

IHSAA & IGHSAU 2021 State Co-Ed Track & Field Championships – May 20-22 MEDIA INFORMATION



MEDIA ACCESS

- Entry: Media members must register in advance of the event through the IHSAA website. Check-in each day will be on the east side of Drake Stadium, in front of the Drake Fieldhouse doors. Media members may then access the stadium from: 1. Northeast Gate by walking up 27th Street; 2. Southeast Gate by going out toward Forest Avenue. Access from doors connecting the Fieldhouse with the track is not permitted for the safety of competitors and media members.
- **Credentials:** Media members should display the IHSAA & IGHSAU's 2020-21 gray hard copy credential if they have it. If they do not have the 2020-21 pass, they will receive a temporary wristband upon entry. The credential or wristband will be required before receiving access to the stadium. A new wristband will be required daily.
- **Regulations:** Credentials and wristbands have been issued to media members for the sole purpose of providing access to individuals with legitimate working functions for bona fide news outlets. Unauthorized use or sale of these credentials subjects the bearer to ejection from the state meet and revocation of access rights to their media outlet. Your application for and entry with a state tournament credential indicates your compliance with IHSAA and IGHSAU rules and regulations.

MEDIA WORKSPACE

- These have been updated for capacity limits set within Drake Stadium. Subject to change. Please do not occupy seated workspace within the stadium if you will be leaving your personal items unattended for extended periods of time.
- **Fieldhouse:** Primary designated workspace for all approved media members. Over 100 seats available on lower level. Please be courteous and considerate with space and equipment. Allow for time to get from Fieldhouse to track for event coverage.
- **Press Box:** Capacity is currently 15 media members. This will include assigned radio outlets on left side of box. All other seats are unassigned and first come, first serve.
- Radio Booths: Capacity is currently two media members per booth. This will include two assigned radio outlets with space provided for one working radio/audio member per outlet.
- **Southwest Mezzanine:** Seating and tables are provided for around 20 media members. Viewing space will be available behind the seating. These seats are unassigned and first come, first serve.
- **Southwest Tunnel:** Media access is not permitted. Formerly a mixed zone and common workspace, capacity limitations have closed this area for the 2021 meet.

TRACK & INFIELD ENTRY

- Drake Stadium's infield is available for media members to shoot images and conduct interviews. Do not go over fences between stadium seating and the track. Be aware of events and your surroundings when entering and exiting the infield. Anyone who restricts an event in progress, a competing athlete or official, or interferes with the finish line area will be dismissed from the stadium. Media members should return to workspaces once infield interviews are completed.
- The infield is accessible from ground-level entrances in the NE and NW corners.
- Photographers may work from available space outside the track boundary lines near Turn 1 and Turn 3.
- Access from the SW corner staircase does remain available, however the SW tunnel workspace is closed.

EVENT RESULTS

- Shortly after each event, results will be posted on Drake Stadium's video board. Once they are ruled final, they will appear through live updates on IGHSAU and IHSAA websites. Results will not be printed and distributed after each event in 2021.

IHSSN COVERAGE

- Live Stream: A joint broadcast of the state meet's running events will be produced by the Iowa High School Sports Network and streamed online for free. The link is: <u>ihssn.com/live</u>
- Video Policies: IHSSN regulations apply for all outlets shooting video from the state meet. More: IHSSN Media Resources.

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

- By attending this state championship event with an IHSAA & IGHSAU credential, you are agreeing to abide by professional journalism practices. Cheering is not permitted. Credentials and access may not be shared with coaches, parents, friends, children, etc. Photographers may not show participants or officials images while an event is still in progress. Do not enter locker rooms or student-athlete areas outside of interview spaces. **Masks are required of all attendees in 2021.** Thank you.