

# Three Blue Raiders trek to Last Chance Meet

## Calhoun, David, Gilstrap to compete

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### **MURFREESBORO, Tenn. --**

Drayton Calhoun, Justus David and Kenneth Gilstrap will represent the Blue Raider men's track and field team this weekend when they head to South Bend, Ind., to compete in the Alex Wilson Invitational.

The meet will serve as an NCAA Last Chance Meet which gives athletes a final opportunity to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships. In order to qualify, they must either post an NCAA automatic qualifying time or hold a time ranking around the top 16 nationally in their respective event.



David will be competing in the men's 5,000 meters on Friday at 6:25 p.m. CT. The senior has yet to compete in the event this season and he currently holds a personal-best time of 14 minutes, 40.80 seconds which came at last season's Sun Belt Championships where he competed in four events. While the NCAA automatic qualifying time for the event is 13:44.30, it is probable that a time of 13:47.00 will earn qualification to the NCAA Championships.

Calhoun and Gilstrap will both run in the 60-meter dash. The preliminaries of the competition are scheduled for Saturday at 10:25 a.m. with the finals taking place at 11:15 a.m. Calhoun holds a season and personal-best time of 6.83 seconds in the event while Gilstrap clocked a 6.89 earlier this year with his personal-best time being 6.83 seconds. The NCAA automatic qualifying time for the event is 6.60 seconds, however, a time of 6.66 seconds will likely be good enough to earn a spot in the NCAA Championships.

"Justus, Drayton and Kenneth deserve this final opportunity to qualify for the NCAA Championships in these events," said Middle Tennessee head coach Dean Hayes. "They have worked extremely hard all season and hopefully they will run well this weekend."

The 2012 NCAA Division I Indoor Track and Field Championships are set for March 9-10 at Jacksons Indoor Track in Nampa, Idaho.

Live statistics of this weekend's meet can be accessed [here](#). Results of the day's events will be posted on the teams' Facebook and Twitter pages as soon as they become available with a recap available on GoBlueRaiders.com at the end of each day.

Follow the Blue Raider track and field teams on Twitter @MTTrackField and on Facebook at the MT Track & Field page. Also, stay up-to-date on the teams on the new Track & Field Notebook, which can be found [here](#) as well as linked on the Track & Field page on GoBlueRaiders.com.

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