## MTHSSA Middle School Co-Op Registration Form

## MTHSSA Policy

*Eligibility*: The MTHSSA defines a "team" as "4 boys OR 4 girls." Any middle school (including all boys and girls on the swimming & diving team at that school) that does not meet the MTHSSA definition of a team is eligible to "co-op" following the policy below, for the purpose of competing at the MTHSSA Middle School Championship meet. (Note: no school is required to form a co-op in order to compete in the middle school championship.)

*Policy*: Schools in the same county can combine up until they meet the MTHSSA definition of a team ("4 boys OR 4 girls"). If the combination of any two schools in a co-op arrangement meet the definition of a team, a third school may not be added. Membership may not be denied to a swimmer who applies for membership for the sake of preserving a co-op arrangement.

*Procedure*: Teams wishing to compete as a co-op in the MTHSSA Middle School Championship meet MUST register AS A CO-OP by the registration deadline established for all MTHSSA members. Co-op teams must register by completing the form below (& including payment of the registration fee). The name of the co-op should follow the format "SCHOOL 1 – SCHOOL 2."

## Registration Information Name of Co-Op Team: County of Schools in Co-Op: ATHLETE NAME GENDER SCHOOL WHERE ENROLLED

Example #1

Name: BLUE MS – GREEN MS

County: WILLIAMSON

Blue MS = 3 girls & 3 boys in Williamson Co. Green MS = 3 girls & 3 boys in Williamson Co.

Blue Girl 1	F	Blue MS
Blue Girl 2	F	Blue MS
Blue Girl 3	F	Blue MS
Blue Boy 1	M	Blue MS
Blue Boy 2	M	Blue MS
Blue Boy 3	M	Blue MS
Green Girl 1	F	Green MS
Green Girl 2	F	Green MS
Green Girl 3	F	Green MS
Green Boy 1	M	Green MS
Green Boy 2	M	Green MS
Green Boy 3	M	Green MS

NOTE: Neither Blue MS nor Green MS meets the MTHSSA definition of a team ("4 boys OR 4 girls"). Therefore, both schools are eligible to co-op. The example above represents the largest possible co-op (12 swimmers) under the MTHSSA policy.

Example #2

Name: RED MS – ORANGE MS – YELLOW MS

County: RUTHERFORD

Red MS = 1 girl & 2 boys in Rutherford Co. Orange MS = 2 girls & 1 boy in Rutherford Co.

Yellow MS = 1 girl in Rutherford Co.

Red Girl 1	F	Red MS
Red Boy 1	M	Red MS
Red Boy 2	M	Red MS
Orange Girl 1	F	Orange MS
Orange Girl 2	F	Orange MS
Orange Boy 1	M	Orange MS
Yellow Girl 1	F	Yellow MS

NOTE: The co-op above includes 7 athletes. Since the co-op now contains 4 girls and therefore meets the definition of a team ("4 boys OR 4 girls"), it is no longer eligible to co-op with any other schools.