



# 2017 AIA State Unified Team Track & Field Invitational Friday, May 5, 2017

## TOURNAMENT GUIDE

Rules, Regulations, Schedule, Instructions

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AIA Unified Team Track and Field is an AIA-sanctioned sport, supported by and in conjunction with Special Olympics Arizona (SOAZ), which fosters inclusion, camaraderie, and the development of meaningful relationships between students with and without intellectual disabilities as high school athletes, teammates, and training partners.

### **REGISTRATION TERMINOLOGY**

- Participants with intellectual disabilities will be registered as “Unified Athletes”.
- Participants without intellectual disabilities will be registered as “Unified Partners”.

### **RULES**

- Rules shall be those of the current National Federation Track and Field Rule Book with exceptions noted in the AIA Constitution and Bylaws, the AIA Unified Team Track and Field Sports and Competition Rules, the Official Special Olympics Rules, and these tournament instructions as outlined in the Modifications/Adaptations section below.

### **MODIFICATIONS / ADAPTATIONS**

#### ***TEAM COMPOSITION***

- Each team shall have an adult non-playing coach responsible for the lineup and conduct of the team during competition.
- A team roster shall consist of a minimum of 8 participants and of no more than 24 participants. For rosters exceeding 24 participants, please contact **Laura Duncan** at [Laura@SpecialOlympicsArizona.org](mailto:Laura@SpecialOlympicsArizona.org) to learn about the A/B sub-team option to include all your participants.
- During competition, team rosters should consist of a 50/50 ratio of Unified Athletes to Unified Partners. If this ratio cannot be met, teams are permitted to compete with a 60/40 ratio of Unified Athletes to Unified Partners.
- Teams will be coed with no limitation on the number of boys or girls in an event or on a team.
- There must be an equal number of Unified Athletes and Unified Partners competing in each event a school enters participants into.
- To emphasize the values of inclusion and teamwork, **awards will be for team accomplishments only.**

#### ***OFFICIAL EVENTS AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS***

- The following events will be offered for AIA Unified Team Track and Field during the 2016-2017 inaugural season:
  - 100 Meter Dash
  - 400 Meter Run
  - 4X100 Meter Relay
  - Shot Put
  - Long Jump
- An individual may NOT be entered (as a participant AND/OR as an alternate) in more than three (3) events, including relays. Participants cannot compete in more than three (3) events during competition.
- The following maximum number of participants may compete on behalf of a school in the events below. There must be an equal number of Unified Athletes and Partners competing in each event:
  - 100 M Dash (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
  - 400 M Run (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
  - 4X100 M Relay (1 relay team/4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)

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- Shot Put (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
- Long-Jump (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
- Wheelchair Participants
  - Participants using manual wheelchairs or power wheelchairs are eligible to participate.
    - **Track Events**
      - i. **MANUAL WHEELCHAIRS:** Participants compete against students with and without disabilities.
      - ii. **RELAYS:** Only participants using a manual wheelchair are eligible to be selected as a possible member of the 4 x 100 meter relay. To ensure participant safety, competitors using a manual wheelchair will be required to compete as the final leg of the unified relay.
      - iii. **POWER WHEELCHAIRS:** Participants compete in a heat which only is composed of power wheelchair competitors. Because the chair is propelled by the engine and not a person, the type of competition is different. If there is only one competitor in a heat, he/she tries to exceed their personal best for the season. If successful, he/she receives the point total for 1<sup>st</sup> place. If not, he/she receives the point total for 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
      - iv. **LANE ASSIGNMENTS:** Assign two lanes for both manual and power wheelchair competitors during a race, preferably an inside lane.
    - **Field Events**
      - i. Manual and power wheelchair participants compete against students with and without disabilities.
- Participants with Visual Impairments
  - Participants with visual impairments (defined as blind or with severely restricted vision) may use a guide runner to assist them. The guide runner is given one adjoining lane.
  - Another acceptable option is for the participant to use a guide rope held by volunteers with a relay baton attached to it. The runner grabs the baton and slides it along the rope while running or walking during the race.
- Participants with Hearing Impairments
  - The competitor should be placed in the lane closest to the positioning of the official starter.
  - An assistant standing next to the starter should drop a brightly colored (red or yellow) cloth when the gun sounds.
  - Another allowable option is to have the assistant stand behind the competitor with the hearing impairment and tap him/her on the shoulder when the gun sounds.

