



**TAPPS East Region Swimming
Qualifying Meet – District 3
January 18th , 2020
(revised 12/10/19)**



Sponsors: TAPPS and The University of Houston

Schedule: Saturday, January 18th, 2020

7:30 am	Doors open (pay and turn in waivers prior to going into pool)
8:00 am	Coaches meeting (please be prompt)
8:30 am	Warm-up #1 starts
8:50 am	Warm-up #2 starts
9:10 am	Warm-up #3 starts
9:30 am	Competition Pool - Sprint lanes (2-7) open with 1 and 8 as push/pace
9:30 am	All timers report outside the meet room (on the deck)
9:45 am	Clear Pool
10:00 am	National Anthem
10:10 am	Competition begins

Meet Venue: University of Houston Natatorium
4500 University Drive
Houston, TX 77204-6056
(713)743-7529

Parking: Even though this is a Saturday, parents must use the parking garage across from the pool. The open parking lot is no longer available for the public on the weekends or evenings. Busses must park at the ERC. Please see maps at the end of this invite.

Facility: Colorado timing and scoring system
25-yard competition pool, plus additional warm-up lanes
Full scoreboard with heat and event display
Off-deck seating for 900
No concessions will be offered.

**Rules, Regulations
And Policies:**

- 1) The 2018-2019 National Federation of High School Swimming Rules, with the exceptions noted in the current TAPPS Constitution, By-Laws and Contest Rules, will govern this meet.
- 2) **All coaches are responsible for knowing the NFHS rules for the 2018-2019 swim season.**
- 3) This will be run in championship format as stated in the NFHS swimming rules.

- 4) **Swim suits must completely cover the buttocks, as stated in the NFHS rules.**
- 5) Deck changing is prohibited
- 6) Two-piece swim wear is prohibited at all times
- 7) No writing or marking on body is allowed
- 8) Parents and other spectators are not permitted on deck at any time for any reason – **even after the meet has ended.** We encourage parents to take pictures from the spectator seating area or outside.
- 9) Times noted on the scoreboard are never official and must not ever be regarded as such.
- 10) Coaches are **not allowed** to bring chairs on deck.
- 11) All swimmers are required to wear their approved uniforms and warm-ups
- 12) TAPPS does not allow ANY photography or videography on deck beginning with warm-ups through the end of the meet.
- 13) UH **does not all any food or drink** (except water) on deck. If a team or swimmers must be told more than once by any TAPPS and/or UH representative, they will be asked to leave the facility and may be **disqualified.**
- 14) **ALL SWIMMERS MUST HAVE A WAIVER SIGNED TO ENTER THE POOL AREA.** A copy of this is on the TAPPS website. Coaches should present these waivers when they check in. Even if a swimmer has previously signed a waiver, a new one must be presented at this meet.
- 15) Team banner may be hung using only blue tape or string. Tape and string must be cleaned when the banner is removed.
- 16) Athletes and / or teams that violate these rules will be subject to disciplinary actions that could include disqualification from the meet.

Cell Phone Restrictions:

- The presence and / or use of cell phone, 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.

Meet Format:

- Timed final swimming competition
- Swimmers will be seeded by time and gender without regard to Division
- Meet Manger will score by Division
- All events will be swim *slowest to fastest*
- No exhibition swimmers are allowed either in individual or relay events.

National Time Verification:

- This meet will be “Approved for Observation” by USA Swimming for NTV purposes. Only times achieved by swimmers who are currently registered with USA Swimming, have an accurate and complete USA Swimming ID number in the Meet Manager Database, and conform to the Technical Rules will be loaded into the SWIMS Database.
- USA Swimming numbers must be included on the entry file. The coach can enter these on the Athlete’s information page in Team Manager. These will not be entered by hand once you get to the meet.

- All swims involving the backstroke, butterfly, and breaststroke will be observed by USA Swimming Certified Officials. Exceptions to the technical rules will be noted to the NTV Officer on deck.

Qualifying Times:

- None required
- However, *coaches are strongly encouraged* to enter slower, inexperienced swimmers only in the **50 and 100-yard freestyle events**.

State Advancers:

- The top 3 fastest times for each event from each Region will advance to the State Meet. The next fastest 7 times from all three regions will also advance to State. No swimmer will advance to state with a time slower than the Upper Limit Qualifying Times listed on the TAPPS website.

