



## CALENDAR NEWS RELEASE

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**FORT VANCOUVER IS SITE FOR  
2011 NAIA CROSS COUNTRY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
*More than 750 North American student athletes to participate in races*

**What:** For the third consecutive year, more than 750 student athletes from the U.S. and Canada will gather at Fort Vancouver National Historic Site to compete in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Cross Country National Championships. The Cascade Collegiate Conference and Concordia University are hosting the event.

Fort Vancouver has a long history of hosting cross country events dating back to 2001 when it was selected as the site for the USA Men's and Women's National Championships/World Cross Country Trials. The Fort Vancouver course is a rolling, European-style layout consisting of two kilometer loops on grass. The moderately challenging course features sections of flat, uphill and downhill grades, providing the necessary variation expected in a national championship competition.

**When:** Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011  
10:30 a.m. – men's race  
11:45 a.m. – women's race

**Where:** Fort Vancouver National Historic Site  
1001 E. Fifth St.  
Vancouver, Wash. 98664

**More Info:** For more information, visit [www.cascadeconference.org](http://www.cascadeconference.org) or [www.VisitVancouverUSA.com](http://www.VisitVancouverUSA.com)

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