### **RULES MODIFICATIONS**

- Highlighted **TRACK** event rules appearing in the Special Olympics rules book include the following:
  - In races up to and including the 400 meters, runners have the option of using starting blocks.
  - A runner charged with two false starts in the same race will be disqualified from that race.
  - All runners should run within their lanes. However, if a runner either runs outside his/her lane in the straight or runs outside the outer lane on the bend, with no material advantage being gained, and if no other runner is obstructed, then the competitor shall not be disqualified.
  - Wheelchair Racers
    - A competitor using a wheelchair finishes his/her race when all front wheels (one or two) of the wheelchair reach the finish line.
    - The lanes used by wheelchair athletes shall be two track lanes wide.

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- Highlighted ***FIELD*** event rules appearing in the Special Olympics rules book include the following:
  - Event Scoring
    - Participants shall be allowed to perform two non-consecutive attempts during competition.
    - All attempts shall be measured and recorded.
    - The longest measurement of each competitor's two attempts shall be used for scoring final place of finish.
    - In the event of a tie, competitors' second measurement shall determine final place of finish.
  - Shot Put
    - All competitors will use a 6 lb. shot during competition.
    - **Qualifying marks must be measured in English distances as FEET-(dash)-INCHES**
      - **Example: 3 feet, 4 inches is written as 3-4**
  - Long Jump
    - The following two approaches are allowed when performing the Long Jump. During competition, participants are required to use the same approach for both attempts and must notify the field judge of their approach prior to their first attempt –
      1. Standing Approach
        - The takeoff board for Standing Long Jump shall be placed one inch from the edge of the sandpit.
      2. Running Approach
        - The takeoff board for Running Long Jump shall be placed one yard (3ft) from the edge of the sandpit.
        - In order to safely clear the space between the takeoff board and the sandpit, competitors must be able to jump a minimum of one yard (3ft) to use the **running approach** during competition.
          - ★ *NOTE – Participants who **CANNOT jump at least one yard (3ft)** will be required to use the **standing approach** during competition.*
    - **Qualifying marks must be measured in English distances as FEET-(dash)-INCHES**
      - **Example: 3 feet, 4 inches is written as 3-4**

### **SEEDING AND TEAM SCORING**

- Participants with and without disabilities **compete against each other in co-ed heats/flights** within each Unified track and field event.
- All heats/flights will be seeded according to competitors' similar qualifying times or distances. To provide a competitive and level playing field where all participants have the opportunity to succeed, the variance between the highest score and lowest score in each particular heat/flight shall be no more than 15% difference.
- Qualifying times and distances for each competitor must be submitted prior to a competition for the events in which he or she will be entered. For example, if a participant will be entered in the 400 meters and the running long jump, qualifying scores must be submitted for each event.
- The minimum number of competitors in a heat/flight should be three and the maximum number is nine for the 2017 State Unified Team Track and Field Invitational.

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- Every event competition heat/flight results in the same allocation of points awarded to the teams (i.e., the winner of the fastest heat scores the same number of team points as the winner of the slowest heat). For example, if there are seven heats of the 100 meters, competitors in each of the seven heats will score the same amount of points for their teams based upon their place of finish.
- Team scoring is based upon the format delineated in the National Federation of State High School Associations' Track and Field Rules Book for dual meets. Since all competition heats/flights score points for a team, the Unified Team Track and Field rules modification is as follows:
  - For all types of Unified Track and Field meets (dual, triangle, or invitational) the following scoring format will be employed for every event heat/flight:
    - a. 1st place = 10 points
    - b. 2nd place = 8 points
    - c. 3rd place = 7 points
    - d. 4th place = 6 points
    - e. 5th place = 5 points
    - f. 6th place = 4 points
    - g. 7th place = 3 points
    - h. 8th place = 2 points
    - i. 9th place = 1 point
  - Adding together the total amount of points earned by all the participants on each Unified Track and Field team will determine the teams' final place of finish for the competition.

