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# 2018 Girls Swimming Handbook

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<http://www.nysphsaa.org>

<http://www.section6.e1b.org>

<http://www.section6swim.com/>

<http://www.clarenceschools.org/Page/3623>  
(Paul Cary's TM and MM Resources)

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**ON-LINE FORMS:**

Posted at <http://www.section6.e1b.org> Under Information, click on [Handbooks & Sports Forms](#)

*Diving Entry Form*  
*State Meet Qualifying Verification Form*  
*Opt Out of Section VI Transportation to State Competition*  
[All-WNY Scholar Athlete On-Line form](#) **NEW**

## Girls Swimming Committee

Committee voting privileges:  
 As per the Section VI Constitution item 7.6, “The representative members on each sport committee will be appointed by each league and have only one vote per league. Other non-voting members may be selected by the Sport Chairperson. Federated sport representative members that are appointed by their division, league or school will have only one vote. The Sport Chairs of Federated Sports that have divisions will verify that among division representatives each participating league is represented. The Sport Chair may only vote when the vote is tied. A Sport Chair who also represents a league can serve in both capacities but will have only one vote.”  
 The voting members of the committee are indicated below with an asterisk.

**Sport Chair: Doug Cassidy, Williamsville North (C) 716-796-3327**     [coachcassidy03@aol.com](mailto:coachcassidy03@aol.com)

**Committee Members:**

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# 2018 Girls Swimming Calendar

The Section VI approved Girls Swimming season is August 13 to November 25th.

First Practice.....	Monday, August 13
First Scrimmage.....	after 12 team / 10 individual practices
First Contest .....	after 12 team / 10 individual practices
Class Swimming and Diving Entries Deadline (online) .....	3pm October 20
Class Entry Verification Deadline .....	3pm October 21
Sectional Swimming and Diving Entries Deadline (online) .....	3pm October 27
Sectional Entry Verification Deadline .....	3pm October 28
State Swimmer Scholar Athlete Award deadline .....	November 15
Opt Out of Section VI State Transportation.....	November 6
Final Swim Coaches Rankings deadline .....	December 1

\*\*\*\* New Format\*\*\*\* **Class Championships (Prelims/Finals)** \*\*\*\*New Format\*\*\*\*

## **Diving Class Championships** Wed Oct 24th

Class A Diving	- City Honors	3pm WU	5pm start
Class B and C Diving	- Olean HS	3pm WU	5pm start

## **Swimming Trials & Finals** Thurs/Friday Oct 25-26

### **Class Swim Prelims:** Thursday Oct 25th

Class A	- Sweet Home HS	4pm WU	5pm Start
Class B	- Maryvale HS	4pm WU	5pm start
Class C	<b>Olean HS</b>		

### **Class Swim Finals:** Friday October 26th ECC Flickinger Center

Class A-	10:00 am WU	11:00 am start
Class B-	1:30 pm WU	2:30 pm start
Class C-	5:00 pm WU	6:00 pm start

## **Sectional Championships (Timed Finals)**

Diving Sectional Prelims through finals **Thursday Nov 1**  
Maryvale HS Warm-up 4:00 pm, Start 5:30 pm

Swimming Timed Final: Friday November 2nd  
University at Buffalo 4pm WU 5pm start

***Above Class and Sectional Sites and Times Updated 10/10/18.***

## **NY State Championships**

Thursday-Saturday, November 15-17, 2018  
Ithaca College (Section 4) Details below

# Girls Swimming Classification for 2018

## 2018 Combining Teams approved by AC

<b>Buffalo Public</b> <sup>1</sup> , City Honors_Hutch Tech, Olmsted & PArts,	Exec. 2/14/18,	2011
<b>Olean</b> <sup>2</sup> , Portville, Franklinville,	Exec. 2/14/18,	598
<b>Fredonia</b> <sup>3</sup> , Silver Creek, Forrestville, Brocton,	AC 3/21/2018,	520
<b>Frewsburg</b> <sup>4</sup> , Falconer,	Exec. 2/14/18,	334
<b>Allegany-Limestone</b> <sup>5</sup> , Ellicottville,	AC 5/16/2018,	316
<b>Chautauqua Lake</b> <sup>6</sup> , Westfield,	AC 3/21/2018,	283
<b>Panama</b> <sup>7</sup> , Clymer & Maple Grove,	Exec. 2/14/18,	239

