

August 4, 2020

Dear SA Family,

We're going to be taking some of our ages 13 and older swimmers from AG4, AG5, and SR Group to Patriot Aquatics' club meet on August 15, a single day meet at Lake Brantley High School. Patriot is taking several precautions for the safety of the athletes--smaller numbers of swimmers, masks required, etc.

I do not want to take a big group of swimmers for one simple reason----more people mean that there's a greater chance that some of our families get sick.

If you'd like to do the meet, consider the following:

1. You must be USA-registered. If you did a meet since Jan. 1, then you're already registered; if not, you'll have to decide between a Premium membership (it's \$85, and it lasts through Dec. 31 of 2021. No limits on Nationals, Jr. Nats, etc.). You can also choose a Flex membership for \$20 that expires on Dec. 31 of THIS year, but it limits the swimmer to just two non-championship meets.
2. For the interest of our entire team, if you do participate in the meet, I am going to require that you socially distance at all times while at the event---no hugs or handshakes with other swimmers; no sitting in a team tent, unless it's less than four swimmers, at opposite corners of a 10 x 10 foot tent.
3. You must wear a mask inside the facility at ALL times, except when you are in the water.
4. You agree to GET OUT OF THE FACILITY any time that you are not racing, warming up, or warming down. Ideally, this would have you sitting in a car, either alone or with your parent(s), or under a small tent, by yourself.
5. The meet fees will be \$25 per swimmer (includes electronic heat sheet fee), \$4.15 per individual event. You can swim up to five events, but I'd recommend just doing a couple. And by the way, go ahead and put a fast suit on!
6. I'll be the only SA coach at the meet that day.
7. As of now, NO PARENTS will be allowed inside the facility.

The meet start time for the afternoon session on the 15<sup>th</sup> is approximately 12 pm, with warm up an hour prior. Here are the events that they'll run on the 15<sup>th</sup>, again, for the 13 and older kids only, in this order:

200 free

100 Fly  
100 Back  
100 Breast  
100 Free  
200 IM  
50 Free  
500 Free

My preference would be to take 25-40 swimmers to the meet. **We are going to limit this meet to our 13 and older swimmers only.** For the 12 and unders, I'll be running the timing system at practice one or two days in the next week or two, and we can run some time trials for the younger kids. More to come on a day/ date for the time trials for AG2-5, but I want to pick a day where we should have almost no chance of rain.

For our 13 and older athletes, if you want to do the meet, here's what I need you to do:

**Send an email to [swimseminole@hotmail.com](mailto:swimseminole@hotmail.com) with:**

- **Swimmer Name**
- **USA Registration preference (if not currently registered, put either "Premium" or "Flex", which were described above. I'll do your registration, and we'll bill your account).**
- **Events You'd Like to Enter (2 or 3 preferred, but a max of 5)**

That's it—I'll do the entry, so there's no need for you to do anything online. But, I need you to send me that email by THIS SATURDAY if you want to do the meet.

Thanks,

Tony Ackerson  
Head Coach/ SR Group Coach  
Seminole Aquatics