### **UNIFORMS – NFHS RULE 4-3**

- Items such as hats, baseball caps, kerchiefs, bandannas, sunglasses, etc. are not considered part of the official school uniform and shall not be worn while participating nor while receiving awards. This includes the hood of a one-piece uniform.
- Beginning 2015, the wearing of jewelry while participating shall be permitted. (per Rule 4-3, of the 2015-16 NFHS Rules Book.)
- A headband may be worn if it is a solid color and no more than 2 inches in width.
- Any visible shirt worn under the uniform must be unadorned (except manufacturer's logo) and of single color and hue.
- In individual events, visible garments worn under the jersey and shorts do not have to be the same color.
- In relays, each team member shall wear the same color and design of school uniform although the length of the short may vary.
- In relays, any visible garment(s) worn under the jersey and other visible apparel worn under the shorts and terminating below the knee must be unadorned and of a single, solid color. Visible garments worn under the jersey and/or the shorts do not have to be the same color. If worn by more than one team member (two or more) that apparel must be the same color, but not necessarily the same length.
- Removing any part of the team uniform, excluding shoes, while in the area of competition shall lead to a warning and if repeated, disqualification from the event.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017**

**SITE: Mesa Community College – 1833 W. Southern Ave. Mesa, AZ 85202**

**UNIFIED AND DIVISION III & IV**

<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Unified Team Check-In Begins</b>		
<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Unified Team Coaches Meeting – Unified Staging Area</b>		
<b>11:30 am</b>	Javelin	Girls/Boys	
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	Pole Vault	Div. IV Boys/Div. IV Girls/Div. III Boys	
<b>12:30 pm</b>	Triple Jump	Div. III Boys/Div. IV Boys/Div III Girls	
	<b>Long Jump</b>	<b>UNIFIED</b> /Div III Girls /Div IV Girls	
	High Jump	Div. IV Girls/Div. III Girls/Div IV Boys	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Shot Put</b>	<b>UNIFIED</b> /Div. III Boys/ Div. IV Boys/	
	Discus	Div. IV Girls / Div. III Girls	
<b>2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	
<b>UNIFIED</b>	100 Meter Dash	Co-ed	<b>UNIFIED</b>
<b>UNIFIED</b>	400 Meter Run	Co-ed	<b>UNIFIED</b>
<b>UNIFIED</b>	50 Meter Motorized Wheelchair Race		<b>UNIFIED</b>
<b>3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	100m Hurdles	Boys	
Prelims	110 H Hurdles	Girls	
<b>UNIFIED</b>	4x100 Relay	Co-Ed	<b>UNIFIED</b>
<b>3:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	4X800 Relay	Girls	
Prelims	100m Dash	Boys	
Prelims	100m Dash	Girls	
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>UNIFIED TEAM AWARDS</b>		
<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	1600m Run	Boys	
Prelims	4X100 Relay	Boys	
Prelims	4X100 Relay	Girls	
Prelims	400m Dash	Boys	
Prelims	400m Dash	Girls	
Prelims	300m Hurdles	Boys	
Prelims	300m Hurdles	Girls	
<b>7:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	800m Run	Boys	
Prelims	200m Dash	Boys	
Prelims	200m Dash	Girls	
<b>8:25 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	3200m Run	Girls	
Prelims	4X400 Relay	Boys	
Prelims	4X400 Relay	Girls	

**NOTE: TIME SCHEDULE IS APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!**

**GAMES COMMITTEE**

**1A Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Rick Samon	Mogollon
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**2A Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Mike Elder	Northland Prep
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**3A Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Paul Demuth	Holbrook
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**4A Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Lori Larson	Williams Field
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**5A Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Eric Bolus	Deer Valley
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**6A Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Jennifer Burks	Perry
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**Unified Conference**

Jury of Appeals	Lee Lonzo	Indiana High School Athletic Association
Jury of Appeals	Jeff Mohler	Special Olympics Indiana

**AIA Representatives**

Tournament Coordinator	Dean Visser
Meet Director	David Shapiro

**SOAZ Representatives**

Director of AIA Unified Sports	Laura Duncan
Senior Director of Support Programs	Isaac Sanft

**Games Committee Duties/Responsibilities**

- Members of the committee should be available throughout the contest for assistance to the director.
- The Games Committee, upon the request of the Meet Director, shall consider and take appropriate action on any protest of the tournament operation.
- The decision of the Meet Director and/or Games Committee shall be final.



