



# Ohio High School Athletic Association

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**TO:** Swimming and Diving Coaches and Directors of Athletics

**FROM:** Kate Barnett, Sport Administrator

**DATE:** August 16, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Swimming and Diving Fall Updates

## **PRE-SEASON INFORMATION**

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### State Rules Interpretation Meeting Reminder

The State Rules Interpretation Meeting will be made available beginning **Wednesday October 12, 2022**. This meeting will be completed online and accessed through your individual myOHSAA account.

If you are a new coach, please consult your athletics director to assist with getting your account set up in myOHSAA. Confirmation of completing this meeting is required. Failure to complete this meeting prior to **Monday November 28, 2022, at 11:59pm** will result in a late fee.

### NFHS 2022-23 Rule Books

The OHSAA pre-season mailing, including the 2022-23 NFHS Swimming and Diving Rule Book, will be mailed out mid-September to each athletics director. If you are interested in purchasing additional NFHS publications, please visit the NFHS website [HERE](#).

### Swimming and Diving National Governing Body Non-Interscholastic Waiver – **NEW SUBMISSION PROCESS**

Per GSR 7.7.2, a non-interscholastic waiver may be provided for student-athlete(s) to compete in events sponsored by a National Governing Body. Swimming and diving student-athletes that qualify for any of the following events may receive a waiver.

Junior Nationals  
Senior Nationals  
US Open  
Pro Series Meets  
Mid-State Championship (Middle School Only)

This is a one (1) time waiver for the 2022-23 OHSAA Swimming and Diving season. The form can be accessed [HERE](#).

## 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Change in Sport Season Waiver

Per GSR 32.2, schools, leagues or conferences may adjust seasons to accommodate school teams because of the lack of availability of physical facilities or personnel or due to other reasons as deemed appropriate by the league or conference. Proposed changes in seasons shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director and include the proposed dates of the 7th & 8th grade season not to exceed the length of the interscholastic season for the sport concerned. All other regulations regarding contest limitations, required practice time and coaching requirements shall be followed.

The Sport Season Waiver application can be accessed [HERE](#).

\*\*The National Governing Body Non-Interscholastic Waiver and Sport Season forms can be accessed from the sidebar show below on the [OHSAA Swimming and Diving Webpage](#).

### Regulations, Policies & Manuals

- [2021-22 Swimming & Diving Manual](#)
- [2022-23 Swimming & Diving Regulations](#)
- [2022-23 General Sports Regulations](#)
- [Weekly Rotation of Voluntary Dive Groups](#)
- [National Governing Body Non-Interscholastic Waiver Request](#)
- [Ohio High School Swim Coaches Association \(OHSSCA\)](#)
- [Coaching Requirements](#)
- [Students With Disabilities Policy](#)
- [Service Dogs Policy](#)
- [GSR 32.2 Form- Change in Sports Season](#)
- [Travel to Non-Bordering State Form](#)

## OHSAA PRE-TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

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The current structure of the OHSAA Swimming and Diving Tournament consists of Sectional, District and State levels. District Athletic Boards are tasked with overseeing the Sectional and District events, while the OHSAA Sport Administrator is tasked with managing the State Tournament. Preliminary tournament information will be posted on each individual district website linked below for your reference. More information will be made available later this fall.

- [Central District](#)
- [East District](#)
- [Northeast District](#)
- [Northwest District](#)
- [Southeast District](#)
- [Southwest District](#)

The State Finals will be hosted at C.T. Branin Natatorium in Canton, OH. More information regarding the schedule of events, tickets, etc. will be posted on the OHSAA website closer to the event.

## SPORT REGULATIONS AND RESOURCES

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### Swimming and Diving Resources:

[OHSAA 2022-23 Handbook](#)

[OHSAA 2022-23 General Sport Regulations](#)

[OHSAA 2022-23 Swimming and Diving Regulations](#)

OHSAA 2022-23 Swimming and Diving Pre-Season Coaches Manual (Coming soon)

OHSAA 2022-23 Tournament Regulations (Coming soon)

**\*Note:** Tournament regulations are approved by the Board of Directors during the fall. The Pre-Season Coaches Manual will be available with the launch of the State Rules Interpretation meeting.

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