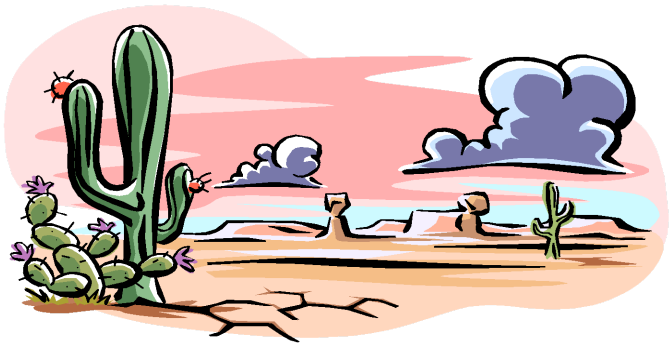
Saunders Montague Desert Classic 2024
Track and Field Invitational
Queen Creek Arizona
Friday March 1, 2024



Meet Program

Saunders Montague, of Gilbert passed away on August 5, 2012 he was 54 years old. Saunders was a loving husband and father. He coached all of his kids' sports teams through their early years, and then supported them as they continued their athletic careers. His athletic career began at Dysart High School where he excelled at basketball, football, and track, and was Student Body President. He went on to play football at University of Wyoming from 1976 – 1980. He was a man of faith and had a great love for his family. He was a leader both on the field and off. Saunders has always had a heart for helping troubled youth. His career began at Arizona Boys Ranch, where he had an impact on many lives for over 20 years. He moved on to Chandler School District, where he served at Hamilton High School, Basha High School, and most recently, as principal at Chief Hill Academy. Active in the church and his community, he co founded SBS, a basketball ministry for young men, more than 10 years ago. For many years he was the starter at all of our meets. He always kept our meets running smoothly and efficiently all the while being kind and helpful to the athletes. He was such a pleasure to work with, we wanted to honor him by naming the Desert Classic after him. Saunders' life has touched so many in so many different ways, he will be dearly missed, but will remain in our hearts forever.



Meet Directors – Darcey Whiting and Shaun Hardt

Teams

ALA Gilbert North	Buena	Cactus Shadows	Campo Verde
Casteel	Chandler	Combs	Desert Ridge
Eastmark	Gilbert	Hamilton	Higley
Liberty	Marcos De Niza	Maricopa	Mt. Pointe
Mt. Ridge	Mt View Mesa	North Canyon	Queen Creek
Sahuarita	Showlow	Skyline	Vista Gr ande

Walden Grove Westwood Williams Field

Dear Track Coaches,
Welcome and thank you for participating in the 2024 Saunders Montague Desert Classic Track and Field Invitational. **This meet will be a state qualifying meet.**

Coaches Hospitality room – The hospitality room will be open for coaches from 1- 3pm for lunch. Each coach will receive a ticket for the hospitality room.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- **All tents and team camps must be set up on the practice field west of the stadium.**
- ***All non-participants and coaches must stay away from the finish line at all times during the meet. All participants are expected to stay in the stands. Warm-ups will only be allowed on the practice field west of the track. There will be hurdles there for hurdlers***.
- National Federation of State High School Association rules will be used. Coaches and spectators are to remain in the stands. A 1 point deduction from the team could be assessed for violations.
- If an athlete fails to report on the 3rd call, he/she will not be allowed to participate in that event.
- All Appeals are to the referee. Judgment calls cannot be appealed. The games committee will make any decision appealed past the referee.
- Athletes must compete in school uniform. Relay teams must wear identical uniforms and sweats are OK to wear. If the uniform is improper, the athlete may not be allowed to participate in the event.

Time Schedule	8:15 a.m.	Start Implement weigh-in - behind west bleachers by shot and discuss area
	8:20 a.m.	Coaches Meeting in West Stands South end.
	9:00 a.m.	Field events begin
	9:00 a.m.	Weigh-ins completed. No implements will be weighed after this time.
	9:00 a.m.	Running Events
	7:30 p.m.	Team Awards

Entries - Each team may enter 4 participants in each running event and 1 relay team. In the Field events each team can enter 3-participants. There will be no changes in entries the day of the meet .

