

OVAC SWIMMING FORMAT

Effective 2018 - 2019

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2019 CHAMPIONSHIP DATE:

Saturday, January 19, 2019
Brooke High School
Meet begins at 11:00AM

FUTURE DATES:

January 18, 2020
January 23, 2021
January 22, 2022

MANDATORY MEETING:

There will be a mandatory meeting of all swimming coaches on **Thursday, October 11, 2018**, at The Linsly School at 6:00 PM. Should a school not have a representative (coach or athletic department representative) at this meeting, they will have to pay a \$100 or they will not be eligible to participate in the championship meet. The fine must be paid before a team's entry will be accepted for the Championship meet.

The spring meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 14, 2019**, at The Linsly School at 6:00PM. The meeting will be held after the Ohio and West Virginia State championship meets. Although not mandatory, the meeting will discuss any changes for the following season. This meeting will be held on SKYPE. (03.16.17)

1. The girls' and boys' season will conclude with a championship meet on **Saturday, January 19, 2019**. This date will not change unless a conflict arises with Ohio Sectionals or the West Virginia District swim meets.

2. The top thirty-two (32) swimmers will qualify for the championship meet (30 qualifiers and two alternates) in individual events. All schools may enter an A and B relay in each relay event.

The meet starting time may be moved back because of inclement weather by the OVAC Executive Director in consultation with the meet director and the facility director.

If inclement weather forces the cancellation of the meet, the meet will be scored as seeded with team awards, but no individual awards will be given. (03.13.14) The meet WILL NOT BE MOVED to the next day or rescheduled.

3. The championship will be held at Brooke High School.

A. The meet will be electronically timed.

B. The meet will be scored to eighteen (18) places.

C. The entry fee will be \$60 per boys' team and \$60 per girls' team. As per National Federation rules, one (1) person constitutes a team.

This entry fee must be paid prior to the start of the meet or the school's athletes will not be permitted to compete.

4. There will be a two boys' team champions and two girls' team champions determined by the outcome of the championship meet.

Currently, the divisions are 1A-4A and 5A. These divisions will be subject to change at the October mandatory meeting should there be a change in the number of schools with teams.

The meet format (order of events) will conform to NISCA standards. There will be two breaks.

Each team will be allowed four (4) entries per individual event* and two (2) entries per relay.

*There will be qualifying times for the 500 Freestyle. (03.12.15)

Females: 7:15.00

Males: 7:00.00

NOTE: Swimmers will be added above this time to fill a heat. i.e. 17 swimmers have cut times, the 18th will be added to fill the heat. (03.14.18)

5. All dual/triangular meets and individual meets shall be governed by the National Federation rules unless amended by rules set forth by the OHSAA, WVSSAC, and/or OVAC.

6. The championship team for both boys and girls will receive the OVAC championship trophy at the meet.

The runner-up for both the boys and girls will receive a plaque.

A. Individual awards at the championship meet will be OVAC custom medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places, and ribbons for 4th to 18th places.

B. Relay awards will be the same as individual awards for all eighteen (18) places. (03.13.14)

7. The home team **MUST REPORT** all meet results to their home paper and the visiting team's home paper.

8. A copy of meet results and scores must be sent to the league statistician who will be determined at the fall meeting.

NOTE: Results must be reported to the league statistician **NO LATER THAN ONE WEEK** after the meet is swum. Results reported after one week will not count in the standings. (04.01.08)

9. It is recommended that each team try to schedule every other member team in at least one meet (dual, double dual, triangular invitational) per season. Recognizing that most of the member schools use off-campus facilities and have no access to diving facilities, the coaches have established the following format. For an OVAC dual meet competition:

A. When both (all) teams have diving (Ohio), diving will be a varsity scoring event.

B. When only one team has diving, diving will be a jayvee scoring event in Ohio. One meter diving is not an event recognized by the WVS-SAC.

C. Diving will not count as a scoring varsity event in the championship meet.

10. Swimmers must compete in THREE (3) OVAC dual meets or invitational meets hosted by OVAC schools in order to be eligible for the OVAC championship meet. These must be swum by the OVAC meet entry deadline (January 13, 2019). (03.10.05)

11. "No Time" entries are not acceptable for entries in the championship meet.

Times used for entries for the Championship meet must be achieved during high school competition during the current season (2018-2019).

The minimum time for the men's 500 Freestyle will be 7:00 minutes. The minimum time for the women's 500 Freestyle will be 7:15 minutes (03.12.15).

A minimum qualifying time may be established for the 200 freestyle and 200 individual medley at the fall meeting in October. (03.14.14)

12. There will be a championship meet committee that will consist of the meet director, the assistant meet director, meet referee, a representative coach from an Ohio school, and a representative coach from a West Virginia school. Coaches' representatives will be set at the fall meeting.

13. Team schedules are due to Bill Brubaker by **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018**, so a master schedule can be distributed to the OVAC media.

Schedule changes after December 1, 2018, should only be to reschedule as a result of weather cancellations, although facility and transportation problems may be factors as well. It is the responsibility of the home/hosting team to report the cancellation and any subsequent re-scheduling to the appropriate media outlet.

14. New rules and regulations will be discussed at the spring meeting. The only rule changes discussed at the fall meeting will be changes that come from the NISCA convention in the previous spring or FINA changes adopted by NISCA.

TICKET PRICES FOR QUALIFYING MEETS AND SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP

Adults: \$6.00

Students: \$4.00

OVAC passes are good for all championship meets.

AWARDS

Voting for Coach-of-the-Year and Swimmer-of-the-Year will be conducted on line. There will be ballots for female and male coach and female and male swimmer in both big school and small school divisions. (03.15.16) Results will be reported at the spring meeting.

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FUTURE DATES

2019-2020

Mandatory Meeting: October 10, 2019

Meet Entry Deadline: January 12, 2020

OVAC Championship: January 18, 2020

Spring Meeting: March 12, 2020

2020-2021

Mandatory Meeting: October 15, 2020

Meet Entry Deadline: January 17, 2021

OVAC Championship: January 23, 2021

Spring Meeting: March 11, 2021

**NOTE: DATES ARE SUBJECT TO
CHANGE SHOULD THE OHIO OR WEST
VIRGINIA STATE ASSOCIATIONS ALTER
THEIR CALENDARS.**