

TOMAHAWK HIGH SCHOOL

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TO: Cross Country Coaches/Athletic Directors of: Antigo, Lakeland Union, Mosinee, Rhinelander, Crandon, Phillips, Hurley, Laona-Wabeno, Three Lakes and Tomahawk

FROM: Connor Ahrens – Head Cross Country Coach
Scott Parsons – Athletic Director

RE: Hatchet Invite – Saturday October 8th at Inshalla Country Club

Hello, Coaches!

The 46th annual Hatchet Invitational will be hosted by Tomahawk on Saturday, October 8, 2022. The meet will have a new location – Inshalla Country Club. Inshalla is located at N11060 Clear Lake Road in Tomahawk.

Teams are NOT to arrive prior to 8:30, due to frost concerns and we are honoring the request of the owners. If frost is present races and course inspection times will be delayed accordingly.

We will all compete head to head with a large and small school champion. Following are the divisions and schools competing as of this printing. Schools have been placed according to recent WIAA on-line enrollments:

<u>SCHOOLS CONTRACTED FOR THE 2022 HATCHET INVITE:</u>			
(Large School Division 500+)		(Small School Division 500-)	
Rhinelander	768	Tomahawk	375
Lakeland	749	Crandon	235
Antigo	703	Phillips	222
Mosinee	643	Hurley	179
		Laona-Wabeno	166
		Three Lakes	145

**Entry Procedures: We will be using chip timing and on-line entry. The deadline for entering your team is noon Thursday, October 6. Go to www.pttiming.com (follow the Milesplit registration prompts- call me at 715-966-2757 if you have any questions). Website will open for entries on October 1st.

Prior to the meet stop by the pttiming vehicle at the course and check your entries on the entry sheets and pick up chips/bibs that each athlete will wear— it is critical that each athlete wear the chip/bib that they are assigned, do not allow athletes to switch chips/bibs...Our back-up system is manually recording the athletes school in the chute, and use of a Chronomix print-timer for time back-up. Chips will be collected in a bullpen at the back of the chute.

Entry limits will be seven runners per varsity team. However, a school may enter an unlimited number of junior varsity runners

The clubhouse will be closed to all runners. Port-A-Potties will be available near the team set-up area. Someone will be there to greet you when you arrive with meet day guidelines. It is very important that you follow those guidelines to insure our continued use of this fine facility. Buses only are to park in the upper clubhouse lot until it is full. Overflow bus parking will be directed by a lot attendant.

Please communicate the following items to your athletes/parents prior to the meet:

*Spectator parking on driving range.

*No dogs are allowed at Inshalla (please advise your parents of this!)

*Inshalla will have full meal concessions available

*Our clothes vendor (Tier1 Sports) will be on-site with a full line of customized Hatchet Invitational clothing (T-shirts, sweatshirts, etc.)

Please have your athletes pick up their team areas after the completion of the meet.

Race results will be posted immediately following each race. If you need to leave prior to the end of the meet, the results will be available on-line at www.pttiming.com shortly after the completion of the meet. No faxes will be sent.

*There will be a 50/50 Raffle at the meet, with 50% to winner, and 50% to THS Cross Country for their season awards.

Awards for the meet:

- Junior Varsity: First Place Plaque(overall)
- Medals Top 10 (overall)
- Varsity : First Place wooden "Hatchet Trophy" (Large Schools & Small Schools)
- Medals Top 15 (overall)

Approximate time schedule: (we will start the next race 5 min after the prior race finishes)

- Junior Varsity Boys 5000m 10:00am
- Varsity Boys 5000m 10:30am
- Varsity Girls 5000m 11:00am
- Junior Varsity Girls 5000m 11:30am

Also... a reminder that Tier1 Sports needs advance clothing orders by Sunday, October 2nd. To order go to: <https://tier1sports.com/product/2022-hatchet-invite/>