### Class A 16 Schools

1	<b>Buffalo Public</b> <sup>1</sup>	Buffalo	2011
2	Niagara Falls	NFL	1523
3	Lancaster	ECIC	1373
4	Orchard Park	ECIC	1144
5	Clarence	ECIC	1085
6	Lockport	NFL	1038
7	Williamsville North	ECIC	1028
8	Frontier	ECIC	1024
9	Jamestown	ECIC	1020
10	Niagara Wheatfield	NFL	942
11	West Seneca West	ECIC	931
12	Kenmore West	NFL	892
13	Hamburg	ECIC	846
14	North Tonawanda	NFL	791
15	Williamsville East	ECIC	770
16	Sweet Home	ECIC	758

### Class B 15 Schools

17	Kenmore East	NFL	714
18	Grand Island	NFL	714
19	Williamsville South	ECIC	689
20	West Seneca East	ECIC	632
21	Amherst	ECIC	621
22	Starpoint	ECIC	610
23	<b>Olean</b> <sup>2</sup>	CCAA	598
24	Lake Shore	ECIC	567
25	Pioneer	ECIC	554
26	Iroquois	ECIC	540
27	Cheektowaga	ECIC	534
28	<b>Fredonia</b> <sup>3</sup>	CCAA	520
29	Maryvale	ECIC	501
30	Lewiston Port	NFL	500
31	East Aurora	ECIC	480

### Class C 15 Schools

32	Dunkirk	CCAA	455
33	Depew	ECIC	432
34	Springville	ECIC	421
35	Tonawanda	ECIC	396
36	Alden	ECIC	377
37	<b>Frewsburg</b> <sup>4</sup>	CCAA	334
38	Eden	ECIC	317
39	<b>Allegany-Limestone</b> <sup>5</sup>	CCAA	316
40	Southwestern	CCAA	308
41	Cleveland Hill	ECIC	305
42	<b>Chautauqua Lake</b> <sup>6</sup>	CCAA	283
43	Gowanda	CCAA	276
44	<b>Panama</b> <sup>7</sup>	CCAA	239
45	Salamanca	CCAA	214
46	Holland	ECIC	205

## 2018 Coaches Points of Emphasis

- **Total of 46 girls swim teams in Fall 2018 Class A 16 teams, Classes B and C, 15 teams each**
- **New Format for Championships: Class Prelims and Finals, Sectional Timed Final (Parallels the format followed in the Boy's Class Meets and Sectionals**
- **National Federation allows for an 11 dive format to be used in dual meets with prior mutual consent of the coaches.**
- There are new limits to the number of relay alternates that may attend the State Championships that will be discussed at the Class/Sectional meet.
- **Use of the Section6swim.com website MANDATED for all teams:**

### **\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* 2018 Website Requirements \*\*\*NEW\*\*\***

The Section 6 Girls and Boys Swim Committees have recommended the mandated use of the <http://www.section6swim.com/> website by ALL teams. The website is the tool for promoting the sport with WNY top 10 and NYS top 25 lists as well as all dual meet results. Additionally, this site is used by both the boys and girls State Meet committees for making official entries for the NY State Championships. The fee associated with the website will be covered by the Section. It is especially critical that coaches send accurate team rosters to Paul Cary and the website prior to competition this fall. The website has assigned team designations (abbreviations) for all teams throughout the State. It is important that we use those team designations with our team/meet manager files. Failure to send rosters and results to the website may result in exclusion from Class and Sectional competition. Coaches may receive a list of corrections to make in their Team-Manager database following roster submission. In addition to maintaining accurate rosters, coaches will be responsible for uploading dual meet results to the website within two days of the completion of the meet. Coaches who are unfamiliar with the website will find on-line instructions at the site and/or may seek assistance from the Section Chair or any member of the Section 6 Committee. A guide sheet for use of the website will be available prior to the season on Paul Cary's resource page. (<http://www.clarenceschools.org/Page/3623>)

## Class/Sectional Information and Format

Please refer to [Calendar](#) on [page 3](#) for location, dates and times.

