

Welcome to the Tigres Parent Information Meeting

February 3, 2025





Questions

- Please wait until the end of the presentation for general questions
- There will be breakout team meetings at the end of the general presentation



2025 Board Members

Coaches Coordinator/Head Coach - Ryan Nation
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Non-Board Member Position
Timing/Finish Line - Erin Sap

Welcome to the 2025 Season

- Established in 1976 49th Anniversary of Tigres
- 100% volunteer run organization
- Tigres is 1 of 12 active clubs in the Ventura County Youth Track Conference (VCYTC) https://www.vcytc.org

Camarillo Cosmos

Gold Coast Spartans (Oxnard)

Heritage Valley Blazers (Fillmore)

Moorpark Striders

Newbury Park Panthers

Ojai Roadrunners

Oxnard Stars

Santa Barbara Island Foxes **

Simi Valley Running Rebels **

Thousand Oaks Flyers

United Track (Westlake)**

Ventura Tigres

Let's make 2025 the best year yet!



Thank You Buena

Tigres appreciates the partnership with Buena High School

- Share facilities and equipment
- Encouraging athletes to help coach
- ALWAYS advocating for Tigres

Let's be respectful and take care of their track!



Communication

- TILES
- Website is the hub of all communication
 - All information posted to the Tigres website (both club wide and coaches updates)
 - Then sent to <u>Email, Facebook & Twitter</u>
- Sign up for updates
 - All email addresses used to sign up already entered
 - Click on the STAY UPDATED <u>https://www.venturatigres.org/stay-updated/</u>
 - Enter your email address, and select General Tigres Alerts
 - Check each age group in which you have children participating

venturatigres.org



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twitter.com/venturatigres



Club Wide & Coach News Updates

Enter your email address below and select "General Tigres Alerts" & each age group your children are in to receive all updates as they get posted.

Email Address

Age Groups

□ General Tigres Alerts

8U (Gremlin)

9-10 (Bantam)

11.12 (Midget)

13-14 & 15-16 (Yth/Intermediate)

Subscribe



If You Have Concerns...

Head Coach - Ryan Nation - headcoach@venturatigres.org

- 8U (Gremlins) <u>8U@venturatigres.org</u>
- 10U (Bantams) 10U@venturatigres.org
- 12U (Juniors) <u>12U@venturatigres.org</u>
- 14U/16U (Youth/Intermediate) <u>vouth@venturatigres.org</u>

Tigres Board - <u>board@venturatigres.org</u>

 We are here to help make this the best experience possible for all!

General questions or questions about canceling registration, uniforms, meet results, directions to meets, etc.?

 Please use the contact page at venturatigres.org and use the subject drop down so your message gets properly routed.



Parent & Athlete Conduct

- Exhibit and encourage good sportsmanship
- Demonstrate positive support for all athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers
- Use of profanity, verbal, or physical harassment towards officials, staff, coaches, other spectators or athletes, is not be permitted and will not be tolerated



Divisions & Teams

- Divisions follow USATF age groups which are defined by birth year, not school grade
 - 8U (Gremlin): 2017 2018
 - 10U (Bantam): 2015 2016
 - 12U (Junior): 2013 2014
 - 14U (Youth): 2011 2012
 - 16U (Intermediate): 2009 2010
 - 18U (Young): 2007 2008
- Athletes will compete against other athletes in their same division
 - In some situations divisions and/or genders are combined in the distance events for expediency



Practice: Overview

- Schedule https://www.venturatigres.org/practice/
 - No school, no practice (based on VUSD calendar)
- Drop Off & Pick Up
 - Do not pull into the back gate behind track.
 - Please pick up on time!
- Clothing & Equipment
 - Athletic clothing that's youth appropriate (no swear words, etc.)
 - Shirts must be worn at all times (boys and girls)
 - Running shoes are required
 - Spikes can be used at coach's discretion (12U+)
- Practice Cancelation Policy
 - Determined by head coach of each team

Only athletes and coaches are allowed on the track



Practice: Attendance

- If attending practice, participation is required
 - Your best effort is expected at every practice
 - Rude or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated
- You must practice with your team
- Don't attend practice if sick or injured
- No need to notify coaches if you are going to miss practice

You get out what you put in.

