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TO: Athletic Directors and Track and Field Coaches  
SUBJECT: 2014 Track and Field Information

This will be our last correspondence to you this season. It has been a difficult spring but the students have been performing remarkably. We will hope for good weather for the qualifying meets and the state meet.

**STATE QUALIFYING MEETS & STATE MEET** – The state qualifying meets will be held on Thursday, May 15, 2014. State meet will be held Thursday-Saturday, May 22- 24, 2014. The state meet schedule does not change this year and is posted on our websites. Class 1A and Class 4A will compete in the morning and Class 2A and Class 3A will compete in the afternoon.

**PLEASE NOTE AND PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION** - Submitting the entries for the Qualifying Meet and properly declaring those entries is the responsibility of the coach. In the average year, the Boys' Association and the Girls' Union will make 50 telephone calls to member schools whose coaches have not completed the entry or declaration process. With allowing coaches the additional day for entries and declarations this year, we are not going to have the time to make those calls. We need to get our entries processed, 34 meets seeded, and sent on to our hosts. If you do not enter and declare on time, you need to understand that your students will not compete in the qualifying meet. Do not jeopardize the participation of your students by not fulfilling your responsibilities in a timely manner and without being reminded.

**STATE QUALIFYING MEET ENTRIES** – All of you should have received a letter regarding entries for the State Qualifying Meet. Those mailings were sent to the Athletic Director at each school. All entries for the state qualifying meets will be done online. The entry and declaration deadline for all classes is 10:00 am on Wednesday, May 14. **The entries will close promptly at 10:00 am.** Coaches should have their entries finalized no later than 9:00 am. Coaches, you are being allowed one additional day to complete and declare your entry. There will not be a scratch meeting at the state qualifying meet. **All scratches or substitutions must be sent by email to the qualifying meet host no later than 10:00 a.m. the day of the meet, Thursday, May 15, 2014. No substitutions will be allowed after that time. Scratches after that time will count as an event. THIS WILL BE THE FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO DECLARE YOUR SIX RELAYS RUNNERS WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE STATE MEET.** Emergency situations will be considered and can only be approved by the IHSAA or the IGHSU.

**STATE QUALIFYING MEET MANUAL** - There is a State Qualifying Meet Manual posted on both of our websites. This manual provides information you will need to know about the State Qualifying Meet. Please note that in the Class 2A and Class 1A schedules the second 10 minute break has been eliminated.

**STATE MEET QUALIFIERS** - When the qualifying meets are completed, we will post a list of the state meet qualifiers on our websites. **Do not next expect to see a final list of qualifiers until early Friday afternoon.** Heat and lane assignments will be posted as soon as they are available. Schools with state meet qualifiers will be sent state meet information by United Parcel Service. The packages will be shipped from the Girls Union

office on Monday, May 19. They will include printed state meet information and your wrist bands for entry into Drake Stadium. Please read the information and follow any instructions you receive. All of the printed materials sent in those packets will also appear on the websites. **We have had this questions asked, so we will share the answer with all of you. Drake Stadium is closed on Wednesday, May 21. No team or individual students should come to the stadium expecting admission to practice or just walk and view the stadium.**

We have high expectations, that if we get good conditions, that this may be one of the best state meets, regarding the potential quality of performances, in the history of Iowa track and field. We are hoping for those good conditions and hoping that your students run, jump and throw well at the qualifying meets.

Sincerely,



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