Entries will be entered into Athletic.net.

A. The cost will be $200 for each boys and girls team or $ 400 for the school. Please make checks payable to **QUEEN CREEK ATHLETIC BOOSTERS** (**TRACK)** and mail to **PO Box 268, QUEEN CREEK AZ 85142**. PLEASE **do not** make checks out to Queen Creek High.
A. Entries must be entered through ***Athletic.net*** **before 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb 28, 2024.**
B. Each team may enter 4 participants in each running event and 1 relay team. In the Field events each team can enter 3 participants. There will be no changes in entries the day of the meet .
C. If entry fee or PO is not received by Feb 26th a late fee of $100 will be assessed.

Track Events

A. All running races will be timed finals . The heats will be seeded by entry times with the fastest times in the last heat or last flight in field events..
B. The Number of heats will depend on the number of qualified entries per event.
D. BullPen area: This will be located in the South end of the football field. All athletes will be required to report to the BullPen area to the Clerk of the Course. **No Heat adjustments will be made in the staging area**.
E. 800-1600-3200 meter men's and women's runs and relays will be run separately. Depending on the number of entries (1) to (2, 3, 4 or 5) heats will be run with the fastest times in the second or third heat depending on numbers. The number of runners in each heat can be changed at the Meet Director's discretion. Waterfall or Box alley start will be used.
F. 1600m relay will use a 3 turn stagger.

Field Events

A. Shot, Discus and Javelin
    1. Participants will be placed in 3 flights with the best flight competing last. The participants will compete in order with the individual best mark competing last.
    2. Each athlete will get 3 preliminary throws. The top 9 will advance to the finals where they will get 3 more throws.
    3. The first throw will be measured and then only attempts over the following distances will be measured

        Men's Shot - 34' Women's Shot - 24'
        Men's Discus - 90' Women's Discus - 65'
        Men's Javelin – 110' Women's Javelin – 70'
    4. Each school will need to provide their own implements. Implements must be weighed in before 9:00 a.m.
B. Long and Triple Jump
    1. A flight system will be used. Athletes must jump within the flight assigned. If an athlete needs to leave to compete in another event they must check out with the event judge.
    2. The boards for the triple jump are at 24', 28', 34' and 40' from the sand. No other boards will be taped down. The long jump board is 6' from the sand.
    3. Each participant will receive 3 preliminary attempts. The top 9 will advance to the finals. The first attempt will be measured and then only jumps over the following distances will be measured.

        Boys Long Jump - 17' Girls Long Jump 14'
        Boys Triple Jump - 35' Girls Triple Jump 27'

C. Pole Vault and High Jump – As heights approach qualifying standards heights will be adjusted to match.
    1. Men's Pole Vault will start at 9' w/ 6"raises to 13' and then 3"raises.
    2. Women's Pole Vault will start at 7' w/ 6"raises to 10' and then 3" raises.
    3. Men's High Jump will start at 5'4" w/ 2" raises to 6' and then 1" raises. The 3 alive method will be used.
    4. Women's High Jump will start at 4'2" w/ 2" raises to 5' and then 1" raises. The 3 alive system will be used. The starting heights may be changed at the discretion of the meet director.

Scoring - The top 8 places will score. Scoring will be 10-8-6-5-4-3-2-1 ***Awards -*** Medals will be given to the top 4 finishers in each event and to the top 3 teams in relay events. A trophy will be given to the top 3 Women's teams and top 3 Men's teams.