Personal track coaches are not allowed at practices



Practice: Specialties

- Supplemental training focused on specific skills and disciplines
- All athletes are encouraged to try out
- Great opportunity for non-runners
- Additional benefits
 - Cross training
 - Extra event at meets (HJ/LJ/SP)
 - Great for building friendships, particularly across divisions

Practice: Weekly Schedule

Monday/Wednesday, 4:30 - 6:00 pm

 10U (Bantams), 12U (Juniors), and 14U/16U (Youth/Intermediate)

Tuesday/Thursday, 4:30 - 5:45 pm

• 8U (Gremlins) practice

Tuesday/Thursday - Specialty Practices

- 10U, 12U, and Y/I
- Session 1 4:30pm to 5:15pm
- Session 2 5:15pm to 6:00pm

Specialty practices are optional, but highly encouraged



Practice: Special Dates

We will not have practices on the following dates:

- Monday, Feb. 10th VUSD Holiday
- Monday, Feb. 17th VUSD Holiday
- March 24-28th VUSD Spring Break
- Wednesday, April 2nd Buena Track Meet
- Wednesday, April 9th Buena Track Meet



Meets - Event Signups

- Athletes are encouraged to try all events
- Athletes sign up for their own events
- 8U through 14U may participate in a maximum of four events, with a maximum of three running events.
- 16U+ athletes may participate in a maximum of four events
- 4x400 relay is "free" for all divisions
- Over-eventing will result in DQs



Meets - Event Options

Running Events

- 3200M Run**
- 100M Hurdles^^
- 80M Hurdles^
- 4×100M Relay
- 1600M Run

- 400M Dash
- 100M Dash
- 800M Run
- 200M Dash
- 4x400M Relay*

Field Events

- Long Jump
- High Jump*
- Shot Put*

* 10U+ Divisions ** 12U+ Divisions ^^ 14U+ Divisions ^ 12U Division

Order of events is important when signing up for events



Meets - Relays

Participation

- Open to all athletes
- Only event that <u>REQUIRES</u> signing up prior to meet day
- Relay specialty practice highly encouraged

Expectations

- · Be reliable
- Understand there is some complexity
- Top teams are competitive

Post Season

One relay per division/gender runs varsity



- Participation in meets is not required
- Each age division/team may have a different policy with their relay teams

Personal track coaches are not allowed at meets



Meets - Race Day

- Start at 8:30 am and usually end before 2:30 pm
 - 8U start warm-ups at 8am and start their long jump at 8:15am
- Food is generally available food trucks, Kona Ice, etc.
- If using sun shades/tents, please move high up in bleachers so as not to block views
- Be gracious guests and hosts



Meets - Race Day

- Athletes must wear Tigres issued singlet and any black shorts when competing
- Bring water, snacks, sunscreen, etc.
- Things NOT allowed on the track:
 - Food or drinks other than water (volunteers included)
 - Devices
 - Parents/Family
- Results posted after meets on <u>Athletic.net</u>



Meets - Postseason

VCYTC JV West - May 3rd @ Ventura

All athletes qualify for JV

VCYTC Varsity - May 10th @ Newbury Park

- Laned Events Top 9
- Distance Events (800M, 1600M, 3200M) Top 12
- Field Events Top 9 (including ties)
- Relays (4x100M and 4x400M) TBD



Volunteering - Overview

Volunteering is what makes Tigres function. It takes a tremendous amount of work to organize volunteers.

- Tigres is responsible for all volunteer roles at home meets, PLUS some roles at JV & Varsity meets
- Shifts are ½ meet (AM or PM), ~ 3 hours
- Help train new volunteers if you're a veteran



Volunteering - Shifts

- 5 shifts are required to earn priority status
- > 5 shifts earns Super Priority status
 - Early registration
 - First choice of volunteer role for next season
- < 5 shifts moves you to the bottom of the waiting list
- Varsity participation requires that your 5 shift minimum has been met

We are ALL volunteers. If everyone works together and holds up their end, it will be a great season!

Volunteering - Home Meets

- Shifts are based on your selected volunteer position.
- You will be reminded about your shifts via text or email based on your preferred contact method in the app.
- Responsibility is on the volunteer to make arrangements if you can't fill a shift.
 - Volunteer alternates need to be 18+
- Sign In/Sign Out is mandatory and VERY important. Not signing out may mean no credit for your shift

Volunteers are required to participate at Practice Meet on March 1, 2025



Amber Weir

Amy Aguiar

Andi Metzler

Basia Deboer

Beth Belk

Brenda Usery

Brian Guevara

Charne Huff

Chris Kuebler

Christian Contreras

Christine Weber

Christopher Dunne

Dave Gilbert

David Young

Derek Swafford

Diana Neathery

Dianne Fergus

Dominka Montgomery

Dustin Allison

Edward Mitchell

Elijah Willis

Ellie Windsor

George Keiaho

Griselda Soriano

Han Hanjoyo

Hanh Tran

Ivonne Watkins

Janine Jackson

Jared Kuebler

Jason Daw

Jason Griffith

Jeremy Patelzick

Jorge DeLeon

Justin Quan

Justin Werth

Katie Biller

Katie Duran

Kelly Nicely

Kelly Vergeer

Kristin Daw

Lacie Tarrant

Leah Kahler

Lisa Baier

Lizzy Isbell



Lori Figueroa

Marcell Brickey

Mari Brookshire

Marjory Doimas

Megan Wagner

Melissa Bush

Michelle Burd

Miguel Galindo

Miguel Hernandez

Mike Chapman

Mike Oesterle

Molly Brennan

Nell Papavasiliou

Nick Parazoo

Nikki Ledford

Omar Solis

Patrick Brown

Patrick Neiggemann

Rachel Dittmar

Richelle Bart

Rosanna Kirkendall-Azer

Ryan Casey

Ryan Kaiser

Ryan Meuse

Ryan Nation

Ryan Stepp

Scott Weir

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Stephen Isbell

Stephen Svoboda

Steve Baier

Steve Hongola

Sumita Lall

Susan Henson

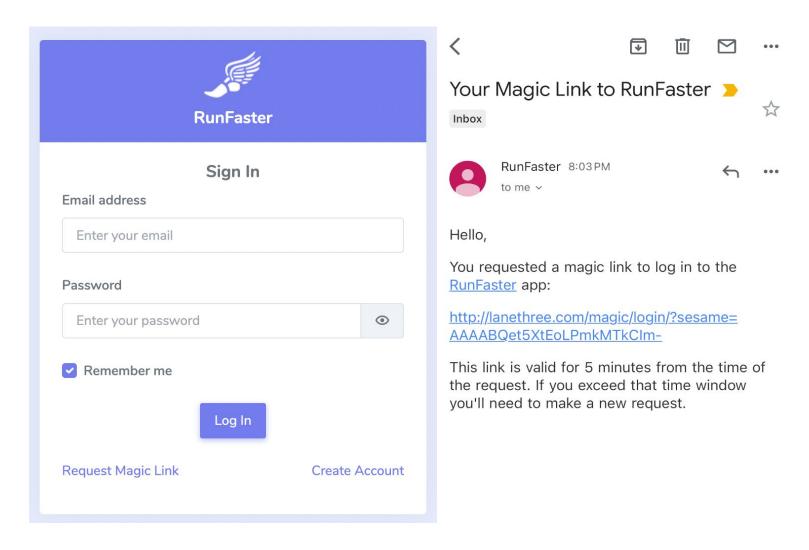
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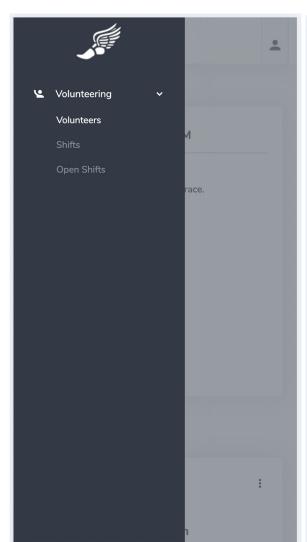


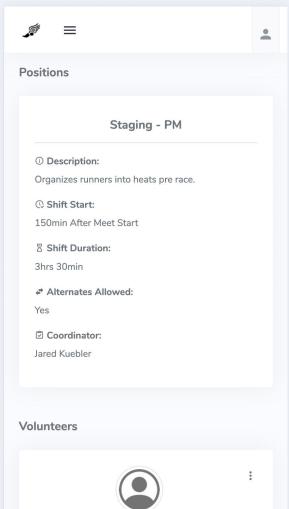
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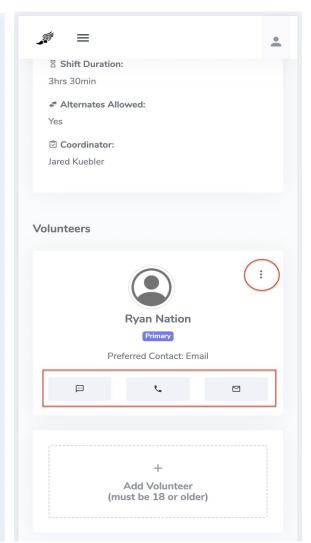


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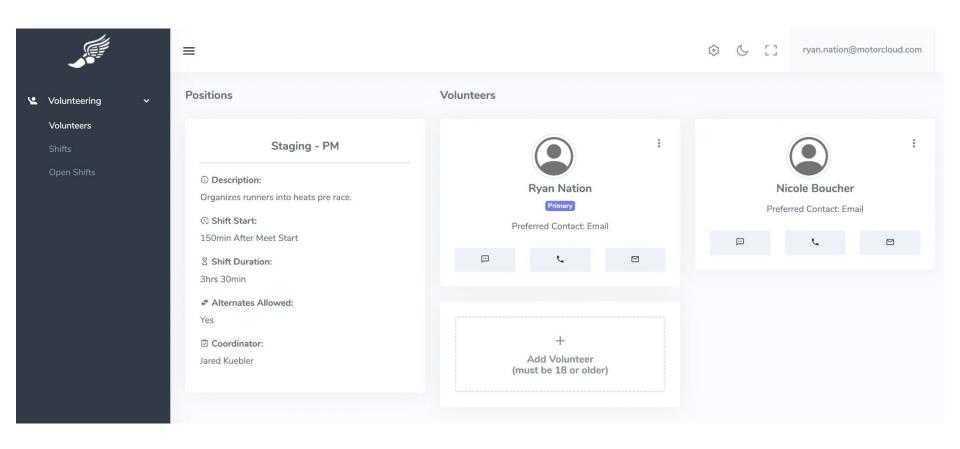


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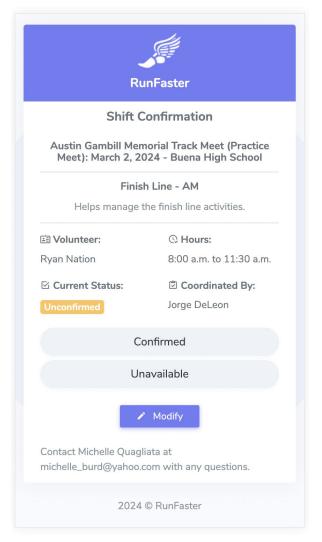


