

2011-2012 WPIAL BOYS AND GIRLS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP

January 11, 2012

CoachesYou are expected to maintain control of your athletes and make sure they behave as Ladies and Gentlemen. Proper examples must be set for our athletes by following the rules and showing a high level of integrity and sportsmanship. This is especially applicable as we wait outside and when we enter the building.

Also.....Coaches, please bring only the competing athletes onto the deck. The pool deck is too small to accommodate any other than those who are competing at that time.

This year the AAA Meet will be run first followed by the AA Meet.
This year's meet will be scored to 16 places.

All Teams should note that all changing must be done in the locker rooms. Any Swimmer or Diver who "Deck Changes" can be disqualified for the remainder of the meet.

The 2011/2012 PIAA Swimming and Diving Championships will be held at Bucknell University. Complete information in the form of a brochure, along with a map and time schedule for the meet is currently available on the PIAA web page, which is www.piaa.org

Starting with the 2012 WPIAL Championship, Teams entering swimmers and relays into the WPIAL Championship Meet will be required to submit the date of the time and who the opponent was when the qualifying swim was achieved. Coaches should keep good records of their swimmers times so that this information can be provided. If you use Team Manager or similar software, a report like the sample on page 6 can be submitted or you can complete the form on page 7. These reports are to be submitted along with your Coach Information Form need to be faxed to the WPIAL Office at 412-921-0554, by Feb. 20, 2012.

The WPIAL Swimming Championship will be held at the University of Pittsburgh Trees Pool on **Thursday March 1 and Friday, March 2, 2012**. Swimmers, coaches, and fans are restricted to the swimming area at Trees Pool. The following schedule should be observed:

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH - TREES POOL ~ SWIMMING

Swimming events for AA and AAA boys and girls conducted on Thursday, March 1, 2012, are as follows:
200 MEDLEY RELAY - 200 FREE - 200 IM - 50 FREE - 100 FLY - 200 FREE RELAY

Swimming events for AA and AAA boys and girls conducted on Friday, March 2, 2012, are as follows:
100 FREE - 500 FREE - 100 BACK - 100 BREAST - 400 FREE RELAY

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING TIMES HAVE CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR
Thursday & Friday

8:45 AM – 10:00 AM	AAA Warm Up
10:00 AM – 12:30 PM	AAA Timed Finals
1:45 PM – 3:00 PM	AA Warm Up
3:00 PM – 5:30 PM	AA Timed Finals

Spectators are to get in line at Fitzgerald Field House!

- AAA Competition - Athletes and coaches may enter the building at 8:30 AM.
They must enter as a unit. Spectators may enter the building at 8:45 AM.
This will be in effect for both days.
- AA Competition - Athletes and coaches may enter the building at 1:30 PM.
They must enter as a unit. Spectators may enter the building at 1:45 PM.
This will be in effect for both days.

DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY -- YOU WILL NOT BE ADMITTED!

An Email will be sent to all Athletic Directors specifying the entry order and deck seating assignment for each team by February 23, 2012. There is no need to arrive early!!!!

The order of events will follow the format used at the state championship meet. A short break to present awards will occur after the, 200 Free, 50 FREE, 100 FLY, 200 FREE RELAY 500 FREE and 100 BREAST.

In order to qualify for the WPIAL championship event at Pitt, all swimmers must achieve the minimum standard established by the WPIAL and enclosed in this schedule. These standards must have been met during the current season in a WPIAL meet or in an invitational qualifying meet that uses an **electronic timing device**. These invitational qualifying meets must be scheduled and completed by February 18, 2012. **These meets must be scored and athletes are only permitted to compete in the normal number of events. Swimming an event multiple times is not permitted.** All times must be verified by a PIAA approved official. The time submitted for WPIAL entry **may not be a Time Trial Time. Relays must qualify as a Relay. Aggregate Times are not acceptable! A particular event can only be swum once per meet.**

If you have no swimming team in your school, but you have student/s who have achieved qualifying times as listed in this document, they will be eligible to compete. However, only one swimmer per event may be entered on this basis. They must have demonstrated this ability during a WPIAL meet in a 25-yard pool so the officials can verify the time. That official verification must be delivered to the WPIAL Office by February 20, 2012. **Schools that do not sponsor a Swimming and Diving Team will enter the meet via Direct Athletics, the same as other schools.** The competing teams should not relinquish any of the meet times so these qualifications can be established. These qualifications can be accomplished where an open lane exists, in a natural gap during the meet or at the end of the meet. These competitors must be accompanied by a professional employee or a designated coach (in writing) of the school district who **MUST REMAIN FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEET.** There is no exception to this rule. Schools who do not sponsor swimming may enter one competitor in each event except for relays. A boy and a girl can be entered in the same event; however if two swimmers of the same sex qualify for the same event, the school must determine their competitor.

