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**Eastern Washington University Cheney  
Mount Tahoma High School Tacoma**

**Qualifying Meets** – Qualifying meets are to be held no later than the Saturday prior to the State Track Meet. Any expenses incurred by the District meet shall be paid by the District. For the purposes of qualifying athletes to the State meet, “District” may refer either to a single WIAA District or to the WIAA Districts which combined or pooled their allocations. The District (or regional) meet is the final qualifying event held prior to the State Meet.

**Special Regulation - District Entries** - A District has the prerogative of including a contestant who did not qualify in the Sub-district meet as one (1) of their allowed allotted District entries provided the Sub-district Board or delegated committee involved gave consent and the participant was on a school's eligibility roster for at least 50% of the regular season.

**Allocations** – All allocations in track and field are made to the WIAA Districts. Additional District entries will be allowed in which the WIAA-established Minimum Standards are met. If there is a tie in any heat/event which affects qualification for the State meet, **THE TIE MUST BE RESOLVED** at the District site. If ties for allocations occur in field events, the procedure for determining first place listed in the NFHS Track and Field Rule Book shall be followed. For ties in running events, there must be run-off between the ties.

**State Meet Minimum Standards' Policies** - In addition to the allocations, contestants in District meets who meet or exceed a minimum standard (established by averaging the middle three values from the previous five years sixth-place finishes from the State meets) may qualify to participate in the State meet. There can be no additional entries for events which are added to the State meet until after the new event has been in the State for a three year period in order to have established a minimum standard.

In the running events, any contestant who equals or exceeds the minimum standards in the finals of the qualifying meet, but has failed to qualify as part of the normal allocation, may participate in the State meet. In the field events the minimum standard may be made either in the preliminary trials or in the finals trials.

If additional entries qualify by minimum standards, these policies will be followed:

- a. There will be no more than one (1) additional heat in any of the running events.
- b. If there are three heats in the individual running events, the first two finishers of each heat, plus the next two fastest times, will qualify for the finals. If there is a tie, which offsets qualification for the finals, the competitors that tied shall qualify if lanes and positions are available. If they are not available, the competitors that tied shall compete again for the available position.

**WIAA Post-Season and Replacing a Qualified Contestant** - The League/Sub-district and District/Regional meets are qualifying meets to the State Championships and consist of the WIAA Track & Field postseason.

- If a contestant or relay team is disqualified from the League/Sub-district meet (in the prelims or finals) then that contestant or relay team will not advance to the District/Regional/Qualifying meet.
- If a contestant or relay team is disqualified from the District/Regional/Qualifying meet (in the prelims or finals) then that contestant or relay team will not advance to the State Championship meet.
- Once Sub-district/League entries to the District/Regional/Qualifying meet are confirmed, a contestant must compete in all those events for which he/she has qualified at the District/Regional/Qualifying meet. Each District is responsible for establishing a confirmation deadline for entries to the District meet (traditionally the seeding meeting).
- Once a contestant has qualified for an event, participation is required in that event at the Qualifying and State Championship meet. If the contestant does not compete in all of the events for which he/she has qualified at the Qualifying or State meet, or in the judgment of the Referee, failed to make a reasonable effort in any track or field event, that contestant shall be disqualified from the meet and subsequent entries in events, then the contestant will be disqualified from the rest of the meet and shall forfeit all individual and team points earned in any and all

events. This penalty will not be enforced if the failure to compete is due to a medical problem as certified by meet medical staff. There are to be no substitutions after the official start of the meet.

- In case a qualified contestant cannot participate in the next higher meet (Sub-district/League to District/Regional/Qualifying, to State), the principal of the school of the indisposed contestant is responsible for notifying the appropriate Meet Manager, who, in turn, will notify the principal of the next qualified contestant.
- In case members of a qualified relay team cannot participate in the next higher meet (Sub-district/League to District/Regional/Qualifying to State), the principal of the indisposed contestants is responsible for notifying the appropriate Meet Manager, who, in turn, will notify the principal of the next qualified relay team. Any relay members who have qualified to participate in individual events will still be allowed to compete in those events assuming that proper notification was given to the Meet Manager.

