



GILBERT PATERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Friday May 4, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians

We have just completed qualifications and on **Wednesday May 9th** your child will be participating in the annual Track and Field Meet. It is held at the **U of L Stadium on the west side** and we need all students at the track by **8:30 am sharp**. We need to assemble all students and give instructions for the morning. We are asking that parents/guardians drive their child to the Stadium. If you are not able to get them to the U of L Stadium on that morning we will have ONE bus available at the school to transport students. Seats are limited so we stress that you as parents/guardians take them and pick them up. We will also run ONE bus to bring back to the school at the conclusion of our track and field meet. Students will not be back to the school before 2 pm so if they are a bus student you will need to make alternate arrangements to be picked up at the school. The track and field meet will finish at approximately 2 pm that afternoon. You are welcome to pick your child up earlier, once their events have been completed. We ask that you make arrangements with your child to be picked up at the end of the meet and to have them tell Mr. Christiansen when they are leaving. Our regular school busses will not be picking them up at the U of L Stadium that day. Students will be told **not** to leave the venue unless they are perfectly clear on how they are getting home. Thank you for your assistance in this matter

Athletes have an option to bring a lunch with them, or money, as there will be a concession available at the stadium with a wide variety of food items. The lunch should include lots of fluids. Depending on the weather for that day please make sure your child is dressed appropriately and that proper preparations have been put in place especially if we are dealing with a hot day (UV protection, a hat, lots of water, bug spray etc.).

If we have to cancel the meet due to weather conditions, we will send out a phone message and email to families using our automated communication system. we will broadcast the cancellation on B93 and Country 95.5 early in the morning on Wednesday. Please check those messages and have the radio on if it is pouring rain outside. **If we cancel then we will have a normal day at school and the track and field meet will not be rescheduled due to track availability. The track and field team will be chosen from results compiled in Phys-Ed classes and/or eliminations we are able to hold before the LSAA meet.**

Attached is a schedule of events and approximate times. It is important to note that events may run ahead or behind schedule. It is also very important for you to note that we do not form our LSAA track and field team solely on the results we receive from the school track and field meet. We use the results from our Phys-Ed classes as well. We take pride in putting together the most effective team possible to compete at the LSAA level.

If you have questions please contact Mr. Christiansen at the school 329-0125. We are looking forward to an excellent event.

Mr. Christiansen - Principal / Gilbert Paterson Physical Education Department