2021 ADIDAS WINTHROP UNIVERSITY INVITATIONAL
Friday – Saturday, March 26-27
Irwin Belk Track & Field

Meet Information

Entries — Available online at www.directathletics.com. Entries are due by 2pm Tuesday, March 23rd. Unlimited entries per event for track events, three per event for field events. All entries are subject to verification through TFRRS, please enter NM if there is no TFRRS verified mark.

Entry Fees — An entry fee of $60 per athlete or $600 per team (team = 10 or more) is required at check in. Men's & Women's teams from the same institution are considered separate. Entry fees will be charged based upon online entry at deadline via DirectAthletics, not upon participation. Check only, no credit cards, no cash. Make all checks payable to "Winthrop Track".

Unattached Athletes — NO UNATTACHED ATHLETES WILL BE ALLOWED. Athletes must be listed on your current NCAA eligibility roster for the outdoor 2021 season in order to compete. NO high school athletes will be allowed to compete.

Schedule — The event schedule is to be considered tentative until entries are received at which time if there is a change it will be posted on directathletics.com as well as winthropeagles.com. Check in with the clerk **1 hour** prior to the scheduled start time of the event; **athletes will be scratched**. Field events check in at the event site.

Location & Parking — The Irwin Belk Track & Field facility is located on the Winthrop University campus: 1162 Eden Terrace 29730 will get you to the Coliseum. Proceed through the parking lot past the tennis courts, and around the lake. Bus & van drop off is at the entrance to the track; parking services personnel will direct buses & vans on where to park.

Facilities — Eight 42" lanes with MONDO surface with four horizontal jump runways, two shot rings, two javelin runways, an IAAF hammer/discus cage, and bi-directional vaulting boxes available.

Equipment — Spike length will be ¼" maximum; no pin spikes. Competition shoes will be checked. Starting blocks will be provided. Implement weigh in will be scheduled once entries are received & posted in meet notes. Adjacent fields will be available for full warm-up purposes.
The track will not be available for warm-up. Any athletes not competing will be asked to leave.

General — All running events will be run as a timed final. There will be no preliminary rounds. Horizontal jumps & throws will feature four rounds with no final. Starting heights in the vertical jumps will be set based on entries. In horizontal jumps & throws, if field sizes are very large, minimum standards for measurement may be set with the first legal effort measured & subsequent attempts only measured if further than the minimum. Minimums & opening heights will be publicized with the final schedule.

Covid-19 — Due to the ongoing concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic, restrictions with regard to capacity of the track facility will be limited to 250 people. Only competing athletes and affiliated coaches will be permitted in the facility for each event. The schedule was made with this restriction in mind. Other requirements include masks for coaches and officials as well as physical distancing. Outdoor Track & Field is considered a "low transmission risk sport." NCAA Guidance for best practices include testing performed in conjunction with a school plan for all students, plus additional testing for symptomatic and high infection risk individuals as warranted. If travel cannot take place with physical distancing and masking, then PCR testing within three days before travel departure, or antigen/rapid PCR testing within one day before travel for away competitions. Teams and athletic trainers will need to complete a form acknowledging compliance with the testing guidance (the form will be posted online). There may be some pending restrictions with sports medicine.

Sports Med — Athletic trainers will be available, please bring any supplies necessary. Our training room will **not** be available. Please contact Jeff Lahr, Head Athletic Trainer at 803-323-2129 x 6248 for further information & requests.

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