



MICHIGAN STATE CROSS COUNTRY



2014 Auto Owners Spartan Invitational

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Date: Friday, September 12, 2014
Site: Michigan State University's - Forest Akers East Golf Course
Meet Director: Andy Marsh E-mail (preferred): andy@playmakers.com Phone: (517) 420-0432
Meet Registration: Reserve your team's spot by registering at: www.playmakers.com/spartan (case sensitive)

Time Schedule:

Collegiate Race Schedule
 12:00 PM - College Women (6K)
 12:30 PM - College Men (8K)

High School Race Schedule
 1:10 PM - High School Boys White Race (Division 3 & 4)
 1:35 PM - High School Boys Bronze Race (Division 2 & 3)
 2:00 PM - High School Girls White Race (Division 3 & 4)
 2:25 PM - High School Girls Bronze Race (Division 2 & 3)
 2:50 PM - High School Boys JV #1 (School Names Starting with "A-L")
 3:20 PM - High School Boys JV #2 (School Names Starting with "M-Z")
 3:50 PM - High School Girls JV #1 (School Names Starting with "A-L")
 4:20 PM - High School Girls JV #2 (School Names Starting with "M-Z")
 4:50 PM - High School Boys "Spartan" Elite
 5:15 PM - High School Boys Green Race (Division 1 & 2)
 5:40 PM - High School Girls "Spartan" Elite
 6:00 PM - High School Girls Green Race (Division 1 & 2)

Middle School
 6:20 PM - Middle School Boys 6:28 PM - Middle School Girls

Entry Fee's: (For College, High & Middle School – Male & Female are separate teams in regards to entry fees)

University/College Teams (Online Entries – www.directathletics.com)

\$175.00 per College Team

All unattached athletes will be charged \$10.00 each.

High School (Online Entries – www.athletic.net)

\$125.00 High School Teams with 20 or fewer entries

\$150.00 High School Teams with 21 – 35 entries

\$175.00 High School Teams with 36 – 50 entries

\$200.00 High School Teams with 51 or more entries

\$25.00 per person for teams with less than 5 people

Middle School (Online Entries – www.athletic.net)

\$75.00 per Middle School Team

Mail Checks (Payable to MSU)
 Michigan State Cross Country
 223 Kalamazoo St. Room 214
 East Lansing, MI 48824

(Receipt of payment will be provided to coaches at competition in team packet)

High School Entry Fees: The entry fees are based on your team's total number of entries into the competition. Male and female are considered separate teams. Please only enter athletes you intend to compete and review pricing structure for meet entry. The late entry fee is \$75 per ender. Meet payment is due by Friday, October 31, 2014.



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Entry Procedure - High School and Middle School (PLEASE READ)

1. High School and Middle School Teams (ONLY) must register their teams for the 2014 Spartan Invite by filling out the "Team Registration" form at www.playmakers.com/spartan (case sensitive)
2. A limited number of positions are available in each race - please register ASAP to assure your position.
3. Once your team has registered on www.playmakers.com/sparan - your team will be invited to the meet on www.athletic.net to complete athlete registration by Wednesday, September 3 at 11:59pm. (Invites may take up to a week to complete)
4. High School coaches should e-mail Race Director - Andy Marsh - andy@playmakers.com to request a change races/divisions if desired. Change requests are due by Thursday, September 4, 2014.
5. Deadlines: (Please remember there are only a limited number of team entries available - please register today)
 - a. Friday, August 29, 2014 - "Team Registration" Form at www.playmakers.com/spartan
 - b. Wednesday, September 3 at 11:59pm - Athlete Registration at www.athletic.net

Entry Note 1: Coaches may enter "1" Varsity Team, No Exceptions!

Entry Note 2: Enter your entire team in your corresponding varsity race on www.athletic.net. **Your team can run any 7 athletes in the varsity race with the remaining athletes competing in the JV Race.**

Late entry fee is \$75.00 per gender; e-mail Meet Director if you missed the deadline.

High School Divisions: We will be conducting fair and competitive races in 4 different divisions. The "Spartan" Elite races will be comprised of the top teams from the 2013 MHSAA State meet, and those made by request. The Green races will include Division 1 & 2 teams, Bronze races Division 2 & 3 teams, and White races Division 3 & 4 schools. Please register for the appropriate race/division for your team and request any changes from the meet director before the entry deadline.

Entry Procedure - Collegiate Teams and Unattached Collegiate Athletes (ONLY)

1. Register by Sunday, September 7 at 5pm using Director Athletics
Registration Link: <http://www.directathletics.com/meets/xc/6227.html>

Final Race Assignments will be posted by 5pm on Monday, September 8th on the MSU Cross Country Webpage at www.MSUSpartans.com and www.playmakers.com/spartan

Participation Maximums:	University/College:	Unlimited Participants
	High School Varsity:	7 runners per race
	High School Junior Varsity:	Unlimited Participants
	Middle School:	Unlimited Participants

Awards:

Collegiate - No official team or individual awards.

High School - Varsity and middle school races will have official awards ceremonies
Varsity Races: Top 3 teams and 30 individuals will receive awards.
The fastest male/female of the day will receive an Elite Individual Award
JV Races: Top 50 individuals will receive awards

Middle School - Top 2 teams and 50 individuals in each race will receive awards.



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Timing Company: Gault Race Management - disposable B-Tag (Bib) timing chips
Souvenir T-Shirts: A limited amount of MSU Spartan Invite and MSU XC commemorative gear will be available.
Admission Prices: Adult - \$7.00 Students - \$5.00 (with valid student ID)

Packet Pickup & Course Inspection Available meet day starting at 10:00 AM

Course Maps:

[Collegiate Men 8K Map](#)

[Collegiate Women 6K Map](#)

[High School Boys & Girls 5K Map](#)

[Middle School Boys and Girls 3,200 Meter Map](#)

Weather Contingent: Course final setup, design, is weather dependent. Excessive heat or rain may alter the course and distance.

Team “Tent” Camp: Teams will be asked to maintain team camps west of the finish line or in the “rough” area between golf holes #1 and #9. A line will be marked on the ground and team camps must stay within the Team Camp boundary. Please no grills, stakes, or other items that may damage Forest Akers Golf Course.

Meet Information: All additional meet materials including registration information, course maps, driving directions, schedule updates, and spectator information will be posted on the MSU Cross Country webpage at www.MSUSpartans.com or www.playmakers.com/spartan

Parking: [Parking Map](#) [Forest Akers Course Overview Map](#)

Spectator parking: MSU Commuter Lot – Free Shuttle Bus to course or walk to North Entrance

H.S. & M.S. Team Parking: MSU Pavilion after team drop-off at Forest Akers East clubhouse

College Team Parking: Forest Akers East clubhouse if arriving by car or van

(Limited number of collegiate parking passes - Must have team registered on D.A. to request passes)

High School and Middle School Teams not arriving by an official school bus and or having team gear dropped off and picked up at Forest Akers East must request Drop-off passes by Monday, September 8

Race Results: Results will be posted at the awards area at the conclusion of each race. Coaches can acquire printed results at the awards stage with their results coupon. Results will be posted after each race at www.playmakers.com and following the invite on www.MSUSpartans.com.