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Ohio High School Cross Country Coaches,

On behalf of the OATCCC, I hope all of you are enjoying our 2018 cross country season!

Coaches need to be aware of an important policy included in the OHSAA 2018 Tournament Regulations. A full cross country team is defined by the number of runners who finish a race, not who start the race. A full team is defined as having FIVE runners FINISH the race.

In the OHSAA 2018 Cross Country Tournament Regulations, Section B 2.3, you will find the following:

2.3 Individuals Each boys and girls District Tournament will qualify individuals to a Regional Tournament based on the formula of four individuals for each team qualifying. For example: If three teams qualify, those individuals who finish in the top twelve positions will qualify; If four teams qualify, those individuals who finish in the top sixteen positions will qualify; If five teams qualify, those individuals who finish in the top twenty positions will qualify. A runner may qualify as a team member and as an individual.

Note: In the sport of cross country, team designation (used for determining scoring for the current year's tournament, advancement to the regional tournament and "team" participants in subsequent years' tournaments) shall NOT be the number of students entered into or beginning a district tournament, but rather the number of students from that particular school that FINISH the district tournament (i.e. a number of five) and score for their team.

The number of full teams that finish at the district meets in 2018 directly impacts the number of teams that qualify to the regional meets in subsequent years. Let's make every effort to have FIVE runners FINISH your District meet this season. This effort is for the good of our sport, which is a great sport!!

The OATCCC wishes you the best of luck this season and we thank you for coaching our student-athletes!

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