



HIDALGO EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL "PIRATE XC RELAYS"



Coaches,

We would like to invite you to the 4th annual PIRATE XC RELAYS on Saturday August 15, 2026! We will only be accepting a maximum of 9-10 teams (boys/girls) for this event.

Course: 1 mile loop that starts and finishes on the track. The course consists of grass, dirt, hills, and extremely minimal pavement.

Divisions: Each school will pair up runners in 4 separate divisions (JV Boys, JV Girls, Varsity Boys, Varsity Girls)

Race Format: Boys Varsity/JV races will be a 6 mile relay. Girls Varsity/JV races will be a 4 mile relay. Relay will be raced in 1 mile intervals. Example: Pair 1 Boy A will complete 1 mile and then hands off baton to Pair 1 Boy B and that boy will complete 1 mile. Cycle continues till each boy runs 3 miles to complete the 6 miles. Girls will do the same, however they will complete 4 miles.

Timing: Chip timing will capture finish time accumulated for each pair of runners. Coaches time their own mile splits. All pairs will be timed.

Scoring: Each school's top 3 pairs finish times will be totaled. The Boys/girls teams with the lowest total time combination (from their top 3 pairs) wins the overall race.

Race start times: 7:30 AM Varsity Girls 4-mile relay; Varsity Boys 6-mile relay begins immediately after girls relay concludes. JV girls will follow, and then JV boys will be last race.

Location: Hidalgo Early College High School-*Bill Pate Stadium 1312 E. Pirate Drive Hidalgo, TX 78557*

Facilities: Restrooms are available for athletes. Camp areas may be under bleachers or tent may be needed for open spaces. Athletic trainers will be on site. Water cows will be available.

Packet Pick Up: 6:30 – 7:25 AM

Registration/Entries: Submit entries by August 12th at 6:00 PM through email to running956@yahoo.com on provided excel spreadsheet. Varsity teams are ONLY allowed 4 pairs (8 total runners) and there is no limit for the JV division. Individual runners may participate with an athlete from another school to strive for the top 15 pair award IF they do not have a teammate from their home team.

Entry Fees: \$150 per team / \$300 per school or \$20 per athlete

Make checks payable to: Hidalgo ISD Athletic Department
910 East Pirate Drive
Hidalgo, TX 78557

Awards: 1. Overall Team champion trophy for girls and boys Varsity and JV divisions.
2. Top 15 pairs in the varsity AND JV divisions will receive custom medals.

Points of contact: For further information or questions please contact:

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