

Hello YMCA Festival Coaches

We have some more information to share with you! Our athletes and coaches are getting stoked as the results from Boise, NC and OH are coming in! We hope that we'll show the east who's who in YMCA swimming soon enough!

- 1) Please check the psych sheet and timeline! If you have any athletes doing two races in a day, please let us know. We are looking at adding potential breaks for those athletes who are doing so. If you have a request please let [Caleb Hernday](#) know.
- 2) Spectators! We will be allowing ONE masked spectator per athlete for both prelims and finals. They will be allowed to sit in the North stands on a piece of tape. They will be allowed to enter the East doors and ushered through the hallway. Once their athlete races, please exit the building. We only have 32 spots available for spectators. This is our first attempt and we are so excited to welcome parents back to see their kids! We wish we could do more but, if we work together, we hope it can be successful!

On that note, at finals after each gender set of events, we'll have a recognition of the top 16 if there are that many. The kids will be on the block that corresponds with their final place 1-4, 5-8 and then 9-12, and 13-16 on the deck in front of the block. Parents can take photos. We will provide reusable bouquets for the athletes and will take a photo of the winner.

- 3) Please remind your senior athletes to complete the senior recognition form on the website. It is planned for Sunday prelims ringing the edge of the pool .
- 4) If any athlete would like to lead a devotion before a session, please fill the form on the website.
- 5) We will not be doing any parade of athletes, however, on Thursday we will be doing a Superhero Theme for Finals.
- 6) If you have an athlete qualify for finals, please complete a Bio form well in advance of that evening's session. Coach Dave Korst (retired USMC and more recently GBY) will be the announcer. He's going to do a great job but he needs our help.
- 7) There will be light snacks and drinks but nothing fancy. No coffee is planned so make a plan if that's a thing for you!
- 8) Team seating assignments will be posted on the website later this week.

- 9) There will be no warm-up assignments for this meet. There should be plenty of room available before and during the meet. Our request is to limit the warm up pools to those participating in the evening's finals from 5:15 - 5:45 PM.
- 10) Any scratches for Thursday's prelims must be emailed to chernday@wsacltd.org by Wednesday, April 7th at 12pm. After that, please report scratches to the office and Admin Official Cynthia Raatz.
- 11) Heat sheets for finals and the subsequent prelims session will be posted on the meet website following the conclusion of that day's prelims session.
- 12) We may need some help. If you have any parents who would like to volunteer, please have them check in at /with the volunteer coordinator as they enter the building.
- 13) If you would like to swim on Wednesday, please contact danderson@wsacltd.org
- 14) As you and your team move around our community and stay in the hotels and take out from the restaurants, please thank them! They have a very very hard year.

Happy Easter! Let's have some fast swimming and lots of fun!