### Class Qualifying Times

All entries will be determined on the basis of the following qualifying times (*New for 2018*).

EVENT	Qualifying Standards Class Meets			
	<u>Class A</u>	<u>Class B</u>	<u>Class C</u>	
200 Med Rel	2/team	2/team	2/team	only 1 relay may advance
200 Free	2:19.40	2:21.25	2:29.90	
200 IM	2:39.40	2:43.20	2:53.90	
50 Free	0:27.47	0:28.20	0:29.57	
Diving	All Classes: 11 dives: 290 pts (no 6 dive qualifying score)			
100 Fly	1:14.90	1:14.95	1:20.90	
100 Free	0:59.96	1:03.85	1:05.90	
500 Free	6:23.00	6:24.00	6:49.00	
200 Fr Rel	2/team	2/team	2/team	only 1 relay may advance
100 Back	1:12.50	1:14.70	1:21.70	
100 Brst	1:22.90	1:22.95	1:26.90	
400 Fr Rel	2/team	2/team	2/team	only 1 relay may advance

### Important Points for Class/Sectional Meets (NEW)

With feedback from coaches after running separate Class meets in 2017, the Section 6 swim committee has adopted a new format which separates the Class meets from the Sectional meet. This will allow for teams to enter different line-ups for the Class and Sectional meets. Additionally, there will now be two separate diving championships, one for the Class meets and one for Sectionals. Since the greatest participation comes during the Class Championships, we will run the Class meets as a two day Prelim/Final format. Prelims will be held at members schools on Thursday, with all three finals being run throughout the day at ECC's Burt Flickinger Center. (see the schedule on [page 3](#)). Class Diving will take place on Wednesday at two sites: City Honors for Class A, and Olean High School for Classes B and C.

The qualifying times for the Class prelims (see above) are the same as last year's meets, with the top 16 advancing to finals in each Class. The exception is diving where only a single qualifying standard for eleven dives (290) will be considered. No six dive scores will be used for qualifying.

Each team may enter two relays per relay event in prelims, however only one may advance. Participants on a team's two relays are NOT INTERCHANGABLE for the event.

Coaches are reminded to be mindful of the entry and verification deadlines listed on page three. FAILURE TO MEET ENTRY AND VERIFICATION DEADLINES MAY RESULT IN EXCLUSION FROM THE MEET!

First through 4th place patches will be awarded at finals after each event as well as team Championship and runner-up plaques for each Class at the conclusion of the meets.

### Sectional ("Last Chance") Meet

The Sectional meet will now be held as last chance opportunity for the top performers in the Section to qualify and advance to the State Championships. The qualifying standards are listed below and are based on a calculated average from the sectional results of the previous four years. The timed final format will allow the most elite competitors for all Classes to go head to head in an effort to advance to the State meet. No team score will be kept nor awards presented at the meet. All entries that meet the time standard (verified) will compete.

### 2018 Sectional Qualifying Standards:

200 Medley Relay	2:07.62	100 Freestyle	58.25
200 Freestyle	2:09.98	500 freestyle	5:51.15
200 Individual Medley	2:25.34	200 Freestyle Relay	1:52.77
50 Freestyle	:26.46	100 Backstroke	1:06.63
Diving (11 dives only)	310.00	100 Breaststroke	1:16.15
100 Butterfly	:06.56	400 Freestyle Relay	4:08.40

Methods used to qualify for Class/Sectional entries:

- a. 1st place ONLY in a dual meet with manual timing.
  - b. Any place in a dual meet using electronic timing. (Fully Automatic Times)
  - c. League championship times.
  - d. For divers, a qualifying 11 dive sheet signed by the meet official.
2. The number of team entries per event will be by National Federation rules. (a max of 4 entries for individual events, 1 entry for relays)
  3. Meet entries must be e-mailed using the **HYTEK TEAM MANAGER PROGRAM** which is available from Paul Cary's Website <http://www.clarenceschools.org/Page/3623> E-Mails should be sent to **Paul Cary** at [pcary@me.com](mailto:pcary@me.com) Please adhere to the posted entry and verification deadlines.

