

# Metro Dayton Track Coaches Association



Dear Coach,

Let me introduce us to you. We are your local Dayton Area Track Coaches Association, MDTCA. It was formed just two years ago by Wayne High School Head Coach Mike Fernandez and Centerville Men's Head Coach Matt Somerlot, as a way to recognize our sport, our student-athletes and to generate a coach's weekly poll.

Still in its infancy, the last two years we've had a weekly/bi-weekly polls, named all district teams and even hosted the first Junior Varsity Relay meet at Wayne last year. Well, when we brainstormed this in the beginning, we had every intention on having an all-star meet at the end of the school year. It took to this year to do it, but we feel it should form into a great end of the year meet for the graduating senior athlete.

What I'd like to do is to have you go ahead and nominate now, your senior athlete who you think will be a qualifier to this all-star meet. With it being the first year for it, we'd like to have somewhat an idea what to expect. After this year, we will keep with the due date, which is going to be the Monday after the District Finals. As all seasons go, you'll have several athletes that will surprise you and you didn't put their name or nominate them, that's okay, go ahead and contact us and we'll do what we can to get them in. Also, you may nominate someone now that ends up not running, or has a season ending injury or doesn't come out; we'll go ahead and adjust. The first year will be a trial and error, but I think if we go ahead and get some idea, it will at least help in the seeding process.

What we are asking, is that you join the association, which is the only way you can nominate your athlete to this meet. Attached is a membership form. My biggest push is to get more Division 2 and Division 3 schools involved, as they seem to be the hardest to contact.

Thanks for your time; I think you'll be pleased with the meet and the association. Please feel free to contact either Mike or Matt anytime if you'd like to become involved more with our association. We welcome all help and friendly advice.

Good luck this season,

Yours in track and field,

MDTCA  
Somerlot/Fernandez



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