## 2017 AIA STATE UNIFIED TEAM TRACK AND FIELD INVITATIONAL

- During the inaugural 2016-17 season, the State AIA Unified Team Track and Field event will be sanctioned as an *invitational event* with no formal qualification/advancement requirements for participation.
- This event will be hosted during the 2017 AIA State Track and Field Championship –
  - **Friday, May 5, 2017**
  - **Mesa Community College** – 1833 W. Southern Ave. Mesa, AZ 85202

## SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY

- This is an *invitational event* with no formal qualification/advancement requirements for participation.
- Unified teams are **not** required to compete in any regular season competition and/or sanctioned qualifying events to be eligible for participation in the 2017 AIA State Unified Team Track and Field Invitational.
- Special Olympics Arizona’s “8-practice” rule is in effect for participation in AIA Unified Sports. Practices must be at least one hour to qualify as a sanctioned practice, and all eight hours of practice must be completed prior to the team’s first competition.
- Member schools wishing to formally apply by the given deadline are eligible to enter the 2017 AIA State Unified Team Track and Field Invitational Meet.
- A maximum of 14 high schools will be allowed to participate in the inaugural 2017 State Unified Team Track and Field Invitational tournament.
- Participating schools will be chosen on a “**first-come, first-served**” basis pending completion dates of the Unified Team Registration Form.

## UNIFIED INVITATIONAL MEET ENTRY DEADLINE

The following deadlines must be met by all schools participating in the 2017 Unified Team Track and Field Invitational –

- **School Application Form Deadline**
  - **Friday, April 7, 2017 – DUE by 5:00pm**
    1. Download the School Application Form from the AIA’s website at <http://www.aiaonline.org/files/15776/school-application-form-2017-aia-unified-team-track-and-field-state-invitational.docx>
    2. Complete all fillable **pink fields** on this form electronically and print out.
    3. Obtain signatures from Principal or Athletic Director AND Unified Sports Coach.
    4. Scan and submit completed/signed form to [Laura@SpecialOlympicsArizona.org](mailto:Laura@SpecialOlympicsArizona.org)
- **Tournament Entry Deadline**
  - **Friday, April 21, 2017 – DUE by 5:00pm**
  - **ALL QUALIFYING SCORES MUST BE ENTERED INTO [WWW.ATHLETIC.NET](http://WWW.ATHLETIC.NET).**
  - Unified participants **not entered by the deadline will NOT participate** in the meet per NFHS rules. (Rule 4 Section 1 Art. 1)
  - *Instructions for completing the entry process will be located on the Unified Sports page on the AIA website at <http://aiaonline.org/files/15793/tournament-entry-instructions.pdf>*
- **Seeding Report Corrections Deadline**
  - The Seeding Report will be distributed via email by **5:00pm on Monday, April 24, 2017.**
  - Corrections of obvious errors and/or omissions will be accepted if reported directly to the Director of AIA Unified Sports by **Thursday, April 27, 2017 – DUE by 5:00pm**

