SECTIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP February 12, 13 & 14, 2021

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ALL <u>SWIMMING ENTRIES</u> MUST BE ELECTRONICALLY ENTERED AND EMAILED TO: reidlej@yahoo.com

ALL <u>DIVING ENTRIES</u> MUST BE ELECTRONICALLY ENTERED AND EMAILED TO: melryan1029@yahoo.com

Time Schedule:

Friday, February 12, Girls	Session 1
Doors open	5:00 p.m.
Girls Warm-up	5:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Coaches Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Girls Competition	7:15 p.m. to approx. 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 13, Girls Session 2

Doors open7:45 a.m.Girls Warm-up8:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.Coaches Meeting9:45 a.m.Girls Competition10:00 a.m. to approx. 1:20 p.m.

Saturday, February 13, Boys Session 1

Doors open3:00 p.m.Boys Warm-up3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.Coaches Meeting4:15 p.m.Boys Competition4:30 p.m. to approx. 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 14, Girls Session 1

Doors open8:00 a.m.Boys Warm-up8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.Coaches Meeting9:15 a.m.Boys Competition9:30 a.m. to approx. 12:45 p.m.

15 minute break after the 50 yard freestyle event

Warm-ups are limited to 6 athletes per lane. Coaches will be notified via e-mail with warm-ups assignments once entries are received.

Team Sessions:

Girls Session 1 (Friday evening)

Bishop Watterson Centennial Central Crossing Pickerington North Reynoldsburg Wellington School Westland Whetstone

Girls Session 2 (Saturday morning)

Canal Winchester Grandview Heights Grove City Grove City Christian Groveport Madison Marysville Pickerington Central Upper Arlington

Boys Session 1 (Saturday afternoon)

Canal Winchester Grandview Heights Groveport Madison Reynoldsburg Upper Arlington Westland Whetstone

Boys Session 2 (Sunday morning)

Bishop Watterson Centennial Central Crossing Grove City Marysville Pickerington Central Pickerington North Wellington School

Coaches:Teams are limited to one coach for each session (can be different for girls/boys).Eligibility:All participants must be eligible under the rules of the OHSAA.

Coaches/representatives should read and understand the regulations for swimming meets as presented at the mandatory rules interpretation meeting and as presented on the <u>www.ohsaa.org</u> website. Coaches are responsible for reading and understanding the 2020-2021 NFHS Swimming & Diving Rules for championship swimming.

The Sectional Meet will be for swimming competition only. All diving competition will be held the week of February 15- 20, 2021 and will be held at a location to be determined. However, all diving entries are to be submitted electronically by using the "edive" software. This electronic program may be found by going to: http://www.edive.info/index.htm Diving Coaches shall submit their electronic entries via "edive" by 12 Noon, Monday, Feb. 8, 2021 to Melanie Ryan at melryan1029@yahoo.com. The diving event counts as one of the two (2) individual events in which a swimmer may compete. If an individual is diving, that individual may only be entered and compete in a maximum of one (1) individual swimming event at the Sectional Meet.

NOTE: Coaches are responsible for checking their online entry submission and may make changes after the deadline for submission, <u>only with the</u> <u>payment of a \$150 fine and approval of the OHSAA, and only up until the date</u> <u>and time that the first psych sheets are publically posted to a District Athletic</u> <u>Board web site. Sectional Psych Sheets will be posted on the CDAB site at</u> <u>6:00PM on February 10, 2021.</u>

No changes to the entries for any school shall be permitted after the posting of the first psych sheet with the exception of students who must be withdrawn due to medical reasons verified by a physician. A substitute may replace the injured/ill athlete provided the substitute is listed on the eligibility certificate, has not exceeded the entry limitations as prescribed by NFHS rules and is submitted to the tournament manager NO LATER THAN 7:00 AM of the first day of sectional competition. After that time, no substitutions will be accepted. It is not permissible to replace the injured/ill student with a student who has already been entered into the tournament in two individual events.

A school that actually competes in at least two (2) interscholastic meets, as a school team prior to the non-interscholastic cutoff date of <u>January 25, 2021</u> is eligible for relay event entry at the Sectional/District Tournament regardless of the number of individuals entered and competing. This date is waived for this year.

Entry Limits: Each School shall be permitted four (4) entries in each individual event and one (1) entry in each relay event. Entry cut-off times will not be used.

An individual may be entered in no more than two (2) individual events. At the coaches meeting, no additions/substitutions shall be made. Diving counts as one of the individual events.

An individual shall be permitted to participate in a maximum of four (4) events, no more than two (2) of which shall be individual events.

In relay events (at the meet), eight (8) individuals may be listed as entrants; any four (4) may participate. Certification in the relay shall not count as an entry unless the individual actually competes in the event. These eight (8) contestants may be changed at each level of tournament competition provided participation limitations are not exceeded.

By entering a diver into the competition, the coach is verifying that the diver has competed in an 11-dive championship competition at least once during the regular season and is affirming that the diver is capable of performing an 11-dive championship slate.

Entries:

All entries must be submitted electronically by 12 Noon on Monday, February 8, 2021. Swimming entries must be e-mailed to: reidlej@yahoo.com and the Diving entries must be e-mailed to: Melanie Ryan at melryan1029@yahoo.com. ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER THE 12 NOON, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8th DEADLINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE OHSAA AND PAYMENT OF A \$150 FINE.

The entry process for the 2021 Sectional Tournament requires electronic entries. The computer software of choice is the Hy-Tek Team Manager Program. If you have not purchased the electronic software you may be able to obtain the software by clicking on the Hy-Tek logo on the OHSAA web site at: www.ohsaa.org/sports/sd/boys/default.asp.

