

## **FLAGS – important information**

**CLOSED DECK:** This is a closed deck meet, meaning only athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers will be allowed on deck. The deck will be off limits to them, including during the 10 and under sessions, so they can prepare accordingly now and not be surprised at the meet.

**Photography:** Absolutely no photography is allowed behind the starting blocks. Since we are running chase starts in prelims and utilizing both ends of the pool in the mid sessions that means no photography behind the blocks on both ends.

This year the girls will be starting from the dive well course for all prelim sessions and the boys will be starting from the scoreboard end for all prelim sessions.

\*All relays will start at the diving well end

\*All 50 meter events will start at the scoreboard end

The facility will open to swim meet patrons, including all coaches, officials, athletes and spectators at 6:30 everyday using the side entrance on the I-4 side of the building. Anyone who arrives before that time, will need to wait until the doors open. **NO COOLERS OR OUTSIDE CHAIRS WILL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE YMCA FOR SPECTATORS.**

**WEATHER:** In the event that the deck needs to be cleared for weather issues, please have your athletes and families listen to the directives of the YMCA staff.

**RESTROOMS:** Because of the above mentioned “closed deck” policy at this meet, and in accordance with the MAAPP program, spectators will not be allowed to use the restrooms located in the locker rooms. Spectator bathrooms will be limited to the cabana bathrooms by the stairwell. There will also be 3 porta- potties available across from the meet entrance on the I-4 side of the building. Please make your athletes aware that they should be using the locker rooms and not the spectator restrooms. The bathrooms in the back by hospitality will be for coaches and officials. No athletes should be utilizing those bathrooms.