

# Track and Field

## Site Inspection



### Madisonville North Hopkinsville – Madisonville, Kentucky

Site Inspection For: Ed Wallace, KHSAA Track & Field Official from Madisonville, Kentucky

Saturday April 17th, 2004

### Pole Vault

<b>Landing Pad</b> 19' 8" wide 20' 2" deep 16' 5" back of box Runway 130'	Pole vault not contested due to equipment not meeting compliance. Runway is safe and surrounding area is great should they ever decide to make standards and padding comply.
<b>Planting Box</b>	
<b>Standards/Crossbar</b> 13' 8" – 14' 8" Bar 14' 10"	.Not available
<b>Surrounding Area</b>	Very good venue and free of obstacles
<b>Weigh In of Athletes</b>	It is <u>highly</u> recommended that the Pole Vault Official have scales provided by the host school to weigh the Vaulters to assure that there weight is in compliance with what is listed on the vaulting pole.
<b>Coaching Box</b>	Not necessary as stadium seating gives clear view for coaches and event.
<b>Pole Vault Venue</b>	Very Good should equipment ever be upgraded – runway just redone and sealed.

<b>High Jump</b>	
<b>Landing Pit 16' by 8'</b>	<p>Landing pit is official spec. and has a cover tied to the three sections and bottoms are secured together.</p> <p>Only problem seen is the asphalt under the pit is approximately 18" wider than the pit and 30" deeper than the pit. Some of this can be solve by repositioning the pit as it extends out into the approach area by over a foot.</p>
<b>Standards/Crossbar 12' apart Bar – 12'</b>	Standard are 15' apart and are fairly new as is the bar meeting standards
<b>Surrounding Area</b>	<p>Surrounding area is safe clear --- Asphalt that extends beyond the pit needs to be covered with 2" dense foam in case someone falls out off of the mat.</p> <p>The surface is new asphalt overlay and sealed, no brokenness or weeds. No grade or elevation change.</p>
<b>High Jump Venue</b>	The venue is clear and safe of any obstacles and is very large and clearly in view from the stands. One of the best I have seen for High Schools in region or state.

<b>Long Jump and Triple Jump</b>	
<b>Landing Pit 9' by 15'</b>	<p>Boys Landing Pit is 9.5' x 24 ' Girls landing Pit is 8.5" x 20'</p> <p>Runways Boys 145' Runway Girls 150'</p>
<b>Take Off Marks 12' or 8' 32' or 28'</b>	Boys and Girls Long Jump Boards are 8' from pit Triple jumps are sprayed on asphalt runways at 24' 28' and 32'
<b>Rakes/Shovel Brooms</b>	Available in shed
<b>Sand Level</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Must be same level as runway or takeoff board.</p> <p>Boys is level with runway and board and in very good shape – Girls pit is higher than take of board and outer boards are rotting away. Pit has a lot of potential but recommend boards be replaces re-leveled and sand tilled to be pulled back to front of pit.</p>

<b>Surrounding Area</b>	Area is clear and safe. Highly recommend Girls take off board be replaced and rework the insert for stability purposes. Also the length of the pit could be extended maybe 5 feet
<b>Long Jump/ Triple Jump Venue</b>	<p>Both the Girls and Boys Long Jump venues are or have excellent potential. Runways and placement are great and around the perimeter of the complex but once again viewable.</p> <p>Concerns lie in upkeep. The boys needs the insert for the take off board reworked and a real board in place instead of a home manufactured board. The girls is not safe until the board is replaced and the pit reworked as it looks as if the are jumping up hill. The runways are brand new and very good and these are more labor intensive repairs instead of costly.</p>

<b>Shot Put</b>	
<b>Circle</b>	The Circle is laid upon a 10'x 10' concrete slab and has a 3'9" official toe board. And metal ring secured to the slab
<b>Sector and Markings 40* or 60 *</b>	Was marked for the 60 degree sector and have been notified that the state has changed to the 40 degree sector. Will be no problem to adjust.
<b>Surrounding Area</b>	In a very safe place fenced off and outside of the football infield adjacent to the visitors bleachers. Has 90 feet of distance between the circle and to the fence
<b>Weight Implements</b>	<p>It is <u>highly</u> recommended that the Shot Put Officials be provided with the necessary equipment, provided by the host school, to properly weight the throwing implements and the a marking material to indicate proper weight.</p> <p>Was promised by boys coach it would be available but not provided for event</p>
<b>Shot Put Venue</b>	<p>This is a very nice area and venue for the shot put event. A really nice grass area with shade trees on both sides for athletes to use during the event that are ou side of the sectors and safe for viewing the event.</p> <p>The visitors bleachers are also adjacent to the area and allow for seating and watching the event.</p>

