



# IOWA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

## Media Update

October 23, 2020

Hello,

Back with a few quick updates on fall sports media information.

### **State Cross Country**

Due to weather adjustments and postponements, we are still waiting on state qualifier lists. That also means many of you are still unsure if you'll be in Fort Dodge covering the state meet next week. Just like the host sites are working hard to get the races in, we'll post updates and results as quickly as we can from the remaining State Qualifying Meets.

As I mentioned last week, all media members interested in covering the state meet should preregister for each classification they intend to cover. This will put you on the pass list for access and parking at Kennedy Park.

- The pass form is [now live HERE](#) and is also posted on the [Media page](#) and [State Meet Central page](#).
- The pass form will close at 9 a.m. on Thursday, October 29.
- If you have the gray 2020-21 pass, you can also display that upon entry. If you do not have the gray 2020-21 pass, being on the pass list will get you in the park.
  - o If you would like to receive a meet program and credential for your meet coverage, please visit the clubhouse and ask me or any other present administrator about media passes.

Other pertinent state meet information is located at our [State Meet Central page](#). A few highlights for media members...

- Masks are required for all non-participants at the starting area, finish corral, and awards viewing area.
- The clubhouse will be closed to everyone except meet management.
- An outdoor tent with seating will be provided for media members interested in setting up and working from Kennedy Park. It can seat around 15 individuals with social distancing.
- Results will be posted to our website and also printed and brought to the tent as soon as they are available.
- As anyone who has covered this meet before can attest, cell signal and thus any hot spot or wifi connectivity can be a challenge at this event. With smaller crowds at each race we anticipate slightly clearer signals, but please be aware of this before arriving and trying to send large files or coverage.

### **Football Playoffs**

Updates, matchups, scores, and more on the playoffs are being posted at the [State Playoffs Central page](#). Pods for third round and quarterfinal assignments will be announced at 12 p.m. on Saturday, October 24.

### **Winter Sports**

Overall and sport-specific guidance was issued on Tuesday for our [2020-21 winter sports](#). As always, these are subject to change, and may be superseded or adjusted by any of the entities listed at the top of the page. The IHSAA is planning to begin winter sports on their currently scheduled first practice and competition dates.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, please contact me.

Best,

Chris