**Scratches** - In case a qualified contestant cannot participate in the State meet for medical or disciplinary issues, the principal of the school of the indisposed contestant is responsible for notifying Meet Management no later than Tuesday, the week of the event, by 4:00pm. In case members of a qualified relay team cannot participate in the State meet for medical or disciplinary issues, the principal of the indisposed contestants is responsible for notifying Meet Management in the same manner as stated above. Any relay members who have qualified to participate in individual events will still be allowed to compete in those events assuming the proper notification was given to the Meet Manager. If an alternate is inserted into the State meet, we will re-seed up to the time the meet program is sent. After this time, the athlete will be inserted in the appropriate position. After the meet has started, no alternates will be used to fill in for scratches.

**Participants' Limitations** - An individual athlete MAY be entered in a maximum of four (4) individual events and may also be listed as a member of any or all relay teams. An individual athlete MAY NOT COMPETE in more than four (4) events (individual and/or relays) TOTAL. Coaches - be reminded that the individual event competition limitation of four (4) events is both an NFHS and WIAA rule. If an athlete is scratched from an individual event, there cannot be any substitution in that individual event for the scratched athlete. An athlete listed on the relay form is not considered to have competed in the relay unless they physically run as a member of the relay team in that meet. **FOR THE QUALIFYING MEET RELAY ENTRIES, COACHES SHOULD ALWAYS LIST MORE THAN FOUR RELAY MEMBERS - COACHES ARE PERMITTED TO LIST A MAXIMUM OF SIX.**

**The DEFINITION OF A RELAY TEAM MEMBER is as follows: Four, five or six members are listed and only those listed are eligible to run. Any four of those listed are eligible for each race starting with the preliminary heat of the District meet and ending with the State finals. The relay counts as an event for those who run.**

**Relays** – Only one (1) team per school may compete. **The relay team roster submitted at your respective qualifying meet will be your roster for the State meet. No substitutes are allowed. This form must be submitted to your Qualifying Meet Manager at the beginning of your qualifying meet. The same six runners will be the only members allowed to compete at the State meet once the form is submitted to your Qualifying Meet Manager. If any of the submitted runners becomes ineligible, the roster must remain the same.**

**Registration of Athletes** – All schools must register their track and field qualifiers for the qualifying meets on the athletic.net website using their school's WIAA four-letter code (found on the WIAA Track and Field page at [www.wiaa.com](http://www.wiaa.com)). All official qualifiers to the state meet will be automatically uploaded to the state meet roster registration from the qualifying meet report.

**Registration of Teams** - Coaches' information and school supervisors, etc. needs to be updated on the my.wiaa.com site by a school administrator. This document will generate ALL passes needed for auxiliary personnel for each state meet site. Each school must register the above individuals on their school profile page through <http://my.wiaa.com/admin/tournrosters.aspx> and clicking "Track and Field" after logging in. The school athletic director has access to this site.

**Coaches Information** - Please check with your specific site regarding a potential coaches meeting, location where coaches questions can be answered, location of coaches packet pick-up and any other information that may not be addressed in this document. Coaches are responsible for seeing that their squad members comply with the warm-up regulations. Coaches will stay in the grandstand or other designated area provided by the meet management. If there is an injury to one of their own team members you may be beckoned onto the field or track. They may also leave to the appropriate protest area to consult with the Referee/Jury of Appeals if there is a question concerning a ruling in an event.

**For additional site-specific information, visit the Track & Field page on the WIAA website at [www.wiaa.com/track](http://www.wiaa.com/track) and click on either of the links under "Site Specific Information" on the left menu.**

**Passes - Each school with one (1) or more entries to the State Meet is entitled to the following passes:**

- One pass per qualified participant in the form of a competition number.
- Two (2) coaches' passes.
- If a school has three (3) to nine (9) participants, three (3) coaches' passes will be issued. A school with ten (10) or more participants will be issued four (4) coaches' passes.
- One (1) student manager pass will be issued.