NOTE: All Relay Entries on the HYTEK entry MUST include at least four names with a recommended maximum of eight listed. ***The relay is counted as an event for only those four swimmers who actually compete in the race.***

**Class Entries MUST be received by Saturday October 20 2018, 3 PM**

**Class Entries MUST be verified by Sunday October 21, 2018 3PM**

**Sectional Entries MUST be received by Saturday October 27th, 2018, 3PM**

**Sectional Entries MUST be verified by Sunday October 28th, 3PM**

### **Diving**

1. All divers (Class and Sectional Meets) must be entered on the Hytek meet entry submitted to Paul Cary by the deadlines listed.
2. Dive LISTS (dive number, position and voluntary dive designation) must be sent to host school. Details will follow. Electronic and hand scoring will be kept.
3. Dive lists must have all eleven dives. Deadline for changes will be 30 minutes prior to the start of the preliminary round. Include the divers name, grade and school with your e-mail. Refer to the National Federation Rule book for the required guidelines for the dive list.
4. Coaches must bring 2 copies of the Sectional dive sheet with them for manual back-up scoring

### **Admission**

Swimming and Diving Trials and Finals: \$5.00 for all sessions (Pre-school age Free) Programs \$2.00 (Prelims & Finals)

NOTE: Section VI will provide ticket sellers/takers for the Class and Sectional meets.

### **Special Items and Rules**

1. No one will be allowed on deck for the Class and Sectional meets unless they are bona fide team members dressed in appropriate attire.
2. Coaches notify your team members that vandalism or theft will not be tolerated and those involved will be prosecuted and/or suspended from all competition.
3. In the all swimming meets we will allow at least 20 minutes between the 50 free and the 100 fly.

### **Selection Of Officials**

All officials working a Sectional swimming meet are assigned by Section VI, however, the Section VI coordinator and Officials Associations work together to ensure appropriate qualifications and numbers. Officials are contracted by Section VI.

### **Awards**

Chenille NYSPHSAA shields (blue, red, white, green) awarded to the first four places in all events in class A, B, and C. First place certificates given to the winners. Participation certificates to all contestants

# Protocol to Qualify for the State Swimming and Diving Championships

(NYSPHSAA approved August 2011)

1. Swimmers will have the opportunity to qualify for the NYSPHSAA/NYS Federation Championship Meet if they meet the event qualifying standard during the regular season.
2. Swimmers who have qualified for the NYSPHSAA/NYS Federation Championship Meet are required to participate in their respective Sectional Championship Meet. Swimmers are not required to swim the event(s) in which they have met the qualifying standard. If circumstances out of the swimmer's control, such as injury or illness, prohibited participation in the Sectional Championship Meet, the school may appeal to the Section.
3. The Section champion in each event will represent the Section in the NYSPHSAA/NYS Federation Championship Meet. If the champion chooses not to attend the State Meet, the Section may replace the swimmer with the 2nd place finisher only if no other swimmer met the qualifying standard for that event. If a Section has more than one (1) class meet, the fastest individual from the final day of competition from all the classes would be the eligible athlete to move on as well as any other swimmer who met the qualifying standard.
4. FAT Timing (Fully Automatic Timing) or three (3) hand held watches must be used for the time to meet the qualifying standard. Divers must be scored by NFHS certified officials.

## 2018 State Championship Information

**SITE: Ithaca College (Section 4)**

### Dates & Times: Tentative

#### **Thursday, November 15**

4:00– 7:00 pm Pool Open – All Sections General warm-up for swimmers and divers

#### **Friday, November 16**

10:00 a.m. Swimming warm up

11:15 a.m. Sectional Coordinator's meeting

11:15 a.m. Swimming Officials Meeting

12:00 p.m. Swimming Preliminaries (15-minute break in place of Event #5)

12:00 p.m. Diving warm up

3:15 p.m. Diving Officials meeting

4:00 p.m. Diving Preliminaries. **Semi-finals & Finals**

#### **Saturday, November 17**

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **Swimming warm up**

10:15 a.m. **Swimming Finals**

### **Entry Times for the State Championships:**

EVENT	STANDARD
200 Medley Relay	1:52.35
200 Freestyle	1:57.24
200 Individual Medley	2:12.84
50 Freestyle	24.84
Diving	440.00
100 Butterfly	1:00.02

