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# 2024 Cross Country Sectional & State Championship Tournament Guide

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**All rules as stated in the National Federation Rules Book for this sport, along with the AIA Constitution & Bylaws as well as these tournament instructions apply.**



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### General Rules for Sectional Meets & State Championship

1. Bicycles will not be allowed on the sectional courses as well as on the state championship course. Neither coaches nor those associated with a team are to ride bicycles as it can create an unfair advantage.
2. Spikes are not allowed on the sectional courses or the state championship course.
3. Per AIA Policy 24.10.5.1 – The use of unmanned aerial systems, often referred to as drones, is prohibited for any purpose by any person at all AIA post-season events.
4. Per AIA Bylaw 23.9.4, A practice or competition on the site of the Sectional or Post-Season Championship Tournament, except for a regularly scheduled contest, is not permitted for seven calendar days prior to the Sectional or Post-Season Championship, except in the case of the host school.

### Sectional Meet Information

<b>Site</b>	Gilbert Crossroads Park	Heroes Park	TBD	Rio Rico High School
<b>Address</b>	2155 E. Knox Rd, Gilbert, 85296	NE Corner of 83rd Ave. & Bethany Home Rd, Glendale, 85303	TBD	590 Camino Lito Galindo, Rio Rico 85648
<b>Host School</b>	Chandler HS	Glendale HS	TBD	Rio Rico HS
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#### Division I Sites

<b>Northeast</b>	Site: Heroes Park	Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024
<b>Southeast</b>	Site: Gilbert Crossroads Park	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
<b>Southwest</b>	Site: Gilbert Crossroads Park	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

#### Division II Sites

<b>South</b>	Site: Rio Rico High School	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
<b>Northwest</b>	Site: Heroes Park	Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024
<b>East</b>	Site: Gilbert Crossroads Park	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
<b>Metro:</b>	Site: Gilbert Crossroads Park	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

#### Division III Sites

<b>South</b>	Site: Rio Rico High School	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
<b>East</b>	Site: Gilbert Crossroads Park	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
<b>Metro</b>	Site: Heroes Park	Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024
<b>North</b>	Site: TBD	Date: TBD

#### Division IV Sites

<b>Metro</b>	Site: Heroes Park	Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024
<b>South</b>	Site: Rio Rico High School	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024
<b>North</b>	Site: TBD	Date: TBD
<b>East</b>	Site: Gilbert Crossroads Park	Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024



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### Sectional Meet Entry Instructions

**To be determined**

**DEADLINE FOR SECTIONAL REGISTRATION: Sunday 2:00 PM, OCTOBER 20, 2024**

All changes must be completed prior to race time with the Wingfoot Finish Timing tent.

### Sectional Meet Information

Chip timing will be used and provided by Wingfoot Finish at all sectional meets:

### Sectional BIB Instructions for Coaches

1. Inspect your team packet to ensure you received all your bibs
  - a. Immediately notify meet management if you are missing any bibs.
  - b. Very important – this must be done before leaving the packet pickup area.
2. Distribute your bibs to all competing athletes
  - a. All athletes must wear their assigned bib, as assigned on your team roster.
  - b. Athletes that are not registered should not use someone else's bib.
  - c. Failure to properly distribute the bibs will result in inaccurate results.
3. Athletes must properly secure their bibs with the three provided safety pins

### Information For Sectional Tournament Directors

All athletes running at the Sectional Meet *must be* entered on **To be Determined**.

All sections will be set up with Westview High School being the host school.

Clyde Resendez is in charge of downloading all entries for Wingfoot Finish.

Remind all teams that the state entry deadline for individuals and teams is **Monday, October 28, by 11:59AM**.

### State Qualifying Standards

- Each Sectional race will qualify the **top 50%** of FULL (5 or more runners) teams that finish with a team score. If a Section has an odd number of scoring teams the number of qualifying teams will be rounded up. Example: 11 Sectional teams scoring in the results will qualify 6 teams for state.
- Each Sectional race will qualify the **top 7 individual finishers** from teams that are NOT qualifying as one of the top 50% of full teams that finish with a team score as referenced above.

**State Championship Entry Procedures**

**To Be Determined**

**DEADLINE FOR STATE REGISTRATION MONDAY 11:59 AM, OCTOBER 28, 2024**

All athletes running at the State Meet *must be* entered with **To Be Determined**.

Chip timing will be used and provided by FinishResults from California.

**State Championship Bib Instructions**

**INSPECT your Team Packet**

- Confirm you have the correct team roster and the matching bibs
- If you notice anything missing/incorrect, please notify meet management, before you leave the pickup area

**DISTRIBUTE your BIBS to your competing athletes**

- All competing athletes **MUST** wear their assigned Bib as listed on your Team Roster
- Athletes that are not registered should not use someone else's bib. Failure to follow these instructions will result in inaccurate results

**PROPERLY ATTACH the bibs for each athlete (see picture)**

- Race bibs should be placed up-right on the torso, between the chest and stomach
- Be sure each athlete uses 4 safety pins to securely affix their bib
- DO NOT FOLD OR DAMAGE BIBS



**RACE BIBS - POST EVENT**

- Please return any unused bibs and safety pins to the timer so they can be recycled or used at another event
- Athletes may keep their race bib as a souvenir or discard them in the proper recycling





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### State Championship Information

**Date:** Saturday, November 2, 2024

**Site:** Cave Creek Golf Course; 15202 N. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue; Phoenix, AZ 85023; 602-866-8076

**Course Distance:** 3.1 miles

*The course is closed for practice all year and there are to be no scheduled meets on site during the season.*

### State Race Day

**6:45am**            **Walk Through (Div. III & I)**  
Packet pick-up at white pop-up

**8:15am**            National Anthem

#### Report Schedule

#### Race Schedule

8:15am	Division III Boys	8:30am	Division III Boys
8:40am	Division I Girls	8:55am	Division I Girls
9:05am	Division III Girls	9:20am	Division III Girls
9:30am	Division I Boys	9:45am	Division I Boys
<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Awards Division III</b>		
<b>10:45am</b>	<b>Awards Division I</b>		
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Walk Through (Div. IV &amp; II)</b>		
12:30pm	Division IV Boys	12:45pm	Division IV Boys
12:55pm	Division II Girls	1:10pm	Division II Girls
1:20pm	Division IV Girls	1:35pm	Division IV Girls
1:45pm	Division II Boys	2:00pm	Division II Boys
<b>2:15pm</b>	<b>Awards Division IV</b>		
<b>2:50pm</b>	<b>Awards Division II</b>		

The race schedule is based upon a rotating formula approved by the Cross Country Sports Advisory Committee.

\* All times are approximate and subject to change; **BE READY FOR YOUR RACE!**

The course will not be open for walk-throughs until Saturday, November 2, 2024. During your walk-through please do not interfere with any of the participants competing in the race in progress!