**Admission** - Athletes will be admitted to the facility when they show their competitor number. Coaches will be admitted by showing a coaches/supervisor bracelet or their Washington State Coaches Association membership card and photo identification.

**Check-In and Entry Materials** - Check-in will take place at the State meet sites on Thursday afternoon or evening, and Friday morning. **State Meet Managers will establish practice times if facilities are available. Any coach or participant who arrives at the State meet site before noon on the first day of competition shall be disqualified from the meet.**

**Those Not Competing-** Coaches and supervisors are not allowed on the infield during competition. Coaches will not be allowed on the track or field during the meet. Important: Coaches and contestants are warned that being out of the stands, running alongside contestants, while shouting instructions and encouragement may lead to disqualification. Coaches must be outside the fenced area of the track for running events and field events in the stadium and outside the fenced area in the throwing area. Participants and officials only please! Managers and statisticians should remain in the stands.

**General Rules Information** - All National Federation Rules will govern the running of the track and field meets except as noted in the 2017 Track and Field "Bound for State" regulations.

**Official Start:** Official Start of the State meet begins with first event on the first day of meet.

**Seeding Criteria** - The official Qualifying meet times submitted to the State meet manager for seeding purposes may be electronic or hand held (Hand held times are read in 10th of a second. Example: 10.41 would be submitted to the State Meet Manager as 10.5.)

#### **Seeding Rules: Running Events**

1. If there are no extra qualifiers, there will be 2 heats of 8 athletes each. The Qualifying meet winners will be seeded first in the middle lanes, followed by the 2nd place finishers. The 2nd place finisher will always be in a heat opposite the winner from their district. The remaining athletes will be ranked by their qualifying time and fill the remaining lanes of the 2 heats. The preferred lane sequence is randomized pairs 4:5, 3:6, 2:7, 1:8 except for the 4 X 200 Relay which is 1 through 8 seeding inside-out.

2. **Runners from the same school will be separated when possible. The switch will be made with the same or comparable lanes only.**

3. If there is a great imbalance of Districts in a heat an adjustment in lanes will be made.
  4. If there are extra qualifiers, 3 heats will be run with the district winners filling the middle lanes, followed by the 2nd place finishers. The remaining athletes will be ranked by their qualifying time and fill lanes working from the middle out.
  5. The 800m event, preliminary heats will be seeded by incoming district time.
- In the event that there are extra qualifiers up to 18 total competitors, the 800m will be seeded as follows:

- a. In heats with 9 competitors, the six runners with the fastest district time in each heat will be assigned lanes 1-6.
- b. The next three competitors will be randomly assigned to use lanes 7 and 8 as an alley.
- c. The competitors in lanes 1-6 will be seeded with lane 3 for the top district time, then lane 4 for the next time, then lanes 2, 5, 1, and 6 accordingly.
- d. If the heats have an unbalanced number of competitors, the larger heat will run last.

In the event that there are extra qualifiers resulting in 19 to 24 total competitors, the 800m will be seeded as follows:

- e. The three heats will be seeded strictly by district time.
- f. In the event that the three heats have an unbalanced number of competitors, the larger heat(s) will run last. (i.e. 6-6-7, 6-7-7, 7-7-8, etc.)

6. Alleys for the 1600 Meter Run & 3200 Meter Run will be used. The qualifying meet winners will be seeded in lanes 5-8. Top one-third of seeds will be in the outside alley. The remaining competitors will be seeded in lanes 1-4. The first alley will use the waterfall start for lanes 1-8 with approximately 2/3 of the contestants. The second alley would be a waterfall start using lanes 5-8 on the one turn stagger for lane 5 with approximately 1/3 of the runners. A three meter walk up line will be utilized.

7. From the preliminary heats 8 will move on to the finals. If there are 2 preliminary heats the 8 will be the top 3 from each heat and the next 2 fastest times. If there are 3 preliminary heats the 8 will be the top 2 from each heat and the next 2 fastest times.

#### **Field Events: Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Discus Throw and Javelin Throw**

1. For these events, the athletes will be seeded in reverse order by the district qualifying mark. There will be 2 flights of 8 with the top 8 seeds in flight 2 and the next 8 in flight 1. If there are additional qualifiers the numbers in each flight will be adjusted keeping the flights as even as possible.

