

2020-2021 Swimming and Diving Bulldogs – October Parent Meeting

If you are attending this meeting – you don't need to attend the meeting next week.

Athlete Remind 101 - @2021bhss to # 81010 / Parent Remind 101 - @28g22h to # 81010

General Team Information

- 1) Pivot Portal – All athletes must be registered on the Brownsburg Athletics Pivot Portal
- 2) Most important thing for this season will be flexibility! Things have changed pretty rapidly and will likely continue to do so. I will use the Remind 101 program to keep athletes and parents up to date on changes.
- 3) For the athletes – the common message is: our team goal is to have a championship season. JV Championship, Sectional, State, club championships. There are things that will have to be sacrificed along the way for sure, but we will find new ways to do things.
- 4) Covid Protocols –
 - a. Practices
 - b. Meets
 - c. Busses
 - d. Parent ride options for away meets
- 5) Expecting 60-70 athletes this season. We will have “Varsity Plus” and “Junior Varsity” athletes.
- 6) Brownsburg does not intend to change our home dual meet competitions. We have marked out 120 spaces on deck for swimmers and 20 spaces for divers and are confident that we can keep athletes socially distanced and still have the team atmosphere. Some exceptions:
 - a. Monday, November 23rd – home meet with Ritter/Cathedral and Brebuef this meet will be girls Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors and boys Juniors and Seniors.
 - b. Saturday, December 12th – Bulldog Relays will have a girl's and boy's session.
 - c. Friday, January 8th and Saturday, January 9th – Conference at Brownsburg
- 7) We will be taking two buses to away meets.
 - a. Away meets will not be typical in many ways. Some will have a girl's / boy's session, a JV / varsity session, a limit on the number of athletes, etc. Franklin Central – Varsity Plus
 - b. HCC Championship – Varsity only
 - c. JV Championship – JV and Varsity alternates
 - d. Sectionals – Varsity only
- 8) **Spectators:** We will have BHS spectators at our home meets. Seating will prioritize seniors, then varsity plus, then by class. We have 56 spots / 112 tickets available for home meets so we feel that every athlete should be able to have 1-2 family members as spectators.
- 9) We will have competitions and practices over Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks
- 10) Varsity requirement
 - a. ~~95% practice attendance – Varsity good standing. Varsity athletes must attend 2 out of the 3 morning workouts each week. The 3rd morning can be make-up for missed workouts. (During weeks with only 1 or 2 morning workouts scheduled, there is not a make-up day.) Morning workouts may be necessary due to meet scheduling.~~ Attendance will be fluid this season with an understanding of illness precaution and potential healthy quarantine requirements.

- b. Average of 3 points per varsity meet (1 point for divers).
 - c. Compete in the Sectional Championship
 - d. Points scored at the meet v. North Putnam will count as VARSITY points. Meets scored at the JV Championship will NOT be counted as varsity points.
 - e. Exceptions can be made to the above by the coaching staff. This is definitely a year where we will be understanding in these requirements.
- 11) Junior Varsity requirement
- a. ~~90% practice attendance~~ – team good standing. This doesn't include morning workouts.

Financial obligations for the program

Swimmer/Diver Gear

- 1) Swimmers/Divers need Purple shorts, Black team shirt, team warm-up. Costs on these three items together is approximately \$110 through the team shop. There will be a final team shop open next week. Information will be sent through Remind and with the kids at practice. The current team shop is expected to arrive in the next two weeks.
 - a. It takes a shop 5-6 weeks to arrive. Items ordered next week will be in before Christmas but NOT before our first meets.
 - b. There are NO refunds for items purchased through the shop. Coaches have no control over the time the shop takes to come in.

Team Swimsuit

- 1) Suits will be ordered the first week of practice.
 - a. Girls suits will be \$55
 - b. Boys suits will be \$40 – jammer / \$35 brief
 - c. Checks need to be written to BHS Athletics
 - d. No suits will be passed out until they are paid for

Participation Fee

- 1) Participation fee should be paid on-line preferably - \$100
- 2) Participation fee is being collected by the athletic office. If you have questions about free/reduced lunch or a student sports pass, they can answer those for you.

Booster Obligation

- 1) The booster fund obligation for each swimmer is \$120.
- 2) Booster Funds pay for: senior banners, senior night, Christmas Training T-Shirts, Team Caps (regular season and sectional), Sectional Dinner, Sectional T-Shirts, miscellaneous training equipment needs, senior academic patches, off-set state qualifier awards, awards banquet, team awards at the banquet other miscellaneous expenses during the season. A new cost this year is upkeep of the changes to our new Top 10 boards – we had 48 new names and/or times added to the boards last season!
- 3) Booster obligation can be paid in the following ways:
 - a. Sponsorship for the Team Program
 - b. Writing a check to BHS athletics

Optional Lunch Order

- 1) We are using Beach Bound for our after school food option.
- 2) Forms must be returned to coach Gast no later than Tuesday, November 17th.

Volunteers for Meets

- 1) Sign Up genius will be posted on the website