



2026 BATTLE FOR NEW ORLEANS HOSTED BY TULANE & LSUNO

Friday, September 4, 2026:

Lake Oaks Park
2240 Lakeshore Dr.
New Orleans, LA 70122

Schedule of Events:

5:15 PM: Women's 4,000m race
5:45 PM: Men's 5,000m race
6:20 PM: Awards



Entry Information:

The 2026 Battle for New Orleans Cross Country Invitational is an **INVITE ONLY** competition. Unattached collegiate and post-collegiate competitor entries are subject to acceptance by meet management. Invited teams will have unlimited entries and can be submitted on DirectAthletics.com by 12:00 PM (Noon) CT on Wednesday, September 2, 2026.

If you plan to attend the 2026 Battle for New Orleans Cross Country Invitational, please email David Silversmith at dsilversmith@tulane.edu.

Team Entry Fee:

The entry fee is \$150 per gender, \$300 total for both genders. For accepted unattached athletes, the entry fee is \$35 per individual. **Entry fees are due at packet pickup - NO EXCEPTIONS.** Please make checks out to **TULANE ATHLETICS**.

Parking:

Team parking will be at the lot adjacent to Lake Oaks Park. Please use the address listed in the top left box. Spectators can park in the LSUNO Visitor Parking on Alumni Dr. and Elysian Fields Ave. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE LAKE OAKS SUBDIVISION ALONG MARIGNY ST. AND LAKE OAKS PARKWAY - HELP US BE GOOD NEIGHBORS!!**

Packet Pickup:

Packet pickup will be in the south section of the team camps area along the northeast side of Lake Oaks Park, beginning two (2) hours before the first scheduled race.

Check-In:

One coach from each competing institution must check their athletes in with the clerk of course up to one (1) hour before but no later than 20 minutes prior to their race. **ALL SCRATCHES MUST BE REPORTED.** Anyone who does not scratch will be assumed to have raced and will be recorded as a DNF in the official results. The clerk of course will be in the same tent as the Packet Pickup.

Team Camps:

Team camps can be set up near the parking lot along the northeast side of Lake Oaks Park. You may set up your own team tents, but we will not be accepting rental requests.

Athletic Training:

A temporary training room set-up will be located at the course adjacent to the finish line. The training room will be equipped with basic medical supplies. Please contact Steven Phelps (sphelps@tulane.edu) or Emily Clark (eclark15@tulane.edu) for any specific athletic training requests.

Shower Facilities:

Locker rooms can be made available on the Uptown Campus of Tulane University by request. Please email David Silversmith at dsilversmith@tulane.edu with any requests.

We look forward to hosting your team at the 2026 Battle for New Orleans/American Conference Preview!

Course Description:

The Lake Oaks Park Cross Country Course is completely on grass with no hills. The entire loop is just under a mile with a common start and finish.

Meet Management:

Any specific questions can be directed to David Silversmith by email at dsilversmith@tulane.edu.



2025 Men's Champions:

Team: Tulane - 17 points
Individual: Bernard Cheruiyot (Tulane) - 14:08.53

Men's Course Records:

1. Bernard Cheruiyot (Tulane): 14:00.1, 8/30/24
2. Bernard Cheruiyot (Tulane): 14:08.5, 8/29/25
3. Silas Kiptanui (Tulane): 14:27.0, 8/29/25
4. Illia Kunin (Tulane): 14:28.0, 8/29/25
5. Emedy Ruto (LSU): 14:29.2, 8/29/25

2025 Women's Champions:

Team: Tulane - 18 points
Individual: Dorcas Naibei (Tulane) - 13:31.12

Women's Course Records:

1. Sophie Daigle (Louisiana): 13:07.0, 9/2/22
2. Lorena Rangel Batres (LSU): 13:16.0, 9/2/22
3. Alexandra Weir (UNO): 13:23.0, 9/2/22
4. Dorcas Naibei (Tulane): 13:31.1, 8/29/25
5. Caroline Jeptanui (Unattached): 13:31.9, 8/30/24



PARKING



TEAM CAMP, CLERK OF COURSE, ATHLETIC TRAINING





WOMEN'S 4,000m COURSE MAP



MEN'S 5,000m COURSE MAP

