Re: USATF State Meet on June 16-17

Date: 06/06/2018

Parents,

Please disregard this email if your athlete is not planning to compete in the USATF State Meet.

The USATF State Meet on June 16-17 is hosted by USATF at Iowa State University. We attached the meet information they provided including the two day schedule. Athletes do not need to qualify for the meet and all athletes are encouraged to attend.

Preregistration for the meet is required and must be completed online by club coaches. <u>The</u> <u>deadline for parents to complete the survey with their athlete's event interest is Friday, June</u> <u>8.</u> This will allow us to determine relays, send a draft of events to parents and process any change requests from parents before finalizing online entry prior to the cutoff.

<u>USATF STATE MEET SURVEY</u> - Please read this entire email prior to completing the survey.

Parents must complete the following two steps in order for their athlete to participate in the meet. These first two steps should be done asap.

- 1) Complete the USATF membership application for your athlete (per prior email). Please note that you are registering each of your children. Parents do not need a USATF membership. Reminder that you must enter our club number (2023) on the application to be affiliated with the DCG Track Club. This should be done asap (now) if you plan to attend the meet.
- 2) Age verification is required by USATF to compete in the meet. Coaches are asked to collect and provide copies of birth certificates to USATF. Please email copies of athlete birth certificates. This should be done asap (now) if you plan to attend the meet. Parents are also responsible for having a copy available at the meet in case it is requested by meet officials.

Coaches must complete the following two steps in order for an athlete to participate in the meet. The online meet registration step for an individual athlete cannot be completed until USATF membership and age verification has been processed in the national USATF database for the athlete. That processing requires the completion of steps 1 and 2 above. Failure to complete those steps in a timely manner will prevent the completion of steps 3 and 4 below and will result in an athlete being unable to participate in the meet.

3) Coaches must designate events for each athlete when completing online registration. USATF event limits apply such that 8U, 9-10 and 11-12 division athletes can compete in three events

and 13-14 division athletes can compete in four events. Coaches will create relays based on performance and athletes will not be guaranteed a relay placement at this meet. Please review the attached schedule to determine whether an event occurs on Saturday or Sunday. Note that there are preliminary rounds (trials) for the 100m and 200m events. Athletes will first compete on Saturday and may compete again on Saturday and/or Sunday if they advance past the preliminary rounds. Parents should plan accordingly when selecting 100m or 200m individual events.

4) Coaches are required to submit a single online payment to cover USATF participation fees for all registered athletes. Please note that participation fees are \$7 per event. An athlete competing in multiple events will be assessed a \$7 fee for each event. Parents can provide a check payable to "DCG Track Club" to a coach at the meet to pay their portion of the fees.

Please let us know if you have any questions as you review the attached and complete the above steps.

Thanks,

DCG Track Club Coaches

**Reminder:** Athletes that finish in the top 8 in an event are eligible to compete at the USATF Regional Meet in Ames on July 5-8. The survey asks whether you plan to attend the Regional Meet provided your athlete qualifies for the meet. If you request a relay we will communicate to other participants whether you plan to participate at the Regional Meet so they can be informed whether the relay would be able to continue to the Regional Meet.