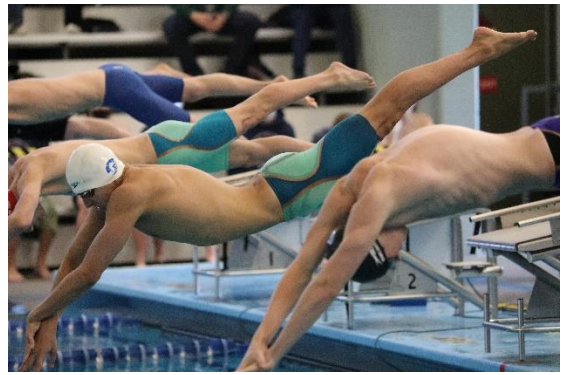


2023-24 SWIMMING & DIVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS – November 28

IMPORTANT DATES

Boys Earliest Possible Competition	November 27
Winter Moratorium (NO PRACTICE)	December 24-28
<u>BOYS STATE MEET</u>	February 15-17
Girls Beginning Practice Date	February 26



KSHSAA SWIMMING & DIVING MANUAL AND HY-TEK TEAM MANAGER INFO

An online copy of the manual may be accessed on the public KSHSAA Swimming & Diving Homepage. When setting up your school in the Hy-Tek Team Manager™ Software, **PLEASE USE THE ASSIGNED KSHSAA TEAM ABBREVIATION** as listed on page 23 in the manual. Also, input in TM athletes' grade levels (SR, JR, SO, FR).

REGULAR SEASON MEET OFFICIALS

Host schools of regular season meets are strongly encouraged to utilize USA Swimming & Diving Certified Officials and have a minimum of two officials on deck during swimming competitions. Utilizing officials who are knowledgeable of current rules and practices ensures a safe competition environment and prepares participants consistently across the state for how the KSHSAA State Swimming & Diving Championships will be officiated.

REGULAR SEASON MEET RESULTS & TOP TWENTY-FIVE LINKS

There is a link on the KSHSAA Swim & Dive Website for this season's meet results from around the state. **Please submit final meet results throughout the season by emailing PDF copies to rgarman@kshsaa.org.** All meet results submitted will be posted. Be sure to include diving results and note if it was a six-dive or eleven-dive competition.

From the Regular Season Meet Results submitted to the KSHSAA, a "Top Twenty-Five" Performance List will be compiled for each event in class 6A and 5-1A. These lists will be updated periodically throughout the season, so be sure to send in all regular season meet results. A link to the "Top Twenty-Five" lists can be found on the KSHSAA Swimming & Diving Website and will go live once the first "Top Twenty-Five" lists are posted.

SPORTSMANSHIP

#StartsWithMe



With competitions beginning this week, please be sure to always be positive and professional. The KSHSAA places top priority on sportsmanship! It is imperative that coaches and officials willingly accept the responsibility of being positive role models. The ethics, integrity, and sportsmanship exhibited by adults have a profound effect on the young people who participate. **#STARTSWITHME**

NFHS POINT OF EMPHASIS: Participant and Spectator Unsporting Conduct

The 2023 NFHS Swimming and Diving Questionnaire revealed a dramatic increase of profanity on the deck. Coaches and competitors are reminded of rule provisions prohibiting this kind of behavior. Under Rule 3-6-1, unsporting conduct includes, but is not limited to, making insulting or derogatory remarks, gestures or acts including taunting, trying to influence, showing disgust, or interfering with an official. The meet referee always retains the authority under Rule 3-6-1 to disqualify a competitor for any act the referee deems as unsporting conduct. Per Rule 3-6-2, unacceptable conduct includes, but is not limited to, the use of profanity whether or not it is directed at another person, or any action which could discredit the individual or the individual's high school. Team personnel shall be disqualified from that event or the next event in which the competitor is entered, whichever is appropriate.

2023-24 DIVING WEEKS – BOYS (Reference NFHS Rule 9-4-6)

Week 1 (Nov. 27 – Dec. 2) = Forward Group

Week 2 (Dec. 4-9) = Back Group

Week 3 (Dec. 11-16) = Inward Group

Week 4 (Dec. 18-30) = Twisting Group

Week 5 (Jan. 1-6) = Reverse Group

Week 6 (Jan. 8-13) = Forward Group

Week 7 (Jan. 15-20) = Back Group

Week 8 (Jan. 22-27) = Inward Group

Week 9 (Jan. 29 – Feb. 3) = Twisting Group

Week 10 (Feb. 5-10) = Reverse Group

KSHSAA RULE 40-2-4

“No student representing a member school shall participate in more than 10 meets during a season exclusive of the state meet.”

KSHSAA RULE 30-2-2

“A student who is enrolled at the start of a season of sport must be a member of the squad for the majority of the scheduled varsity contests in order to be eligible for postseason competition.” Majority means over half. Thus, for schools with a 10-meet schedule, a team member must participate in at least 6 of the 10 meets to be eligible to compete in the state meet.

OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (ODP) – KSHSAA RULE #4

Member schools may apply per KSHSAA Rule #4 – ODP for their athletes to compete in sanctioned USA Swimming & Diving Meets. For a complete list of the 2023-24 approved meets click [HERE](#). KSHSAA Member Schools must apply by writing a letter on school letterhead, 30 days prior to the event, requesting approval for their athletes to compete in the USA Swimming & Diving Meet. The letter must be signed by: Principal, Athletic Director, Scholastic Swim Coach, & Athlete. These meets will count towards the limit of 10 meets for a season.

VIOLATION – COMPETING IN NON-APPROVED ODP/USA MEETS

A member of a high school swimming & diving team may NOT compete in an outside USA/Club Meet that is NOT on the ODP Approved List during their high school season. If an athlete violates this KSHSAA rule, he/she could potentially jeopardize the remainder of his/her high school season (no more practice or competition with a high school team). Also, please remember any swimmer/diver wanting to compete in a USA/Club Meet on the ODP/USA Approved List during the regular season must first receive permission from the school. Then, the school must submit a request for approval to the KSHSAA and receive approval from KSHSAA prior to the event.

ORDER & LENGTH OF EVENTS – NFHS RULE #5-1-1

If your school hosts a meet that does not follow the normal order and length of events such as a Relay Meet or Pentathlon Meet, be sure to request permission from the KSHSAA in writing providing meet details such as meet name, location, date, events, and participating schools and email request to rgarman@kshsaa.org.

SCHOOLS WITH COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

The KSHSAA policy requires that cooperative agreement teams in quasi-team/individual sports (including swimming & diving) compete separately at postseason (state) competition. Leagues have the option of requiring cooperative teams to separate for league championship events. RELAY EVENT state qualifications must be achieved during the regular season by individual schools. In other words, if 3 students from School A and 1 student from School B swim together and earn a state qualifying time in a relay event, it cannot be used as an entry qualifying time for either school. For more information, review carefully the K- Form signed and agreed to by each school involved in a cooperative agreement.