Coaches have already received an information sheet with instructions about the electronic entry system at the mandatory interpretation meeting. This information is also posted on the OHSAA web site at <u>www.ohsaa.org</u>. Tournament event files are located on the Upper Arlington Sectional web site. Schools will download the appropriate tournament event file based on the Boys Division or Girls Division.

"<u>Eligibility Certificates</u>" covering all students are no longer required to be sent to the sectional meet manager; however, the information should be available if needed.

All competitors must be listed in the events the competitor will be swimming. Additions/deletions/changes will not be made after February 8, 2021.

When submitting your entries, **DO NOT USE** team nickname, such as Tigers, Raiders, Celtics, etc. for your school's short name. Use a shortened version of the long name. For example, Delaware Hayes High School can be shortened to Hayes.

Entry times must be listed in the events the competitor will be swimming. If a competitor or relay does not have an entry time, they shall be entered with a "no time" (NT) designation.

Do not use any athlete "nicknames".

Use FR, SO, JR, SR for the grade level. Grade level is required for all athletes entered in the meet. Do not use "Freshman," "Sophomore," "Junior," "Senior," or "9," "10," "11," "12."

Do not enter names into your RELAYS. You will identify the relay entrants and alternates at the Sectional coaches meeting.

Enter a separate file for the girls' entries and a separate file for the boys' entries.

<u>All entries must be entered with the school's OHSAA code. The school code is</u> found on the www.ohsaa.org site, and on the UA Sectional page for 2021.

IF you want your USA Swimmers times from the District or State meet to count, please include their USA ID with their entry.

Please include the deck-eligible coaches for your team in your entry e-mail.

Failure to have the entries to the meet director on the stated date and time will result in the school and its competitors being disqualified from further tournament competition. The deadline is February 8, 2021 for the electronic Swimming/Diving entries.

Team Representatives & Their Admission:

The official coach/school representative must always be with their team/swimmer(s). This includes the entire warm-up period and all competition. If it is determined that the coach/representative is not in attendance at any time, the team and all the swimmers/divers shall be disqualified from further competition.

Coaches/representatives are to pick up admission passes at the main entrance to the natatorium. Competitors will be admitted to the warm-up session only upon presentation of these passes. Only the designated coach will be permitted to receive the competitor's passes. Non-competing team members, cheerleaders, timers, stats, etc. must purchase tickets for admission to the meet.

Personally owned chairs are not allowed on the pool deck.

Spectators: Due to restrictions on people in the venue due the COVID-19 pandemic, spectators will not be permitted in the building.

- Scoring: There will be team scoring, but team and individual awards will not be presented.
- **Timers:** Some teams will be asked to provide a timer. Given there is no other way to be a spectator, these should be easy volunteer roles to fill. If you cannot fulfill your time role, please contact Jon so I can ask another team.

Advancing: <u>QUALIFIERS TO THE DISTRICT TOURNAMENT</u>

24 swimmers and 16 relays will advance from the Central (4), East (1), Southeast sites to the District Tournament. All qualifiers for Division 1 and Division 2 will be determined on an at-large basis. There will be no automatic qualifiers.

Media:Media Information – Upper Arlington Sectional TournamentWorking media credentials will be issued by Jon Reidler. These credentials will be
issued to a representative of an accredited media organization recognized by the
OHSAA for the sole purpose of providing access to cover a tournament
contest. Coaches, school staff, freelance photographers/videographers and parents

of competitors are not permitted to receive media credentials and will not be permitted on the competition area to take any photographs or videos.

When media members arrive at the sectional tournament, they will be required to present employee identification or a letter from a supervisor to verify legitimacy.

COVID Protocols:

General Protocols Setup

CDAB is replacing the Ticket Taker role with COVID Marshalls (a paid role). They will patrol the venue to ensure distance and mask protocols are followed. They can warn and then eject anyone as needed.

Session sizes are limited to 90 athletes per session. 64 Athletes in Bleachers 26 Athletes on West End of pool (Chairs + Movable Bleachers)

No spectators allowed. Live stream is up for consideration.

Athletes, coaches and staff will wear masks and practice safe distancing at all times, EXCEPT when athletes are behind the blocks for their race or competing. Gaiter type masks are not acceptable.

The locker rooms will be closed. Swimmers are expected to arrive and depart in their suits. NO deck changing!

The lobby restrooms will be the only available restrooms.

Teams Protocols Setup

Teams will be assigned seating areas around the pool and in the stands. Each team can have 1 coach to limit the number of "staff" on deck. No one will be in the gym.

Teams will be assigned an arrival time. The first teams to warm-up will receive the first assigned arrival times.

Coach check-in will include a question that they have reviewed COVID protocols and the team has reviewed symptoms and everyone passed daily health screen protocols.

Swimmer movement around the pool will be clockwise. Proceeding to the blocks from the stands side and exiting after swimming via the opposite side of the pool.

Swimmers will wear their mask until they are called to the blocks with the four short whistles.

Swimmers will remain along the wall until the other swimmers clear the blocks area. Because of the smaller number of athletes, there may be non-competition breaks between every event, except the 500 free. This will reduce the number of competitors preparing for an event behind the blocks.

Coaches Meeting

Coaches will be provided a list of athlete entries and will be required to submit the form to the scoring table before the end of the overall warm-up session. This will eliminate the need to run scratches at the coaches meeting.

A short meeting before the session will be held at a social distance in the laundry room or other suitable location.

Please contact me for additional information. Jon Reidler, Meet Director