ENTRIES

The coach must complete the registration process on line according to directions listed on page 6 of this memo. Entries must be completed online through Direct Athletics, www.directathletics.com. We expect to see the secured web site will be open for use by February 3, 2012. Please visit the web site as soon as it is open to make sure all is working for you. The deadline for all WPIAL entries to be completed is NOON on February 20, 2012. **There will be no extension of this deadline.** No entries should be given or mailed to either the WPIAL office or to any member of the Swimming Committee. If you have questions or problems with your entries contact Meet Director, Bob Kane at kaner@sparksd.org or at 412-693-1027. **All divers must be entered through the Direct Athletic Web Site as well as through the OmadaTrak Web site noted in the diving letter. Please see separate Diving Letter for specifics on entering the Diving Events..**

All swimming and diving entries must comply with the 2011/2012 National Federation Swimming/Diving Rule Book. Competitors shall be permitted to enter a maximum of four events, no more than two of which may be individual events. Designation as a member of a relay team does not count as an entry unless the competitor actually competes. **Please list all potential swimmers (maximum of eight) in each relay event.**

Teams must have a minimum of ten (10) competitions (swimming or diving) prior to the WPIAL meet in order to be eligible to score team points at the WPIAL or PIAA championships.

The coach information form is included with this document. A copy of this form, your completed schedule, your final section win/loss record and the home telephone number of your coach are required to be mailed or faxed at 412-921-0554, to the WPIAL office upon completion of the section schedule, and received no later than Monday, February 20, 2012.

MISCELLANEOUS

Psych sheets will be posted on the WPIAL Web Site this year.

Requests to enter improved qualifying times or to change events will not be accepted. Refer any other errors that were made to Bob Kane at kaner@sparksd.org. Please look for a return email to confirm receipt of your email. If you do not receive one, please resubmit your correction or call 412-693-1027. Please make sure a team representative checks the psych sheets.

Locker rooms at Pitt have been assigned in this manner:

- The women's locker area will be for all female swimmers and female coaches.
- All male swimmers and male coaches will use the men's locker room.
- Lockers will not be available on site.

No swimmers will be permitted in the stands. **As a swimmer, you are entitled to the deck area only.**

Coaches must be careful to bring only those swimmers who are going to compete. Athletes not entered in this meet are not permitted to dress for this competition. **This rule will be strictly enforced.**

Coaches must check in their entire team upon entry to the lower lobby of Trees Hall. There will be no access to the spectator areas. Teams will enter the building in the order specified in the email that will be sent to Athletic Directors.

Only athletes entered and their coaches will be permitted entry to the pool deck.

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The section of bleachers next to the announcer's table will be available for coaches to view competition. They are not for athletes. The remaining bleachers under the spectator balcony will be for team use.

Scratch meeting will be held in Room 166 at 9:15 AM for AAA coaches and at 2:15 PM for AA coaches on Thursday, March 1, 2012. Coaches should bring the information packet to this meeting that they received upon entry to Trees Hall. Cards for the 200 Medley Relay will be submitted at this meeting. An announcement will be made in Trees Pool should the room number change.

The WPIAL team championship and runner-up will be awarded to the boys/girls teams who compile the highest point totals.

The snack bar will be open to spectators only. No athletes will be permitted access to the snack bar area.

ADMISSION:

GATE SALE ONLY

Students - \$5.00 Adults - \$8.00

Spectator tickets will be sold four per person, inside Fitzgerald Fieldhouse starting at 7:30 AM. Numbered tickets will designate the order that spectators will be permitted to enter Trees Pool. WPIAL Courtesy Passes must be presented at the Ticket Booth to acquire a numbered ticket for entry..

A limited supply of souvenir shirts will be available for purchase at the site for the following prices:

Long Sleeved Tees - \$17 Hooded Sweatshirts - \$27

Pre-order forms for shirts are available on the WPIAL website with a deadline of February 14, 2012.

On both dates all athletes, coaches and spectators will exit the facility promptly at the conclusion of the AAA competition to allow preparation time for the AA competition.

