**JP BOTHA JF-ATHLETICS MEETING**
**SATURDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2026**

25 August, 2026

The Athletics Organiser

Jim Fouché Athletics warmly invites your athletics team to our annual inter-school meeting on 17 October 2026. The meeting will take place at the Free State Athletics Stadium (Mangaung Athletics Stadium) and will be a morning-afternoon event starting at 07:00 and ending at approximately 15:30.

Please take note of the following general arrangements and information:

**1. RESPONSE TO INVITATION**

Please complete the following Google form to indicate whether you will attend the meeting or not: https://forms.gle/uEbMauo9zd31fdfVA. **Kindly complete the form on or before 30 September 2026.**

**2. PROGRAM**

The program is attached.

**3. LIST OF OFFICIALS**

We would greatly appreciate it if you could make officials available for us. In the previously mentioned Google form, you will find space to indicate the officials.

**4. PARTICIPATION**

**4.1 Age groups:**

**Athletes will compete in the 2027 age group.** Primary schools that accept the invitation will have their 13-year-old athletes compete in the 14-year-old age group, which includes athletes who will be 14 years old on 31 December 2027. An athlete may only participate in one age group. There is no limit to the number of athletes per event. Please ensure that athletes compete in the correct age group. ID numbers and birth dates must be provided so we can verify that learners are registered in the correct age group. **Athletes must bring their ID documents or birth certificates to present at events and at the medal table to verify that they are correctly registered. If an athlete from a school participates in the wrong age group, we will be compelled to withdraw all athletes from that specific school. Please make sure that athletes are registered in the correct age group.**

**4.2 Registration of athletes:**

4.2.1 Both gates will be available for athlete entry.

4.2.2 All athletes must report 40 minutes before the scheduled start time of their event at the call room.

**4.3 No team manager or coach will be allowed on the track or field during the event.** This also includes athletes who are not participating at that time or have already completed their events. Only participating athletes and officials are allowed on the track.

**5. AWARDS**

Beautiful medals will be awarded to all first, second, and third places. Certificates are awarded for fourth to sixth place. Athletes can collect their medals/ certificates at the canopy where the first aid is located. **Athletes must show their ID document or birth certificate when collecting their medals.**

**6. REGISTRATIONS**

**Registration fees are R50 per athlete, payable at the gates. Admission for spectators is R50, also payable at the gates.** The registration form can be obtained from the jobaentries.co.za website. Please complete your registrations on or before 11 October 2026 at 18:00 as indicated on jobaentries.co.za. ID numbers are mandatory and must be fully completed. We kindly request that schools provide performance records; otherwise, we cannot conduct proper track seedings. It does not have to be a recent performance and can be from earlier in the season. PLEASE NOTE that no punctuation such as dots and commas should be used in performances, e.g., a 10,23 should simply be 1023.

**7. WITHDRAWALS AND CORRECTIONS**

All withdrawals and corrections must be made in advance. Corrections must ONLY be sent via email to jobaentries@gmail.com (no faxes, phone calls, WhatsApp, or SMS). The **deadline for withdrawals and corrections is Wednesday, 14 October at 18:00.** It is very disappointing when there are empty lanes due to athletes not showing up.

**8. RULES:**

ASA and WA rules will apply.

**9. FIELD ITEMS:**

Two attempts for everyone. The best eight will get another three attempts.

**10. TRACK EVENTS:**
Races are determined by placings and times.

**11. STARTING BLOCKS:**
Starting blocks will be provided.

**12. OFFICIALS' MEETING:**
All officials must report at 6:30 at the officials' room for an officials meeting and to receive the necessary drink and meal tickets. **Meal tickets are only for officials.**

**13. CONTACT:**
Team managers can contact the Athletics Organiser for any further inquiries. No official meeting will be held. Team lists for verification will be emailed to you.

**14. RESULTS:**
Results will be emailed to the organisers after the event.

**15. AGE GROUPS:**
Participation is in 2027 age groups:
B14 / G14: Born in 2013
B15 / G15: Born in 2012
B16 / G16: Born in 2011
B17 / G17: Born in 2010
B19 / G19: Born in 2009

**16. REFRESHMENTS:**
All officials will receive meal tickets at the meeting 6:30 Saturday morning. No refreshments for team managers. Learners will ensure that the refreshments reach the officials. The program will continue as planned.

**17. SPECTATORS:**
Parents and spectators will NOT be allowed in the warm-up area. ONLY athletes and coaches will be allowed in the warm-up area.

**18. ADMISSIONS FEES:**

The entrance fee for a coach, parent or spectator is R50 per person, payable at the gate, cash or by card.

**19. GAZEBOS:**

Schools are allowed to set up gazebos on the grass bank.



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