

## **Team Michigan-Midwest Meet of Champions**

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The Midwest Meet of Champions has been the scene of great competition between senior athletes for over 45 years. This year the top four seniors from Michigan and Indiana compete at a new venue in a dual meet at **Olivet College**. The pandemic has led to much change and adaptation for all us. The same has been true for the Midwest Meet of Champions. After hosting at Michigan State University in 2018 and 2019, Covid-19 took the entire 2020 season away. The response to the pandemic ranged widely. MSU was not able to offer their facility this year, and Ohio is opting out for 2021. The new venue for this unique all-star dual meet will be Olivet College. The format has also changed regarding the schedule. The meet will be a one day affair with both teams coming in on **Saturday, June 12, 2021** for a meet that will begin a bit later in the day to accommodate meet day travel. Coach, the Midwest coaching staff needs **your** help. Talk to your talented senior athletes about this great meet. Encourage them to go to <mitca.org>, click on the tab for *Meets* to find *Midwest Meet*, and then fill out the Google Doc. Form with their contact information and accomplishments, thus far. Also encourage them to keep the date, **JUNE 12**, available as they plan for open houses and graduation related activities. If you have questions, contact Mike Nesbitt-Boys Team Head Coach (989-284-5645 or <u>nesbittm@bcschools.net</u>) or Larry Adams-Girls Team Head Coach (248-760-3090 or ladams@rochester.k.12.mi.us )

This is a great experience! The meet will begin with an Olympic style parade of champions on the track at 11:50a.m. Field events will follow, and the running events will commence at 1:30p.m. Thanks to our sponsors and MITCA for making this great opportunity to compete available to our seniors at no cost to the athletes.

This is a terrific meet with stellar competition. Plan to attend with your younger athletes to see one of the best high school track meets in the Midwest. Tickets will be sold **online ONLY** at gofan.com. We need over 100 volunteers to make this event work. If interested, contact meet manager, Kim Spalsbury (517-927-2373 or <u>spalskrun@yahoo.com</u>)

Accommodations for spectators on Friday June 11 and/or Saturday June 12 are available with a group room rate at the Ameica's Best Inn (517-543-8288) in Charlotte (just 15 minutes north of Olivet on I-69). Reduced rates will also be available at select hotels in Marshall (15 min. south) and elsewhere in Charlotte. Check MITCA.org for lodging updates in the coming days. With your help, this can continue to be a great meet. Please do your part to help TEAM MICHIGAN!