

Davidson Cross-Country  
2024 meet schedule  
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**Saturday, August 31 – Challenge of Champions:** 1<sup>st</sup> race is at 7:30 am (must arrive by 6:30 am). This is a 5k course. There is an invitational division (top 7 Varsity) and an open division (everyone else).  
Location: Langan Park.

**Saturday, September 7 – Gulf Coast Stampede:** 1<sup>st</sup> race is at 7:15 am (must arrive by 6:15 am) This is a 5k course in Pensacola at the Escambia Equestrian Center. There are food trucks, t-shirts to buy, and a dance contest after.

**Saturday, September 21- Puppy Creek Classic:** We will be working with Baker to host this meet. It is the only local course that does not repeat itself in a 5k. It is a tough course at Puppy Creek Ranch. More information to come about race times. Location: 14350 Mason Ferry Rd, Citronelle, AL 36652

**Saturday, September 28 – Daphne Invitational at Historical Blakely State Park:** 1<sup>st</sup> race is at 7:30 am (must arrive by 6:00 am because the traffic backs up at this course). This is a 5k course. Location: Blakeley State Park

**\*\*Friday, October 4 - Saturday, October 5– Jesse Owens Classic at Oakville Indian Mounds (state course)** This is an overnight trip for athletes who actively participated in summer training for most of the summer. Athletes will need to bring money to eat (2 lunches, 1 dinner, 1 breakfast). Hotel accommodations will be provided for athletes. We usually have discounted rooms for parents. This is the same 5k course where the AHSAA State XC Championships are held.

**Thursday, October 17 – Mobile County Championships:** 1<sup>st</sup> race is at 3:30pm (must arrive by 2:30). This is a 5K course. This is our hardest meet due to location, time of year, and time of day. It is HOT! Because it is after school, it is going to be really important to prioritize hydration this day. Location: USA-Brookley Gulf Pines Golf Course or Langan Park (To Be Determined).

**Thursday, October 24 – McGill Toolen Relays** – More information to come. I'm unsure if we need to race this close to Sectionals. We will make a during the season. This is where the top 7 race in a 2-mile relay against the other top 7 athletes from other schools. Everyone else races a 5k.

**Thursday, October 31 – AHSAA 7A Section 1 meet:** This is usually a morning race, but the time is TBD. Bicentennial Park, Bay Minette, AL. This is the race that determines who goes to state. Only the top 10 fastest boys and top 10 fastest girls will race in this meet. \*The top 4 teams as well as the top 6 individuals (not attached to a top 4 team) will move on to the state meet.

**Friday, November 8 - Saturday, November 9 -AHSAA State XC championship:** Moulton—Oakville Indian Mounds Park & Museum \*\*This one isn't listed yet in [al.milesplit.com](http://al.milesplit.com); however, it is usually the week after Sectionals on a Saturday. This is a 2-day trip. We usually go up on the Friday to pre-view the course and have dinner together as a team. We race on Saturday and then drive back home.

For more information on these meets, go to [al.milesplit.com](http://al.milesplit.com) and view calendar. Click on meet to see all information.

\*\*There is a Crime Prevention 5k at the beginning of August that many of our athletes, family, friends participate in just to gain some knowledge of our racing fitness before after-school training begins. This is optional. We are still looking for this race to be announced.