2. The top 9 athletes and any ties after the preliminaries will compete in the finals in reverse order from their preliminary marks.

#### **Field Events - High Jump and Pole Vault**

1. All 16 contestants plus any additional qualifiers will be in one flight in reverse order by their qualifying mark.

2. Contestants with the same mark will compete in the order the computer determines without regard to place in the district meet.

#### **State Meet Rules and Procedures**

**General Rules Information** - All National Federation Rules will govern the running of the track and field meets except as noted in the 2017 Track and Field "Bound for State" regulations. Any questions concerning meet infractions may be brought to the meet management only by the **head coach** of the team.

**Protest/Appeals Procedures**- Appeals must follow the appeal process in the current NFHS Track and Field Rules Book. Running event protests need to be made to the running-event referee by the head coach. Field event

protests need to be made to the field-event referee by the head coach. The protest must be in writing on the designated form and made to the appropriate referee within 30 minutes after the results have been posted.

**Jury of Appeals** - If after the protest to the referee, the head coach still feels the rule has been misapplied or misinterpreted; the head coach can appeal, to the jury of appeals immediately. The Jury of Appeals shall serve as the final board of appeals.

**Official Start** - Official Start of the State meet begins with first event on the first day of meet.

**Scoring** - Eight (8) individuals/relay teams will score in each event. Awards will be presented in the individual events directly after the results have been verified. An eight (8) entry tournament will receive four (4) medals per event. A sixteen (16) entry tournament will receive eight (8) medals per event. All **team** awards will take place at the end of the meet.

**Awards** – will be presented to athletes following their event. Once each event final is complete, the award winners will be escorted to the awards area for the presentation. After the final results have been determined, athletes will be introduced and given their awards on the awards stand in front of the main grandstand.

**FAT Timing System**- Fully automatic timing system will be used for all running events. The timing system operators will not recall races in the event of the FAT system malfunctioning. Backup systems or hand timers will be utilized instead. If a malfunction occurs during a preliminary heat, backup systems or hand times will be used for all heats to determine advancement and seeding to the finals. State Meet Managers are authorized to use official pictures of the finish to assist meet officials in making final decisions. This would include videotaping. These pictures are to be used by and are available to meet officials only.

**Blocks** - Starting blocks will be provided for competitors to use.

**Uniform Information**- The NFHS Track and Field Rules Book uniform rule will be enforced. It is the individual athlete and relay teams' responsibility to compete in the proper uniform. Failure to comply with the spirit and intent of the rule could cause a competitor or relay team to be disqualified from an event. For further clarification on uniforms, please review uniforms, relay-team uniforms, not identical uniforms, and removal of part of the team uniform in the NFHS Rules and Case Book. All contestants, in both the running and field events must wear their numbers when competing. Competitor numbers will be worn **on the front** of the uniform, with the exception of pole vault competitors who may wear their number on the back.

The top must hang below or be tucked into the waistband of the bottom when the competitor is standing erect. Uniforms will be required to be tucked into the shorts, if necessary, at the start of the event so the hip number is not blocked. This will be enforced by the clerk and starters. Hip numbers will be used for all running events and will be worn on the hip facing the FAT camera.

Handkerchiefs and hats of any kind are not allowed during competition. Plain head bands will be acceptable (no logos of any kind will be allowed).

**Records** - Only records established in the preliminaries or finals at the State meet shall count as State records. All applications for State or National records must be made in accordance with the NFHS Track and Field Rules Book.

**Sportsmanship**- Officials will enforce rules related to sportsmanship and unacceptable behavior. Competitors, coaches, and/or team members, who violate the rule or the spirit of the rule, may be disqualified from an event and/or the entire meet.

**Cell Phones/Walkie Talkies/Video Camera**- The use of electronic communication devices are permitted during

meets in unrestricted areas and coaches' boxes. Electronic communication devices, unofficial video, and video screen replays may not be used for any review of a referee's decision or to communicate with an athlete during a race or trial.

