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TICKETS

\$10 per person. Children age two and younger are free of charge. Admission will be collected upon entrance to the grounds. Upon entry to the complex, vehicles will be directed by attendants to parking. Dogs and other pets will not be allowed at the complex.

VIDEOSTREAM AT IHSAATV.ORG

Video of Saturday's races will be shown via big-screens at the course and also streamed at IHSAAtv.org. The stream will begin at 12 pm ET/ 11 am CT with race time at 1 pm ET/ 12 CT.



TOP 20 RETURNEES (2017 FINISH)

Top Boys Returnees from 2017 (8 of 20)

- 2. Cole Hocker, Indianapolis Cathedral
- 5. Brennan Butche, Mississinewa
- 6. Caleb Futter, Christian Academy of Indiana
- 8. Austin Haskett, Edgewood
- 11. Ian Shaw, Bloomington South
- 16. Quinn Gallagher, Guerin Catholic
- 17. Nate Kaiser, Tell City
- 19. Reece Gibson, Ft. Wayne Concordia Lutheran

Top Girls Returnees from 2017 (12 of 20)

- 1. Emma Wilson, Greencastle
- 2. Phoebe Bates, Carmel
- 5. Kayla McCulloch, East Noble
- 6. Annalyssa Crain, Edgewood
- 9. Jordyn Boyer, Lowell
- 10. Katelyn Wasson, Zionsville
- 12. Erin Strzelecki, Ft. Wayne Bishop Dwenger
- 13. Shelby Bullock, Chesterton
- 16. Lulu Black, Hamilton Southeastern
- 17. Mary Schultz, West Lafayette
- 19. Morgan Dyer, Elkhart Memorial
- 20. Mya Hagerty, Bloomington North

THE 73RD ANNUAL BOYS & 38TH ANNUAL GIRLS IHSAA CROSS COUNTRY STATE FINALS

Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018

LaVern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course 599 S. Tabortown Street, Terre Haute, Ind. Girls Race at 1 pm ET; Boys Race at 1:45 pm ET

One of the most colorful, yet grueling, IHSAA state championship events takes place this Saturday as the top teams and individuals from across the state meet at the LaVern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course in Terre Haute to determine the 2018 state champions.

Twenty-four full teams and 80 more individuals who qualified without their squad (208 runners each race) will compete in each race over the 5,000 meter course with a reputation as one of the finest in the nation.

Boys Lane Assignments | Boys Entries | Girls Lane Assignments | Girls Entries

Boys State Championship Records Book | Girls State Championship Records Book

■ Defending Boys Team Champion

The Carmel boys team is making its state record-extending 43rd consecutive appearance at the state finals and stands as the defending state champion after winning its second title in three years in 2017. This year's Greyhounds are ranked 3rd in the final state coaches poll after a runner-up finish to top-ranked Indianapolis Cathedral at the Shelbyville Semi-State last Saturday. Cathedral, which has won a championship each weekend this tournament so far, is looking for its first cross country crown. It's previous best finish was third place in 1960.

■ Boys Individual Champion

A new boys individual state champion is assured as Hamilton Southeastern's Gabe Fendel has graduated after winning the 2017 state title.

■ Defending Girls Team Champion

Third-ranked Zionsville is the defending team champion after capturing the school's first title a year ago and is a prime contender again having won a title at each stop this tournament. Topranked Carroll of Fort Wayne, the state runner-up each of the last three years and also winner each weekend of this tournament, is looking to score its first state crown on Saturday.

■ Defending Girls Individual Champion

Greencastle senior Emma Wilson (pictured right) is the defending state champion after running away with the title a year ago by nearly 15 seconds. Wilson has comfortably won each tournament race up to this point and would become the first back-to-back girls winner since Culver Academies' Alex Banfich won three in a row from 2005-07.



GIRLS NOTABLES

Former Girls State Champions in the Field Emma Wilson (12) Greencastle, 2017.

Girls Teams Participating (24)

Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Brebeuf Jesuit, Carmel, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus North, Crown Point, Edgewood, Evansville Memorial, Fishers, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Franklin Central, Hamilton Southeastern, Homestead, Lowell, Noblesville, Penn, Pike, Valparaiso, Warsaw, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

Girls Teams Returning from 2017 (20 of 24) Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Brebeuf Jesuit, Carmel, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus North, Crown Point, Edgewood, Evansville Memorial, Fishers, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Hamilton Southeastern, Homestead, Lowell, Penn, Valparaiso, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

Most Consecutive Girls Team Appearances

38 by Carmel, 1981-present.