## **ENTRY LIMITATIONS AND STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE**

- Each school may list up to 4 participants (2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners) and up to 4 alternates in each individual event.
- An individual may NOT be entered (as a participant AND/OR as an alternate) in more than three (3) events, including relays. An individual shall not compete in more than three (3) events.
- Each school may list up to 4 participants (2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners) and up to 4 alternates in each individual event.
- The following maximum number of participants may compete on behalf of a school in each of the events below. There must be an equal number of Unified Athletes and Unified Partners entered in each event:
  - 100 M Dash (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
  - 400 M Dash (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
  - 4X100 M Relay (1 relay team/4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
  - Shot Put (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
  - Long-Jump (4 participants - 2 Unified Athletes and 2 Unified Partners)
- Each entrant must have a qualifying mark for each event entered.
- **Prior to collecting qualifying times/distances for the Entry List Form**, participants must have successfully completed **at least five (5) regular season practices** (minimum duration of 60 min.).
- After the above minimum practice requirement has been met, qualifying times/distances must be collected and recorded during **a minimum of (2) regular season competitions and/or practices. The best of these times/distances shall be listed on the Entry List Form as the entrants' official qualifying marks.**
- The integrity of the scoring of a Unified Track and Field competition is dependent on accurate seeding based on qualifying marks. Inaccurate qualifying marks can cause an unfair competitive advantage, so schools will be held to a high standard in reporting accurate qualifying marks.
- A pattern of qualifying marks that are substantially different than performances in the tournament are subject to investigation and disciplinary action if found to be inaccurate for any reason on a school's entry list.

## **TOURNAMENT ENTRY – UNIFIED INVITATIONAL**

- The Official AIA Unified Team Entry List must be completed by the high school's Unified Track Coach, approved by the Athletic Director, and submitted **NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017**, without penalty.
- Member schools entering the 2017 State AIA Unified Team Track and Field Invitational shall submit their entries to the AIA via <http://www.Athletic.net/>. No other method of entry will be accepted.
  - **Specific instructions on entry procedures may be found on the Unified Sports tab at the link entitled Tournament Entry instructions. Instructions for completing the entry process will be located on the Unified Sports page on the AIA website at <http://aiaonline.org/files/15793/tournament-entry-instructions.pdf>**
- Late Entries will NOT be accepted under any circumstances.
- **Changes Prior to Deadline** – Member schools retain the ability to change their entry list at any time prior to the deadline by re-entering qualifying marks on <http://www.Athletic.net/> and modifying their entry as prescribed in the instructions.

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- Changes After Deadline – No changes will be accepted after the tournament entry deadline.
- Each Athletic Director is responsible for checking the eligibility of entrants before permitting them to participate.
- A notification from the AIA Office will acknowledge receipt and correctness of your entry list.
- Athletic Directors and coaches are urged to read and double check the entry list to be sure that:
  - All necessary information is provided and;
  - Each contestant is entered in the proper event/s.
- Unless entrant's best performances are entered in the proper column, contestants will not be considered entered in an event.

### GENERAL TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

- Coaches will remain in the stands; under no circumstances should coaches come onto the field.
- Participants will be assigned designated areas at each site and shall remain in those areas. Participants will not be allowed on the field unless participating.
- Sportsmanship Rule will be in effect and is in continuation from regular season. (Refer to the AIA Constitution and Bylaws, Article 16, Section 3)
- Field Event Contestants shall report promptly to the event judge at the designated location when the event is called. A contestant shall be charged with an unsuccessful attempt if he/she does not complete the trial or indicate his/her passing it within one minute after he/she has been called for a trial, unless he/she has been excused by the event judge to participate in another event.
- Starting blocks will be provided at the state meet.
- The meet director will determine the procedure used in the long and triple jump.
- Spikes must be 1/8 to 1/4 inch in length; long spikes are unacceptable.
- *Throwing implements (shot/discus) will be provided for all Divisions. No school or personal implements will be permitted during competition.*
- Neither the AIA nor the host site shall be responsible for lost or stolen articles.
- Any coach or competitor using tobacco, alcoholic beverages, or misusing drugs at the tournament site during athletic contests sponsored by AIA shall be disqualified from the contest. (Refer to the AIA Constitution and Bylaws, Article 14, Section 14.13)
- Locker room facilities will not be available.
- No warm up can commence till the lead official is at the event venue.

### TOURNAMENT PACKET PICK UP

- School packets can be picked up at the team check-in area in the southwest corner of the complex.

