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CONVENTION AND SPORTS ALERT

This alert contains information on the conventions and sporting events that will be arriving in May 2022. We hope you find the information useful for scheduling and to help welcome attendees.

OVR 2022 Sports Imports Girls' Junior Championships | April 3 – May 22

The largest regional Junior Volleyball Championship in the United States will take place at the Greater Columbus Convention Center over the course of five weekends with over 1,500 teams competing.

Attendance: 20,000

Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals

Location: Greater Columbus Convention Center

Website: ovr.org

Facebook: [Ohio Valley Region](#)

Twitter: [@OVRRegion](#)

Group Contact: Ron Wyzynski, rwyzynski@neo.rr.com

Sports Commission Contact: Jason Abady, jabady@columbusports.org

American Public Transportation Association Mobility Conference | May 1–3

The Mobility Conference continues to address the critical priorities and challenges facing bus and paratransit systems and explores the changing environment in which systems operate in today's mobility landscape. Participate in specialty workshops, APTA's Bus Display, a Products and Services Showcase and technical tours.

Attendance: 1,400

Meals: Some meals provided

Location: Greater Columbus Convention Center, Hyatt Regency

Website: apta.com

Facebook: [American Public Transportation Association](#)

Twitter: [@APTA_info](#)

Group Contact: Marcus Eng, meng@apta.com

Experience Columbus Contact: Hannah Henthorne, henthorne@experiencecolumbus.com

SkillsUSA Ohio Championships | May 2–3

SkillsUSA Ohio is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working to grow America's skilled workforce. Students are empowered to become world-class workers, leaders and citizens through personal, workplace and technical skills development.

Attendance: 4,000

Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals

Location: Greater Columbus Convention Center

Website: ohioskillsusa.org

Facebook: [SkillsUSA Ohio](#)

Group Contact: Jackie Walker, director@ohioskillsusa.org

Experience Columbus Contact: Katie Suty, ksuty@experiencecolumbus.com

CRPD 2022 Heart of Ohio | May 4–8

The Heart of Ohio adult softball tournament will be hosted by the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department May 4–8. The tournament offers AA/AAA/MAJ/MAJ+ divisions and is a Triple Crown Qualifier for MAJ/MAJ+. Age ranges for the tournament include 50+ to 75+.

Attendance: 800

Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals

Location: Lou Berliner Sports Park

Website: columbusrecparcs.com
Facebook: [Columbus Recreation and Parks Department](#)
Twitter: [@ColsRecParks](#)
Group Contact: Jack Castle, JRCastle@Columbus.gov
Sports Commission Contact: Jason Abady, jabady@columbusports.org

NCAA Division I Men's Golf Regional Championship | May 15–18

The OSU Golf Club will be the site for one of six Men's Golf Regional championships around the country. The winner will move on to the National Championship match May 27–June 1.

Attendance: 400
Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals
Location: The Ohio State University Golf Club
Website: ncaa.com/sports/golf-men/d1
Facebook: [NCAA](#)
Twitter: [@NCAA](#)
Group Contact: Donnie Wagner, dwagner@ncaa.org
Experience Columbus Contact: Jason Abady, jabady@columbusports.org

Ohio Health Care Association | May 16–19

The Ohio Health Care Association (OHCA) proudly represents more than 800 nursing facilities, assisted living communities and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR).

Attendance: 3,500
Meals: Attendees are on their own for most meals. Lunch will be provided Tuesday and Wednesday
Location: Greater Columbus Convention Center
Website: ohca.org
Facebook: [Ohio Health Care Association](#)
Twitter: [@OHCA_Ohio](#)
Group Contact: Kathy Chapman, kchapman@ohca.org
Experience Columbus Contact: Roger Dudley, rdudley@experiencecolumbus.com

COYBL 2022 Striking Out Pediatric Cancer | May 20–22

The Central Ohio Youth Baseball League is raising awareness on pediatric cancer with as many people as possible. This event will help raise funds to help those at Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Attendance: 2,000
Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals
Location: Lou Berliner Sports Park
Website: coybl.org
Group Contact: Doug Hare, coybl.001@gmail.com
Sports Commission Contact: Jason Abady, jabady@columbusports.org

NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Championship Quarterfinals | May 20–22

Ohio Stadium will be one of two sites for the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse championship quarterfinals. It will be the second time in six years that Ohio State has hosted the event. The winners will move on to the final four on May 28–30.

Attendance: 5,000
Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals
Location: Ohio Stadium
Website: ncaa.com/sports/lacrosse-men/d1
Facebook: [NCAA](#)
Twitter: [@NCAA](#)
Group Contact: Ryan Tressel, rtressel@ncaa.org
Sports Commission Contact: Jason Abady, jabady@columbusports.org

The Ohio Black Expo | May 26–29

Ohio Black Expo is a statewide humanitarian organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for Ohio's African American citizens by establishing and encouraging an independent self-help approach to problem solving.

Attendance: 10,000
Meals: Some meals provided
Location: Hilton Columbus Downtown, Genoa Park
Website: ohioblackexpo.com
Facebook: [Ohio Black Expo](#)
Twitter: [@blackexpollence](#)
Group Contact: Shakayla Burris, sburris@ohioblackexpo.com
Experience Columbus Contact: Lauren Herring, lherring@experiencecolumbus.com

2022 Firefighters Memorial | May 27–29

The Jerry Myers Firefighters Memorial Tournament is a softball tournament for age groups 8-16U. It will be hosted by Moore Tournaments at the Lou Berliner Sports Complex.

Attendance: 3,000

Meals: Attendees are on their own for meals

Location: Lou Berliner Sports Park

Website: mooretournaments.com

Group Contact: Mendy Moore, gm10moore@att.net

Sports Commission Contact: Jason Abady, jabady@columbusports.org

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