## **2011-12** APPROVED NON-SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD MEETS

IHSA By-law 3.101 prohibits a student from participating on a non-school team or in non-school competition in the sport or any skill of a sport at the time the student is a member of a school team in that same sport. Exception may be granted by the Executive Director "under guidelines adopted by the Board of Directors for competitions **sponsored and conducted directly by the National Governing Body or its Illinois affiliate for the sport**."

The "Non-School Competition Participation Request, 2011-12" "form must be completed and submitted by mail or fax to the IHSA Office **no later than ten (10) days prior to the date of any competition** for which a student seeks an exception to the restriction of By-law 3.101. This form does not need to be accompanied by the written verification from USATF, the National Governing Body for Track & Field, as long as the meet appears on the IHSA approved list shown below.

As determined by the IHSA, the following meets are **sponsored** <u>and conducted</u> <u>directly by USATF, the National Governing Body or its Illinois affiliate for the track & field and require that the "Request for Non-School Competition" form be submitted to the IHSA. If a student wishes to compete in the meets listed they must have their IHSA member school representative complete the "Request for Non-School Competition" form and submit it to the IHSA Executive Director for formal approval.</u>

## **APPROVED**

February 18 -19, 2012,  $4^{th}$  Annual Dorothy Dawson Invitational and Midwest Zone Championship. This meet will be contested at Proviso West H.S., Hillside, IL .

February 18, 2012, USATF Illinois Masters & Open. This meet will be conducted in Sterling, IL.

March 10-11, 2012, USTAF National Indoor Youth Championship. This meet will be conducted at Illinois State University, Normal, IL.

## **NO LONGER APPROVED**

IMPORTANT NOTE: If a meet is not listed above it has not received approval from the IHSA.
In the past meets like the New Balance Indoor Nationals (previously the NIKE Indoor Nationals) conducted by the National Scholastic Sports Foundation Inc. in New York, NY, the Melrose Games, New York, and the Reebok Indoor Games, Boston, Ma had received approval.
HOWEVER, they will no longer receive approval from the IHSA for the "Non-School Competition Waiver." These meets are not conducted by the National Governing Body (USATF), and therefore do not meet the waiver criteria set forth in IHSA By-Law3.101 as seen in the first paragraph of this document.