### EARLY PACKET PICK UP

- Unified teams can pick up packets early at one of the following –
  - **Tuesday, May 3, 2017**
    - 8:30am – 10:30am @ Mesa Community College OR
    - 1:30pm – 3:30pm @ AIA Front Office
  - **Wednesday, May 4, 2017**
    - 8:30am – 3:30pm @ AIA Front Office
  - **Thursday, May 5, 2017**
    - 8:30am – 3:30pm @ AIA Front Office

### TEAM CHECK IN

- Each unified school team will receive six (6) coaches wristbands. Additional coaches' wristbands must be requested with the team registration. The team check in table will screen coaches for wristbands and all unified participants for the proper bib numbers prior to entry. Coaches and participants must have wristbands and bib numbers properly fastened to gain entry into the event.

### MEALS/LUNCHES

- **Meals will NOT be provided.** Teams are responsible for arranging their own meals for participants.

### TEAM CAMP AREA

- The team camp area is located on the south warm-up fields, or on the east side of track.
- **IT WILL BE HOT!** Teams are encouraged to bring **TENTS for shade and ice chests with WATER!**

### WARM UP AREA

- The warm up area is located on the field south of the complex

### UNIFIED EVENTS STAGING AREA

- The staging area for all unified events will be located south of the west bleachers. All event check in and staging will take place at this location.
- All staging for field events will occur at the Unified Staging Area. Participants will then be escorted to the appropriate field event venue.
- **Please note that cell phones, iPods, and other musical devices are not allowed in this area. Unified Athletes and Partners should be “competition ready” (warm ups removed, dressed in a legal uniform, spikes on, etc. upon arrival to the staging area.**

### 2017 ADMISSION PRICE

- General Admission Adults – **\$10.00**
- General Admission Students – **\$5.00** (Elementary through High School w/ school ID)
- **Unified Spectators – \$5.00 (must have valid Unified Spectator coupon)**
  - 50 coupons will be provided to each Unified Sports coach in the school's team packet.
- FREE ADMISSION
  - Children five or under
  - Media with proper credentials
  - AIA Lifetime Pass Holder and One Guest
    - Photo ID required
  - AIA Complimentary Pass and One Guest
    - Photo ID required

### PROGRAMS AND SOUVENIRS

Kukulski Brothers is the official supplier for AIA Programs and Souvenirs. *Sale or distribution of AIA State Tournament related game programs, t-shirts or any other souvenirs by any individual or company other than the Kukulski Brothers at any AIA State Tournament playoff site or game is prohibited.*

**All Unified Athletes and Partners will receive one free event t-shirt compliments of the Kukulski Brothers.** These shirts will be provided upon Team Check-In at the state meet.

Additional merchandise including tshirts, caps, etc. will be available at the site of the State Meet.

Please call David Kukulski or Dan Kukulski at (480) 921-1975 if you have any questions regarding AIA Team Pictures, Team Rosters, Programs, Souvenirs and/or Digital Photography.

### 2017 State Track & Field Coaches Information

All Unified entries due by **5:00 pm Friday, April 21, 2017** through <http://www.Athletic.net/>. No other method of entry will be accepted.

- Specific instructions on entry procedures may be found on the Unified Sports page of the AIA website under the link entitled *Tournament Entry Instructions* at <http://aiaonline.org/files/15793/tournament-entry-instructions.pdf>
- Unified participants **not entered by the deadline will NOT participate** in the meet per NFHS rules. (Rule 4 Section 1 Art. 1)
- The final Unified Events Schedule will be posted on [www.aia365.com](http://www.aia365.com) by 12:00 noon Monday, May 1, 2017
- If possible these lists will be emailed earlier. Information will be sent via email.

Facility opens at 10:30 a.m.

- Unified Team Check In – **10:30 a.m.**
- Unified Coaches Meeting – **11:30 a.m.** @ Unified Staging Area

Team Camp Area

- Located on the south warm-up fields, or on the east side of track.
- **IT WILL BE HOT!** Teams are encouraged to bring **TENTS for shade and ice chests with WATER!**

Meals/Lunches

- **Meals will NOT be provided.** Teams are responsible for arranging their own meals for participants.