Field Events

Boys Triple Jump
Flight 1 - 9:00–9:45
Flight 2 - 10:00–10:30
Flight 3 – 10:45–11:15
Finals – 11:30–12:00*

Girls Triple Jump
Flight 1 - 1:00 – 1:30
Flight 2 - 1:45 – 2:15
Flight 3 – 2:30 – 3:00
Finals – 3:15 – 4:00

Girls Long Jump
Flight 1 - 9:00 – 9:45
Flight 2 - 10:00 – 10:30
Flight 3 – 10:45 – 11:15
Flight 4 – 11:30 – 12:00
Finals 12:15 – 12:45*

Boys Long Jump
Flight 1 - 1:30 – 2:00
Flight 2 - 2:15 – 2:45
Flight 3 – 3:00 – 3:30
Flight 4 – 3:45 – 4:15
Finals 4:30– 5:00*

Girls Shot Put
Flight 1 - 9:00 –9:45
Flight 2 - 10:00 –10:30
Flight 3 - 10:45 –11:15
Flight 4 - 11:30 –12:00
Flight 5 - 12:15 –12:45
Finals 1:00 – 1:30*

Boys Shot Put
Flight 1 - 1:45 – 2:15
Flight 2 - 2:30 – 3:00
Flight 3 – 3:15 – 3:45
Flight 4 – 4:00 – 4:30
Flight 5 – 4:45 – 5:15
Finals 5:30 – 5:45*

Boys Discus
Flight 1 - 9:00 – 9:45
Flight 2 - 10:00 – 10:30
Flight 3 – 10:45 – 11:15
Flight 4 – 11:30 – 12:00
Flight 5 – 12:15 – 12:45
Finals 1:00 – 1:30*

Girls Discus
Flight 1 - 1:45 – 2:15
Flight 2 - 2:30 – 3:00
Flight 3 – 3:15 – 3:45
Flight 4 – 4:00 – 4:30
Flight 5 – 4:45 – 5:15
Finals 5:30 – 5:45*

Girls Javelin
Flight 1 - 9:00 – 9:45
Flight 2 - 10:15 – 10:45
Flight 3 – 11:00 – 11:30
Flight 4 – 11:45 – 12:15
Finals 12:30– 1:00*

Boys Javelin
Flight 1 - 1:30 – 2:00
Flight 2 - 2:15 – 2:45
Flight 3 – 3:00 – 3:30
Flight 4 – 3:45 – 4:15
Finals 4:30 – 5:00*

Pole vault
Girls 9:00 a.m.
Boys 12:00 p.m.

High Jump
Girls 9:00 a.m
Boys, 1:00 p.m.

Note* Tentative Times. We will run ahead of schedule if we can — All Finals will take place 10 minutes after the conclusion of the last flight.

Running Events - Tentative

All Finals

Girls	3200m Heat 1 or 2	9:00 AM
Boys	3200m Heat 1 or 2	9:30 AM
Girls	4x800 relay 2 Heats	10:00AM
Boys	4x800 relay 2 Heats	10:25 AM
Girls	100 HH	10:50 AM
Boys	110 HH	11:15 AM
Girls	100m	11:40 AM
Boys	100m	12:05 PM
Girls	1600 Heats 1, 2, 3	1:30 PM
Boys	1600 Heats 1, 2, 3	2:00 PM
Girls	4 X 100 Heats 1,2,3	2:30 PM
Boys	4 X 100 Heats 1,2,3	2:45 PM
Girls	400m Run	3:10 PM
Boys	400m Run	3:35 PM
Girls	300m Hurdles	4:00 PM
Boys	300m Hurdles	4:25 PM
G/B	800m Run Heat 1-5 Depending on numbers	4:50 PM
Girls	200m	5:30 PM
Boys	200m	5:55 PM
G/B	3200m (Fast Heat)	6:20 PM
Girls	1600m Relay Heats 1, 2, 3	6:50 PM
Boys	1600m Relay Heats 1, 2, 3	7:10 PM

Done at 7:30 P.M. WE HOPE. All Times are approximate **we will run ahead of schedule** if we can!!!