Entries: (PLEASE READ THROUGH THIS CAREFULLY)

- Each swimmer is allowed to enter a maximum of four (4) events; no more than two (2) may be individual events. Each team may enter a maximum of four (4) swimmers per event and one (1) relay team per event.
- Entries in Hy-Tek Team Manager must be emailed to: meet.entries@aol.com (Mike Duswalt)
- Schools **must** use their **correct TAPPS code** when entering meet. Go to: <https://tapps.biz/athletics/winter-sports/swimming/> to check your code.
- Athlete's grade should be **numeric** (9, 10, 11, 12)
- Entries:
 - 1) **rename** the Hy-Tek Zip file to clearly **identify the entering team**;
 - 2) The **subject** of your email should be: School – Region (East) - Division (I, II, III)
 - 3) Please attach a pdf copy of your entry report **and** entry fee report with the entry file. Both are found under "reports" in Team Manager.
- Hy-Tek Entry file will be posted to TAPPS website. Go there to download. These will not be emailed to individual teams.
- ***Times must be included with all entries. Any event entered with a NT, "No Time", will be scratched from the meet.***
- ***Entries are due by at 5 PM on January 13th – no exceptions***

Relays:

- Eight individuals may be designated as part of the relay. Please include them on your relay entries if they are relay-only swimmers.
- It will not count as an event unless that individual competes on the relay team.
- Only the four swimmers declared on the front of the relay card (or relay sheet) 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 into the official scorer not later than the beginning of the coaches' meeting.
- Relay cards for the 200-yard 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 will not be permitted.

Entry fees:

- **\$23.00 per athlete**
- **\$26.00 per athlete if entered via TAPPS representative. No school with more than 4 swimmers will be entered by TAPPS. Please go to this website for information on how to download the Lite version and enter swimmers.**

https://hytek.active.com/Updates/TM_Lite.pdf

- Checks payable to: **TAPPS**. Checks will be collected when your team checks in on the morning of the meet.
- **Please note: all swimmers initially entered will required to be included in the payment. If you scratch a swimmer prior to the meet, but have entered him/her, the swimmer must be included in the payment.**

TIMERS:

- Each (three plus member) teams are required to provide two backup lane timers, who will be assigned by TAPPS.
- ALL sessions timers must report on the deck near the meet room, not later than 8:30 am

Psych Sheet:

A psych sheet will be available on TAPPS.biz (swimming) by on January 16th.

Scratch Rules:

- **Pre-Meet Scratches** only (no event changes) are due on January 15th, 2019 by 5 PM. Email meet.entries@aol.com . Pre-meet scratches are for swimmers who will not be able to attend the meet. An event change cannot be made; this includes taking a swimmer out of one of their two entered individual events so he/she may participate in three relays. Any swimmer CAN swim one individual event and three relays; however, this needs to be done when you enter your team.
- This is a High School Championship, timed final format meet.
- Scratches past the pre-meet scratch date are not permitted.
- Swimmers who fail to appear for any competition 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 (DFS)
- Declared false starts **DO** count as an event. The DFS form **MUST** be given only to the Head Meet Referee two events prior to the event the swimmer is declaring as a false start.

Scoring:

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

- **Scoring at State Meets will be 1-16. Please keep this in mind as you place your Regional Swimmers. See the swimming site on TAPPS.biz for more information.**

Awards:

- Team awards will be given for 1st through 3rd place in both girls and boys divisions.
- Medals will be given for 1st-3rd place, and ribbons for 4th – 6th place in both girls and boys divisions in each event.
- We ask that you do not come into the awards room until TAPPS personnel are finished. Any interruption will slow down the process.

Photography:

- TAPPS does not allow any photography or videography on deck from the time warmups begin to the conclusion of the meet. No parent or spectator is allowed on the deck at any time – this includes before or after the meet. The exception is timers. Parents / spectators who are timers are allowed on the deck for the duration of their assigned timing session. Once that is over, they must be off the deck.

Admission: \$5.00

Heat Sheets: \$3.00

HEAD MEET REFEREE: Donna Dormiani

ORDER OF EVENTS

WOMEN'S EVENT #	DISTANCE (YARDS) AND STOKE	MEN'S EVENT #
1	200 Medley Relay	2
Ten- Minute Break		
3	200 Freestyle	4
5	200 Individual Medley	6
7	50 Freestyle	8
15 Minute Break		
11	100 Butterfly	12
13	100 Freestyle	14

15	500 Freestyle	16
Ten- Minute Break		
17	200 Free Relay	18
19	100 Backstroke	20
21	100 Breaststroke	22
Ten- Minute Break		
23	400 Free Relay	24

