

# VANDERBILT

## TRACK & FIELD

## Outdoor Music City Challenge

### Tentative Meet Information

Friday-Saturday, May 1-2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

#### TEAM ENTRY/PAYMENT

- Entries open 04/01/26 and the deadline to submit is Monday, April 26th, at 1:00 PM Central Time. Payment and registration required via athletic.net by entry deadline. No late entries accepted.
- All entry marks must be verified on TFRRS (2025-2026 Indoor/Outdoor seasons). First-year students and those who do not have a performance from the current or previous year will be allowed to enter speculative marks. Verification will be under the discretion of meet management. Please provide any applicable notes to your TFRRS entry
- Entry **fee will be \$1,000 per team per gender or \$100 per individual for teams less than 14.**
- Only invited college teams and approved unattached athletes will be allowed to enter.
- Limitation of 3 entries per field event and 3 entries per running event. 2 Relays allowed per school.
- **ONLY top 42 marks will be accepted for certain Field Events.**

#### UNATTACHED ENTRIES

- All Unattached athletes should contact Coach Cameia Alexander at [cameia.alexander@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:cameia.alexander@vanderbilt.edu) for permission to enter. If approved, unattached athletes will be sent a link to Direct Athletics to enter.
- **Entry fee will be \$75 per unattached athlete, including unlimited events.**
- **Athletes with a verifiable Vanderbilt student ID/ Vanderbilt current proof of enrollment, entry fee will be waived with acceptance into the meet, with limited availability.** When requesting permission to enter, please provide the following:
  - § Name, gender, and event requesting to compete in
  - § Current level of education & proof of enrollment
  - § Verifiable marks for accurate seeding is highly recommended but not required
- Non-Vanderbilt unattached athletes must enter with a verifiable 2025 or 2026 performance. When requesting permission to enter, please provide the following:
  - § Name, gender, and event requesting to compete in
  - § Verifiable 2025 or 2026 performance
- All unattached requests will be notified if entry is accepted
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#### SPORTS MEDICINE

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- Please contact our Athletic Trainer, Nick Caporale, [nicholas.caporale@vumc.org](mailto:nicholas.caporale@vumc.org) for any medical or athletic training needs.

### **PARKING/WALKWAY TO FACILITY**

- Teams will drop off at the pathway between the outdoor facility and Football practice fields on Natchez Trace.
- Team buses will park in the metered parking spaces on Vanderbilt Place, which starts at the intersection of Vanderbilt Place and 28th Ave. S.
- Team vehicles (vans, SUVs, etc.) will park in the parking spaces behind the indoor facility. on Children's Way.
- Entrance to the outdoor facility, and warm up field will be by wristband only.
- Friday Only- Team buses/vehicles (vans, SUVs, etc.) will park in the metered parking spaces on Vanderbilt Place, which starts at the intersection of Vanderbilt Place and 28th Ave. S.
- Saturday- Vehicles will allowed utilize the combination Natchez trace lot adjacent to outdoor track as well as Vanderbilt Place
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### **PACKET PICK UP**

- Packet pickup will be available in the team camp area on the football practice fields.

### **PRACTICE/FACILITY HOURS**

- The outdoor track will be available for practice on Thursday evening 5-7pm.
- Please contact [lauren.rickert@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:lauren.rickert@vanderbilt.edu) and [tyler.s.clarke@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:tyler.s.clarke@vanderbilt.edu) if you need access to the weight room. Access is on an available basis.

### **TEAM CAMPS**

- Team Camp area will be announced the week of the meet.
- No team camps on the infield of track. This includes individuals or small groups of individuals sitting in the infield or around the jumps area. Anyone who is not actively participating/and or competing will be asked to leave track and go to the bleachers or team camp area on football practice fields.
- Please limit food items to team camp areas and not be transported to the outdoor track facility.

### **WARMUP**

- Athletes should warm-up in designated warmup areas

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- Hurdles and blocks will be available at the designated warm-up areas.
- Hurdles and blocks will be available on the track at specified times for upcoming events.
- Specific details will be provided once the final schedule is available.
- No warmups permitted on the outdoor track infield due to caution of field events.

### ALLOWABLE SPIKES

- One quarter inch, pyramid spikes are the only spikes allowed. Needle or Christmas tree spikes are not permitted.

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### IMPLEMENT WEIGH-IN

- Expect to open 2 hours prior to first throws event start time and closes 30 min. before scheduled start time (implements will be retained and brought to the event venue at this time)
- Locations (See Meet Flow Map for locations)
  - Hammer, Shot, & Discus implement weigh in will be in the west corner of the Throws field
  - Javelin Implement weigh in will be at the southeast corner of the at the outdoor track near track shed

### CLERKING

- **Running Events:** All athletes are to check in for their event at the clerking table no later than 30 minutes prior to their event, with their spikes in hand. Further, all athletes are to report to the clerk at the designated event no later than 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. Adherence to these instructions is important to maintain the meet schedule.
- Failure to report on time may result in the athlete being scratched from the event.
- Note: Report known scratches to the clerking table in advance.
- **Field Events:** check-in with your specific event venue no later than 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start.

### FINAL SCHEDULE/HEAT SHEETS/PROGRESSIONS

- The final schedule will be updated once entries close and additional entry requests are accepted or denied. Final Schedule will post no later than 8pm on **Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**.
- Heat sheets will post Thursday night and will indicate who will compete in open/unseeded or invite/seeded sections.
- Progressions will be sent out the week of the meet following entry deadlines.

### SPECTATORS:

- Entry Fee: \$10 admission; 2 and under free
- Park for free in the 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. garage through the Highland Ave. entrance on floors 8-10, in any non-reserved spaces
- **ATTENTION:** Vanderbilt University has adopted a new clear bag policy for all home athletics contests. This policy will be enforced for all spectators.

### UPDATES

- Please continue to check <https://vucommadores.com/home-meet-info/> for any updates on meet information, parking and/or schedule



## QUESTIONS

- Please contact Cameia Alexander at [cameia.alexander@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:cameia.alexander@vanderbilt.edu) for any questions about meet entries.
- Please contact Lauren Rickert at [lauren.rickert@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:lauren.rickert@vanderbilt.edu) for any facility and credential needs/questions.
  - Please also refer to Visiting Team Guide sent to invited teams.
- Please contact Allison Witt [awitt@curatedevents.com](mailto:awitt@curatedevents.com) with Curated Events Nashville for any tent rental needs prior to the meet. CuratedEvents.com

