



North East Independent School District UIL District Championship Meet Information



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- Meet:**
 - **UIL 2024 District 26-5A Swimming and Diving Championships**
 - Swimming Timed Finals
- Date:**
 - Wednesday, January 24, 2024
- Venue:**
 - Bill Walker SOUTH Pool NEISD Aquatic Center
 - Blossom Athletic Center (Also known as North East Stadium)
 - Jones-Maltsberger Road at Starcrest or East Bitters Road
 - San Antonio, TX 78216
 - 210-356-6925
- Schedule:**
 - 0900 Front doors open
 - 0915 Coaches meet – Davis deck-level classroom
 - 0945 Warm-ups begin
 - 1015 Officials meet – Davis deck-level classroom
 - 1030 Push-pace lanes 1 and 8
 - 1030 One-way sprints lanes 2 through 7
 - 1030 First call for timers
 - 1050 Parade of Athletes, Coaches and Senior recognition
 - 1105 National Anthem
 - 1115 Competition begins
 - 1515 Team Awards Presentation
- Facility:**
 - **The Bill Walker Pool opened in October of 2019 and is part of the North East School District’s Blossom Athletic Center and is also known as the North East Stadium**
 - It is an indoor, ten 2.25-meter (7ft) lane facility with buffers outside lanes 0 and 9, plus off-deck spectator seating for 800
 - Each of the possible racing courses has been professionally certified IAW Article 104.2.2C(4) and copies of the data are on file with USA Swimming.
 - Water depths:
 - South ↓ Pool:
 - One-meter from start end 2.35m (7.7ft) • Five-meters from start end 2.41m (7.9ft)
 - One-meter from turn end 1.77m (5.8ft) • Five-meters from turn end 1.77m (5.8ft)
 - All automatic starting and timing with full digital scoreboard
 - Strobe on each starting block
 - Sixteen (16) adjacent lanes plus the eight-lane Davis Natatorium next door will be available for warm-ups and cool downs
 - Ample deck seating for athletes and coaches.
 - Orientation:
 - The NORTH ↑ Pool backs up to the Piper-Bass Student Center and has a U.S.A. Flag
 - The SOUTH ↓ Pool backs up to the Davis Natatorium and has a Texas State Flag
- Diving:**
 - Diving competition will be consolidated for **UIL Districts 26-5A, 27-6A, and 28-6A** on Thursday, January 25th
 - **Davis Natatorium:** Warm-ups at 1600 – Competition begins at 1800
 - Preliminaries AND Finals
 - 11 dive format
 - One-meter board only
 - Five (5) voluntary and six (6) optional dives must be performed
 - All divers must be entered into this meet with their School Team via HY-TEK Commlink File AND completed Diving Sheets via www.cleanentries.com by 1200 hours, Monday, January 22, 2024
 - ALL DIVERS MUST BE ENTERED INTO BOTH HY-TEK AND CLEAN ENTRIES IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEET – THERE CAN BE NO EXCEPTIONS!
 - All corrections, revisions or deletions must be competed in writing and in the hands of the Diving Referee before the scheduled start of competition
 - Diving awards will be presented following the consolidated Girls and Boys Diving Championships on January 25th
- Rules:**
 - The 2023 – 2024 National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules will govern this meet



**Facility Rules,
Regulations
and Policies:**

- The Competition Protocols and Procedures, posted throughout the facility, must be observed at all times
- Deck changing is prohibited
- Two-piece swim wear is prohibited
- The presence of cell phones, smart phones, iPads, etc. anywhere behind the starting blocks is prohibited at all times during competition
 - Violators are subject to having their devices temporarily confiscated
- Photographers and videographers are specifically prohibited from the area immediately behind the starting blocks during competition
- Parents and other spectators are not permitted on-deck at any time for any reason
- Flash photography of any sort is expressly forbidden during competition
- Standing in front of and / or leaning against the glass rails is expressly forbidden
- Times noted on the scoreboard are never official and must not ever be regarded as such
- All swimmers and divers are required to wear their approved uniforms and warm-ups
- Hats, body or face painting, costumes, and / or props will not be allowed
- Organized cheers by school's teams will be allowed on deck in front of the designated seating area for each school
- All spirit groups and Team Mascots must stay in the spectator area and will not be allowed on deck
- Athletes and / or teams that violate these rules will be subject to disciplinary actions that could include disqualification from the competition.

**Spectator Clear
Bag Policy:**

- Please review the graphic on page four (4)

**Cell phone
Restrictions:**

- The presence and / or use of cell phones, and / or any other equipment capable of producing audio recordings, photographic or video images in locker rooms, rest rooms, changing areas or anywhere behind the starting blocks is strictly and specifically prohibited at all times
- There are no exceptions to this prohibition
- Violators are subject to disqualification from the meet, disbarment from the facility and arrest

**Swimmer
Photographs
And Videos:**

- Each participating school is allowed one photographer on deck during competition
- In the event such personnel are present, parents or guardians of swimmers under the age of 18 who do not wish to have photos or videos of their athletes made, are required to contact the Meet Director prior to the beginning of warm-ups.
- Photographers and videographers are prohibited from the area immediately behind the starting blocks, and are also specifically prohibited from taking shots using flash during the start phase of any race.

