



Kentucky High School Athletic Association – Track & Field Site Inspection

Elizabethtown High School

620 Mulberry Street - Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701

Site Inspection Requested by Sarah Bridenbaugh, Assistant Commissioner of KHSAA

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Date of Inspection: Wednesday – December 16, 2015

Reason for Inspection: Elizabethtown High School is in line to Host the 2016 Class AA Region 2 Track and Field Championships and as required of all hosts an inspection must take place. The following schools are located in this Region . . . Adair County, Allen County-Scottsville, Bardstown, Breckinridge County, Edmonson County, Elizabethtown, Franklin-Simpson, Hart County, John Hardin, LaRue County, Marion County, Nelson County, South Warren, Taylor County, Thomas Nelson, Warren Central and Warren East.

Venue # 1 Running Tracks

Lanes (Number and Size) General overall condition and concerns with the running track	The Elizabethtown Stadium is a multi-purpose facility that is used by many sports. It is a venue that is very well situated for track and field competitions. The Track and Field Complex is a 400 Meter Oval with 8 lanes that are 42" wide. The track is a rubberized asphalt surface that is very good condition.
Starting Lines (Staggers)	The Elizabethtown track is marked as follows: 1 – Turn Stagger Green 3 – Turn Stagger Blue 2 – Turn Stagger White 4 – Turn Stagger Red Distance races problems arise in the running of races, particularly distance races involving a large number of contestants, can be reduced and sometimes completely eliminated through the use of standardize color markings to denote alleys, starting lines, finish lines and exchange zones. The E-Town track has four two lane alleys marked for the distance races. It is recommended that with the next stripping that step up lines be added.
Relay Exchange Zone Markings	The 4 x 100 Meter Relay – All three handoffs are properly marked with yellow to yellow pyramids and the fly zones are properly marked. The 4 x 200 Meter Relay – The first two handoffs are properly marked with red to red pyramids and the fly zones are properly marked, the third handoff is properly marked with yellow to yellow pyramids and the fly zones are properly marked. The 4 X 400 Meter Relay – The first handoff is blue to blue pyramids on the stagger while the second and third handoffs are the blue to blue straight across the track. The 4 X 800 Meter Relay – All three handoffs use the blue to blue pyramids straight across the track.
Break Lines	The one and three turn break line is properly placed at the head of the backstretch.
Hurdles Color Markings Overall condition of hurdles	All of the hurdles were in storage out of the weather and they appeared to be in excellent shape. The hurdle marks on the track were properly marked and visible to assure the proper placing of the hurdles for each of the hurdle events. 100 Meter Hurdles yellow marks 110 Meter Hurdles blue marks 300 Meter Hurdles red marks Hurdle carts were placed in the storage building and appeared to be in good condition.
Starting Blocks (Number & Condition)	All the starting blocks were placed on shelves in the storage building and those inspected were in good shape. It is recommended that before the season all the blocks be checked to assure that missing and/or worn spikes are replaced and to assure that the spike plates are secure to the base of the block. The number of blocks observed was more than enough for the eight lane track and a block cart was observed to transport the starting equipment.
Starting Line Safety	The area around all four starting area is free of any hazards and safe for competition.
Finish Line Safety	The area around the finish line is free of any hazards and safe for competition.
Surrounding area (This could include bleachers, fencing, trees, limbs, etc.)	The entire area is a good place for athletic competition.

Location of Field Events

Elizabethtown Track and Field Complex

Main Bleachers

Venue #2: Pole Vault is located inside the oval in the first curve.

Venue #3: High Jump is located inside the oval in the second curve.

Venue #4: Long and Triple Jump venue is located outside the oval and outside the stadium near the start of the 300 hurdles.

Venue #5: Shot Put is located outside the oval adjacent to the Long/Triple Jump,

Venue #6: Discus is located inside the oval near the start of the 100 meter dash.

Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	The overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The front section of the landing system "The Front Buns" shall be a minimum of 16'-5". At the time of this inspection the pit was not in place to observe the overall size and placement of the landing pit and to determine if it was properly put together. The pit was observed in the storage building and all the pieces are there to assure that when properly put together with the common cover that a safe landing
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway. A painted line from standard to standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located. Everything was in place for a good and safe pole plant.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 130 feet. Where conditions permit is should be 147'06". The runway should be 42" wide. The vault runway was in excellent condition to allow a safe approach that was more than the recommended length.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" – 14'8" Bar – 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length . . . Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. Cross bars were observed in the storage building.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. The area around the pole vault landing pad is the rubber surface found on the track. Even though it is rubber it is considered hard and un-yielding and it needs to be covered.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	The pole vault venue is located inside the first curve and at times the event may have to be temporarily halted as the starter could have visual problems on the races with long staggers.

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover be in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. At the time of this inspection the pit was not in place to observe the overall size and placement of the landing pit and to determine if it was properly put together. The pit was observed in the storage building and all the pieces are there to assure that when properly put together with the common cover that a safe landing
HJ Apron	The high jump apron was more than adequate for the high jump competition. It has the same excellent surface as the running track to assure that competitors have the save equal opportunity for the approach from the right or the left.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. Cross bars were observed in the storage building.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	The High Jump venue is in excellent shape and will provide safe competition for all the athlete involved.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ – (28' and 32')	The sand pit meets all the safety requirement in regard to length and width and the take-off boards are placed at the recommended distances for both the Long Jump and Triple Jump.
Runway	The runway should have a minimum length of 130 feet and where conditions permit it should be 147 feet 6 inches from the main long jump foul line. The runway should be between 42 inches and 48 inches wide. The length of runway exceeds the recommended length and width. When a wooden or synthetic material is used as the takeoff board it should be 8 to 24 inches wide and be the width of the runway. On hard surface runways, a painted foul line of contrasting color to the runway may be used. Take-off boards are in place and meet the recommended width.
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. The sand pit meets all the recommended safety requirements in regard to length and width. Continued effort is needed to assure that the sand stays loose for a safe landing for all the athletes participating in the long and triple jump.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	There are some major safety concerns with the location of the sand pit and runway. The long/triple jump venue is located way to close to the shot put venue. There are some concerns with throwers using the glide style of putting but there are major concerns with those using the new spin technique in putting. No cage is required by the National Federation but if the shot put venues remains in its current location a cage and protective fencing should be put in place to assure the safety of athletes, spectators and officials in this area.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	The LJ/TJ venue itself is fine but with the throwing venue so close the school has a liable situation. Recommend re-locating the shot put venue to the large area below its current location

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions.
Cage	The cage meets all the safety requirements of the National Federation and KHSAA. It is secured by large heavy sand bags.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. Shot Put and Jump Sand Pit and runway are entirely too close together and we do not recommend that the jumps and shot put be conducted at the same time as this is now a high risk area.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	It is highly recommended that the shot put venue be moved to the field directly below the current location. A very good throws area could be developed at a minimal cost that would be much safer for all involved.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'2 1/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions.
Cage	The cage that is in place that meets all the safety requirements. It is not secured to the ground with the poles inset into sleeves but has large sand bags that are placed to limit mobility of the cage.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	With the location of the discus near the start of all the straightaway races as well as being reachable for all races with right handed throwers it is recommended that the venue be moved. The safest place inside the oval is near the start of the 200 meters.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	It is highly recommended that the discus venue be moved to the field directly below the current location. A very good throws area could be developed at a minimal cost that would be much safer for all involved.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	The Elizabethtown Track and Field Complex is a facility that would be excellent for a Track and Field Competition. Seating is excellent and crown control is in place that would make things easy for a safe Track and Field competition. See above for some safety concerns in regard to the Shot Put, Discus and Long/Triple venues.
Public Address and Press Box	More than adequate.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	Excellent facility for all the running event competitions.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	Have some major concerns with safety issues with the Shot Put and Long/Triple Jump Venues. With this in mind if the meet is to be held at Elizabethtown High School the shot put completion would need to be offered at another time or location to assure the safety of all involved with the two field event venues.
Meet Management Equipment	Hy-Tek Meet Management: The Track and Field Coach at Elizabethtown is a veteran Track man and is not new to putting on track and field competitions. Fully Automatic Timing: It is available in the area. Backup timing equipment: Sprint 8 Timing Official or volunteer base in place: A number of schools in the area combine to work together so a very good volunteer base be in place.
Regional Meet Site In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?	With the safety issues involved with the Shot Put Venue and the LJ/TJ Venue as well as some concerns with the Discus it is recommended that Elizabethtown work with North Hardin and do a joint effort at putting on the meet. If it stays at Elizabethtown an altered time schedule will need to take place to assure safety in the three field events mentioned above. If the events stays at Elizabethtown High School digital pictures must be sent to the inspector (coachbo@twc.com) that show that the safety issues have been addressed and at the time a KHSAA officials will be sent to the site for final approval

Respectively submitted,

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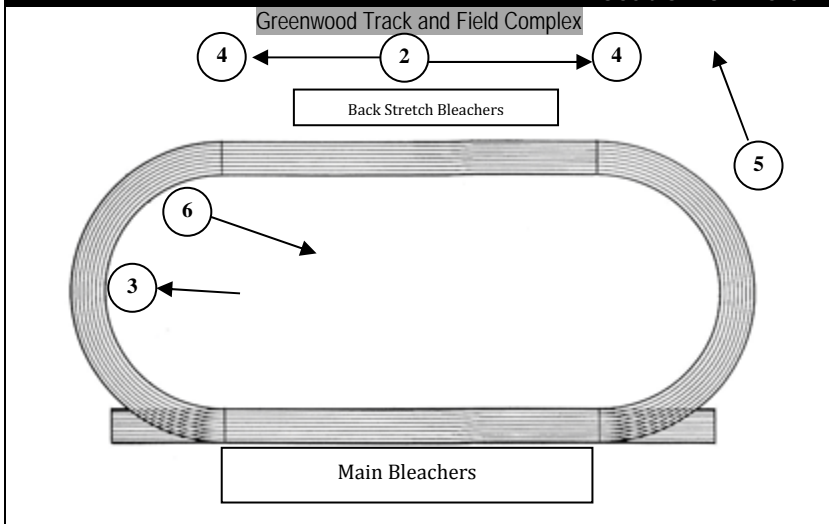
Date of Inspection: Wednesday – December 16, 2015

Reason for Inspection: Greenwood High School is in line to Host the 2016 Class AAA Region 2 Track and Field Championships and as required of all hosts an inspection must take place. The following schools are located in this Region . . . Barren County, Bowling Green, Central Hardin, Grayson County, Greenwood, Logan County, North Hardin and Ohio County.

Venue # 1 Running Tracks

Lanes (Number and Size) General overall condition and concerns with the running track	The Greenwood High School Track and Field Complex is shared is a rubberized surface that has eight 42" lanes. The track is showing some signs of wear with a few places on the backstretch that need the attention of a rubberized repair kit before they become problems. The running surface is still in good shape and can be used safely by Greenwood and visiting competitors.
Starting Lines (Staggers)	The track is well marked and follows the National Federations recommended color scheme. 1 – Turn Stagger Green 2 – Turn Stagger White 3 – Turn Stagger Blue 4 – Turn Stagger Red Distance races The 800 Meters, 1600 Meter, 3200 Meters and 4 x 800 Meter Relay are all set up to use 1 turn staggers. The track is marked with 2 lane alleys with waterfall starts.
Relay Exchange Zone Markings	The 4 x 100 Meter Relay . . . the first handoff is yellow to yellow, the second handoff is yellow to yellow and the third handoff is yellow to yellow. The yellow fly zones are properly marked and in place. The 4 x 200 Meter Relay . . . the first handoff is red to red, the second handoff is red to red and the third handoff is yellow to yellow. The first two handoffs have red fly zones that are properly marked and in place. The final handoff has yellow fly zones that are properly marked and in place. The 4 X 400 Meter Relay . . . The first handoff is properly set up for a three turn stagger and begins with second runner lined up on the green pyramids while the second and third handoff is blue to blue. The 4 X 800 Meter Relay . . . the first handoff is properly set up for a one turn stagger and all three handoffs are blue to blue.
Break Lines	The Greenwood Track is properly marked with a one turn stagger break line in place as well as a two turn stagger break line in place.
Hurdles Color Markings Overall condition of hurdles	Greenwood is fortunate to have enough hurdles so that they never have to be moved from one side of the track to the other for the 300 Hurdles. 100 Meter Hurdles Track is properly marked with yellow marks for the Girls 100 Meter High Hurdles. 110 Meter Hurdles Track is properly marked with blue marks for the Boys 110 Meter High Hurdles. 300 Meter Hurdles Track is properly marked with white marks for the Boys 300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles and the Girls 300 Meter Low Hurdles. The Greenwood track is marked so that the 300 meter hurdles starts are all set in a straightaway start.
Starting Blocks (Number & Condition)	At the time of the inspection 8 new starting blocks were in place on a block cart.
Starting Line Safety	The entire competition area takes place inside a 4' high chain length fence. The area at all 5 starting lines is safe.
Finish Line Safety	The entire competition area takes place inside a 4' high chain length fence. The area around the finish line is safe.
Surrounding area (This could include bleachers, fencing, trees, limbs, etc.)	The Greenwood Track and Field Complex is put together with safety and crown control in mind. The competition area in some of the field events needs some grooming but in general all areas are safe for competition. The bleachers on both sides of the running track are suitable for track and field competitions.

Location of Field Events



- Venue #2:** Pole Vault is located outside the oval behind the backstretch bleachers but the pole vault landing area is void of a landing pad.
- Venue #3:** High Jump is located inside the oval in curve #2.
- Venue #4:** Long and Triple Jump is located outside the oval behind the backstretch bleachers.
- Venue #5:** Shot Put is located outside the oval behind the start of the 300 Hurdles.
- Venue #6:** Discus is located inside the oval in curve 2 near the start of the 200 Meter Hurdles.

Comments on running track and/or field event locations.

Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	National Federation and KHSAA Rules state that the overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19'-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The front section of the landing system "The Front Buns" shall be a minimum of 16'-5". At the present time the Greenwood Track and Field Complex does not own a pole vault landing pad and therefore does not participate in the pole vault at this facility.
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	National Federation and KHSAA Rules state that the front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. It is recommended that the planting box be of a <u>color contrasting</u> to the color of the runway. A painted line (Zero Mark) from standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 130 feet. Where conditions permit is should be 147'06". The runway should be 42" wide.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" - 14'8" Bar - 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	At the time of this inspection the Greenwood Athletic Director was very much interested in Hosting the Regional Meet. His plans were to host the Pole Vault Competition at the Warren Central Track and Field Complex. The AD also asked where the Pole Vault venue could be placed if it was added to the Greenwood Complex. It was pointed out that the best and cheapest way to add the PV to this venue was to use the strait away behind the 100 Meter Start and remove a section of fence and plant a vaulting box and then place the landing pad in the Grassy Area behind the pavement.

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	National Federation and KHSAA Policy state that the landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover be in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. At the time of this inspection the landing pad was out for viewing but all the pieces were observed in storage and a common cover was observed as well.
HJ Apron	The high jump apron is a 50' x 100' rectangle and is a rubberized surface in very good condition. Good footing is still possible in the immediate foot plant positions.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	The standards were observed in storage and appear to be in good condition. Cross bars were not observed at the time of this inspection.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	National Federation and KHSAA Rules state . . . Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. It was pointed out that the surfaces around the high jump landing pad would be considered hard and unyielding surface and would need to be covered not only in competition but in practice as well.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	The High Jump venue will be safe for competition and practice once the pad is properly placed on the apron and all the hard and unyielding surfaces around the pad is covered in accordance with the National Federation and KHSAA Policy.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ - (28' and 32')	Two sand pits are in place that share one runway that is 320' long. There are so many take off marks on the runways that it would be very confusing for a veteran athlete and mind boggling to a beginner. It is recommended that the marks recommended in the National Federation Rule Book be the permanent marks and that tape be placed as the competition dictates and then removed at the end of the day so that permanent marks are not sun burned into the track.
Runway	The runway should have a minimum length of 130 feet and where conditions permit it should be 147 feet 6 inches from the main long jump foul line. The runway should be between 42 inches and 48 inches wide. When a wooden or synthetic material is used as the takeoff board it should be 8 to 24 inches wide and be the width of the runway. On hard surface runways, a painted foul line of contrasting color to the runway may be used.
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	Since this venue is located behind the back stretch bleachers it is recommended that a spectator area be set up so that they do not interfere with the athletes and/or officials involved in the two different sand pits.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	At the time of this inspection the two sand pits were in pretty good shape. As the season approaches the landing area needs to be fluffed up so that the sand level is level with the edges of the pits all the way around the pit. The runway surface is fine with the exception to way to many marking on the actual surface. Permanent marks should be at a minimum and temporary marks placed as needed and then removed.

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board. All the surrounding area to the actual throwing surface should be void of rocks and other objects that could interfere with the footing on the throwing surface.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. The surface of the throwing sector is completely covered in rocks and the Greenwood sector is slightly uphill. The sector lines were not present at the time of this inspection.
Cage	With more and more throwers using the spin technique it is recommended that consideration be given to a cage around the shot put throwing circle in the near future.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	This is not a good throwing area. The AD was informed that the rocks in the throwing sector were a liability to everyone involved and that they should be removed and the area be made level so that an accurate measurement for each throw could be obtained. The concrete pad is in bad shape and needs replaced.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'21/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. At the time of this inspection the sector lines were not present to see if they were accurate.
Cage	The discus cage was not in place at the time of this inspection and digital pictures will need to be sent to assure that the cage is properly placed around the throwing circle.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	At the time of this inspection is was difficult to determine if the discus cage is placed properly. National Federation and KHSAA Policy mandate that the front poles of the cage be within 4 to 5 feet of the 34.92 degree sector lines.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	The facility is also used for Football and is more than adequate and safe for large crowds. Rest Room facilities are in place and concession areas that would be open for all athletic events at the Greenwood Complex.
Public Address and Press Box	The Public Address and press box are more than adequate for a Regional Track and Field Competition.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	The Running Track at Greenwood is in very good shape and the current coaching staff has experience in running off Track and Field Meets. A Booster Club is present that has ample volunteers in place to assist the KHSAA Officials that would be assigned to work a Regional Track and Field Competition.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	Safety is the biggest concern in the field events, especially the throwing events. It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be flagged off so that no one can wonder into the area. Spectator areas should be put in place for the areas outside the oval with safety for all in consideration.
Meet Management Equipment	Hy-Tek Meet Management: Greenwood owns the Hy-Tek Program. Fully Automatic Timing: Greenwood owns the Finish Lynx Fully Automatic timing system and has the stadium set up to use it effectively. Backup timing equipment: Sprint 8 Timing system Official or volunteer base in place: Not many KHSAA Officials in the Bowling Green area but there is a very strong Booster Club that has experience at running off track and field competition
Regional Meet Site In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?	The track is suitable for another year of competition; however a recommendation cannot be made at this time in regard to the 2016 Regional Meet one of which Greenwood is scheduled to host at Greenwood High School. A KHSAA Official will need to return to the venue when the Host Greenwood sends the digital pictures to show that the safety concerns have been addressed in regard to the discus. Prompt attention to the concerns with the field events needs to be addressed as quickly as possible and pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com . Since the inspection the KHSAA has been notified that Greenwood High School is not interested in hosting the Regional Track Meet at this time.