Hip Numbers

- Located on west side of stadium, south of the bleachers next to the Unified Staging Area
- Hip numbers are available beginning at 1:15 p.m.

Unified Events Staging Area

- Located on the west side of stadium, south of the bleachers
- Unified Staging Area opens at 12:00 p.m.

Substitutions

- Team Packets will include copies of the Substitution Form.
- All substitutions **must be submitted via the Substitution Form at the beginning of the 11:30AM Unified Coaches Meeting.**
- Late substitutions submitted after the coaches meeting **will NOT be accepted.**
- Substitutions will only be permitted for participants who are of **the same registration designation.** For example, a Unified Athlete must be substituted by another Unified Athlete.

Unified Coaches Corner

- Located on the west side of stadium, south of the bleachers next to the Unified Staging Area
- Coaches questions, concerns, protests, explanations for DQ's

Admin Tent

- West side of stadium at the finish line

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### Scoreboard

- Located on the SW corner of the track

### Results

- Event results will be posted.

### Awards

- To emphasize the values of inclusion and teamwork, awards will be for **team accomplishments only**.
- **Team Awards will be presented at approximately 4:00pm** upon the conclusion of all Unified heats/flights as follows:
  - Banner
    - 1st Place School
    - 2nd Place School
    - 3rd Place School
  - Medals
    - 1st Place School – up to 30 participant medals
    - 2nd Place School – up to 30 participant medals
    - 3rd Place School – up to 30 participant medals
- In the event of a tie for the top three places of finish, both schools will be recognized as winners and duplicate awards will be provided for both teams.
- No college sweatshirts/T-shirts or advertising of any commercial products on the awards stand. Athletes are to be in school issued uniform.

### Certified Athletic Trainer

- Located in the SW corner of the track
- The trainer is present to provide water around the site and for emergencies only.
- The trainer will not be available for treatment or taping.

### Media Area

- Located on the SW corner of the track
- Tables and power will be available

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**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017**

**SITE: Mesa Community College – 1833 W. Southern Ave. Mesa, AZ 85202**

**UNIFIED AND DIVISION III & IV**

<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Unified Team Check-In Begins</b>		
<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Unified Team Coaches Meeting – Unified Staging Area</b>		
<b>11:30 am</b>	Javelin	Girls/Boys	
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	Pole Vault	Div. IV Boys/Div. IV Girls/Div. III Boys	
<b>12:30 pm</b>	Triple Jump	Div. III Boys/Div. IV Boys/Div III Girls	
	Long Jump	UNIFIED /Div III Girls /Div IV Girls	
	High Jump	Div. IV Girls/Div. III Girls/Div IV Boys	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	Shot Put	UNIFIED /Div. III Boys/ Div. IV Boys/	
	Discus	Div. IV Girls / Div. III Girls	
<b>2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	
UNIFIED	100 Meter Dash	Co-ed	UNIFIED
UNIFIED	400 Meter Run	Co-ed	UNIFIED
UNIFIED	50 Meter Motorized Wheelchair Race		UNIFIED
<b>3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	100m Hurdles	Boys	
Prelims	110 H Hurdles	Girls	
UNIFIED	4x100 Relay	Co-Ed	UNIFIED
<b>3:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	4X800 Relay	Girls	
Prelims	100m Dash	Boys	
Prelims	100m Dash	Girls	
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>UNIFIED TEAM AWARDS</b>		
<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	1600m Run	Boys	
Prelims	4X100 Relay	Boys	
Prelims	4X100 Relay	Girls	
Prelims	400m Dash	Boys	
Prelims	400m Dash	Girls	
Prelims	300m Hurdles	Boys	
Prelims	300m Hurdles	Girls	
<b>7:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	800m Run	Boys	
Prelims	200m Dash	Boys	
Prelims	200m Dash	Girls	
<b>8:25 p.m.</b>	<b>Track Events</b>	<b>Boys/Girls</b>	<b>Div. IV/Div. III</b>
Prelims	3200m Run	Girls	
Prelims	4X400 Relay	Boys	
Prelims	4X400 Relay	Girls	

**NOTE: TIME SCHEDULE IS APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!**