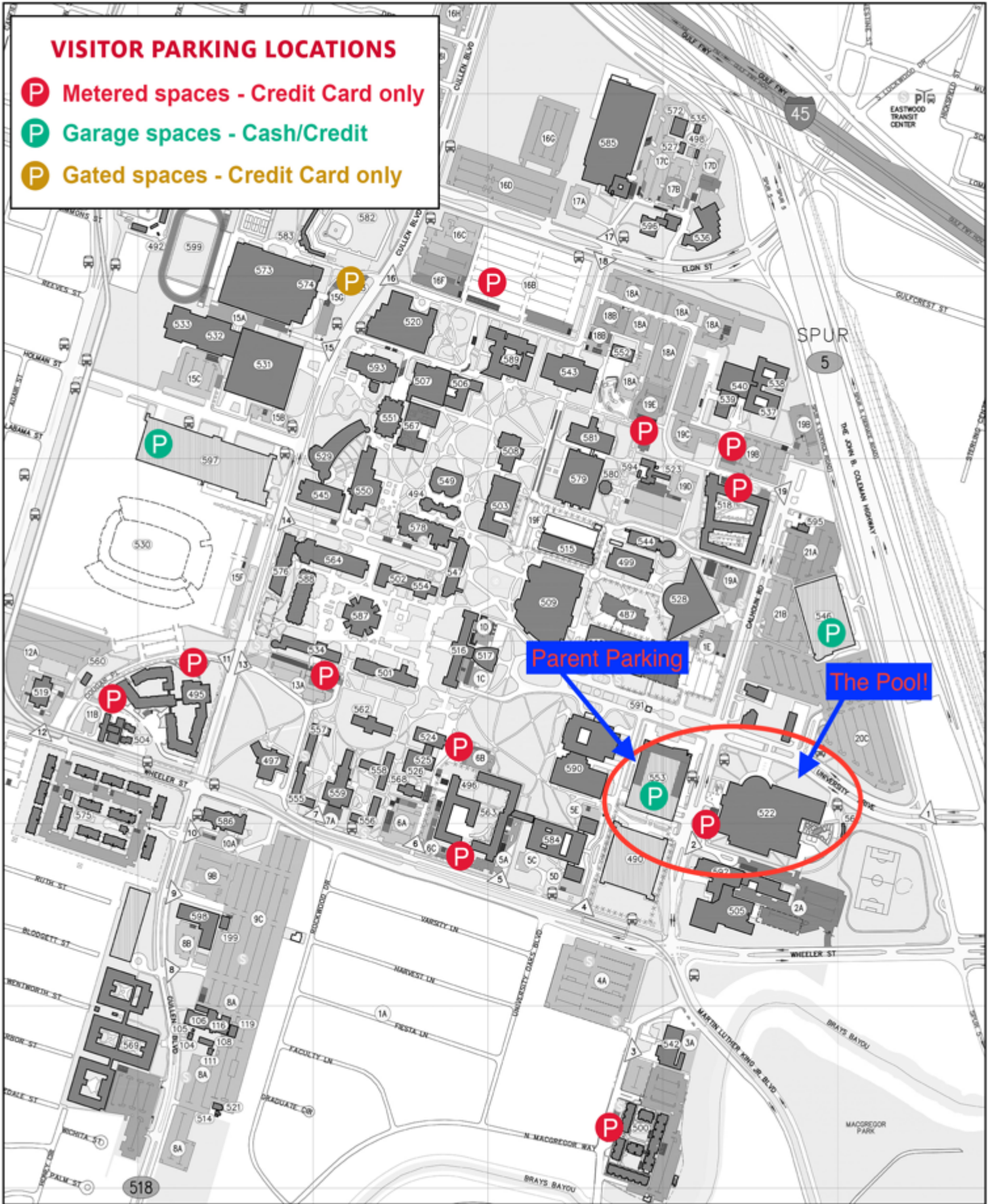
Entries Chair: Mike Duswalt, meet.entries@aol.com PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A DOT BETWEEN MEET AND ENTRIES.

TAPPS Meet Director: Cerise Skinner, ceriseskinner@gmail.com

Head Meet Referee: Donna Dormiani

VISITOR PARKING LOCATIONS

- P** Metered spaces - Credit Card only
- P** Garage spaces - Cash/Credit
- P** Gated spaces - Credit Card only



What is ERP?

Energy Research Park (ERP), located at 5000 Gulf Freeway, is a 70-acre complex which provides research and classroom space, as well as a variety of offices for the University of Houston main campus.

Where is ERP?

ERP is located at 5000 Gulf Freeway, within a mile of the University of Houston main campus.