Respectively submitted,

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Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad	The Pole Vault landing pad is a brand new landing area and is properly put together with a common cover that unites all the individual pads into a single safe landing area. A weather cover is in place to help preserve the life of the pit. It is highly recommended that the lading pits be stored in a dry area during the off seasons for track and field.
Vaulting Box	The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface and this area is in compliance with National Federation rules. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway and at the time of this inspection the vaulting box had a very bland color that was very difficult to view. Painting the box a bright contrasting color is highly recommended.
Zero Point Markings	A painted line from standard to standard shall be must painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located. The zero point was not marked on the surface under the pads and this zero line needs to be put in place.
Box Collar	The new box collar is in compliance with all National Federation and KHSAA Rules and Regulations in regard to safety.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 130 feet long and 42" wide and the runway at the Pole Vault venue is in compliance with this recommendation. The surface of the runway is level with the plant box and is free of any obstructions.
Crossbars	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. At the time of this inspection the cross bars at the pole vault venue were in compliance with the recommendations for pole vault cross bars.
Standards	The Standards are new "Blazer" standards are they are in excellent working condition. The standards are weighted down with heave bags but it was noted that during competition the standards were moving move that should be expected. It is highly recommended that the standards be secured to the ground to assure the safety of the athletes in regard to falling standards and to assure that the point zero remains in a permanent place. The standard bun pads are properly placed to assure that the standards bases can be moved at ease while still providing the necessary safety issues.
Extenders	Extenders are in place and properly secured so that all competitors have an equal opportunity to obtain a height in both practice and competition.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the <u>host school is responsible</u> to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is <u>highly recommended</u> that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using. Other equipment necessary would be a tape measure, bloom and cups to remove water from the vaulting box before competition or practice.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). At the time of this inspection extra padding was requested by the meet official and it was obtained. It is highly recommended that throughout the track season in practice or competition that this yard and unyielding surface be covered so that all safety concerns are taken care of.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	<p>Three liable situation are in place at the Pole Vault Venue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The vaulting box has some visual issues that need to be addressed by simply painting the vaulting box a bright contrasting color to the runway. ➤ Hard and unyielding surfaces around the lading pit need to be covered not only in competition but is practice as well. ➤ It is highly recommended that the Vaulting standards be secured to the surface to assure that stay in place and are not able to fall on the athletes and to assure that the standards stay at point zero throughout the season. <p>Excellent landing pad, excellent runway, excellent standards and cross bars as well as the box collar are all in compliance with the National Federation and KHSAA Safety requirements for this event.</p>

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The High Jump landing pad meets all the safety requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA. It is properly put together and is properly put together with a common cover that unites all the individual pads into a single safe landing area. A weather cover is in place to help preserve the life of the pit. It is highly recommended that the lading pads be stored in a dry area during the off seasons for track and field.
HJ Apron	The High Jump apron is an excellent rubberized surface that is 100' x 50' and the entire surface is level.
Crossbar	At the time of this inspection the proper cross bars were in place that meets the requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA.
Standards	Excellent new standards that were sturdy and easy to move up and down. Tape measures and brooks are additional equipment that will be needed at this venue.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. At the time of this inspection extra padding was requested by the meet official and it was obtained. With this landing pad sitting on a hard rubber area situated in artificial turn it is an area that needs to have the surrounding area covered not only in competition but in practice as well. It is recommended that permanent padding be put in place at this event to assure that the hard and unyielding surface is safe for the improper landings that sometimes occur.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	<p>One liable situation are in place at the High Jump Venue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Hard and unyielding surfaces around the lading pit need to be covered not only in competition but is practice as well. <p>Excellent landing pad, excellent apron, excellent standards and cross bars are all in compliance with the National Federation and KHSAA Safety requirements for this event.</p>

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit	The Harlan County Track Complex has one sand pit that measures 20' long and 10' wide which is above the recommended size for a safe landing area. The sand pit is surrounded by a concrete curbing that holds the sand in place. The concrete edges are safe as long as they are kept free of sand and visible for all the athletes. Brooms are to be kept in the area to make sure the concrete edges stay visible.
Runway	The runway is 135' in length and is longer than the recommended 130' length. The takeoff boards are properly placed in the runway with the Long Jump boards at 8' and 12' while the Triple Jump boards are set properly at 24' and 32'. The runway is level with the surface of the takeoff

	boards and therefore meets the safety requirement of the National Federation and the KHSAA.
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. At the time of this inspection the sand was a little low but with a tiller applied to the pit to loosen and fluff up the sand it appears that the sand will be level with the edges of the pit and the edge of the runway.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	The runway for the Long and Triple and the Pole Vault runs parallel with each other and officials must constantly be on guard to assure that athletes in this area are not interfering with other athletes competing on the parallel runways.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	The one sand pit is of excellent quality as long as the level of the sand is level with the edges of the concrete and the runway. One sand pit is very much a handicap to Meet Management. It is very difficult to run the 4 events in a meet that require the use of the sand pit in the time frame of all the running events. Recommend that a line of streamers be placed between the two runways to help avoid athletes wandering onto either of the runways.

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A 10' x 10' concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended and is in place at the Harlan County Complex. A 7' circle is painted on the concrete slab but the back half indicators are not in place and the 34.92 degree sectors are not permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board is 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it is properly and firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines were in place on the toe board and on the ground out into the sector but were not marked on the slab.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the <u>host school is responsible</u> to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is <u>highly recommended</u> that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements. Other equipment needed will be measuring devices as well as a broom or blower.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. The throwing sectors were flagged off to make people aware of the danger in the throwing areas. The Shot Put area is located near a gravel road and gravel is not a good addition to the shot venue and concrete slab. Brooms and blowers are needed to be in constant use around the shot venue.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	At the time of this inspection no provisions were made for spectators of the throwing events. Ideas were given to School Personnel that would make this venue more athlete and spectator friendly. Recommend painting the concrete slab in the school colors to help make the venue more athlete friendly and adding bleachers for the parents of throwers.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A 10' x 10' concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended and is in place at the Harlan County Complex. A 8'2 1/2" circle is in place but at the time of the inspection the inner circle was filled with dirt and debris of various kind. The circle must be kept clean to assure that proper foot work can be safely performed. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab but they were not in place.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. The sector is on the ground but was not properly laid as the two front poles are required to be within 5' of the sector lines. When the sector lines are properly placed on the ground the 5' requirement would be in place.
Cage	The cage is properly placed and the netting is properly attached to the poles placed around the concrete slab and provides a safe environment that meets all the safety standards of the National Federation and the KHSAA.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the <u>host school is responsible</u> to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is <u>highly recommended</u> that each coach weigh his or her athlete's implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements. Other equipment needed would be measuring devices and brooms or blowers to help keep the area clear of debris.
Surrounding Area	. Recommend painting the concrete slab in the school colors to help make the venue more athlete friendly and adding bleachers for the parents of throwers. Flagging was in place to help provide safety.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	Throwing circle need a major clean up.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	The Track Complex itself is and very nice facility, while the throws area still is a work in the progress. No lighting for the throws, no seating for the throws.
Public Address and Press Box	It is more than adequate for the Track Complex but not available for the throws area and those athletes that are also in running or other field events. Press box is more than adequate.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	Harlan County has a very excited support group that will fit well with putting on track and field competitions. Lack of electricity at the finish line was a problem but it was pointed out where it could be placed at a very low cost which would make it a perfect area for Fully Automatic Timing and Hy-Tek Computers to be in place if a Regional Meet.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	Pole Vault and High Jump will not be an issue however with the throws way across campus some issues will need to be addressed. The lack of a second sand pit will always be a concern in Meet management in regard to the time schedule with the 4 events.
Meet Management Equipment	Regional Meet Manager . . . Harlan County has a very exciting young Coach in Ryan Vitatoo and his management skills and take charge attitude will make him an excellent Regional Track and Field Manager.

	<p>Hy-Tek Meet Management: . . . The school has the Hy-Tek program and simply need some practice with the track and field portion to be successful with running a regional track and field competition.</p> <p>Fully Automatic Timing . . . Harlan County does not own and Fully Automatic Timing and would have to hire someone to come in a do a Regional Track Meet. Adam Friend has been booked to do the Hy-Tek and Finish Lynx for the meet.</p> <p>Backup timing equipment is in place with Sprint *</p> <p>Official or volunteer base in place. The school has a large number of parents and friends to the program as well as former athletes that were present for the meet at the time of this inspection.</p>
<p>Regional Meet Site</p> <p>In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?</p>	<p>Harlan County is ready to host the Regional Meet but needs to address the following . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o With a large rubber area inside of the inner edge of lane one cones would need to be placed around the track, especially on the curves, to assure that athletes stay on the running track. o Pole Vault needs to have hard an un-yielding surfaces covered. o High Jump needs to have hard an un-yielding surfaces covered. o Long/Triple Jump and Pole Vault runways need flagging between the runways. With so many athletes in this area a safety plan needs to be put in place as well plans for a PV Coaching Box. o Throws area needs to me more athlete and fan friendly as well as a general clean up. Time schedule would have to be in place to assure that throws were completed before darkness. o A plan needs to be in place that would provide transportation back and forth from the Track Complex to the Throws Area.