**Clerk of the Course** - Entries must be checked in with the Clerk of the Course prior to an event. There will be three notifications and/or calls for all events. All events notifications will be distinguished by gender and classification. All contestants must report to the Clerk of the Course when called 25 minutes prior to the start of the event by the official announcer. **All contestants must check-in to the clerking area no later than the third call.** It is the ultimate responsibility of the athletes to check in with the clerk to find out the progress of the meet.

- If a contestant does not comply with this regulation, he/she will be scratched from the event. The Clerk will be at the designated area of each event to check entries. Any changes that a coach must make may be made at that time with the Clerk of the Course.
- If an athlete is competing in a field event and running event held at the same time, the athlete must check-in with the clerk before the beginning of both events. He/she may then report directly to the starting line where he/she will seek out a Clerk for final check and instruction. The events start will NOT be delayed for any athlete who reports late.

**Medical Information** - The use of an atomizer during competition containing a prescription drug designed to alleviate the asthmatic condition is not considered to be an illegal aid as long as a physician's statement documenting the need of the athlete to use the prescription is presented to the meet director/referee prior to the beginning of the meet. This documentation shall be turned into the Meet Manager prior to participation.

#### **SPECIAL RULES FOR RUNNING EVENTS**

**Introductions** - Athletes in running events will be introduced in their starting positions just prior to the start of the race. In field events, athletes will be lined up and introduced by a field event announcer.

1. If a competitor is competing in a field event and running event held at the same time, **the athlete must check-in with the clerk before the beginning of both events.** He/she may then report directly to the starting line where he/she will seek out a Clerk for final check and instruction. The events start will NOT be delayed for any athlete who reports late.
2. Runners will be escorted to the starting line, by the clerk, and placed in their proper lanes or position.
3. Runners may not report to the starting line without having checked in with the clerk.
4. For races finishing in assigned lanes, runners at the end of each race are to stay in their lanes until they are dismissed.
5. The 400 meter race will be run in lanes the entire distance, compensated by the appropriate stagger.
6. The 800 meter run will be staggered for one (1) turn and the contestants may break for the pole after they have crossed the break line at the end of the first turn.
7. The three-turn-stagger will be used for the 800m relay. All runners and exchanges in the 800-meter relay must stay in their lanes except the last runner who may cut in after receiving the baton.
8. The three-turn-stagger will be used for the 1600 meter relay. The first runners must stay in their lanes the entire 400 meters. The second runners must stay in their lanes until they have crossed the break line (cones).
9. Relay team members may place up to two marks on the track. **No chalk is to be used.** Markers, such as tape,

shoes, tennis balls, pins, colored devices, and others, must be removed following the events. Specific markers will be designated at each site by Meet Management for all relays and field events. **Batons** will be provided for all relay teams.

- **Please note, if there is inclement weather, markers will be provided by meet management. All markers MUST BE PLACED in your lane.**

#### **SPECIAL RULES FOR FIELD EVENTS**

1. **No extra practice will be allowed in unused event areas before or after an event**, unless determined by the event judge or field event referee. Athletes who violate may be disqualified from the event or the remainder of the meet.

2. Field event competition in preliminaries (shot put, discus, javelin, long jump and triple jump) will be held in flights of eight (8) athletes. The nine (9) best marks and all ties for the last qualifying spot will move into the finals. Athletes will compete in reverse order for the finals.

3. During the preliminary competition each athlete will have three (3) trials. Athletes will have three (3) more trials in the finals.

4. Meet management will designate a specific time and location for all students participating in the pole vault to weigh-in and submit the **Pole-Vaulter Weight Verification Form** prior to the beginning of the pole vault competition. Only those students that weigh-in prior to the meet and are cleared by the meet management will be allowed to compete.

5. **Athletes must check-in with the head judge at the event before the event begins.** If athletes check in after the event has begun they will not be allowed to compete.

6. **All field event areas will be open for warm-up 60 minutes prior to the start of the event**, under the supervision of the head judge. The warm-ups will end fifteen (15) minutes before the event starts. The head judge will then give instructions to all competitors. Following instructions, the first flight of competitors will be allowed two additional warm-ups. Prior to the start of each flight/finals, competitors will be allowed two additional warm-ups.