EVENT	STANDARD
100 Freestyle	54.36
500 Freestyle	5:14.65
200 Freestyle Relay	1:41.69
100 Backstroke	1:00.42
100 Breaststroke	1:08.60
400 Freestyle Relay	3:42.73

**Awards:**

**Awards will be presented immediately after each event**

Individual Events:	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup> through 10 <sup>th</sup> place
	Ribbons	11 <sup>th</sup> through 20 <sup>th</sup> place
Relays:	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup> through 10 <sup>th</sup> place
Federation Awards		1 <sup>st</sup> through 10 <sup>th</sup> place
Good Sport T-Shirt Award	One per section awarded at same time as Outstanding Swimmer	
Plaque to Outstanding Swimmer/Diver of the Meet		

**Diving:** Final diving entry sheets are to be turned into Doug Cassidy, no later than 8:00 p.m. Thursday, November 15, 2018.

**Admissions:**

State \$8.00 PER PERSON, PER SESSION

## **2018 NYS Girls Swimmer / Scholar Award Information**

For the 30<sup>h</sup> time in Girls High School Swimming and Diving history the New York State Certified Swim Officials will be presenting the Swimmers Scholar Award, to one of our participants at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual State Championship Meet. We need everyone's cooperation in order to make it a complete success.

Each Section should try to select at least one Candidate for this award. If you have more than one Senior who meets the established criteria (see below), then submit these additional applications.

**Applications link will be listed once available.**

Please submit completed applications (including a recent photo for press release) to **Doug Cassidy** any time after the Section 6 Finals on **Friday November 2** and no later than boarding the bus for the State Championships on **Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.**

The Scholarship Committee will meet on **Thursday November 16** to select a recipient.

Members of the Committee represent: NYSPHSAA, New York State Certified Swimming Officials Association and the State Girls Swimming Committee.

If you have any questions, please call: **Doug Cassidy:** (C) 796-3327

**CRITERIA:**

1. A Senior planning to attend a 2 to 4 year college.
2. A minimum three-year grade point average of 92.55%.
3. An essay from the candidate to consist of a maximum of 300 words.
4. Listing of any and all swimming accomplishments on the local, sectional, and state levels.
5. A listing of all extracurricular activities that the candidate has been involved in for the last 3 years.
6. Qualified for the current year's State Meet.

## **New York State Girls Swim Team Ranking (Coaches Ranking)**

To ensure that Section VI is well represented in the New York State Team Rankings, each coach is encouraged to enter his line-up on the NYS Girls Swimming Ranking Form.

The End of Season ranking form will be available on-line for coaches to complete at:

**<http://www.section6swim.com/>**



## Media

A complete list of Media is on page 10 of the Section VI Directory or on the Section VI website:

[MEDIA LINK](#)

### Newspapers

Bee Group		204-4904
Buffalo News	800-777-8610	Fax 849-4587
Hamburg Sun.		(x236) 649-4040
Jamestown Post Journal		(x248) 487-1111
Lockport Union Sun		(x6247) 439-9222
Niagara Gazette		(x2255) 282-2311
Spectrum		488-438

### Television

Channel 2 WGRZ	849-2219
Channel 4 WIVB	879-4994
Channel 7 WKBW	840-7799
Super 7 Hotline	840-7795
Channel 13	558-8268