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Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	The area around the vaulting pads has been covered with sand and is a safe area with all hard an unyielding surfaces
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	A good vaulting area

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	It is pointed out that the High Jump landing pad is 8' x 20' which meets the National Federation Safety Standards for both practice and competition in this event. The pads have been properly put together and have a common cover that pulls the pads into a very safe landing area for the high jumping. There is an all weather cover in place to protect the investment from the weather elements.
Exposed Surfaces	It is pointed out that the back side of the landing pads has a rather large of area of hard and unyielding surface as well as some drop off. The hard and unyielding surface around the pits edges have been covered but the large area and drain hole at the back of the pit need padding as well.
HJ Apron	The high jump apron is more than adequate to accommodate the take offs of all of the athletes
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	Two high jump cross bars were observed in the storage building.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	There are some concerns with the drop off area behind and beside the landing pads even though they are padded quite well.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	It is recommended that the High Jump landing pad be moved to the back side of the apron and placed with all but the front edge of the landing pad in the grass. This would get away from the heave padding needed in the original spot as well as giving a much safer foot plant for the athletes approaching from either the right or the left. It is pointed out that the goal post pad should be placed on the goal post if indeed this move is made.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ - (28' and 32') And the Runway	There are two sand pits used at this venue. Pit # 1 is the Girls Long/Triple Jump area and Pit # 2 is the Boys Long/Triple Jump area. Both pits are 20' x 9'. They both have concrete edges around the sand pit as well as along both Fresh paint is needed on the take off marks that are places at appropriate distances from the pit. The Triple Jump takeoff marks in both pits are 2" wide at best. Book recommends 24" painted in a bright contrasting color to the runway for visibility. In their current condition they are not suitable for Regional Competition and digital pictures will need to be presented to this inspector before final approval will be given..
Sand Pit Condition	At the time of this inspection the sand pits were in the process of being prepared for a season of competition. The sand was being tilled and loosened and then raked level so that it could be determined if sand needed to be added to either pit. Again Bermuda grass is trying to take over and needs trimmed back and kept off the runway. The concrete edges of the sand pit are to be kept clean so they are visible at all times. The runway must be kept clean from dead grass clippings to help assure the proper footing of the athletes and digital pictures will need to be presented to this inspector before final approval will be given..
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	Concrete edges around the sand pit must be cleaned off.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	Sand must be loosened and rakes so that the sand is level with all the concrete edges. The concrete edges are currently not visible and need to be cleaned so they are completely visible. Take-off boards must be painted and replaced in the triple jump. Digital pictures of improvements to both pits must be sent for final approval..

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad	The concrete slab is 10' x 10' and the edges need trimmed back. It is recommended that the concrete be painted in the school colors with will help indicate the back half of the circle. (This was recommended at the last inspection but no evidence that it has ever taken place). At the time of the last inspection in 2007 the new sector marks were asked to be painted on the toe board. It was not done so digital pictures of improvements are to be sent to the inspector.
Sector and Cage	Sector lines were not present so a reminder is given that the 34.92 degree sector is now used for high school competition. The sector is a small grade of pea gravel and is terrible to try and get a truly accurate measurement as the gravel has a tendency to explode from the area with the shot hits. If the track venue receives a face lift would recommend giving serious consideration to a different landing area for the shot to give the athletes a much better opportunity for an accurate measurement. A new location would also all for safer travel on the sidewalk for spectators going to watch various and assorted field events.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athlete's implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	With the location of the shot put venue and the side walk that leads to the back stretch bleachers as well as a concession area a row of streamers needs to be stretch from the entrance gate to the concession stand on the back stretch. It is recommended that a Marshal be in the area to constantly remind people to be aware of flying implements.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	A shot put venue can never be adequate when pea gravel is used in the throwing sector ... the athletes are not getting a true measurement on any of there throws. Brooms need to be at the venue at all times to keep the pea gravel off of the concrete slab. Recommend throwing the shot in a new direction or moving it outside the track on the second curve between the track and baseball field. This area has safety concerns.

Venue #6 Discus Throw	
Circle – Concrete Pad	The concrete slab is 10' x 10' and the edges need trimmed back. It was recommended in 2007 that the concrete be painted in the school colors with will help indicate the back half of the circle. No evidence that this has taken place. Sector lines need to be present on the concrete slab and they are not.
Sector and Cage	Sector marks were not on the ground but it appeared that the front edges of the cage were in the proper place to be within 4' to 5' of the sector lines. The cage is properly constructed to meet the safety specification of the National Federation.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is located in the best possible area for safety.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	Is more than an adequate area for throwing the discusflagging needs to be in place between the sidewalk and the discus cage.

Meet Management	
Seating and Spectator Control	Spectators who stay in the bleachers will have the best possible view of the entire track meet. Excellent crown control is in place as chain length fence goes basically around 300 meters of the track to assure that only participants are on the field of play. All field events can be viewed from the bleachers. There are bleachers on the back stretch that could also allow additional viewing of the discus and long jump venues. Marshals need to be positioned around the outside of the first curve of the track to assure safety of all persons using the sidewalks in the area of the throwing events.
Public Address and Press Box	The press box and public address are more than adequate for a track and field competition.
Meet Management	Henderson County has long been known for putting on excellent track and field competitions. A large number of new track and field officials in the area help to assure that this tradition will carry on. FAT timing will be done by Cory Westerfield who is probably the top Finish Lynx operator in Western Kentucky. Henderson County owns the Hy-Tek program Henderson County has always had a strong 30- 40 member volunteer base.
<div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Regional Meet Site </div> <p>In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?</p>	The track is suitable for another year of competition; however a recommendation can not be made at this time in regard to the 2016 Regional Meet one of which Henderson County is scheduled to host. A KHSAA Official will need to return to the venue when the Host Henderson County sends the digital pictures to show some of the safety concerns have been addressed. Prompt attention to the concerns with the field events needs to be addressed and pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com .

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Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	The National Federation and KHSAA Policy state that the overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The landing surface measured beyond the back of the standard bases, shall be a minimum of 19 feet, 8 inches wide. The dimension of the landing surface is back of the vaulting box to the back of the landing system shall be 16 feet 5 inches deep. The material in the system shall be high enough and of a composition that will decelerate the landing. When the landing system is made up of two or more sections, the landing surface shall include a common cover or pad extending over all the section binding them into one safe landing area. The pit was not in place at the time of this inspection but it was observed in a storage area and it appears that all the pads are available to put together a safe landing area.
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway. Beginning in 2014 all pole vault venues will be required to have the new box collar. A painted line from standard to standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located. The vaulting box at the Lexington Christian complex is in good shape and properly placed and secured in concrete. The vaulting box currently meeting all the safety requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA. Point zero is marked on the landing area under the landing pads to assure that the standards are placed properly at point zero for all the competing athletes.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 130 feet. Where conditions permit it should be 147'06". The runway should be 42" wide. The current runway is 140' long and has the proper width. The running surface is in very good condition, with the exception of the pine needles that are everywhere in this area. Runway and vaulting equipment will need inspected each day to remove the needles from the area.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" - 14'8" Bar - 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. All the vaulting standards and cross bars were stored in the storage building and appear to be in excellent condition.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. This concrete pad that the landing system will sit upon is 20 feet by 20 feet which is probably a little larger than the landing pad. For the concrete that is exposed from under the landing system is what needs to be padded.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	Without out the landing pad in place it is hard to make a true evaluation of the venue, but it does appear to be a very good venue that will be an excellent place for pole vaulting. It is in a very poor location for the people in the main bleachers to observe. It is recommended that a set of portable bleachers be placed on the sidewalk between the fence and the storage building for the parents of pole vaulters and high jumpers. Sufficient measuring tapes, brooms, cups to clean box, scales and other equipment deemed necessary for the proper management of this event..

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The National Federation and KHSAA Policy state that the landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover be in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. The pit was not in place at the time of this inspection but it was observed in a storage area and it appears that all the pads are available to put together a safe landing area.
HJ Apron	The High Jump apron is 100 feet by 50 feet and in excellent condition. It is suggested that from time to time you move the landing pad so that the takeoff area does not become one place that is worn out. It will make the apron be more productive for years.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	All the high jump standards and cross bars were stored in the storage building and appear to be in excellent condition. It is highly recommended that extra cross-bars be available as they sometimes break during competition.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. At this venue it all depends where they place the landing pad is placed if extra padding will be needed.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	Without out the landing pad in place it is hard to make a true evaluation of the venue, but it does appear to be a very good venue that will be an excellent place for high jumping. It is in a very poor location for the people in the main bleachers to observe. It is recommended that a set of portable bleachers be placed on the sidewalk between the fence and the storage building for the parents of pole vaulters and high jumpers. Sufficient measuring tapes, rakes and other equipment deemed necessary for the proper management of this event.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ - (28' and 32')	At the present time there is one sand pit and it is located on the backstretch of the track outside the oval near the start of the 200 Meter Dash. The dimensions of the sand pit exceed the recommendations of the National Federation and the KHSAA and will be an excellent land area when it is fluffed up when the season starts. The wooden take off boards need replaced and painted a bright contrasting color. All tape marks put down from time to time need to be removed each day at practice and after each competition to keep the runway and surrounding area in a neat appearance. It is recommended that you use the board placements at the distances recommended by the National Federation and the KHSAA. A second pit is to be put in before the start of the 2016 Track and Field Season and it would be in the grassy area with the runway parallel with that of the 100 Meter Dash. It will be an excellent place for spectators to watch the competition. It should be a twin to the LJ/TJ venue that is already in place.
Runway	The runway should have a minimum length of 130 feet and where conditions permit it should be 147 feet 6 inches from the main long jump foul line. The runway should be between 42 inches and 48 inches wide. The current runway is in excellent condition but had two many marks on the run that cause confusion for the athletes. When a wooden or synthetic material is used as the takeoff board it should be 8 to 24 inches wide and be the width of the runway. On hard surface runways, a painted foul line of contrasting color to the runway may be used.

Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. Some sand may need to be added to the current pit but it can't be determined until a tiller is placed in the pit and the sand loosened and fluffed up.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	The current sand pit appears to be clear of all the pine needles that are ever present around the second curve. Spectators should be required to stay in the back stretch bleachers for these jumping events at this venue. The new pit that is to be in place this spring will have excellent viewing for spectators for the Main Bleacher.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	The pit currently in place is in excellent condition. The only issue is the excessive marks on the run way only the marks recommended in the rule book should be left permanent on the runway. Any tape marks put down should be removed at the end of practice or competition each day. Every effort should be made to make sure the sand pit and the runway for the new pit are identical. Sufficient measuring tapes, rakes, brooms and other equipment deemed necessary for proper management of this event.

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board as well as on the front edges of the concrete slab.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board as well as on the front edges of the concrete slab. The throwing sector is a grassy area that would be much better served and safer for athletes and officials with a sector cleaned out of grassy material and replaced with a #2 rock dust material.
Cage	At the present time a cage is not required for the Shot Put Venue, however it is pointed out that with the new spin technique being used with beginning throwers many school are stepping up the safety issues at this venue by putting a shot put cage in place before it becomes mandated. Recommend that this is looked into for the future throwers in the Lexington area.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. This is strongly recommended.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	Concrete slab needs manicured by trimming the edges and keeping the throwing surface clean. Circle needs to be repainted not only with 7' circle but with back half indicators and the proper 34.92 degree sector marks placed on the front edge of the concrete slab and on the top of the toe board. Sufficient measuring tapes, brooms scales or other equipment deemed necessary for the properly management of this event.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'2 1/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. The proper 34.92 degree sector should be marked and places on the front edge of the concrete slab.
Cage	The discus cage at the venue is being mistreated. Left out in the weather the year round shortens the life of the net and cuts down the safety it provides. At the time of this inspection it was not properly installed. Looking at the National Federation Rule Book on Page 82 gives the proper way to install to assure that all the National Federations and KHSAA Policies regarding safety are in place.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. Since athletes and spectators going to either of the throws events have to come into contact with the discus throwing sector it is highly recommended that this flagging become a must for practice and competition.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	Concrete slab needs manicured by trimming the edges and keeping the throwing surface clean. Circle needs to be repainted not only with 8' 1/2" circle and with back half indicators and the proper 34.92 degree sector marks placed on the front edge of the concrete slab. The cage need immediate attention to make sure it is in compliance with all the National Federation and KHSAA Safety Policies. Flagging of the shot and discus area is an absolute must for this venue. Sufficient measuring tapes, brooms scales or other equipment deemed necessary for the properly management of this event. .

Meet Management

Lexington Christian Stadium (Seating, Lighting, Public Rest Rooms, Concessions, Crowd Control, etc.)	The Lexington Christian Stadium is a venue that is very well situated for a Track and Field Competition. Excellent seating and viewing for all the running events while some arrangements may be necessary for Meet Management to assure save viewing of some of the field events (throws, high jump and pole vault). The stadium is also used for Friday night Football games so the lighting is more than adequate for the running events but with the field events all located outside the oval in the corners of the stadium night time field events could well be an issue if there is a late starting time for the meet. Public Restrooms and Concession stands are more than adequate and the crowd control is excellent as long as the Host School has marshals working the gates that provide entrance to the competition area. Major area of crowd control should be placed on people moving back and forth across and around the discus venue and this is area where a possible safety issue is observed.
Public Address and Press Box	The public address and press box are more than adequate for a track and field competition.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	The major concern with Meet Management at Lexington Christian is the lack of experience is putting on track and field competitions. Home meets have been very few in the past and with this being the first step in a possible KHSAA State Track and Field Individual and/or team championships the KHSAA has to have high expectations for the school. The KHSAA will provide two Referees for the Meet as well as a Starter. It is KHSAA Policy that the host school must own the Hy-Tek Computer Program in order to be considered as a host school. The school will be responsible to provide the Hy-Tek Operator. The host school will be responsible to provide full automatic timing and have it in place.

Meet Management in regard to Field Events	With the field event venues in place and approved through a KHSAA inspection it is then the responsibility of the host school to provide the necessary equipment to properly run each of the field event venues. The host school is responsible to provide the necessary volunteers to run off the various events. It is recommended that coaches from visiting schools not be used as officials as they have responsibilities to their respective teams.
Meet Management Recommendations	<p>These are suggestions that we feel will help your meet run smoothly . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double check your Hy-Tek programs now to make sure you have the version that the KHSAA required for each Regional Meet. • If your school has purchased a Fully Automatic Timing System make sure that it is working properly. Make sure that the person you are expecting to work this equipment at your Regional Meet is available and book them now. If you do not own the FAT timing system contact someone now and get them and their equipment booked for your meet. • Each Regional Meet will need a number of volunteers to run the meet. Your Athletic Director will be the one responsible for the normal running of a competition . . . gate workers, concession stands, custodial, security, etc. You Meet Director will be responsible for obtaining the necessary people to run of the various competitions the sport offers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A starter is provided by the KHSAA but it is recommended that the host school provide a re-call starter. ○ Every Regional Meet should have a minimum of 4 Umpires on the track for all running event and it is preferred that 8 umpires be in place.. ○ Shot Put/Discus should have a minimum of 4 people to work the event. ○ Long and Triple Jumps should have a minimum of 4 people to work the event. ○ High Jump should have a minimum of 3 people to work the event. ○ Pole Vault should have a minimum of 5 people to work the event. ○ You will need a Public Address Announcer that knows Track and Field, not just a pretty voice ○ Check with your rule books as they make other suggestions on Meet Management.
<div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Regional Meet Site </div> <p>In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?</p>	<p>After observing the Lexington Christian Track and Field Complex I find that with a small amount of maintenance on the field events things will be in place for a good Track and Field Competition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The addition of the second sand pit will be a tremendous plus for meet management in regard to running off the 4 events required in to use the sand landing area. ○ Improvement must be made to the discus cage. ○ Safety flagging must be put in place in the throws area. ○ Safety flagging may well be needed at the back of the high jump between the apron and the new run way to keep athletes from stepping in front of each other. <p>The school is very interested in hosting this event and even with their lack of experience I feel that Lexington Christian and their track and field facility will be a very good addition to the KHSAA Site Rotation for Class A – 5.</p>

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Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	The overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The front section of the landing system "The Front Buns" shall be a minimum of 16'-5". The Mercer County pole vault pit meets the entire safety requirements in regard to size. The pads are properly put together and a common cover is in place to pull the pads into a single safe landing area. A weather cover is in place to protect the investment Mercer County has made.
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway. A painted line from standard to standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located. At the time of the inspection the vaulting box need painted and that was done two days later as the inspector returned to officiate a meet at the site. The standards were properly secured to the ground with the zero point maintained properly from standards through the vaulting box. The new box collar is in place.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 130 feet. The runway is 140' in length and 42" wide and in excellent condition.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" - 14'8" Bar - 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. The standards are new and in excellent condition. The proper cross bars are in use and in amply supply. Extenders are in place if needed.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using. Scales were present for the pole vault competitors to be weighed before the vaulting competition.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. All the area around the vaulting landing area was covered with extra padding.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	Excellent pole vaulting venue that has the capability to move the pit to the other end of the runway if weather conditions prevailed.

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. The pads that make up the high jump landing are properly placed and a common cover brings them together to assure a safe landing for all the competing athletes. A weather protector is in place to protect the Mercer County investment. The pads meet all the National Federation and KHSAA safety requirements.
HJ Apron	The high jump apron is 75' x 50' and has a rubberized surface that provides a safe take off area for the jumping athletes. Care need to be taken to make sure that mowers blow the grass away from the rubber surface. The edges around the arch of the apron needs to be cut low so that the athletes that start with a long approach in the grass has a safe transition from the grass to the rubberized surface.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	Standards are new and in excellent condition. Cross bars are the proper size and in abundant supply.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	Bleachers were moved in to allow for spectators to observe the High Jump competition. Flagging needs to be in place to keep spectators and general track traffic off the runway area. Officials need to be observant and move the flags to assure that athletes are given the area they need for their approach to the bar.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ - (28' and 32')	The Mercer County Complex has two excellent sand pits. Both sand pits are 25' long and 10' wide which meets all the National Federation and KHSAA Safety requirements. Pit #1 (Near the 200 Start) is basically used for the Triple Jump but is marked for the Long Jump as well. The Board for the Long Jump in placed 8' from the pit while the Triple Jump marks are tape at 24' and 28' and 32". It is recommended that the tape be removed and that painted lines be put in place for the three triple jump take off marks. Pit #2 (Near the 100 Start) is used solely for the Long Jump with a board at 8'. At the time of this inspection the takeoff board at Pit #2 was in need of some repair and needs to be freshly painted. All takeoff boards and painted takeoff marks should be freshly painted before a major competition.
Runway	The runway should have a minimum length of 130 feet and where conditions permit it should be 147 feet 6 inches from the main long jump foul line. Both runways are 155' in length and 42" wide and are in excellent condition. When a wooden or synthetic material is used as the takeoff board it should be 8 to 24 inches wide and be the width of the runway. On hard surface runways, a painted foul line of contrasting color to the runway may be used.
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. At the time of the inspection both sand pits needed some attention. It is recommended at before any competition a tiller be placed in the pits and the sand loosened and fluffed up to assure that the level of the sand is level with all the edges of the pit. The edges of both pits have a concrete boarder and it was pointed out at the time of the inspection that all concrete edges must be kept clean of sand. The concrete edges must remain clean so that the competing athlete can see the potential hazard. Brooms must be a necessary piece of equipment for all field events.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	To excellent sand pits and mowers need to be instructed to keep clippings of the concrete and rubberized surfaces as it caused safety conditions with footing.
Long and Triple Jump Venue	Flagging is necessary for crown control as spectators move to see the athletes competing in the field events outside the second curve of the track and field complex

