

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 will be at the Media Pass gate at the NW corner (Clark St. & 28th St.) of Drake Stadium to receive initial entry, programs, and informational items.
- **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.

SCHOOL MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

- **Student & School Coverage:** Schools may select either one adult OR one student to serve as their school media representative at the state meet. Those representatives must present two items daily at the Media Pass gate: 1. A note signed by an administrator on school letterhead approving of their presence and coverage; 2. A purchased ticket for each day they attend.

MEDIA WORKSPACE

- These have been updated following <u>Tuesday's announcements regarding Drake Stadium capacity</u>. Please do not occupy seated workspace within the stadium if you will be leaving your personal items unattended for extended periods of time.
- **Press Box:** Space is available in the 42-seat newspaper box. Not all outlets can be placed, so please be courteous and considerate with seating. All seats are unassigned and first come, first serve.
- Radio Booths: Booth space will be assigned with 3-6 members per booth. Radio rights are free for this year's meet.
- Southwest Mezzanine: Viewing and limited seating space will be available. Space is unassigned and first come, first serve.
- **Southwest Tunnel:** Space is available with tables, chairs, and benches in the tunnel at Drake Stadium's southwest corner. The tunnel is accessible through a marked door on the concourse.

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 is available, however the landing should be kept open prior to race starts.

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 student-athlete areas outside of interview spaces. **Masks are strongly encouraged of all attendees in 2021.** Thank you.