<b>Discus Throw</b>	
<b>Cage</b>	Cage was measured and provides the recommended safety requirements of NFHSA Mesh caging secured top and bottom with metal poles.
<b>Circle</b>	10x10 concrete slab smooth with official ring in very good shape.
<b>Sector and Markings 40 * 2'9.75"</b>	40 degree sector laid out and marked by weed eater cutting out 2" lines. Very nicely marked
<b>Surrounding Area</b>	Very safe and isolated South of the fenced in area of the stadium but still in view. On a Bermuda grass mowed area with over 235' of clear area. Not accessible unless you are actually going to view event. Very safe.
<b>Weigh Implements</b>	It is highly recommended that the Discus Officials be provided with the necessary equipment, provided by the host school to properly weigh the throwing implements and the marking material to indicate proper weight. Boys coach said he would provide for event but did not have it the day of and not available.
<b>Discus Venue</b>	A very nice set up – One of the best I have witnessed for safety and for the athletes. Not like you are sticking them off in a corner somewhere. Enough space and grounds for the best. Very nice grass mixture for event.

<b>Running Track</b>	
<b>Lanes Number &amp; Size General overall Conditions and concerns</b>	31 feet wide with an 18" apron  8 Lane asphalt new approximate 1and ½ asphalt surface laid down and sealed on track / runways and approaches. New markings all the way around.  Only drawback is that it is an asphalt track and it is hard.
<b>Stagger Colors:</b>	1 Turn Red      3 Turn -red 2 Turn - Red    4 Turn -red
<b>Relay Colors:</b>	4 X 100 – red 4 X 200 – yellow 4 X 400 – orange  The host school is to provide the necessary flags for the officials to properly officiate the exchange zones.
<b>Break Lines</b>	Okay and as requested

	<p>It is recommended in the Regional Meet to use the same break line for the 800 Meters as they do in the state meet, with a line a the head of the front stretch.</p>
<p><b>Hurdle Colors</b></p> <p><b>Overall condition of the hurdles</b></p>	<p>100 Girls – 110 Boys – red 300 Hurdles – yellow</p> <p><u>Hurdles on good shape</u></p>
<p><b>Starting Blocks</b></p> <p><b>Number and condition</b></p> <p><b>Block Cart</b></p>	<p>Plenty of blocks and bolts are new to set blocks. Holes redrilled at start and for all events on track 100 / 200 / 400 &amp; 300 hurdles</p> <p>Utilize a four wheeler to move blocks</p>
<p><b>Starting Line</b></p> <p><b>Safety</b></p>	<p>Okay. Large asphalt area - very clearly marked and very ample staging area behind 100 meter starting line probably 20 yards of asphalt and grass.</p>
<p><b>Finish Line</b></p> <p><b>Safety</b></p>	<p>Electronic timing utilized with a Sprint 8 and Hy Tek scoring system used.</p>
<p><b>Surrounding Areas</b> (This could include bleachers, fencing, tree limbs, etc.</p>	<p>Okay and very good. Stadium is roped off and access to start denied. Tent for workers on infield. Sports medicine tent with Ice and first aid available to the side and behind starting area.</p>
<p><b>PA / Press Box</b></p>	<p>PA system in press box was used that was very efficient and loud enough for the whole are to hear. Same system used for football games.</p> <p>Top notch sound and indoor press box with system and electricity for workers / computers / printers etc.</p>

<p><b>Officials Overall view of this Track and Field Complex</b></p>	<p>This venue is very good for a High school event and ranks right up there with many I have seen. And better for field events than most.</p> <p>Several locker rooms available as well as two large public restroom facilities and a couple of portable toilets on the far side for field events. A very large concessions area in the complex behind the seating capable of handling any size crowd. Stoves, sink, ice machine and refrigeration available. Seating on both sides Great for spectators. The only draw back is that the track is asphalt and while it is at that it is one of the best asphalt track around being newly redone.</p>
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	<p><b>Plenty of paved parking available as the school student parking is in between the school building and the sports complex.</b></p> <p><b>The weakness is in the lack of the school to upgrade the pole vault safety standards. The run way meets criteria it is in the pit and such that the school has not checked into.</b></p>
<p><b>Regional Meet Site</b>  (In your opinion would you recommend this facility be considered as a Regional Meet Site.</p> <p><b>If No what would they need to do to bring this facility into compliance.</b></p>	<p><b>No due to the Pole vault compliance --</b>  <b>Feel this venue would be great for any A, AA, AAA regional meets should they legalize the pole vault.</b></p> <p><b>If they ever decide to make the Pole vault meet standards I would highly recommend this facility. One of the best ---</b></p>

**Respectively submitted,  
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