## Section VI Girls Swimming and Diving Records

EVENT	ATHLETE(S)	SCHOOL	TIME / SCORE	YEAR
<b>200 Medley Relay</b>	Olivia Sapio Isabel Sapio Katrina Wardner Halle Dueringer	Orchard Park	1:45.93	2016
<b>200 Free</b>	Marissa Dressel	Kenmore West	1:48.47	2008
<b>200 I.M.</b>	Courtney Otto	W. Seneca West	2:01.29	2010
<b>50 Free</b>	Dina Rommel	Clarence	23.13	2012
<b>Diving</b>	Casey Matthews Casey Matthews	Williamsville North Williamsville North	354.05 (6) 550.15 (11)	2007 2007
<b>100 Fly</b>	Olivia Sapio	Orchard Park	55.00	2016
<b>100 Free</b>	Andrea Ernst	Orchard Park	50.88	2013
<b>500 Free</b>	Sydney Modeas	Clarence	4:51.67	2013
<b>200 Free Relay</b>	Rebecca Anthone Victoria Butler Claire Willis Dina Rommel	Clarence	1:35.75	2012
<b>100 Back</b>	Riley Drummond	Fredonia	55.48	2017
<b>100 Breast</b>	Megan Marsh	Jamestown	1:03.58	2015
<b>400 Free Relay</b>	Dina Rommel Sydney Modeas Victoria Butler Rebecca Anthone	Clarence	3:26.98	2013

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## NYSPHSAA Girls Swimming and Diving Records

<b><u>EVENT</u></b>	<b><u>STATE</u></b>	<b><u>MEET</u></b>
200 Medley Relay	2016 Long Beach (8) Kristen Romano, Margaret Aroesty, Caroline Farrell, Joan Cash 1:43.21	2016 Long Beach (8) Kristen Romano, Margaret Aroesty, Caroline Farrell, Joan Cash 1:43.21
200 Freestyle	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 1:47.39	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 1:47.39
200 Individual Medley	2005 Julia Smit Mount Sinai (11) 1:58.29	2005 Julia Smit Mount Sinai (11) 1:58.29
50 Freestyle	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 22.21	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 22.21
1 Meter Diving (11 Dives)	1999 Cassandra Cardinell Shaker (2) 561.80 (11 Dives)	2007 Casey Matthews Williamsville North (6) 538.35 pts (11 Dives)
1 Meter Diving (6 Dives)	2007 Casey Matthews Williamsville North (6) 354.05 (6 Dives)	
100 Butterfly	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.13	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.13
100 Freestyle	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 48.54	2016 Katherine Douglass Pelham (1) 48.54
500 Freestyle	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 4:46.80	2016 Lindsay Stone Pittsford (5) 4:46.80

200 Freestyle Relay	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 1:33.77	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 1:33.77
100 Backstroke	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.36	2016 Kristen Romano Long Beach (8) 53.36
100 Breaststroke	2016 Margaret Aroesty Long Beach (8) 59.85	2016 Margaret Aroesty Long Beach (8) 59.85
400 Freestyle Relay	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 3:25.24	2015 Pittsford (5) Becca Evans, Lindsay Stone Emma Corby, Katie Smith 3:25.24
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## Girls Swimming 2017 Sectional Results

The girls swimming 2017 sectional results as well as archival sectional and state results are available at the following address:

<http://www.section6swim.com/Results/GirlsResults.html>

## Section VI Policies

### Contingency Plan for Sectional Competition (weather or illness)

1. Contests will be postponed only if a participating school is officially closed due to weather or illness.
2. It is the responsibility of the Athletic Director (or designee) to notify the Sport Chairperson that the school has been closed due to weather conditions (or illness) as soon as he/she becomes aware of such action. Officials and the media will be notified by the Chairperson (or designee).
3. In the event that a school is closed on the day its playoff contest is scheduled, the decision to play shall rest with the District Superintendent.
4. When a contest is at a non-school site: If the competition facility and the roads to that destination are open, then the competition will go on as scheduled. If either the roads or the facility are closed, then the competition will be cancelled. ***Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES is a site contracted by Section VI available for practice when a meet is cancelled. Individual schools wishing to use a site for practice must follow standard rental procedures through their Athletic Director.***
5. The Sport Chairperson will notify the Executive Director of any postponements.
6. **PLEASE NOTE:** It is up to the individual leagues to recognize the potential for snow days, power outages, etc. that may cause cancellations and problems. The individual leagues should schedule their last league contest at least one or two days prior to the seeding meeting, allowing for a make-up league contest(s) prior to the seeding meeting if necessary.

### Section VI AED Policy (effective Feb. 2003)

The game site-chairperson will be responsible for securing an AED for the certified trainer's use at all sectional contests, and at all regional and state contests that are hosted by Section VI. The certified trainer will be provided by an orthopedic group contracted by Section VI, at all post-season contests held at **NEUTRAL SITES.**

**Note:** If a school suffers loss or damage to an AED that is being used for postseason contests, the Section will be financially responsible.