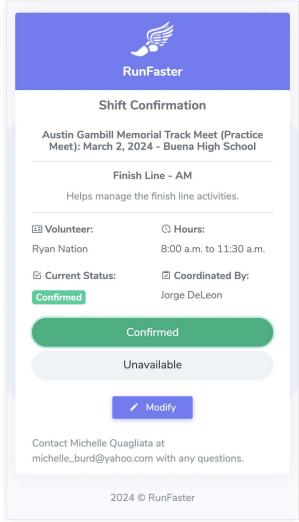


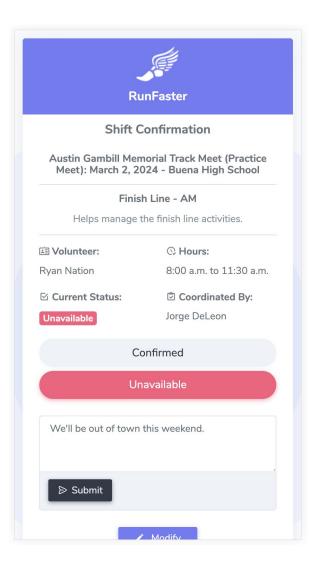
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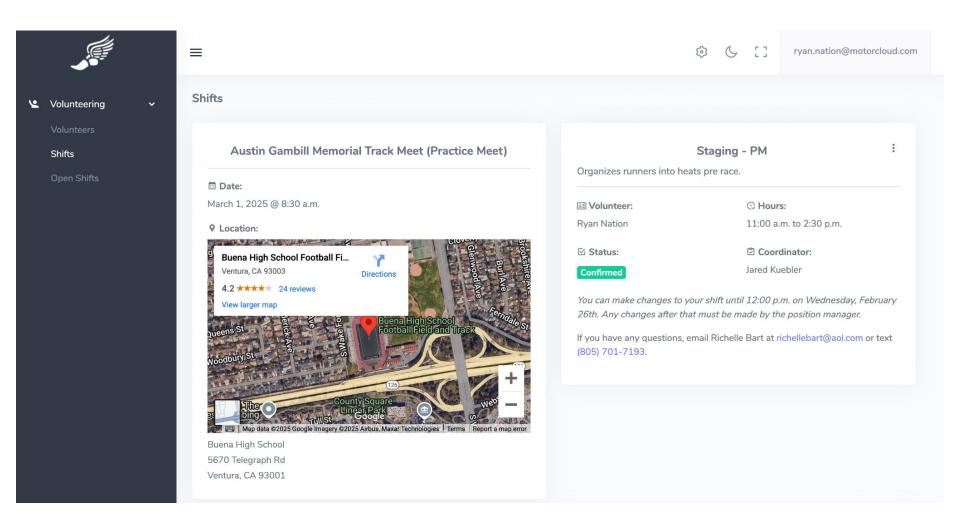