The small pool will be closed. ABSOLUTELY NO ONE is permitted to jump off the balcony after any awards.

Shaving at the site will not be tolerated as per National Federation Rules.

Please make sure your swimmers finish shaving before arriving at the University of Pittsburgh.

No radios, tape recorders or electronic games will be permitted in the deck area.

A swimmer must compete in the same individual events at the PIAA championship from which they have qualified at the WPIAL meet. Competitors are permitted to enter a maximum of five (5) events, no more than two (2) of which can be individual events, and swim in a maximum of 4 events. **A Swimmer may compete in any relay at the PIAA Meet that his/her team qualifies for as long as they are listed as one of the 8 swimmers for that relay event.** If a swimmer qualifies for an individual event and chooses not to swim that event at the PIAA championship, that swimmer may compete on a qualifying relay team from their school provided their name has been listed on that relay team for the WPIAL meet.

To accomplish this, the athlete's coach must Scratch from the PIAA meet. To scratch an entry to the PIAA Meet the Coach is to send an email to the WPIAL Meet Director, Bob Kane at kaner@sparksd.org, by Monday, March 5 at 10:00 AM. You will be sent a confirmation Email. If you do not receive a confirmation email, resend the email or call Bob Kane at 412-693-1027. If this occurs, the next eligible swimmer will be given the opportunity to be entered into the PIAA meet.

The following is the system to resolve ties for athletes qualifying for the final spots at the PIAA Swimming Championships. If two or more swimmers are tied for the final qualifying spots, the tie will be broken by the entry time to the District (WPIAL) Championships. Make sure you can prove your qualifying times with verified meet results.

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The WPIAL will have the following guaranteed number of qualifying entries to the PIAA swimming and diving championships to be held at Bucknell University on March 14- 17, 2012. The remaining entries will be determined by the PIAA. More information can be obtained in the swimming brochure located on their web site, www.piaa.org.

WPIAL/DISTRICT VII

	Swimming Minimum	Diving Maximum
AAA BOYS & GIRLS	3	4
AA BOYS & GIRLS	4	6

Tickets for the PIAA championships are not available at the WPIAL championship meet. Packets will be provided to each qualifying coach at Bucknell during registration according to the instructions addressed in the PIAA swimming championship brochure located on the PIAA web site.

Pictures of the top eight (8) finishers from the WPIAL Swimming Championship will be professionally taken and available for your purchase. Information regarding the ordering procedure will be provided at the meet competition.

WPIAL 2011-12 SWIMMING QUALIFYING STANDARDS

EVENT	BOYS AAA	BOYS AA	GIRLS AAA	GIRLS AA
200 Medley Relay	1:50.60	1:57.00	2:03.00	2:07.20
200 Free	1:55.50	2:02.60	2:04.90	2:10.50
200 IM	2:11.40	2:19.70	2:22.70	2:28.20
50 Free	:23.50	:24.20	:26.10	:26.80
100 Fly	:58.90	1:03.20	1:04.70	1:07.30
100 Free	:51.90	:54.20	:57.20	:59.00
500 Free	5:14.10	5:38.40	5:36.00	5:50.00
200 Free Relay	1:38.50	1:43.00	1:49.40	1:52.80
100 Back	1:01.00	1:04.60	1:05.90	1:08.40
100 Breast	1:07.00	1:10.70	1:13.70	1:16.60
400 Free Relay	3:39.10	3:53.00	4:02.40	4:15.00

If you have a question as to your username and password call the WPIAL Office.

Below is sample of Report that Team Manager will create to satisfy the WPIAL Qualifying Time Report. If you do not use Team Manager of similar software, please submit info on form on page 6.

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Individual Top Times

Times since: 01-Dec-10 Times until: 18-Feb-11

South Park High School [SPHS] Coach: Robert Kane

Number of Top Times: All Show Yards Only HS

Time P/F/S Name Age/Yr

Men 50 Free

1 22.52 Y WPIA F Patrick Goelz SR 2/17/2011 South Park vs Trinity
2 23.84 Y WPIA F Ryan Smider SO 2/1/2011 South Park vs KO
3 23.85 Y L WPIA F Scott Morosetti FR 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational

Men 100 Free

1 50.13 Y WPIA F Patrick Goelz SR 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational
2 53.41 Y WPIA F Ryan Smider SO 1/4/2011 South Park vs EF
3 53.94 Y WPIA F Scott Morosetti FR 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational

Men 200 Free

1 1:54.09 Y WPIA F Patrick Goelz SR 2/10/2011 South Park vs WM
2 1:59.16 Y WPIA F Ryan Smider SO 2/3/2011 South Park vs Seton
3 2:01.10 Y WPIA F Greg Noah SR 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational
4 2:01.67 Y WPIA F Sebastian Albertsson SO 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational
5 2:02.29 Y WPIA F Ryan Rokicki SO 2/1/2011 South Park vs KO

Men 500 Free

1 5:14.16 Y WPIA F Patrick Goelz SR 1/13/2011 South Park vs Serra - South Allegheny
2 5:29.91 Y WPIA F Ryan Smider SO 2/1/2011 South Park vs KO
3 5:32.02 Y WPIA F Ryan Rokicki SO 12/10/2010 South Park vs Belle Vernon
4 5:36.94 Y WPIA F Sebastian Albertsson SO 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational

Men 100 Back

1 1:00.18 Y WPIA F Ryan Smider SO 2/17/2011 South Park vs Trinity
2 x1:03.07 Y WPIA F Patrick Goelz SR 2/1/2011 South Park vs KO

Men 100 Breast

1 1:10.27 Y WPIA F Anthony Kaczmarek SR 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational

Men 100 Fly

1 59.90 Y WPIA F Ryan Rokicki SO 12/10/2010 South Park vs Belle Vernon
2 1:00.19 Y WPIA F Greg Noah SR 2/3/2011 South Park vs Seton

Men 200 IM

1 2:16.44 Y WPIA F Ryan Smider SO 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational
2 2:17.47 Y WPIA F Ryan Rokicki SO 2/17/2011 South Park vs Trinity

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Relay Top Times

Times since: 01-Dec-10 Times until: 18-Feb-11

South Park High School [SPHS] Coach: Robert Kane

Show Yards Only HS

Time P/F/S Relay

Men 200 Free Relay

1 1:40.16 Y WPIA F A Relay 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational
Scott D. Morosetti (FR) Jacob S. Collas (SO) Anthony T. Kaczmarek (SR) Greg P. Noah (SR)

Men 200 Medley Relay

1 1:47.57 Y WPIA F A Relay 2/17/2011 South Park vs Trinity
Ryan N. Smider (SO) Anthony T. Kaczmarek (SR) Greg P. Noah (SR) Patrick D. Goelz (SR)

Men 400 Free Relay

1 3:32.93 Y WPIA F A Relay 2/18/2011 2011 Section Invitational
Patrick D. Goelz (SR) Greg P. Noah (SR) Ryan T. Rokicki (SO) Ryan N. Smider (SO)

Make sure you return your schedule with this form by Monday, 2/20/12

High-tech Swimsuits Banned in High School Swimming

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Becky Oakes

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (August 11, 2009) — High-tech swimsuits that have been linked to record performances at all levels of competition the past couple of years have been banned for high school competition, effective immediately.

The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Swimming and Diving Rules Committee approved changes to Rule 3-2-2 that will make the high-tech swimsuit no longer a legal suit for swimmers at the high school level. The committee's recommendations were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Effective immediately, swimmers shall be limited to one swimsuit, which shall be constructed of a woven/knit textile material, permeable to water and air, constructed so as not to aid in buoyancy, and shall not contain zippers or other fastening systems. In addition, the suit shall be constructed so that the style/shape for males shall not extend above the waist or below the top of the kneecap and for females shall not extend beyond the shoulders or below the top of the kneecap, and it shall not cover the neck.

"These high-tech suits had fundamentally altered the sport and become more similar to equipment, rather than a uniform," said Becky Oakes, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the Swimming and Diving Rules Committee. "The rules of swimming have always prohibited the use or wearing of items that would aid in the swimmer's speed and/or buoyancy. The technical suits and styles had evolved to a point where there was little, if any, compliance with these basic rules," Oakes said.

The committee discussed the high-tech swimsuit issue at its meeting in March, but did not have enough factual information to take action at that time.

"With new developments in the swimming community, the committee knew that in order to preserve the integrity, tradition and heritage of the sport, as well as protect and enhance the interscholastic swimming program, these new requirements were necessary to promote fair play and the educational values of high school and could not wait for another year," Oakes said. "The immediate implementation date, including style, will help guarantee fairness in competition throughout the high school swimming seasons and allow meet officials to fairly and consistently enforce the rule."