## All WNY Scholar Athlete Girls Swimming & Diving Team

Coaches and Athletic Directors are encouraged to nominate athletes for selection to the All-WNY Scholar Athlete **Girls Swimming** Team. Applications must be completed on-line. Paperwork must be mailed or e-mailed into Section VI office before **November 15**. The team will be honored by both Section VI and the Buffalo News. Click for the selection criteria and on-line application.

### Travel to State Competition for Individual Sports

For the complete policy click on #310 in the [Policy Manual](#)

#### Summary for Individual Sports

Championships to cover the following costs for state competition in **2018-19**

- 1) Transportation, lodging and meals for Cross Country, B&G Swim, Indoor and Outdoor Track and Bowling.
- 2) Lodging and meals for G Gymnastics, B&G Golf, B & G Tennis and Alpine Skiing
- 3) Lodging for wrestling

Member schools participating in state competition will be responsible for all costs related to that participation with exception of items 1,2,3 above. Section VI responsibility for member school participation in state championships is outlined below.

#### **Supervision:**

One or more certified coaches are required to travel with the student athletes from their school and must be present on any Section VI contracted bus, where the athletes are housed, at the state competition site and all related events.

#### **Transportation:**

Individual Sports Group 1: Alpine Skiing, Rifle, Golf, Tennis, Gymnastics, Wrestling

The schools will be responsible for transporting their athletes to state competition and all associated transportation costs.

Individual Sports Group 2: Bowling, C. Country, Ind. Track, Track & Field, Swimming

- a) The Section VI office will contract bus transportation for the athletes. There are two choices for the school:
  - 1) A school may choose to have its athlete(s) and coach travel to state competition on the Section contracted bus. The following rules apply:
    - The athlete (and coach) must use the lodging and meals if pre-arranged by the Sport chair.
    - The athlete (and coach) must remain with the Section until the completion of the athlete's competition. The athlete will not be released prior to completion of competition.
    - When competition is completed, the athlete may be released to parents/coach for return home on alternate transportation if the Section release form is completed before the state meet
  - 2) A school may choose to have its athlete(s) travel to state competition in an alternate manner under the following stipulations:
    - A school that opt-outs of Section transportation will be responsible for arranging their own lodging and meals.
    - The request to opt-out of travel on the Section VI bus must be submitted in writing to the Sport chair and the Section VI office by the date specified in the sport handbook.
    - The school must submit all required release forms to the Sport chair by the specified date.
    - The school must arrange for the athlete to rendezvous with the Sport chair (or designee) at a pre-designated time and place prior to the competition.
- b) Transportation expenses will be billed to Section VI.
- c) Section VI will apply to the NYSPHSAA for the allowed reimbursement of **\$1.35** per mile on the state grid.

#### **Lodging:**

Individual Sports: The Sport chair will be responsible for reserving a block of rooms for all athletes (4 per room). The block will include rooms for coaches (2 per room) for individual sports in Group 1 (see 310.2). For individual sports in Group 2, the block will be increased by 50% to allow for coaches. (e.g.: If XC needs a block of 40 rooms for athletes and supervisors, they will now reserve a block of 60 rooms) When the qualifiers have been determined, the Sport chair will register all athletes and coaches who are using Section transportation from the block of reserved rooms. Schools that opt-out of Section transportation are responsible for registering their own athletes and coaches. They may register for the remaining rooms in the reserved block until the rooms are exhausted or choose their own lodging. Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition with the exceptions indicated in item 1,2,3 above.

#### **Meals:**

Schools will be responsible for the cost of athletes' meals at state competition with the exceptions indicated in item 1,2,3 above.