Active Streaks of Girls Team Appearances (Three or more years)

38: Carmel.

- 15: Carroll (Fort Wayne).
- 12: Bloomington South, Columbus North.
- 9: West Lafayette.
- 8: Penn.
- 7: Homestead.
- 6: Floyd Central, Zionsville.
- 5: Valparaiso.
- 4: Bloomington North, Fishers.
- 3: Evansville Memorial, Lowell.

Girls Team Appearance Droughts Broken (10 or more years)

31 years: Pike (1987).

Girls First Team Appearance (0) None

Girls Semi-State Individual Champions

Annalyssa Crain (10) Edgewood Meagan Hathaway (12) Carroll (Fort Wayne)

Mary Schultz (12) West Lafayette Emma Wilson (12) Greencastle

Girls Sectional Champions: Barr

Reeve, Batesville, Bloomington North, Brownsburg, Carmel, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Center Grove, Columbus North, Crown Point, Delta, Elkhart Memorial, Evansville Memorial, Floyd Central, Forest Park, Franklin Central, Hamilton Southeastern, Jennings County, Morgan Township, Munster, Norwell, Oak Hill, Penn, Pike, Rushville, Terre Haute South Vigo, Twin Lakes, Valparaiso, Warsaw, West Lafayette, West Noble, Western, Zionsville.

Girls Regional Champions: Bloomington North, Brebeuf Jesuit, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Center Grove, Chesterton, Columbus North, Evansville Memorial, Fishers, Floyd Central, Lowell, New Palestine, Oak Hill, Penn, Warsaw, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

Girls Semi-State Champions: Bloomington North, Carroll (Fort Wayne), West Lafayette, Zionsville.

BOYS NOTABLES

Former Boys State Champions in the Field None.

Boys Teams Participating (24)

Avon, Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Carmel, Columbus North, Crown Point, Fishers, Floyd Central, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Franklin Community, Hamilton Southeastern, Harrison (West Lafayette), Highland, Homestead, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jennings County, Lowell, North Central (Indianapolis), Tell City, Valparaiso, West Lafayette, West Noble, Westview, Zionsville.

Boys Teams Returning from 2017 (18 of 24) Avon, Bloomington North, Bloomington South, Carmel, Columbus North, Crown Point, Fishers, Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jennings County, Lowell, North Central (Indianapolis), Tell City, Valparaiso, West Lafayette, West Noble, Westview, Zionsville.

Most Consecutive Boys Team Appearances

43 by Carmel, 1976-present.

Active Streaks of Boys Team Appearances (Three or more years)

- 43: Carmel.
- 12: Columbus North.
- 11: Valparaiso.
- 7: Bloomington North, West Lafayette.
- 6: Crown Point.
- 5: Avon, Fishers.
- 4: Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran, Lowell, Tell City, Westview.
- 3: Jennings County, Zionsville.

Boys Team Appearance Droughts Broken (10 or more years)

45 years: Highland (1973)

11: Franklin Community (2007)

10: Floyd Central

First Boys Team Appearance Harrison (West Lafayette)

Boys Semi-State Individual Champions Caleb Futter (12) Christian Academy of Indiana

Jesse Hamlin (12) Fort Wayne Snider Cole Hocker (12) Indianapolis Cathedral Gabriel Sanchez (11) Lowell

Boys Sectional Champions: Batesville, Bellmont, Bloomington North, Brownsburg, Carmel, Columbus North, Elkhart Memorial, Evansville F.J. Reitz, Fishers, Floyd Central, Franklin Community, Gibson Southern, Harrison (West Lafayette), Highland, Homestead, Indianapolis Cathedral, Jennings County, Kankakee Valley, Logansport, Lowell, New Palestine, Northview, Penn, Rushville, Seeger, Tell City, Valparaiso, Wabash, Warsaw, Westview, Yorktown, Zionsville.

Boys Regional Champions: Avon, Bloomington South, Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus North, Crown Point, Elkhart Memorial, Evansville F.J. Reitz, Fishers, Floyd Central, Franklin Community, Indianapolis Cathedral, New Palestine, Wabash, Warsaw, West Lafayette, Zionsville.

Boys Semi-State Champions: Bloomington South, Fishers, Indianapolis Cathedral, Valparaiso.