7. **Excused time/check out procedures must be followed by participants.** Coaches must assume responsibility of ensuring athletes advise event judges of participation in another event, are excused by the judge, and return within the time limit given by the judge. If athletes "check out" for another event, they must notify the head judge and tell the judge which event they are leaving for. The excuse time will be established by the games committee at each site. The athlete must check back in within the established excused time or risk the loss of a trial. The athlete must notify the head event judge when they return. In some cases, successive throws in both the preliminaries and finals may be allowed if the competitor identifies the need to the head official at the time he/she is called "up" for an attempt. Athletes in running events must check-in with the clerk prior to the start of their field event.

When room is available, an athlete that will need to be excused from an event may change flights, per approval of the Field Event referee, for that event if this request is made prior to the start of warm-up. An athlete that will need to be excused from an event may request a change in the order, per approval of the head official, for that event, if this request is made prior to the start of the flight.

To accommodate the field event athlete to be excused and make the disruption of the competition as insignificant as possible, the excused athlete may report directly to the starting line and seek out a Clerk for final instruction for the upcoming running event. The start of the race will not be held for these athletes. This athlete **MUST** clear this with the Clerks in the Clerking area prior to the beginning of the running event for which he/she wishes to be excused.

**All implements will remain at the venue until competition is completed.**



### **Discus/Shot**

Implements must be inspected at the certification area, one hour prior to competition. The host site will also furnish certified discuses and shots, if needed. Shot certified for competition will be placed in a pool and may be thrown by any competitor. Discus certified for competition will not be shared without permission from the school to which it belongs. Implements will be marked, collected and delivered to the event area. Implements that are not certified will be collected and held until after the event. They may be picked up at the completion of the event. All practice throws with discus or shot will be taken within the competition area for these events under the direction of the head official.

### **Javelin**

Implements must be inspected at the certification area, one hour prior to competition. After being certified, all javelins will be sequestered until they are delivered to the competition site prior to competition. Javelins certified for competition will not be shared without permission from the school to which it belongs. Implements that are not certified will be collected and held until after the event. They may be picked up at the completion of the event. All practice throws with javelins will be taken within the competition area for the javelin under the direction of the head javelin official. Two check marks are allowed. These check marks must be removed at the completion of the event. **No chalk is to be used to mark runway.**

### **High Jump / Pole Vault**

The NFHS rule about passing shall apply.

Two check marks are allowed on the approach apron for the high jump. These check marks must be removed at the completion of the event. **No chalk is to be used.**

Two check marks are allowed outside of the runway for the pole vault. These check marks must be removed at the completion of the event. **No chalk is to be used.**

When an athlete returns from competing in another event, the athlete will enter the competition at the height in progress. The bar will not be raised during the excused time. The bar will not be lowered. Starting heights will be one interval below the lowest qualifying height. In the high jump, the cross bar will be raised in 2" intervals until **four (4) or fewer contestants remain**. Thereafter, the bar will be moved up in 1" intervals, until one contestant remains. In the pole vault, the cross bar will be raised in 6" intervals **until four (4) or fewer contestants remain**. Thereafter, the cross bar will be raised in 3" intervals, until one contestant remains. For the pole vault event, each contestant, prior to the warm-up, must present to the head event judge a new (updated) WIAA weight certification form. This form must be filled out, dated, and signed by the appropriate parties. A contestant will not be allowed to warm-up or compete without a new (updated) form. Pole vault poles will be inspected and certified at the pole vault venue by the Head Officials. Athletes will also be weighed-in during the inspection. Poles must be clearly marked with the proper markings. Any pole that is presented for inspection that is improperly marked or otherwise illegal will be confiscated and picked up after the event in complete. Competitors may not use the pole of other individuals without their consent. Any competitor who vaults on a pole that is rated below their allowable weight will be disqualified from the event.

### **Long Jump /Triple Jump**

Two check marks are allowed outside of the runway. These check marks must be removed at the completion of the event. **No chalk is to be used to mark the runway.**