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.

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. Top-ranked 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 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.

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 Hasket, 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

 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.

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GIRLS NOTABLES

Former Girls State Champions in the Field

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, Franklin Central, Hamilton Southeastern, Homestead, Lowell, Noblesville, Penn, Pike, Valparaiso, Warsaw, 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)

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

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

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**2018-19 IHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**FALL SPORTS**
Sept. 28-29  **GIRLS GOLF**  
Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel  
Team: Evansville North  
Individual: Jocelyn Bruch, West Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel

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**  
Warthen 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**  
Bittering 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

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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.