



**TAPPS Central Region Swimming
Qualifying Meet – District 2
January 23, 2023
(revised 1/5/23)**



Sponsors: TAPPS and North East ISD

Schedule: Monday, January 23, 2023

7:45 am	Doors open (pay prior to going into pool)
8:00 am	Coaches meeting (Josh Davis classroom)
8:30 am	Warm-up #1 starts
9:00 am	Warm-up #2 starts
9:30 am	Competition Pool - Sprint lanes (1-8) open with 0 and 9 as push/pace
9:30 am	All timers report in lobby outside of pool area (by the stairs)
9:50 am	Clear Pool
9:55 am	National Anthem
10:00 am	Competition begins

Meet Venue: **Bill Walker SOUTH pool**
Blossom Athletic Center (Also known as North East Stadium)
Jones-Maltsberger Road at Starcrest/Bitters
San Antonio, TX 78216
210-356-6925

Parking & Access:

- Spectators must enter the facility by the Davis Natatorium front doors.
- Buses are required to unload their athletes at the front doors
- Buses are required to park in the BAC Soccer Parking Lot behind the Davis Natatorium
- Buses may move around the facility in order to re-load their athletes from the North End of the Walker Pool
- Athletes and Coaches are required to park in the soccer field lot behind the Davis Natatorium and enter the facility via the front doors of the Davis Natatorium marked **Coaches and Athletes Only**
- Officials must also enter the facility by the Davis Natatorium front doors.

Facility:

- The **Bill Walker Pool** opened in October of 2019.
- It is an indoor, 10-lane facility with off-deck spectator seating for 800.
- The course has been professionally certified IAW Article 104.2.2C(4) and the data is on file with USA Swimming.
- This competition will be conducted in the **SOUTH** 25-yard Pool
- 2.24 meters (7.5-ft) wide lanes.
- Water depth one meter from start end is 7.7 ft
- All automatic starting and timing with full digital scoreboard
- Strobe on each starting block
- Sixteen adjacent lanes for warm-ups and cool downs

Rules, Regulations and Policies:

- 1) The 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 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. Flash photography of any sort is expressly forbidden during competition.
- 9) Times noted on the scoreboard and on MeetMobile 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) Hats, body or face painting, costumes, and/or props will not be allowed.

Spectator Clear Bag Policy:

Please see the graphic on the last page of this invitation.

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 prohibited at all times.
- 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 Manager will score by Division
- All events will be swum 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.

- **NOTE: USA ID NUMBERS HAVE CHANGED THIS YEAR. IF YOU HAVE A CLUB SWIMMER, YOU WILL NEED TO CHANGE THIS IN TEAM MANAGER – UNDER “ATHLETES”.**

Qualifying Times:

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

State Qualification:

- 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: [TAPPS Swim Codes](#) 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 16th – no exceptions

Relays:

- Eight individuals may be designated as part of the relay
- 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. All four swimmers, including the lead-off swimmers, must officially be declared at the specified times (listed below). Rule 3-2-5
 - Relay cards for the 200-yard Medley Relay must be turned into the official scorer not later than the end 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:

- **\$25.00 per athlete**
- **\$28.00 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.**

[HyTek Team Manager Lite](#)

- 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 team with 4 or more members 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 9:30 am

Psych Sheet:

A psych sheet will be available on TAPPS.biz (swimming) by January 20th, 2023.

Scratch Rules:

- Pre-Meet Scratches only (no event changes) are due on January 22nd, 2023 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 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.

Awards:

- Team awards will be given for 1st - 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.

ORDER OF EVENTS

WOMEN'S EVENT #	DISTANCE (YARDS) AND STROKE	MEN'S EVENT #
1	200 Medley Relay	2
Five 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
Five Minute Break		
17	200 Free Relay	18
19	100 Backstroke	20
21	100 Breaststroke	22
Five Minute Break		
23	400 Free Relay	24

OFFICIALS:

- All officials must be properly registered for the 2022 – 2023 Season and have passed the current NFHS 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 6:00 PM, Wednesday, February 2, 2022.
- Please submit your information to: rd.russ@yahoo.com Rick Russell
- Uniform will be white over khaki.

Entries Chair: Mike Duswalt, meet.entries@aol.com

Meet Director: Bill Spurgeon wspurg@neisd.net

Head Meet Referee: Rick Russell rd.russ@yahoo.com (210-834-7409)

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



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



Backpack



Purse



Camera Case



Binocular Case



Fanny Pack



Patterned Plastic Bag

Approved Bags

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



12"
12" x 6"

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



OR

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.



5.5"
8.5"



3.5"
4"



5.5"
8.5"

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 RESITRICTIONS DO NOT APPLY TO ATHLETES, COACHES, ADMINISTRATORS OR OFFICIALS.