Good morning All,

As many have noticed, we (FHSAA) has assumed control over the district meet entry process for all district meets. We have contracted with Half Mile Timing to handle the data side of the state series to maintain consistency throughout the process of qualification to the state championships. Please make sure you are entering your teams into the district meets via FL Runners. Please review the items below regarding district meet entry:

- 1. Entries will be setup and submitted via www.flrunners.com. All competitors entered via FLRunners must match exactly with the names submitted on the SELs via C2C Schools.
- 2. Entry deadlines are as follows: All districts being contested on a Monday through Wednesday will have a *deadline of the previous Saturday at 11:59pm*. All districts being contested Thursday through Saturday will have a deadline of the previous Monday at 11:59pm. The entry deadline serves as your seeding meeting so no changes or additions are allowed after that date unless approved by the FHSAA office directly.
- 3. <u>Preliminary Trials</u>: PRELIMS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS EXCEPT DISTANCE RUNNING EVENTS. IF THE EVENT HAS FEWER ENTRIES THAN AVAILABLE LANES, THEN THAT PARTICULAR EVENT MAY BE RUN AS A TIMED FINAL DURING THE FINALS.
- 4. <u>Advancing</u>: The first four contestants in each individual event and the first four teams in each relay event is the maximum number that each district shall qualify for the region meet.
- 5. <u>Ties:</u> In running events, all ties in preliminaries which would result in more than eight qualifiers to the finals must be broken by the appropriate National Federation rule tie-breaker procedure. One or more competitors than there are scoring places shall qualify for the finals. All competitors tying for the last position shall be finalists. To be eligible to participate in the finals, a competitor shall have had at least one legal throw in the preliminaries. All ties must be broken for advancing. If a tie is not broken, the athletes will not advance for that place.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. My email address is ethompson@fhsaa.org

Sincerely,

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