2018-19 IHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

FALL SPORTS

Sept. 28-29 GIRLS GOLF

Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel Team: Evansville North

Individual: Jocelyn Bruch, Westfield

Oct. 12-13 BOYS TEAM TENNIS

North Central HS, Indianapolis

Team: Carmel

Oct. 13 UNIFIED FLAG FOOTBALL

Indiana Farm Bureau Football Center,

Indianapolis

Team: Bedford North Lawrence

Oct. 19-20 BOYS SINGLES & DOUBLES

Park Tudor HS, Indianapolis Singles: Presley Thienenman, Carmel

Doubles: Eli Herran & Isaac Steiner, Leo

Oct. 26-27 BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER

Carroll Stadium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Oct. 27 **BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**

LaVern Gibson Course, Terre Haute

Nov. 3 **VOLLEYBALL**Worthen Arena, Ball State University, Muncie

Nov. 23-24 FOOTBALL

Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis

WINTER SPORTS

Feb. 8-9 GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING

IU Natatorium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Feb. 15-16 WRESTLING

Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

Feb. 22-23 BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING

IU Natatorium, IUPUI, Indianapolis

Feb. 23 GIRLS BASKETBALL

Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

March 9 **GYMNASTICS**

Noblesville HS, Noblesville

March 23 **BOYS BASKETBALL**Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

SPRING SPORTS

May 31 BOYS TRACK & FIELD

Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 1 UNIFIED TRACK & FIELD

Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

June 1 GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

Robert C. Haugh Track & Field Complex, Indiana University, Bloomington

May 31-June 1 **GIRLS TEAM TENNIS**

North Central HS, Indianapolis

June 7-8 **GIRLS SINGLES & DOUBLES**

Park Tudor HS, Indianapolis

June 8 SOFTBALL

Bittinger Stadium, Purdue University,

West Lafayette

June 11-12 BOYS GOLF

Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel

June 17-18 BASEBALL

Victory Field, Indianapolis

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY FINAL IATCCC COACHES POLL FOR 2018

- 1. Carroll (Fort Wayne)
- 2. West Lafayette
- 3. Zionsville
- 4. Brebeuf Jesuit
- 5. Carmel
- 6. Noblesville
- 7. Hamilton Southeastern
- 8. Pike
- 9. Fishers
- 10. Franklin Central
- 11. Valparaiso
- 12. Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger
- 13. Bloomington North
- 14. Homestead
- 15. Floyd Central
- 16. Chesterton
- 17. New Palestine
- **18. Lowell 19. Indianapolis Cardinal Ritter**
- 20. Penn
- 21. Evansville Memorial
- 22. Bloomington South
- 23. Columbus North
- 24. Warsaw
- 25. Indianapolis Cathedral

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY FINAL IATCCC COACHES POLL FOR 2018

- 1. Indianapolis Cathedral
- 2. Fishers
- 3. Carmel
- 4. Bloomington South
- 5. Fort Wayne Concordia Lutheran
- 6. Homestead
- 7. Westview
- 8. Zionsville
- 9. Columbus North
- 10. Hamilton Southeastern
- 11. Avon
- 12. Valparaiso
- 13. Bloomington North
- 14. West Noble
- 15. Franklin Community
- 16. Lowell
- 17. North Central (Indianapolis)
- 18. Crown Point
- 19. Carroll (Fort Wayne)
- 20. Floyd Central
- 21. Highland
- 22. Harrison (West Lafayette)
- 23. Noblesville
- 24. West Lafayette
- 25. Jennings County

MEDIA INFORMATION

Tournament Director: Kris Painter, Athletic Director, Terre Haute North Vigo HS

Tournament Administrator: Paul Neidig, IHSAA Assistant Commissioner

Media Host: Sports Information Director Jason Wille will be on hand to assist in your coverage.

Media Credentials: The 2018-19 IHSAA State Finals Media Credential issued previously this fall will allow for admission. To apply, please e-mail your request (with name of individual) as soon as possible to **IHSAA Sports Information Director Jason** Wille at jwille@ihsaa.org. E-mail requests MUST originate from a recognized business account; e-mails from personal accounts (ie: yahoo.com, gmail.com, etc.) will not be accepted. Approved requests will be available for pickup at the Wabash Valley Family Sports Center adjacent to the course beginning at 11 am ET. Please have media identification available and enter the grounds using the east gate nearest the Sports Center.

Media Services: Official programs will be available at the Sports Center facility when you claim your credential along with results following the races. Complete results will also be posted to IHSAA.org on the cross country state finals webpages. Wireless access will be available at the Sports Center for filing stories and photographs. Please be aware that the building will close promptly at 6:30 pm ET/5:30 CT.

