Montrose (13), Mt Morris (16), New Lothrop (11), Ovid-Elsie (9), Perry (15), Pewamo-Westphalia (5), Saranac (8), St. Louis (14)

QUALIFIERS TO LP FINAL MEET –

- The top three teams (1st, 2nd, and 3rd) will automatically qualify from the Regional to the Final Run. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TEAMS QUALIFYING FROM A REGIONAL CANNOT EXCEED FOUR.
- If a school finishes fourth (4th) in the Regional meet with four or more runners in the top 20 places and eight (8) or more complete teams finish the race, that school will also qualify a team for the Final Meet.
- Cross Country Finals qualification will include a minimum of seven individual qualifiers from each Regional race. All individuals receiving a medal (top 15) will advance. If the number of individual medalists is less than seven, then the additional qualifiers (up to seven) will be taken from the individual runners following 15th place.
- The MHSAA Finals meet in each of four Divisions will be conducted at Michigan International Speedway on November 7.

TRAINER – We will have a trainer available.

The awards presentation will begin shortly after the conclusion of the meet. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail (ad@bathschoools.net), or by phone 517-641-6724.