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 41/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board. With the renovation of the complex this area was neglected. The concrete slab is very old and at the time of this inspection the grassy area needed trimmed and the clippings not placed inside the throwing circle. It is recommended that the concrete outside the metal ring be painted in the schools colors with one color representing the front half of the circle and the other color representing the back half of the circle. A new toe board was observed in the storage building that needs to replace the very old toe board currently attached to the slab. It is pointed out that the 34.92 degree sector lines should be placed in the proper position on the concrete slab as well as on top of the toe board.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. The 34.92 degree sector was properly placed and marked to show the sector. The actual sector was a grassy area that was very high at the time of the inspection. The sector area needs to be mowed lower than surrounding areas to assure safe footing for officials working throughout the sector. With the location of the shot put venue away from everything it is recommended that the grass be removed from the sector, edges be inserted and that Class I Sand be placed in the sector as it would be safer for all involved with the event. It is recommended that arch lines be placed <u>through</u> out the sector 5' intervals.
Cage	At the present time cages are not required, however with so many of the young athletes learning to use the spin technique it is recommended that consideration be given to adding a cage in the future.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the <u>host school is responsible</u> to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is <u>highly recommended</u> that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. There are a number of single benches lined up near the storage building. These are extremely close to the throwing area and present a major liability issue for Mercer County. Officials have to be constantly alert as to where athletes non currently throwing are in a safe area and that spectators are in a safe area.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	The two throwing events did not receive the same renovation that the rest of the facility received. Upgrades need to be given to the circle, toe board and sector. Flagging must be in place. Safe spectator should be set up and flagged. Complete safety in this area needs to be revisited.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'21/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. With the renovation of the complex this area was neglected. The concrete slab is very old and at the time of this inspection the grassy area needed trimmed and the clippings not placed inside the throwing circle. It is recommended that the concrete outside the metal ring be painted in the schools colors with one color representing the front half of the circle and the other color representing the back half of the circle. It is pointed out that the 34.92 degree sector lines should be placed in the proper position on the concrete slab.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. It is recommended that the area inside the sector be mowed closer than the surrounding area to make footing better for officials as well as making the implement landing marks more visible. It is recommended that arch marking be placed in the sector at various 10' intervals.
Cage	The discus cage is new nylon netting and meets all the safety requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA, with one exception. The poles are placed around the slab and properly placed in inserts; however the front poles of the discus cage should be placed within 4 to 5 feet of the sector lines (see page 44 of rule book). At the time of the inspection the front pole on the left was 6' from the sector line and the front pole on the right was 7' from the sector line. The inspector talked with the Host Coach and asked to re-do the sector lines so that the right pole was within 5" of the front pole and then move the front pole on the left to being it within the required 5' distance from the sector line. Digital pictures are to be sent to assure that this major liability issues is corrected before the Regional competition. After pictures are received a KHSAA Official will be sent to assure that all the safety issues have been addressed in regard to the discus cage.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the <u>host school is responsible</u> to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is <u>highly recommended</u> that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	At the present time safety in regard to spectators is in question. The front pole on the left has to be moved to within 5' of the sector line. If this cannot be accomplished the discus venue may have to be moved to another site for the Regional Competition. It is recommend that spectators not be allowed anywhere close to the discus venue until this venue is meeting all the safety requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	The two throwing events did not receive the same renovation that the rest of the facility received. Upgrades need to be given to the circle, cage and sector. Flagging must be in place. Safe spectator should be set up and flagged. Complete safety in this area needs to be revisited. Pictures must be sent to show the upgrade to the cage.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	For running events the venue is excellent. Meet Management must set up a plan to assure the safety of athletes, spectators and officials in regard to field events.
Public Address and Press Box	At a recent meet some problems were present with the Public Address. With it being a new facility some of the bugs have let to be worked out.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	Flagging may well be needed down the back stretch and around the first curve as this is a high traffic area. A Marshal needs to be assigned for traffic control at the Main Gate at the Finish Line.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	Spectator walk ways and safe viewing areas needs to be set up for all the field events.

<p>Meet Management Equipment</p>	<p>Hy-Tek Meet Management – This is an area where Mercer County excels with an extremely talented Hy-Tek Operator and Mercer County owns the software for the program. Fully Automatic Timing – Mercer County owns the Finish Lynx System and has one of the top Finish Lynx Operators in the state using the equipment. Backup timing equipment – Sprint 8 is use as the backup system Official or volunteer base in place – Harrodsburg has a number of KHSAA Officials in the immediate area and a very strong volunteer base.</p>
<p>Regional Meet Site In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?</p>	<p>The track is suitable for another year of competition; however a recommendation cannot be made at this time in regard to the 2016 Regional Meet one of which Mercer County is scheduled to host at Mercer County High School. A KHSAA Official will need to return to the venue when the Host Mercer County sends the digital pictures to show that the safety concerns have been addressed. Prompt attention to the concerns with the field events needs to be addressed as quickly as possible and pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com .</p>

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Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	The overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The front section of the landing system "The Front Buns" shall be a minimum of 16'-5". The North Hardin pole vault landing pad meets all the National Federation and KHSAA Safety requirements and is properly put together with the base pads and front buns having a common cover that pulls all the pads into one safe landing area. The standard pads are in place and properly positioned. A weather cover is present to protect the investment of the school.
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. The North Hardin pole vault venue has the box properly positioned and is for the athlete's pole plants. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway. The vaulting box needs to be painted a bright white or bright yellow. A painted line from standard to standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located. This zero line was present and appears to properly placed with the standards secured at the ZERO point.
Runway 130'0"	The length of the runway is 140' and is 42" wide. The runway is in excellent condition with markings listed on the sides for the athletes to be able to easily pick up their steps.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" – 14'8" Bar – 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. Cross bars were observed in the storage building. Standards are in good shape and the base is properly secured to the concrete support pad.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	The Vault Venue is an excellent vaulting facility. Would suggest that some flagging be considered as the Pole Vault runway would become a cross roads for assorted people moving back and forth during the meet. If portable bleachers are possible to move in it could benefit both High Jump and Pole Vault Spectators.

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover be in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. The North Hardin high jump landing pad meets all the National Federation and KHSAA Safety requirements and is properly put together with the base pads having a common cover that pulls all the pads into one safe landing area. The standard pads are in place and properly positioned. A weather cover is present to protect the investment of the school.
HJ Apron	The high jump apron is 100' by 50' and is an excellent rubberized approach to assure that all the athletes have the same opportunity for a safe approach to the bar.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	Cross bars were observed in the storage area. The standards were observed in the storage building and appear to be in good working order.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. There is hard an un-yielding surface extending from under the landing pad and these must be padded to assure safety of all the athletes involved.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	As far as the athletes are concerned it is an excellent facility for jumping. Do have some concerns for crowd control. Host school must have a plan in place to assure that apron and runways are not a cross roads for spectators, coaches and athletes going to and from various venues.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ – (28' and 32')	The North Hardin Track and Field Complex has two sand pits and at the present time they are both pits that are under re-construction. Both pits have had wooden edges that had been secured to the pits edges with re-barb. The wooden edges are in the process of being removed and some re-barb is still sticking up. With all the wood pieces still lying around have the pits unsafe for practice or competition at the time of this inspection. In talking with the one of the coaches plans are in place to have new edges in place before a meet on Tuesday, 19 th . With that in mind we are asking that digital pictures be e-mailed to coachbo@twc.com to show the new pits when finalized. With the current condition of the pits under repair it is difficult to check the actual dimensions of the pits but they appear to be 24' long and 12' wide
Runway	The runway surface on pit #1 is in great shape with the exception of all the grass clippings that can make a runway very slick. Care should be taken when mowing to assure that clippings are not blown onto the runways or track. Pit #1 has a runway of 140' and is 42" wide. The take-off marks on Pit #1 show 5 different markings (7' board, 27' board, 31' paint, 35' paint and 39' paint). The runway surface on pit #2 is in need of repair and not currently safe until a patch spot on the runway is repaired properly (unsafe footing at this time), the remainder of the runway has an excellent rubberized surface. And is 140' in length and 42" wide. The take-off marks are set at five different distances (8' board, 28' paint, 32' paint, 36' paint and 40' paint) When a wooden or synthetic material is used as the takeoff board it should be 8 to 24 inches wide and be the width of the runway. On hard surface runways, a painted foul line of contrasting color to the runway may be used and such marks should be freshly painted before a major competition. Tape should be available for all major competitions if the Referee deems it necessary to add additional temporary take-off marks..
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. The sand pits in both Pit #1 and Pit #2 were both in disarray. With re-construction going on several foreign objects were in the sand and the pits were packed down due to the work going on. Once the old edges are completely removed and the new edges in place the sand pits will need to be tilled and raked so that the sand is level with all edges of the pit. If this is not the case more sand will need to be added.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	With both jumping pits on the back side of the track the Games Committee will need to set aside a spectator area so that they are just not wondering the grounds freely and crossing the runways and/or main running track to move back and forth to the various venues.

Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	A good plan is in place to upgrade these two sand pits and when completed they will be excellent facilities. Digital pictures must be sent to so that the sand pits meet all the safety requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA. When digital pictures have been received a KHSAA Official will be assigned to visit the venue to assure the safety requirements are in place.
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Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board. The North Hardin Shot Put venue is situated on a 8' x 8' concrete slab. The back half indicators are in place
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. It appears that the proper sector is being used but with the condition of the sector it is hard to tell for sure.
Cage	A chain length cage is in place for the Shot Put that makes it a very safe area but officials need to stay alert at all times.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. If at all possible portable bleachers need to be put in place to keep spectators in the flagged off area behind the discus cage and safely away from the shot sector.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	The shot put venue did not receive the same upgrade as the venues on the other side of the Main Bleachers. The concrete slab is very old and needs an upgrade. Painting the area outside the metal ring would greatly enhance the look of a venue that has long been neglected. The sector needs to be cleared so that all the grass is removed from the crushed rock sector. With all the obstructions in the sector an unsafe situation is in place for officials working the venue as well as not being able to get a true accurate measurement. Digital pictures of this upgrade need to be sent to the inspector (coachbo@twc.com). The sector is one of the largest in Kentucky with a distance of 75' from toe board to sector back edge.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'21/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The concrete slab is 9' x 9' and has a metal ring that is the proper circle for the discus throw. Back half indicators are in place. The discus venue did not receive the same upgrade as the venues on the other side of the Main Bleachers. The concrete slab is very old and needs an upgrade. Painting the area outside the metal ring would greatly enhance the look of a venue that has long been neglected.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. It appears that the proper sector is being used but with the condition of the sector it is hard to tell for sure. At the time of the inspection the grass was pretty high in the sector and it should be cut closer for a major competition to get a more accurate measurement when the long tape is pulled on.
Cage	The discus cage is a chair length cage that meets the current National Federation and KHSAA safety requirements. It is pointed out that the netting cage will be required in the near future but chain length is still approved at this time. The cage is properly placed and the front poles are at the proper distance.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials. If at all possible portable bleachers need to be put in place to keep spectators in the flagged off area behind the discus cage and safely away from the shot sector.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	It is not an excellent throwing venue for the discus. The throwing sector is located on the side of a practice football field that has a very large crown. With the lay of the land and how it rises all throwers and not getting a true and accurate measurement. Consideration should be given to rearrangement of the throwing venues to upgrade and assure safety and an accurate measurement of all athletes.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	The Main Bleacher area is excellent for viewing the track running events. With all the field events located outside the oval spectators will be on the move. Meet Management will need to come up with a game plan to have crown control in place to assure the safety of everyone involved (athletes, coaches, spectators and officials). Bleachers on the back stretch are available. Efforts should be made to have portable bleachers placed at the various field event venues.
Public Address and Press Box	The Public Address is the same used for Football games and is in good working condition. The press box is available and will be used for various activities.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	The North Hardin Track and Field Staff is an experienced group at putting on competitions and there is no doubt they have plans to assure a safe and fair competition for all the athletes, coaches and schools involved. There toughest task will be putting a game plan together for crown control as this appears to be the only major challenge to Meet Management.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	High Jump and Pole Vault are excellent condition. Shot and Discus have a few shortcomings that are easy fixes. Long and Triple Jump venues are a major wreck at this time but a plan is already in place to renovate the venues into excellent jumping venues.
Meet Management Equipment	Hy-Tek Meet Management – Schools owns the Hy-tek program and experienced operators are in the area to assure that all the KHSAA requirements will be followed. Fully Automatic Timing – School has the fully automatic equipment and experienced operators to get the job done. Backup timing equipment – Sprint 8 and Seiko Timers are available. Official or volunteer base in place – This area has conducted several Regional competition in the past and they work together well in assisting each other with volunteer crews.

<p>Regional Meet Site</p> <p>In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?</p>	<p>The track is suitable for another year of competition; however a recommendation can not be made at this time in regard to the 2016 Regional Meet one of which North Hardin is scheduled to host at North Hardin High School. A KHSAA Official will need to return to the venue when the Host North Hardin sends the digital pictures to show some of the safety concerns have been addressed. Prompt attention to the concerns with the field events needs to be addressed as quickly as possible and pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com .</p>
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Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	The overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The front section of the landing system "The Front Buns" shall be a minimum of 16'-5". The landing pads were out of storage and properly put together with a single common cover that binds the pads into one safe landing area.
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway and this one should be painted. A painted line from standard to standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located needs to be painted on the ground to assure that point zero on both standards meet with point zero on the vaulting box. The new and proper box color was observed at the site.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 130 feet. Where conditions permit it should be 147'06". The runway should be 42" wide. The runway is 160' and is a shared run way with the Long Jump and Triple Jump so cooperation must take place between athletes and officials as this area will be very busy with six events taking place on this runway.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" – 14'8" Bar – 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length . . . Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. Cross bars were not observed at the time of this inspection. At least two cross bars must be available at a Regional Pole Vault competition. At the time of this inspection the standards have yet to be taken from the storage building and therefore are not secured to the ground. A digital picture must be taken and sent to the inspector to assure that the zero point on the standards and the back of the box are one in the same. A digital picture that shows the standards, box color and pads in place should be sent as well.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. The area for the vault at Pendleton County is a safe area.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	The pole vault venue can not properly be evaluated until the entire pit and all of the equipment are in place. Once the digital pictures requested are in the hands of the inspector a KHSAA Official will be sent to observe that all safety issues have been addressed

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover be in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. No weather protector was in place and therefore the life of this pit is really uncertain. Recommend you obtain one to protect your investment.
HJ Apron	High jump apron is in excellent shape and will assure proper footing for all the athletes involved.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	High jump standards were yet to be taken from storage at the time of this inspection. They appeared to be in good condition but they will have to be examined by a KHSAA official at a later date. Cross bars were not observed in the storage building and it is pointed out that 2 must be present for Regional competition.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	Digital pictures need to be sent once the standards are in place and the hard and unyielding surface around the pit have been covered.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ - (28' and 32')	There is only one sand pit at this venue which will present a problem for Meet Management as they will have to adjust the schedule for the sand pit competitions. The various and assorted take off marks need to be re-painted and double checked to assure that they are at the recommended distances from the pit. Digital pictures of the new boards need to be sent.
Runway	The runway should have a minimum length of 130 feet and where conditions permit it should be 147 feet 6 inches from the main long jump foul line. The runway should be between 42 inches and 48 inches wide. When a wooden or synthetic material is used as the takeoff board it should be 8 to 24 inches wide and be the width of the runway. On hard surface runways, a painted foul line of contrasting color to the runway may be used.
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. This pit is in bad condition. All the sand needs to be loosened at depth with a tiller than raked level. After it is raked level you can tell if the sand is level with the edges all around the pit . . . if not more sand needs to be added. Digital pictures must be sent to the inspector to assure safety of the pit.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	The location of the sand pit is fine as spectators may view from outside the fence and not interfere with the event. There is ample room at this complex for a second sand pit and that should receive consideration for the future.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	Digital pictures must be sent to show the improvements to the take off boards as to the actual sand pit to assure a safe landing for all involved.

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board. This area is very drab and painting the outside of the circle in the school colors would brighten the area and would also serve as the back half indicators.
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Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. There was no indication that the proper sector has been placed on the ground yet this year. The proper sectors should be painted on the front edge of the concrete slab as well as on top of the toe board.
Cage	At the present time a cage is not required by the National Federation or the KHSAA.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	The shot put venue is in a very bad location. There is no way to get a true accurate measurement as the entire sector surface is uphill therefore cutting every thrower out of 2 or 3 inches at the minimum, maybe even more for longer throwers. It is highly recommended that the shot put and discus venues be moved to the corners of the large field behind the pole vault area. Will need digital pictures that show the 34.92 degree sectors are in place.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'21/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. This area is very drab and painting the outside of the circle in the school colors would brighten the area and would also serve as the back half indicators.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. There was no indication that the proper sector has been placed on the ground yet this year. The proper sectors should be painted on the front edge of the concrete slab as well as on the ground.
Cage	The cage meets all the National Federation and KHSAA Safety standards it is simply located in one of the worst spots on the track. If a discus cage is located inside the oval it should be in one of the corners on the backstretch where there is less traffic. It's current location is the most populated area of the track and it greatly increases the chances for things to go wrong. With the current condition of the netting it shows that it is not being put up in storage in the off season.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	The discus area must be roped and flagged as it is the worst place on the track.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	Highly recommended that both the throwing venues (shot and discus) be moved to the corners of the large field behind the pole vault area.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	Very little seating has been provided at this Pendleton County Sports Complex. Rest Room facilities are not present. Opening the middle school and numbers of port-A-pots are the only solution to this issue. Crowd control is fine as long as spectators and non-participants stay outside the oval.
Public Address and Press Box	Public Address system was not available at the time of this inspection.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	Track and Field meets are no stranger to several OLD Veterans and they know what is required to put on a meet.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	Field events have some safety issues that must be addressed with some work and then some digital pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com
Meet Management Equipment	Regional Meet Manager . . . The Athletic Director and Tim King will be working together in this capacity and all should be fine. Hy-Tek Meet Management . . . Pendleton County own the Hy-Tek program Fully Automatic Timing Frank Miklavcic is one of the most experienced in Kentucky.
Regional Meet Site In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?	The track is suitable for another year of competition; however a recommendation can not be made at this time in regard to the 2016 Regional Meet one of which Pendleton County is scheduled to host. A KHSAA Official will need to return to the venue when the Host Pendleton County sends the digital pictures to show some of the safety concerns have been addressed in the field events. Prompt attention to the concerns with the field events needs to be addressed and pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com .