# **NYSPHSAA SPORT STANDARD SWIMMING & DIVING**

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**19.01 Rules:** NFHS

**19.02 Maximum Number of meets:** 16

**19.03 Practice Requirements:**

Number of practices prior to first scrimmage: 12 (team), 10 (individual)

Number of practices prior to first contest: 12 (team), 10 (individual)

**19.04 Nights rest between contests:** 1 night

**19.05 Individual contests limitation per day:** 4 events/ 1 contest

**19.06 Scrimmage limitations per day:** 1 scrimmage

**19.07 Waivers of NFHS Swimming & Diving Rules:**

1. Sections may reduce the number of dives for junior varsity and freshman meets. (Aug. 2002)

**19.08 NYSPHSAA Swimming & Diving Rules:**

1. Shaving (wet or dry) is prohibited at all swimming competitions and practice sites. Violation will result in disqualification.
2. Sections may permit schools to compete in quad/dual meets.
3. The minimum diving depth requirements are as follows: Pools built before January 1987 meet the NFHS minimum depth requirement (currently 10 feet) and pools built after January 1987 meet the NYS Department of Health's minimum requirement (currently 11 feet).
4. The NFHS Metric Conversion Chart will be used when applicable. (Jan. 2012)
5. The NYS Swimming and Diving Officials Association will determine the uniforms that officials will be allowed to wear during a meet. (Oct. 2016)
6. All female swimmers & divers must adhere to the NFHS uniform rule during warm-ups as well as the meet. (July 2017)

**19.09 Swimming & Diving Scrimmage Rules:**

1. In swimming scrimmage, no official times or scores will be kept.
2. Times may not be used to meet the qualifying standard.
3. More than one heat per event is permitted.

**19.10 Swimming & Diving Championship Week #:** GIRLS Week #20/ BOYS Week #35

## **Definition of a Scrimmage**

A scrimmage is a practice that is a **SIMULATED CONTEST**. In scrimmages: (a) both squads use the same field simultaneously with both coaches making corrections and giving instructions, (b) **GAME RULES MUST BE ALTERED – SEE SPORT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS [NYSPHSAA Handbook \(p.88\)](#)**, (c) no official score is kept, (d) time period(s) are defined in the Sport Standards section of the NYSPHSAA Handbook, (e) no admission is charged. The use of officials would be permitted and encouraged whenever possible for the purpose of instruction regarding the rules and proper application of rules. In a swimming scrimmage no official times or scores will be kept. Times may not be used to meet the qualifying standard. More than one heat per event is permitted.

## **SECTION VI – NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Philosophy and Code of Conduct**

1. We believe that interscholastic athletics is an important part of education and support the ideals and values embodied in good sportsmanship.
2. We believe that sportsmanlike behavior is essential if interscholastic competition is to contribute usefully and constructively to the broad goals of education and to the quality of life of those involved.
3. We pledge ourselves individually and collectively to encourage and support the development and maintenance of a sportsmanlike atmosphere for athletic competition.

### **Code of Conduct**

1. A genuine interest in and enjoyment of interscholastic competition requires conduct that reflects the understanding that contests as a part of an overall school program are intended to be enjoyed. Behavior that reflects a winning at all cost attitude violates this standard.
2. Interscholastic competition provides valuable lessons and learning experiences that are not possible in the regular classroom setting. All involved must support the need to develop the ability to compete with enthusiasm and to accept winning with grace and losing with dignity.
3. Coaches, players, and fans should know that participation is an honor and privilege which requires them to conduct themselves in a manner that brings honor and pride to their school and community.
4. Respect for the cultural and ethnic diversity of one's opponents, their school, and community is a fundamental tenet of wholesome athletic competition. This standard suggests that planned activity is needed to demonstrate a warm and friendly welcome, mutual respect, and a genuine readiness to participate in a sportsmanlike manner.
5. Players should demonstrate both knowledge of the rules and respect for game officials and their decisions. Coaches and school officials have the responsibility to teach and encourage these attributes.

#### **\*\*\*\*\* SPORTSMANSHIP STATEMENT REMINDER \*\*\*\*\***

The following statement will be read over the public address system just prior to the pledge to the flag. If there is no public address system, the statement will be read to both teams by the site chairperson or his representative:

**“Welcome to Section VI (name of sport). Athletic competition can provide everyone with a sense of accomplishment and pride, if all of us - players, coaches and spectators - abide by the rules of good conduct. We ask that you enjoy the performance of our outstanding athletes in a spirit of sportsmanship and appreciation of competition.”**