USS Information

As most of you are aware, there are many USA Swimming athletes participating in the WPIAL Championship Meets each year. These meets are observed by USA Swimming Officials and the times achieved are uploaded into the USA Swimming National Database (SWIMS). As such, they are recognized as "official" times by USA Swimming can therefore be used to determine the swimmer's eligibility for meets, national and local records, national and local ranking, etc.

For times achieved at WPIAL's to be uploaded into SWIMS, the athlete's USA Swimming ID# must be provided when entering them in the meet. In previous years we have gone through the meet files and manually added the IDs for the USAS Athletes when the ID had not been provided. This is both a tedious and time consuming process which we will not be doing that his year. **If a swimmer's ID is not provided with the entries, their times will not be uploaded into the SWIMS database.** It only takes a few extra minutes on your part but saves hours on our part.

To determine the athlete's USA Swimming ID, you will need the following information:

Proper first name (*no nicknames*)

Middle initial

Last Name

Date of Birth

Building the ID: Birth date (mmddyy) + first 3 letters of first name + middle initial + first 4 letters of last name.

*Note: if a swimmer does not have a middle name, or their first or last name is shorter than the required number of letters, the missing items should be replaced with an asterisk *.*

Example #1 Example #2

John B. Jones Susan M. Doe (*last name shorter than four letters*)

Nickname: Jack Nickname: Sue

Date of Birth: January 18, 1993 Date of Birth: June 14, 1995

USAS ID#: 011893JOHBJONE USAS ID: 061495SUSMDOE*

Example #3

Amanda Smith (*no middle name*)

Nickname: Mandy

Date of Birth: October 19, 1994

USAS ID#: 101994AMA*SMIT

Team Manager and Meet Manager automatically build the ID for you as long as you input all of the required information in the swimmer information screen. Just tab through the fields when entering the data, or click "Build ID" if they are already in your database. Please be sure that you have the swimmer's proper first name in the "First Name" field. This causes the most problems with incorrect IDs because they are entered with their nickname.

As long as the correct ID is included with the Swimmers' entries, nothing further is required. The times will be automatically uploaded into the SWIMS Database. If you are not sure if an athlete is a member of USA Swimming, include the ID anyway. SWIMS will import the times for the registered members and will delete the times for those who are not.



How to Submit Online Entries

Go to www.directathletics.com and login with the username and password provided.

STEP 1—Setting up Your Online Roster

If you already have your roster in TEAM MANAGER...	If you do NOT already have your roster in TEAM MANAGER...
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Click the green "Upload from TEAM MANAGER" button at the top of the roster screen.2) Follow onscreen instructions to export your TEAM MANAGER athletes in a .hy3 file.3) Upload the .hy3 file.4) Confirm the athletes to be added to your roster.5) Click Submit to finalize the additions.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Click the green "Add Athletes" button at the top of the roster screen.2) Enter the number of athletes you would like to add (this can be an estimate. You can always add more later)3) Fill out the form with your athletes' names and date of birth.4) Click Submit to finalize the additions.

NOTE: You can add, edit or delete athletes on your roster at any time by clicking the TEAM tab.

STEP 2--SUBMITTING ONLINE MEET ENTRIES

Once your athletes are added to your roster, you must submit your meet entries.

- 1) In the HOME tab (under Upcoming Meets) or in the SCHEDULE tab, click the "Enter" link next to the meet.
- 2) Follow onscreen instructions for submitting your entries. You will see a running tally of your entries on the right side of your screen.
- 3) When you are finished with your entries, click the "Finish" link.
- 4) You will see a list of your current, submitted entries. Click the appropriate link to receive an EMAIL confirmation or a PRINTABLE confirmation.
- 5) To edit your existing entries, click the blue Edit Entries button next to the meet name on your Upcoming Meets or complete Schedule. You may make changes to your entries as often as you wish up to the entry deadline.

**RETURN THIS FORM TO
THE WPIAL OFFICE**

Fax # 412-921-0554

Please Print Legibly or Type This Information

Section_____

AA or AAA Boys

AA or AAA Girls

SECTION RECORD INFORMATION:

BOYS _____

GIRLS _____

SWIMMING AND DIVING COACH INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME:

HEAD BOYS SWIM COACH:

Phone#

ASSISTANT BOYS SWIM COACH:

HEAD GIRLS SWIM COACH:

Phone#

ASSISTANT GIRLS SWIM COACH:

HEAD DIVING COACH:

ASSISTANT DIVING COACH:

Make sure you return your schedule with this form by Monday, 2/20/12