

TO: SWIMMING AND DIVING COACHES, NORTHEAST DISTRICT

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SUBJECT: 2021 NORTHEAST OHIO DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMING AND DIVING MEET

AUTOMATIC SWIMMING QUALIFIERS / AT-LARGE QUALIFIERS FROM SECTIONALS TO DISTRICTS

	INDIVIDUAL	RELAYS		INDIVIDUAL	RELAYS
GIRLS DI	2 automatic x 3 = 6 At-large Qualifiers = 34 TOTAL: 40	2 automatic x 3 = 6 At-large Qualifiers = 14 TOTAL: 20	GIRLS DII	2 automatic x 2 = 4 At-large Qualifiers = 26 TOTAL: 30	2 automatic x 2 = 4 At-large Qualifiers = 16 TOTAL: 20
BOYS DI	2 Automatic x 3 = 6 At-large Qualifiers = 24 TOTAL: 30	2 automatic x 3 = 6 At-large Qualifiers = 14 TOTAL: 20	BOYS DII	2 Automatic x 2 = 4 At-large Qualifiers = 26 TOTAL: 30	2 Automatic x 2 = 4 At-large Qualifiers = 16 TOTAL: 20

REMINDER: All events in DI and DII will include the 2 automatic qualifiers from each sectional meet even when the top 30th or 40th time may be faster than the automatic's qualifying time.

DATES: February 17, 18, 19, and 20, 2021

LOCATION: Diving: Massillon Perry Natatorium, 3737 13th St., SW, Massillon, OH 44646
Swimming: Spire Institute, 5201 Spire Cir, Geneva, OH 44041

COACHES: Please take time to read through all 2021 District and Spire Swim Meet information. Make sure to familiarize yourself with all COVID facility requirements and meet requirements. All information will be posted on our NEDAB.org site.

COACHES' MEETING AND RELAY CARDS: Due to the pandemic and to avoid a congregation of swimmers and coaches at a check-in table at the meet, coaches' information will be posted on the NEDAB.org site. Please go to the District Swimming and Diving Coaches link to get your check-in information and relay entry procedure for the 2021 NE Ohio District Swimming Tournament.

STATE MEET QUALIFIERS: The Northeast District Tournament will qualify the following number of athletes to the State Meet as automatic qualifiers.

DI GIRLS: 2 SWIMMERS / 2 RELAYS / DIVERS - TBD
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DI BOYS: 2 SWIMMERS / 2 RELAYS / DIVERS - TBD
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DIVING COMPETITION: Girls' and Boys' Diving will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, February 17 and 18, 2021 at Massillon Perry High School natatorium, 3737 13th St., SW, Massillon, OH 44646. See schedule on page three. There will be two sessions of diving per day with DII divers competing on Wednesday and DI divers competing on Thursday. The order of divers will be determined by lot and will remain the same for all levels of the competition. The diving will be conducted according to the rules in the 2020-2021 National Federation Swimming and Diving Rule Book. Divers must be accompanied by a coach or faculty representative to participate. DII divers do not compete at the Sectional level; however, **PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DIVERS, DIVISION I AND II, GIRLS AND BOYS BOTH, MUST BE ENTERED ELECTRONICALLY IN HY-TEK WITH THE SECTIONAL SWIMMING ENTRIES.**

SWIMMING COMPETITION: The swimming competition will be held on Friday, February 19, and Saturday, February 20. Each event will be swum as timed finals in the order of high school events using 10 lanes. A format similar to the state format will be in place at the District Tournament. The entire DII Girls and Boys meet will be conducted on Friday with a Girls' session in the morning followed by a Boys' session in the afternoon, while the entire DI Girls and Boys meet will be conducted on Saturday following the same format with a girls' session in the morning and a boys' session in the afternoon. Refer to the schedule on page 3 for warm-up times and meet start times. There will be at least two (2) warm-up sessions and warm-up times will be sent to the coach once district qualifiers are determined.

PARA ATHLETES: Para athletes will compete in the DII State meet this year in the 50 free and the 100 back. Para athlete coaches must complete the verification form for Para Athletes which can be found on the OHSAA.org website. Swimmers will medal if in the top eight finishers and records will be kept, but the events will not be scored. Para entries must be emailed to Pam Cook (pamswim@aol.com) by February 8, 2021. The entries MUST include the athlete's name, event number(s), and Para category. Para Coach information and instructions are posted on the OHSAA.org website.

SCORING: Events will be scored through 16 places as specified in the Federation Rules of Scoring for Championships. All participants are eligible for points and team scoring. Relays: 40 - 34 - 32 - 30 - 28 - 26 - 24 - 22 - 18 - 14 - 12 - 10 - 8 - 6 - 4 - 2. Individual: 20 - 17 - 16 - 15 - 14 - 13 - 12 - 11 - 9 - 7 - 6 - 5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1.

AWARDS: Medals will be awarded through eight places in all events, and trophies will be awarded to first place and runner-up teams. Award presentations will not occur as in previous years. Awards will be given to the coach in an appropriate and safe manner TBD to give to his/her swimmers.

GOVERNING RULES: The meet will be conducted under the OHSA 2021 Boys and Girls Swimming and Diving Tournaments rules and regulations located on <https://www.OHSAA.org>. The official coach or school representative must be with his/her swimmers or divers at all times. This includes the entire warm-up period and all competition. If it is determined that the coach or representative is not in attendance at any time, all competitors from the school will be disqualified from further competition.

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT PENALTY: During participation in OHSA tournaments, any student or coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be ineligible for the remainder of that day as well as for all contests in swimming and diving until the two regular season/tournament contests are competed at the same level as the ejection. Individuals ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be reported to the OHSA Commissioner by the tournament manager. The Commissioner will investigate the situation and may impose additional penalties in accordance with Bylaw 11 if the situation warrants. Participation in an athletic contest is a privilege. Each individual is expected to conduct himself or herself in an exemplary manner while participating.

DECK CREDENTIALS: Coach deck passes (wristbands) will be issued to each school entering a team as defined by OHSA. Only the head coach is allowed on deck with his/her swimmers this year. Coaches must display their wristband at all times. Swimmers will be checked off the school athlete entry list to access the facility at Spire. **THE ONLY SWIMMERS PERMITTED ON DECK WILL BE PARTICIPANTS OF THE CURRENT MEET SESSION.** Please do not bring alternate swimmers; they will not be allowed on deck or in the facility.

ADMISSION: Every attempt will be made to admit one spectator per swimmer. Tickets will be purchased online once the spectator has been issued a code to purchase that ticket through HomeTown Ticketing. Ordering information will be issued through the school or coach.

PARKING: Busses must park in the far west corner of the parking lot after dropping swimmers off.

RULES REGARDING POOL USE AT SPIRE FOR COACHES

1. Spire COVID safety protocol must be followed. Access the *Swim Meet at Spire* document on the NEDAB.org website to familiarize yourself and your team with the Spire requirements for attending a swim meet. Make sure to complete the *online health screening form* prior to arrival to enable you and your swimmers to enter the Spire facility and to be able to compete in the district swim meet. This assessment **MUST** be completed before arriving.
2. Masks shall be worn and social distancing shall be implemented at all times except for when the swimmer is up on the blocks and in the water. Swimmers will be required to social distance but they will remove their mask to compete. Athletes should bring a bag or Tupperware container with their full name on it to place their mask in while in the water.
3. Athletes should bring 2-3 extra masks in the event theirs gets wet.
4. Due to limited locker room space for changing, it is expected that swimmers will arrive in their suit and be prepared to leave in their suit. Locker rooms will be available to 4 swimmers at a time. Recommended use of the locker rooms is for restroom use **ONLY**.
5. Per State Health Department guidelines, there will be **NO SHAVING** in any area of Spire Institute.
6. There is no insurance coverage for property damage. Any damage at the site by participants, including cost of repair, will be assessed to the responsible school. Schools and the president of the NEDAB will be notified the next working day of any damage caused by participants.
7. Coaches are responsible for maintaining cleanliness of their deck and locker room areas to be sure they are free of food and other debris.
8. No helium balloons are permitted in the facility.
9. Per State Association orders, the facility will be closed following the last swimming event. There will be no celebrations in the facility after the meet.
10. No hand paddles are permitted in the pool.
11. Taping of signs to painted surfaces will not be permitted.
12. The building will be open for warm-ups at the designated times. No team will be permitted in the facility until its assigned warm-up time.
13. Absolutely **NO RUBDOWNS** will be permitted in the facility due to COVID this year.

**THE 2021 SWIMMING AND DIVING DISTRICT MEET SCHEDULE
DIVING AT MASSILLON PERRY NATATORIUM
SWIMMING AT SPIRE INSTITUTE**

DIVING: MASSILLON PERRY NATATORIUM, 3737 13TH ST. SW, MASSILLON, OHIO 44646
Contact: Phil Barr: Philbarr2@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021 – DIVISION II

GIRLS DIVING DII	WARM-UP	10:00 AM-11:00 AM	COMPETITION	11:00 AM
BOYS DIVING DII	WARM-UP	5:00 PM-6:00 PM	COMPETITION	6:30 PM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021 – DIVISION I

GIRLS DIVING DI	WARM-UP	10:00 AM-11:00 AM	COMPETITION	11:00 AM
BOYS DIVING DI	WARM-UP	5:00 PM-6:00 PM	COMPETITION	6:30 PM

SWIMMING: SPIRE INSTITUTE, 5201 Spire Cir, Geneva, OH 44041
Contact: Sue Lutkus at lutkusswm@gmail.com

***Athlete check should be completed prior to arrival at SPIRE. All check-in information and procedure for the 2021 District swimming tournament at SPIRE will be online. Instructions for checking swimmers will be posted on the NEDAB.org Swimming and Diving link. Make sure you check for this information prior to arriving at Spire.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021 - DII

NO ONE PERMITTED IN THE FACILITY UNTIL 15 MINUTES BEFORE THE DESIGNATED WARM-UP TIME

SWIMMING EVENTS: TIMED FINALS
200 MEDLEY RELAY THROUGH 400 FREE RELAY

DIVISION II

GIRLS SESSION	WARM-UP SESSION 1	8:30AM-9:15AM	COMPETITION 10:00 AM
	WARM-UP SESSION 2	9:15AM-10:00AM	
BOYS SESSION	WARM-UP SESSION 1	2:30PM-3:15PM	COMPETITION 4:00 PM
	WARM-UP SESSION 2	3:15PM-4:00PM	

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2021 - DI

NO ONE PERMITTED IN THE FACILITY UNTIL THE DESIGNATED WARM-UP TIME

SWIMMING EVENTS: TIMED FINALS
200 MEDLEY RELAY THROUGH 400 FREE RELAY

DIVISION I

GIRLS SESSION	WARM-UP SESSION 1	8:30AM-9:15AM	COMPETITION 10:00 AM
	WARM-UP SESSION 2	9:15AM-10:00AM	
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	WARM-UP SESSION 2	3:15PM-4:00PM	

Additional Information:

One 15-minute break will occur after the 50 Freestyle to be consistent with the State Tournament format.

The awards announcements will be made after the completion of each girls event and boys event once results have been finalized. Diving results will be announced during the 15-minute break.