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## East Lansing Primed to Host 900 Athletes for DIII Men's and Women's Cross Country Pre-National Meet October 1

**LANSING, Mich.**— The Greater Lansing Sports Authority and Olivet College are excited to announce the 2022 DIII Men's and Women's Cross Country Pre-National Meet will take place at Forest Akers East Golf Course on Saturday, October 1.

“We are very excited to host the Pre-National cross country meet alongside the Greater Lansing Sports Authority,” said Karen Lutzke, Head Cross Country Coach at Olivet College. “Forest Akers East Golf Course has been the home of many cross country meets over the years. The course will not only be great for the runners but also for spectators who want to come and watch.”

The event will bring 80 men's and women's teams from more than 40 colleges across the nation. Approximately 900 athletes will compete at Forest Akers East on October 1 to preview the 2022 NCAA DIII Men's and Women's Cross Country National Championship Course. The National Championship will take place later this season on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

“The Greater Lansing community is thrilled to host this event and to welcome participating athletes from across the country,” said Meghan Ziehmer, Associate Director for the GLSA. “We're equally excited to welcome qualifying athletes back for the NCAA National Championships in November and to showcase why Lansing was a great choice for both of these events.”

To track updated news and information about the event, visit: <http://www.lansingsports.org/2022-ncaa-cross-country>. For more information about the GLSA, visit [www.lansingsports.org](http://www.lansingsports.org).

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*The Greater Lansing Sports Authority (GLSA) is a division of the Greater Lansing Convention and Visitors Bureau. The GLSA's mission is to be the leading voice of sports tourism in the Greater Lansing area and to promote economic growth by attracting a diverse range of sporting events to the region. The GLSA will strive to enhance the quality of life for area residents through the development of local sports and fitness programs for all ages, and to support the continued development and maintenance of safe, high-quality athletic facilities.*