Section VI Boys Swimming & Diving Pre-Season Meeting Winter 2021 SECTION

Handbook Overview Click Here

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- Classes & Participation: N.A. (reference only) for 2021, page 4
- State Guidance Document- please review within your leagues and with your coaching staff.

New Website- swimcloud

• SwimCloud Section VI Landing Page:

https://www.swimcloud.com/country/usa/prep/state/ny/section/NY-Sec-VI/

• Paul is working on updating historical records

Rosters to Paul by January 31 at noon https://forms.gle/pzsZKicvBEaXGVPa6

- Submitted Rosters available to coaches: <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14O9cisDLm_WCK3Xfw6M0kM6aHDebW_oWgUqiXAz</u> R9aQ/edit?usp=sharing
- SwimCloud webinar 1/30 9:00 AM
 - Register at: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HcvuBoMqQnaDPEgm4ATnbw_</u>
 - It will be recorded.
- Virtual Meet Live Scoring Aide (Google Sheet)

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KdLtw16kggO1scfFCgDomOTgTuytm2pJH1P2bNS2diQ/copy

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Informational Presentation:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Ekr2Whs0xXlaMRruDBDlpsPKkGOwdA3v8252tuE6H_s/edit? usp=sharing

Mid-Season Notes (Girls) https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1D6Smoz6KFdE3XtgYAqoSRW3hlkKTVd4dCsBgTSwr7Rg/edit ?usp=sharing

Virtual Meet Guidance from NYPHAA

The NFHS rules which govern high school swimming and diving competition **assume that such competition will be "head-to-head"** with ALL participants engaging in an environment that is identical for all and thus equitable to all.

"Virtual" competition cannot provide such identical conditions, however. With that understanding, there are *no NFHS rules provisions that would prohibit "virtual"* competition when unique conditions, such as a pandemic, necessitate its use.

The following practices and suggestions are a compilation of guidance from the NFHS and NYSPHSAA to guide member schools in overseeing "virtual" swimming and diving competition.

Swimming

- The NFHS suggests state associations consider whether a swimmer achieving a qualifying time from the "virtual" competition be permitted for any purposes other than deciding the outcome of the immediate "virtual" competition. NYSPHSAA has determined it will permit any qualifying times achieved during "virtual" competition may be used for postseason events. (Approved by NYSPHSAA Officers 11-16-20)
- 2. NYSPHSAA has determined fully automatic timing should be used when available.
- 3. State associations may permit competition to be conducted using manual watches or semi- automatic timed results. Fully automatic timing is the most equitable in a "virtual" situation, but some facilities may not be able to offer that environment. Be aware that it will not be possible for the meet referee or other official to perform an across-the-board place pick to serve as a "check" on the times from stop watches/buttons. *Regardless, it is recommended but not required the same timing protocol should be used at all venues involved in the "virtual" competition.*

Swimming continued

4. The NFHS suggests state associations consider whether "breaks" in the competitive program will be permitted in addition to the required break following the 50-yard freestyle. State association may need to stipulate the pace of the meet and determine if extended pauses between events will be permitted. *NYSPHSAA has determined it will permit breaks during the competitive program, as needed, in addition to the required break following the 50-yard freestyle, however breaks for both teams must take place during the same points of the virtual meet.* Example: If schools want a second break within the meet they must agree after what race the second break will occur.

5. NYSPHSAA will follow NFHS rules pertaining to race configurations and diving order. Exhibition swimmers and divers will be permitted in a virtual meet but should be noted on entry cards.

6. Lane Scoring – The home team's pool will determine the number of lanes scored in the meet. If both coaches agree, teams may use the same number of lanes at each pool for scoring purposes.

Diving- changed again today!

7. The NFHS suggests state associations consider whether scores from the "virtual" competition be permitted for any purposes other than deciding the outcome of the immediate "virtual" competition. <u>NYSPHSAA has determined it will permit</u> any scores from "virtual" competition to be used for postseason events provided the 11 dive and 5 judges criteria are met.

8. NEW RULE: For virtual meets, participating schools may have either one or two judges to score points toward the meet. Participating schools do not need to have the same number of judges to score points in diving. (Approved by NYSPHSAA Officers 1/11/21)

-{PREVIOUS RULE: For virtual meets, if both participating schools have only one judge, each school may score points toward the meet. However, if one school has two judges and one school has one judge, only the school with two judges may score points towards the meet. The school with one judge will participate in exhibition. (Approved by NYSPHSAA Officers 1-7-21)}

[PREVIOUS RULE: Divers will be judged by different sets of officials. NYSPHSAA has determined a minimum of two certified judges must be used at each school. Diving may be conducted with one judge at a site if a school cannot secure a certified judge, however, the school with just one judge will not score points during that virtual meet. (Approved by NYSPHSAA Officers 11-16-20)]

Post Season Championship Format

The swim committee has designed a temporary replacement for the large championship meet format due to COVID-19 concerns and large group gatherings.

Starting the week of March 2, there will be three mini-championship meet brackets created based on in season results that will last 2 weeks.

It will be a single elimination format, with teams seeded based on the NISCA powerpoint results.



Calendar

There will be a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 4 additional meets:

Pre-Quarter Finals: Quarter Finals: Semi Finals: Finals:

Tuesday March 2 at 5:00 pm Friday March 5 at 5:00 pm Tuesday March 9 at 5:00 pm Friday March 12 at 5:00 pm

Guidance for Championship Meet

- 1. It is advised that a championship like environment is created by hosting these meets *in-person*, *when permissible from individual districts*, following the state guidance document.
- 2. The higher seed will host each round, unless the higher seed does not have a diving board. In this case, the lower seed will host. If no team has eligible divers, the higher seed will host.
- 3. All championship meets will be six lane scoring. Therefore, each team is permitted 3 scoring individual entries, and 2 scoring relay entries.
- 4. Two heats of each event will be held, regardless of the pool size, with the "C" entries in the first heat.
- 5. Exhibition "D" entries are permitted to fill open lanes in heat one.
- 6. If weather prohibits competition on a particular day, the two participating schools will reschedule before the next round.
- 7. All other NFHS rules are applicable.

14 Team Single Elimination



Sample 1 : Fall Girls 2020 Season



14 Team Single Elimination



Fall Girls 2020 Season

Sample 2:

