

#### **Competition Day Procedures**

Welcome to the 2026 Alberta High School Open Track & Field Challenge. We are excited to host athletes, coaches, and families from across the province for a great day of competition and community. Please carefully review the following important information to ensure a smooth and safe experience for all participants.

## TRACK EVENTS

- Marshalling: Athletes must report to the start line of their race 15 minutes prior to the scheduled event time.
- **Hip Numbers:** Must be worn on the **right hip** and clearly visible. Shirts must be tucked in to ensure visibility of hip numbers.
- **Event Format:** All track events are **timed finals**—there are no heats leading to finals.
- **Spikes**: Only **Christmas tree or pyramid spikes** up to **7mm in length** are permitted.
- **Conflicting Events:** If an athlete is scheduled in both a track and field event at the same time, the **track event takes precedence**. Please ensure that the athlete **checks in to both events** to avoid disqualification.

## FIELD EVENTS

- Marshalling: Athletes must report directly to the event site at least 30 minutes prior to the event start time.
- Implements: Competition-legal throwing implements will be provided. Athletes may not use personal equipment unless previously inspected and approved by officials.
- **Scratches**: Any scratches during competition should be reported to the **Finish Line Shed**.

## **SECOND STRUCK ACCESS – SAFETY FIRST**

To ensure a **safe and controlled competition environment**, the following policies will be strictly enforced:

- **NO spectators** are allowed on the **track surface** or **infield areas** at any time.
- The infield is restricted to active competitors, credentialed coaches, and officials only.
- Spectators must remain in the **designated seating areas (bleachers)** or **outside the black fence** surrounding the competition area.

# FINAL SCHEDULE & HEAT/FLIGHT INFORMATION

The **final meet schedule**, along with assigned heats and field event flights, will be posted on Trackie by 4:00 p.m. on April 27th: 

https://www.trackie.com/event/2026-alberta-high-school-open-track-field-challenge/1035320

#### **Tentative Schedule - Track:**

100m, 800m, 200m & 4x400m

### **Tentative Schedule – Field:**

Pole Vault, Long Jump, Javelin