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STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS SATURDAY AT KENTUCKY HORSE PARK

Nearly 1,700 cross country student-athletes will compete for state championships in six races at the Kentucky Horse Park this weekend as part of the KHSAA State Cross Country Championships.

Teams will have a warm-up day on Friday afternoon, followed by boys' and girls' races in three classes on Saturday, Nov. 12. The day begins with the boys' Class 1A championship race at 9:30 a.m., followed by the 1A girls at 10:15 a.m. In Class 2A, the boys' race will begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by the girls' contest at 12:15 p.m. The event finishes with a pair of races in Class 3A, the boys' race at 1:30 p.m. and the girls' race at 2:15 p.m.

Admission is \$10 for adults while children 10 and under are admitted free. Follow race results and information on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/crosscountry and Twitter account @khsaaevents.

JUDE BREAKS HOMER'S CAREER RUSHING MARK

Johnson Central senior running back J.J. Jude broke Derek Homer's 15-year-old state record for career rushing yards in the Golden Eagles' 66-20 win over Holmes.

In statistics submitted to the KHSAA, Jude had rushed for 2,563 yards entering last Friday's Class 4A first-round playoff game, a career total less than 200 yards short of the mark of 8,224 set by Derek Homer of Fort Knox from 1993-96. Jude finished with 441 rushing yards and six touchdowns against the Bulldogs, giving him 2,964 yards thus far this season along with 41 scores.

Jude's career mark currently stands at 8,539 yards. According to Johnson Central head football coach Jim Matney, totals from each game of Jude's career are being audited by Johnson Central coaches, statisticians and school officials to verify the record's accuracy and authenticity.

Jude, a two-time state wrestling champion, will have an opportunity to add to the record as Johnson Central faces Highlands in a second-round playoff contest on Friday.

FOLLOW FOOTBALL PLAYOFF ACTION THROUGH TWITTER

Fans can follow score updates as they are received through the Twitter account at @KHSAAevents and through the Riherds/KHSAA Scoreboard. Live updates are available by searching the hash tag #khsfb or by viewing the football Web page. Fans can take the scoreboard on the road through their iPhone and iPad thanks to the Riherds/KHSAA Scoreboard app available through the App Store.

Fans, broadcasters and media outlets are encouraged to Tweet live score updates from games this weekend. To make it easily accessible to all fans simply add the hash tag #khsfb to your tweet.

Due to the high volume of participation with last week's first round games, the hash tag #khsfb earned one of the 10 highest trends nationally on Friday.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 12 KHSAA State Cross Country Championships, Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington Nov. 15 KHSAA Board of Control Meeting, KHSAA Office, Lexington

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About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Department of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 278 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 21 sports for more than 60,000 student-athletes, licenses and trains over 4,100 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.