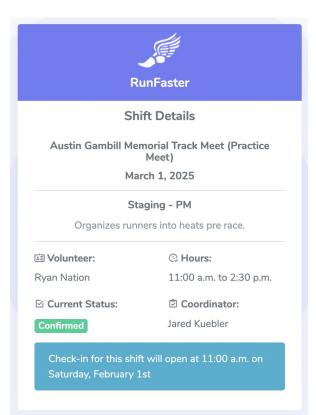


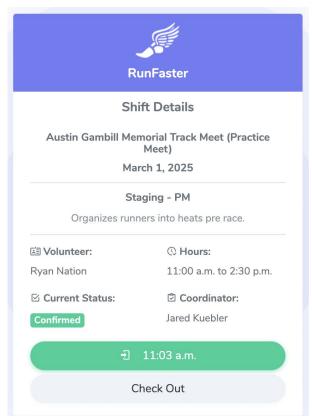


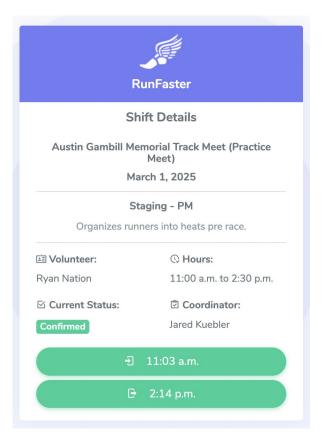
RunFaster - Shifts













Registration

Refunds

- Partial refunds (50%) of fees (minus a processing fee) are available from Tuesday, Feb. 4 until Friday, Feb. 21.
- After Friday, Feb. 21, Tigres is unable to provide refunds
- After Feb. 21 rosters are frozen and athletes cannot be replaced by waitlist athletes
- Please be considerate of the waitlist if not participating

New Athletes Age Verification

- Email a copy of the athlete's birth certificate to registration@venturatigres.org
- No competing without age verification



Uniforms / Merchandise

Singlets

- Must be worn to race
- Price: \$30

Shorts

- Any black shorts are ok
- Price: \$20

Team Merchandise

Various items will be sold at home meets



Uniforms / Merchandise

Distribution

- Uniforms will be distributed at practices
- Uniform Distribution Days 4:30-6:00 pm
 Tuesday, February 18 and Wednesday, February 19
 Tuesday, February 25 and Wednesday, February 26



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Most important things for a youth track athlete:

- Listen to your body and do the small things (ice, core, sleep, nutrition)
- Shoes Get a comfortable running shoe.
- Mobility is important. Use a foam roller or massage device to work on your mobility every day.

Footwear Rules of Thumb

- For training shoes you want between a half and a full thumbs width from the end of your big toe to the end of the shoes when standing up (weight bearing).
- For spikes or waffles you want about half a thumbs width.
- Entry level all-around spikes (typically middle distance or distance spikes that have a midsole...\$60 to \$80) work the best for most youth track athletes. They offer more protection and have a reasonable price tag. For the more advanced athlete event specific competition shoes (\$90+) are worth considering.
- Comfort is King. Get in something that works with your body, not against it.
- At younger ages choosing a shoe based on biomechanics is generally not important unless the athlete has major foot problems.

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Gear will be made to order.

Order by February 26th.

Gear will be delivered to practice on or before March 13th.



Order Team Gear starting Monday, Feb 10th at www.Mile26RunningCo.com/Ventura-Tigres

+10% OF EVERYTHING IN THE STORE.

JUST MENTION YOU ARE WITH THE TIGRES

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Christopher Kuebler Christopher Dunne Katie Duran

Rosanna Kirkendall-Azer Ryan Meuse



Charne Huff
Christian Contreras
Christine Webber
George Keiaho
Janine Jackson

Jeff Evans
Joe Stewart
Marcell Brickey
Nate Jenkins
Simon Balderas



Beth Belk

Brenna Huhn

David Gilbert

David Young

Dominka Montgomery

Elijah Willis

Han Hanjoyo

Leah Kahler

Lori Figueroa

Maria Mellein

Melissa Ruiz

Ryan Stepp

Stacy Hebert

Stephen Isbell



Amber Weir
Audrey Cunningham
David Hampton
Derek Swafford
Jason Daw

Justin Benton Kristin Daw Mollie Benton Molly Brennan Ryan Kaiser



2025 Specialty Coaches

Sean Feeney Head Specialty Coach

Hurdles

Ryan Nation

Long Jump

David Hamilton Stephen Svoboda

Shot Put

Jeremy Patelzick
Cliff Montgomery
Edward Mitchell
Justin Werth

Strength

Dorothy DeGuzman George Keiaho

High Jump

Ryan Muese

Relay/Speed Development

Jason Daw Kristin Daw Sean Feeney Derek Swafford



Questions?



Division Breakouts

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Thank You For Coming!