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Dear CCWSL Parents,

Thank you for another great CCWSL season. As we head toward the League Championship, the League's Executive Board wanted to take a moment to review our Championship meet policies and procedures.

Last year, the feedback we received from League teams was overwhelmingly positive in regards to having one Championship meet. Our teams enjoyed the comradery of having all of their kids swim on the same day as well as the ability to swim more relays among other positive feedback we received. In addition, we also learned some lessons from our first combined Championship last year and have worked to respond to what league teams, coaches and parents felt needed to be improved upon. We have secured a different venue that has been a successful Championship location for us in the past as well as spacing the 3 sessions out. The first session will be Seniors (13 & overs) and held on Saturday evening and then the Juniors (12 & unders) will be split up over 2 sessions on Sunday. We are extremely grateful to Wethersfield Parks and Recreation for their help in securing a great venue for our league Championship meet. Wethersfield High School has all of what we need within a short walk and we are looking forward to hosting a wonderful Championship meet there.

As we did last year, we will still have A and B times for individual events. Below is a detailed breakdown on the specifics of this.

Seed Times: Swimmers will be entered into their events by their coaches with their best time. This time becomes their seed time. Each 12 & under individual event has an A cut-off time. If a swimmer's seed time is faster than the cut-off, they are in the A bracket. If a swimmer's seed time is slower than the cut-off time, they are in the B bracket. 13 & overs do not have a cut-off time and are placed together.

We will seed each event with all of the swimmers that have entered and swimmers will be assigned to heats. The slowest heat is run first with each heat having faster seed times until the last heat which will have the fastest times. Since we are running the event with all swimmers entered, there may be a heat with both A and B time swimmers.

After the event has been swum, all times will be entered into hy-tek. Results will come out broken up into the two groups, A and B. As a reminder, swimmer placement in either bracket is based on their seed time and not their final time. They cannot move between brackets. Their final place in their bracket is based on their final time.

Relays: There are no qualifying times for relays and coaches are not restricted by A/B times for stroke placement. All relay teams are eligible to score points.

Awards: Awards will be given for places 1-12 in both brackets, A and B.

Scoring: Swimmers in the A bracket only may score. Scoring is places 1-12 in individuals and 1-6 in relays (though only one relay per team may score).

Scratches: Please be mindful of your team's scratch policy and arrival times. If your child has been scratched from the meet, they will not be re-entered into the meet.

Facility: We are thrilled to have secured Wethersfield High School as our Championship facility. Swimmers will be hosted in the gym and parents will also have access to areas outside of the pool to wait. Please plan to rotate in and out of the stands. There will be a concession area as well as Championship t-shirts and programs

for sale. We do ask that you please ensure that your child has several towels with them (and they are marked with their name to help identify!) as it is going to be necessary for them to dry-off prior to exiting the pool area and returning to the gym.

Code of Conduct:

We ask that all swimmers and spectators are respectful of the facility and meet staff. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with our League Championship Team Code of Conduct.

1. Swimmers shall remain in the team seating area unless they are competing.
2. Spectators shall remain in the spectator seating area or in the designated spectator waiting areas. Please plan to rotate in and out of the pool area. Food will only be allowed in the designated waiting areas. It cannot be in the pool stands.
3. Only coaches and official meet volunteers (timers and officials) with badges who are actively working the meet shall be allowed on the pool deck. Only coaches and bullpen staff (with badges) will be allowed within the bullpen area. No parents or spectators will be allowed on the pool deck, in the bullpen or in team areas.
4. All athletes, coaches, spectators, and volunteers shall participate in friendly, appropriate competition and practice good sportsmanship at all times. If there are any issues, the meet will be stopped and if necessary, spectators may be escorted off the grounds by a police officer.
5. Please be mindful of your team's arrival times and the fact that late arrival will mean that your child will be scratched from the meet and they will not be re-entered into the meet.
6. Coaches shall contact the Meet Director or Referee for any questions or discrepancy in running the meet. Parents with questions should see their coach who, if necessary, will then contact the Meet Director.
7. No food, scraps, or trash shall be left in or outside the facility.
8. There is no smoking, grills or alcoholic beverages allowed in any of the facilities nor on the grounds/in parking lots.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your coaching staff.

We are looking forward to a great meet. Good luck to all teams and let's have a fun, great day full of fast swimming!

Kerri Work
Meet Director