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Venue #2 Pole Vault

New PV Landing Pad 19'8" wide 20'2" deep 16'5" back of box	The overall size of the pole vault landing system shall be a minimum of 19-08" wide and 20'02" deep. The front section of the landing system "The Front Buns" shall be a minimum of 16'-5". The landing pit meets all the National Federation and KHSAA Safety requirements and is properly put together with a common cover that makes it one single landing area. All the buns are in the right place and the new box collar was observed.
Vaulting Box Zero Point Markings	The current vaulting box is unsafe. The box is simply sit in a hole and is not secure to the ground and the front edge of the vaulting box is higher than the runway surface. The front edge of the vaulting box shall not extend above the grade of the runway surface. If this vaulting box is not properly secured to the ground and arranged so that the front edge of the box is level with the runway surface the Regional Pole Vault will have to be held at a different venue. The current Russell vaulting venue is not safe for practice or competition. It is recommended that the planting box be of a color contrasting to the color of the runway and this one needs painted. A painted line from standard to standard shall be painted on the ground under the landing system to clearly indicate where the zero point marking is located. The standards are secured to the ground but point zero is not close to point zero on the vaulting box and they will need to be completely reset before the venue can be verified as safe for competition. Digital pictures will have to be sent to the inspector who will then assign a KHSAA Official to come and assure that all the safety issues have been addressed.
Runway 130'0"	The recommended length of the runway is a minimum of 140 feet. Where conditions permit is should be 147'06". The runway should be 42" wide.
Standards / Crossbars 13'8" – 14'8" Bar – 14'10"	The normal cross bar shall be 14'10" in length Effective January 1, 2013 the crossbar shall be circular. Square with beveled edges or triangular crossbars shall no longer be legal. Cross bars were not observed at the time of this inspection.
Weigh in Athletes	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the vaulters before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her vaulters weekly to assure that they are legal for the vaulting poles that they are using.
Coaching Box	For the Regional Meet a coaching box must be established and an area flagged off. It is recommended that ONLY authorized PCSCB certified coaches with a badge or wrist band to identify them be allowed in the coaching box.
Area surrounding the Pole Vault Venue	Rule 7-5-9 Hard or unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, metal, wood or asphalt around the landing pad or between the planting box and the landing system, shall be padded or cushioned with a minimum of 2 inches of dense foam or other suitable material(s). A box collar must be in place. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed.
Pole Vault Venue (General Notes)	The current Vaulting Venue at Russell High School is not acceptable for Regional competition. All the necessary corrections are mentioned above and digital pictures must be sent to the inspection (coachbo@twc.com) as soon as possible so a KHSAA Official can be sent to inspect the improvements. The current vaulting venue is not safe for practice or competition and the school and coaches are under tremendous liability as it is.

Venue # 3 High Jump

HJ Landing Pad 16' x 8'	The landing pad shall not be less than 16'00" wide and 8'00" deep. The pad thickness should be at least 24". When the landing system is made up of two or more sections they shall be attached and a common cover be in place to assure a safe landing surface for the athletes. The current pad is properly put together and a common cover is in place making the pads one safe landing area.
HJ Apron	There is an excellent high jump apron and the placement of the pit needs to be that all jumpers coming from the right have the same opportunity as those coming from the left.
Standards / Crossbar 12' apart bar is 12' to 14'10"	The standards and cross bars were not out to be observed at the time of this inspection.
Area surrounding the HJ Venue	Rule 7-4-4 Hard and unyielding surfaces, such as but not limited to concrete, wood or asphalt, that extend out from beneath the sides and back of the high jump landing pad shall be padded with a minimum of 2-inch dense foam or other suitable material. Note: It is recommended that any excess material such as asphalt or concrete that extends out from beneath the side or back of the landing pad be removed. This venue has hard an un-yielding surface all around it and it needs to be covered.
High Jump Venue (General Notes)	Good high jump area that just needs the hard and un-yielding surface around it covered.

Venue # 4 Long and Triple Jump

Landing Pit Take Off Marks LJ - (8' and 12') TJ - (28' and 32')	At the time of the last inspection there were two sand pits at the Russell Complex. For whatever reason one was eliminated. This presents issues for Meet Management as now 4 jumping events now have to take place in the same sand pit.
Runway	The runway is 140' long and 42" wide. The takeoff marks need to be repainted so they are visible.
Sand Pit Condition	The landing pit shall be filled with sand or other soft material to a depth that will ensure a safe landing. The surface shall have the same elevation as that of the takeoff board. The sand level should always be level with the edges of the landing pit. The landing pit shall have a minimum width of 9 feet and minimum length of 15 feet. The pit has the proper length and width but the edges of the pit are covered when they must remain visible. The sand needs to be loosened and raked level to assure that the sand is level with the edges all around the pit. Request that digital pictures be taken of the pit once it has been improved to meet the safety requirements.
Area around the Long and Triple Jump Pit(s)	Once the sand pit is improved the venue will be safe.
Long and Triple Jump Venue (General Notes)	It was a mistake to loose the 2 nd sand pit at it added well over an hour to the jumping competitions.

Venue #5 Shot Put

Circle – Concrete Pad Toe Board	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 7' circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. The toe board shall be 4 feet in length along the inside of the surface, 4 inches in height and 4 1/2 inches in width and it shall be firmly fixed into a non-movable position. Sector lines should be placed on top of the toe board. There are no back half indicators, there are no sector lines on the ground, on the concrete slab or on the toe board and the toe board is not secured to the ground. Digital pictures are to be sent to assure that these three issues have been addressed. Gravel is not recommended in the throwing sector. At the very best this is a poor shot put venue and improvements should be made.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. No sector lines were present at the time of this inspection. They should be painted on the front edge of the concrete slab and throughout the sector.
Cage	A cage is not required at this time but with more and more throwers using the spin technique and considering the location of the shot at this venue one should be considered for the future.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes' implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	It is highly recommended that all throwing areas be cordoned off, roped, fenced, or with flags placed well outside the sector lines to minimize the risk of injury for spectators, athletes and/or officials.
Shot Put Venue (General Notes)	At the present time the shot put venue is not Regional ready. Concerns were addressed above and digital pictures must be sent to the inspector (coachbo@twc.com) so that a KHSAA Official can be sent to verify the corrections.

Venue #6 Discus Throw

Circle – Concrete Pad	A concrete surface with a 1 millimeter roughness is recommended. A 8'21/2" circle, sunken with drainage, raised metal ring properly secured or a 2" painted line. Back half indicators should be permanently marked on the concrete slab. There are no back half indicators, there are no sector lines on the ground or on the concrete slab. Digital pictures are to be sent to assure that these three issues have been addressed.
Sector	A 34.92 degree sector shall be marked on the ground for both practice and competitions. At the time of this inspection no markings were present.
Cage	The cage is properly placed and meets the safety requirements of the National Federation and the KHSAA.
Weight in of Implements	It is pointed out that the host school is responsible to provide scales for the KHSAA Meet Official to weigh all the throwing implements before each competition. It is highly recommended that each coach weigh his or her athletes implements weekly to assure that they are legal and that no alterations have been made to the implements.
Surrounding Area	As long as the discus venue is flagged off the area is fine.
Discus Venue (General Notes)	Needs back half indicators and sector line placed on the concrete slab.

Meet Management

Seating and Spectator Control	Seating is excellent for spectators as long as they remain in the Main Bleachers on the front stretch. Back stretch bleachers should be used only for teams.
Public Address and Press Box	At the time of the inspection I was informed by two local track people that the Public Address was more than adequate for this venue.
Meet Management in regard to Running Events	With Bob Stacey as the Meet Director the meet is in good hands as he is a crusty OLD veteran that knows how to run off a meet. All the pieces are in place for some excellent running event competitions.
Meet Management in regard to Field Events	Currently have issues with three field event venues. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pole Vault is totally unsafe in its present condition ➤ Long/Triple Jump has some issues with sand pit and take off boards needing fresh paint ➤ Shot Put has a loose toe board
Meet Management Equipment	Hy-Tek Meet Management: Russell High School owns the Hy-Tek Program Fully Automatic Timing: Shawn Thornbury and Phillip Caudill are veterans with the equipment and will do a good job. Backup timing equipment: Sprint 8 Timer Official or volunteer base in place: an area that has numerous volunteers that are used to assisting with track and field competitions
Regional Meet Site In your opinion would you recommend this facility to be considered as a Regional Track and Field Meet Site?	The track is suitable for another year of competition; however a recommendation can not be made at this time in regard to the 2016 Regional Meet one of which Raceland is scheduled to host at Russell High School. A KHSAA Official will need to return to the venue when the Host Raceland sends the digital pictures to show some of the safety concerns have been addressed. Prompt attention to the concerns with the field events needs to be addressed as quickly as possible and pictures sent to the inspector at coachbo@twc.com .

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