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**MEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships To Be Staged at Mylan Park;
Visit Mountaineer Country CVB to be MEC Corporate Partner**

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (July 31, 2024) — The Mountain East Conference (MEC) today announced a corporate partnership agreement with the Visit Mountaineer Country Convention and Visitors Bureau (VMCCVB) that will bring the MEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships to Mylan Park in Morgantown beginning in the spring of 2025.

Visit Mountaineer Country CVB will serve as the title sponsor for the MEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships. This partnership and sponsorship commitment was made possible by the Monongalia County Tourism Advancement Fund, with support from the Monongalia County Commission, and will make Mylan Park the home of the MEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships through 2029.

“This innovative relationship with Visit Mountaineer Country CVB is a definitive win-win for all involved. The Mountain East Conference is thrilled to have the opportunity to stage its MEC Track & Field Championships in the finest track and field competition facility in the region at Mylan Park,” said MEC Commissioner Reid Amos. “In addition to attracting student athletes and fans to the region through this partnership, the MEC’s digital platforms will allow Visit Mountaineer Country CVB to market and position themselves through the MEC’s 23 conference championship sports to create even more mutual value in this partnership. The combined elements of this partnership will greatly enhance the opportunity to create a first-class experience for our member institutions, coaches, fans, and most importantly, our track and field student athletes.”

Along with fellow MEC Corporate Partners, Visit Mountaineer Country CVB will be featured in MEC broadcasts for television on SportsNet Pittsburgh and the Mid-Atlantic Sports Network (MASN) during all MEC Championship events on MountainEast.tv and the MEC’s OTT apps, through leveraging marketing assets at MEC championship sites, and through the league’s digital platforms.

“Visit Mountaineer Country Convention and Visitors Bureau couldn’t be more excited to forge a relationship with the MEC,” said Susan Riddle, President and CEO of Visit Mountain Country CVB. “Our world-class facilities at Mylan Park and our Mountaineer hospitality are what attracted the MEC to Mountaineer Country and will continue to strengthen our relationship well into the future.”

The initial year at Mylan Park for the MEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships is set for April 27-29, 2025.



“We are confident that our state-of-the-art track surface and high-quality facilities will provide the MEC's athletes a great opportunity to pursue their personal bests and that Mylan Park will provide a tremendous experience for the athletes,” said Jennifer Lainhart, Director of Aquatics & Track at Mylan Park.

About Mylan Park: Over the past 25 years, Mylan Park has grown from four baseball and softball fields into a full-service sports, recreation, wellness, and events complex spanning across 400 beautiful acres. Mylan Park is also proud to be home to a variety of social, training, and educational organizations operating within the park footprint and serving the greater Morgantown community daily through their non-profit and service-oriented missions.

Today Mylan Park is recognized as one of West Virginia's most dynamic venues for users and events of all walks. Owned and operated by the non-profit 501(c)3 Mylan Park Foundation, Mylan Park now offers 14 different indoor and outdoor facilities comprising over 60 acres of athletic field space and more than 180,000 sq. ft. of indoor sport, recreation, and event venues. Each unique component of the park serves to ensure that there is something for everyone and that Mylan Park is truly a place the entire community can enjoy.

Mylan Park's track & field complex was completed along with the aquatic center in 2019.

About the MEC: The Mountain East Conference features 11 NCAA Division II member colleges and universities located in three states. The league sponsors 23 championship sports. MEC teams have won six NCAA team national championships, have played in 13 NCAA Championship games, and claimed 47 regional championships. MEC student-athletes also excel in the classroom, with 2,500 earning academic recognition in 2023-24. The league has also produced ten Elite 90 award winners, recognizing the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average who has reached the site of the finals for each of the NCAA's 90 men's and women's championships across its three divisions. The Mountain East Conference is headquartered in Bridgeport, West Virginia. Visit mountaineast.org to learn more.