

Monta Vista Track Team 2018
Monta Vista League Home Meet Vs. Homestead
Tuesday, April 25, 2018

"Grit is sticking with your future—day in, day out, not just for a week, not just for a month, but for years—and working really hard to make that future a reality."

-Angela Duckworth

Transportation

Guess what—all you have to do is walk out to the track!

Location & Start

Our track! 3:30pm—scheduled meet start. All team members have been scheduled for early release at 2:15pm to give you time to get dressed, get out to the track and warm up.

Meet Overview

This is our last track meet of the year! And with a 3-way meet, this meet will have a lot of energy. You will have good competition. Homestead has not lost too many divisions so far this season. [Senior recognition will start at 3:15 before the meet begins.](#)

A couple things to remember: You must stay clear of the start/finish area, especially clear of the camera area – if you kick the tripod, the meet stops for 15 minutes to re-align it. Don't look over the timer's shoulder, live results will be available on-line. (But DO go by and say thank-you to Hank Lawson for timing our meet, without him we would not have FAT results!) Do not cross the start/finish line (unless you are racing!) since it's a motion sensor camera.

PLEASE READ THE SCHEDULE SO THAT YOU KNOW WHEN YOUR EVENT IS RUN!

3 Things Your Coach Would Like You to Focus on at During this Meet

1. **Put it all together:** You have been training for 3 months now, and now it's time to use what you have learned! You've experimented with different race strategies and preparation/warm up strategies; now do what you think will serve you best for your competition today and next week at Leagues.
2. **Positive Mental Attitude:** Remember that "***This is a GREAT day to race!***" Say this out loud when you are heading to the starting line (or the jump pit!). Get your head into a space where you are ready to compete your best. We should finally have great track weather this week—we should be running and jumping out of our skins! Put aside any negative thoughts, be positive!
3. **Demonstrate that Monta Vista values our community:** We will have many parents, Octagon students and teachers volunteering at our meet, and we can't do this without them. Please thank at least one of the teachers, kids or parents for volunteering. It would be very gracious to say 'thank you'—even if you don't know the teachers personally, this is a great time to introduce yourself!

Talent doesn't make you gritty. Our data shows very clearly that there are many talented individuals who simply do not follow through on their commitments. In fact in our data, grit is usually unrelated to measures of talent.

-Angela Duckworth

Notes

- You MUST be **marked with your ID number** before the start of the meet! **Know your ID number!**
- You must wear your school uniform!
- Get to bed early the night before! Let's say, be in bed at 10pm. You can still get your homework done—but there is probably no time for updating Facebook! ☺
- Bring a bottle for water.
- Eat well! Have a good breakfast – I like a banana, toast, and some protein such as peanut or almond butter, orange juice. A lot of people like oatmeal with some raisins and nuts. For lunch, something healthy and not too heavy; maybe a turkey sandwich on whole-wheat bread, peanut/almond butter and jam sandwich (it's not just for kids!), or a pasta salad, a carrot, and some fruit (a banana is good!) and an oatmeal cookie. Maybe a big rice bowl with veggies and fish or chicken. A corn dog from the school cafeteria and Flaming Hot Cheetos is a horrible idea! Whatever you eat, write your menu down; afterwards, if you have a good race, you might want to repeat this routine. If you don't run very well, maybe this menu is something to think about changing.
- Bring a snack for after you are done competing. A mix of protein and carbs are good, such as a peanut butter and jam sandwich, or nuts and a piece of fruit, or perhaps a good health bar.
- Check the weather report to figure out what clothes to bring! Have dry clothes for after the race.
- You are responsible for arranging how to travel to and from the meet!

Don't forget to pack

- Your school issued uniform.
- Running shoes, spikes, extra spikes, spike wrench or throwing shoes. Check and change your spikes the night before! Don't get all agitated messing with spikes before the race.
- Warm up shoes and socks.
- Vaseline to lubricate spikes before screwing them into shoes.
- Extra clothing as needed.
- **Water** and water bottle!!! And food.
- Any medications you need.
- Hair ties.

Schedule

Bring this with you so you know when you will be running! Order is VGirls-VBoys-JVGirls-F-SBoys unless noted.

Listen for announcements, ESPECIALLY FOR FIELD EVENTS, as timing may change (and we may go open-pit)!

Times: we will be on a rolling schedule and we will move along as fast as we can! BE FLEXIBLE AND BE TOLERANT—and helpful!!!—with the volunteers running the meet!

Event	<u>Guess at Time</u>	Notes
400 Relay	3:30	Stay in lanes. VG - VB – JVG - F/S
1600	3:40	May combine heats. Curve line. VG - VB – JVG - F/S
110/65/100 Hurdles	4:00	VB-FS-VG-JVG
400	4:20	2-turn stagger. VG - VB – JVG - F/S
100	4:30	VG - VB – JVG - F/S
800	4:55	May combine heats. Curve line. VG - VB – JVG - F/S
300 Hurdles	5:10	VG - JVG - VB - F/S
200	5:30	VG - VB – JVG - F/S
3200	5:45	All divisions run together. FINISH IN LANE 4!!!
1600 Relay	6:00	JVG-FSB-VG-VB
High Jump	3:30	All high jumpers report at start to hear what the schedule will be. Standard order is JVG then VG-FS-VB, but we may combine divisions.
Shot	3:30	All boys report to shot at 3:30, will decide if we combine. Or VB-JVG-VG-FSB
Discus	3:30	All girls report to discus at 3:30, will decide if we combine. Or VB-JVG-VG-FSB
Long Jump	3:30	Open pit from 3:30 to 4:30 or when complete.
Triple Jump	3:30	Open pit from 4:30 to 5:30 or earlier if LJ is complete.