**Media Deck
Access:**

- Access to the deck by the media is carefully controlled and members must pick up the necessary credentials from the front office at the Davis Natatorium
- A signature will be required and the credentials must be returned to that same office on departure

Format:

- Timed finals
- Nominal 60 seconds between races

Entry

Restrictions:

- Each swimmer may enter four events, no more than two of which may be individual events
- No school may enter more than four swimmers in any single individual event
- Each school is limited to one relay team per relay event

Relays:

- Only the four (4) swimmers declared on the front of the relay card are permitted to report to the blocks and compete
- If the swimmers are to be correctly noted in the Final Results, the order of swimming must also be specified.
- Relay cards for the 200-yard Medley Relay must be turned in to the Official Scorer not later than thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled start of the meet.
- Relay cards for the 200-yard Free Relay must be turned in to the Official Scorer not later than the start of the men's 500-yard freestyle.
- Relay cards for the 400-yard Free Relay must be turned in to the Official Scorer not later than the start of the men's 100-yard backstroke.
- Once relay cards have been turned in to the Official Scorer, no changes will be permitted and post-meet corrections or revisions cannot be made.



National Time

Verification:

- This meet has been approved by USA Swimming for NTV purposes, which means times achieved by properly regis-tered and entered USA Swimming athletes can be loaded into the SWIMS National Database
- In order for a time from a high school championship or season culminating meet to be entered into the USA Swimming (USA-S) National SWIMS Database, the athlete must be currently (2024) registered with USA-S – AND – the athlete’s USA Swimming ID Number and SWIMS-associated name must be completely and accurately entered into the District 26-5A Championship Meet Manager Database
 - Please review the document on page six (6)
 - If done correctly, no further action by either the coach or the athlete is necessary
- ALL swims involving the backstroke, butterfly and breaststroke will be observed by USA Swimming Certified Officials and exceptions to the technical rules will be noted to the NTV Officer on deck

Entry

Deadline:

- 1200 hours, Friday, January 19, 2024

Entry

Procedures

- Entries may be submitted ONLY by Hy-Tek Commlink file
- Hard copy must accompany
- Each entry must include the swimmer’s full name, swimmers school affiliation grade, and a seedtime
- Entries received without a seedtime will be rejected
- Submit entries to: Cory Bolleter, Bill Walker Pool, 12002 Jones-Maltsberger Road, San Antonio, TX 78216-2917
- E-mail address: **cbolle@neisd.net** or hand-deliver

Advancers:

- The six (6) top finishing individual swimmers, divers and relay teams from each event will advance to the UIL Region VII Class 5A Championships to be conducted at the Southwest ISD Natatorium on February 9 and 10, 2024

Scratch

Rules:

- High School Championship format
- Scratches are not permitted
- Swimmers who fail to appear for any competition in which they have entered will be disqualified from further competition
- Previous performances will not be nullified
- Failures to compete by reason of illness or injury are excepted.
- An individual swimmer or relay team may withdraw from competition without penalty in any given event by declaring a false start
- Declared false starts, however, do count as an event

Meet

Management:

- Swimming:
 - Meet manager 8.0
 - Meet Director
 - Bill Spurgeon
 - 210-356-6925
 - wspurg@neisd.net
 - Diving:
 - CleanEntries
 - Meet Director:
 - Brittany Thomas
 - 210-356-6928
 - bthoma15@neisd.net
- Entries Chair
 - Cory Bolleter
 - 210-356-6929
 - cbolle@neisd
- Meet Referee:
 - Rick Russell
 - 210-834-7409
 - rd.russ@yahoo.com
- Administrative Official:
 - Mindy Donofrio
 - 210-479-0881
 - mindy311@sbcglobal.net
- Administrative Assistant:
 - Lauren Nutt
 - 210-356-2925
 - lnutt@neisd.net



Scoring:

Place ⇒	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Individual	9	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Relays	18	14	12	10	8	6	4	2

Awards:

- Medals, places one through six
- Please refer to the Order of Events on page five (5) for details

Swimming Officials:

Please Make

Special Note:

- All officials must be properly registered with NFHS for the 2023 - 2024 Season and have passed the current exam
 - Officials not currently registered are not covered by NFHS Insurance and will not be assigned
- The Meet Referee will make all deck assignments BEFORE the meet
- Therefore, all officials who desire to be assigned to deck positions MUST notify the Meet Referee of their intentions and availability NOT LATER than 1800, Sunday, January 28th
- Please submit your information to: rd.russ@yahoo.com
- You WILL NOT be pre-assigned if your commitment and information are not submitted or not received by the deadline
- Uniforms for deck officials will be as follows:
 - White collared shirts / blouses over khaki trousers, skirts, Bermuda-length shorts or capris (NO JEANS OR FLIP-FLOPS PLEASE)
- Please report to the Davis deck-level classroom IAW the schedule on page one (1)



Spectator

Access: •Spectators must enter the facility by the Davis Natatorium front doors

Coaches

Please NOTE: •Buses are required to unload their athletes at the front doors

**Athlete, Coach,
Official Access
and Parking:**

- Athletes and Coaches are required to enter the facility via the front doors of the Davis Natatorium marked **Coaches and Athletes Only!**
- Officials are asked to park toward the north end of the Walker Pool and enter through the north doors marked **Officials Only**



NO PURSES. NO BAGS.
NEISD BAC PURSE/BAG POLICY



Prohibited Bags

PROHIBITED ITEMS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

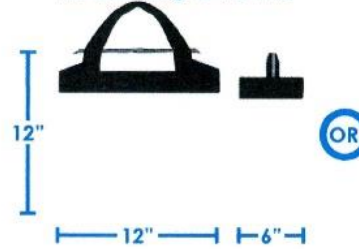
- All purses, bags or containers larger than a small clutch bag
- Backpacks
- Binocular case – Binoculars may be worn around the neck
- Briefcases
- Camera bags
- Cinch bags
- Computer bags
- Coolers
- Fanny packs
- Luggage of any kind



Approved Bags

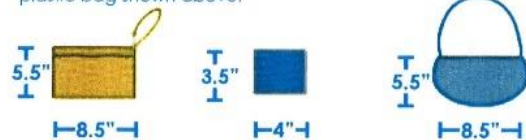
CLEAR TOTE
Plastic, vinyl or PVC – not exceeding 12" x 6" x 12"

PLASTIC STORAGE BAG
Clear, one (1) gallon, re-sealable



SMALL CLUTCH PURSE

Approximately the size of your hand, but absolutely no larger than 5.5" x 8.5" (see our small guide sheet) with or without a handle or strap. Can be carried separately or within an approved plastic bag shown above.



To enhance public safety, Blossom Athletic Center has modified its security policy by limiting the size and style of bags allowed into events.

An exception will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection at a gate designated for this purpose. Please limit the number of items you bring to the stadium on event days.

These restrictions DO NOT apply to Athletes, Coaches or Officials



UIL District 26-5A Swimming & Diving Championships

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 / 1115

Order of the Swimming Events

Women's Event #	Distance (yards) and Stroke	Men's Event #
1	200 Medley Relay	2
10 Minute Break		
3	200 Freestyle	4
5	200 Individual Medley	6
7	50 Freestyle	8
15-Minute break / 200 FR-200 I-M-50 FR Awards		
11	100 Butterfly	12
13	100 Freestyle	14
15	500 Freestyle	16
10 Minute Break / 100 FL-100 FR Awards		
17	200 Free Relay	18
19	100 Backstroke	20
21	100 Breaststroke	22
10 Minute Break 500 FR-100 BK- 100 BR Awards		
23	400 Free Relay	24

- 200 M Rly-200 F Rly-400 F Rly Awards
- Coach of the Year
- Athletes of the year
- Team Awards



HIGH SCHOOL COACHES and ADMINISTRATORS, PLEASE NOTE!

USA Swimming (USA-S) has made significant revisions to its registration process, which in turn have made changes to the National Time Verification (NTV) program necessary. These revisions of policy and procedure directly effect how certain times from high school competition are permitted to be entered into the National SWIMS Database.

Many, if not most of you, have one or more Club swimmers who are, or should be; registered members of USA-S on your High School Team. Each such athlete, by rule and policy, is ostensibly registered with USA-S for the current year. As proof of that registration, each will have a USA-S Identification (ID) card containing information related to the NTV Program about which you need to be familiar.

The important revisions to USA-S registration include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Parents and guardians are now required create USA-S accounts for athletes and may enter the athlete's name in whatever fashion desired.
- Birth Certificates are no longer checked for "full legal name," so a nickname, the last name they use, etc. are now acceptable, e.g., swimmer's "legal" name may be John William Hernandez-Smith but the swimmer goes by Jack Hernandez and the latter is what can now be entered as the name on the USAS side.
- That is also the name high school coaches must now use. On the other hand, if a full legal name was entered, then the high school coach must use it.
- It is imperative that the name in the high school database perfectly matches what is in SWIMS, including the middle initial.
- Consequently, PLEASE do not use "full legal names" any longer as there is no guarantee the swimmer's full legal name is in SWIMS.
- The date of birth and gender must be included
- The correct USAS ID must also be included. The USAS ID is now 14 random, alphanumeric characters. SWIMS will not recognize the older IDs (6 digits followed by 8 characters).
- Athletes must be a member of USA-S in good standing as of the meet start date for the times from observed meets to be loaded to the SWIMS database.
- For athlete members ages 18 and older, a current Athlete Protection Training (APT) is also required.
- Effective September 9, 2023; South Texas Swimming may no longer go back and load times achieved at observed meets by swimmers who were not members of USAS in good standing as of the observed meet's start date even if they later register with USA-S, renew an expired membership, and complete the APT if applicable.

SWIMS Users always endeavor to match athletes to times that will not load, but it is generally unknown if the mismatch is because of the name, birth date or if the athlete is not currently registered. When there is complete and correct data in the high school database, SWIMS Users can almost always match athletes easily.

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