

Platinum Group Mandatory/Travel Meet Policy

Travel Meet Attendance Policy

- To attend the December Shave meet - swimmers must have at least an average of 80% attendance from September until the meet
- To attend the MA Long Course Championships - swimmers must have at least an average of 80% attendance from April until the MA Championships

Consideration will be made for swimmers who had absences due to illness, injury, etc.

- No swimmer will be allowed to scratch from a final on ANY night without permission from the coach
 - The reason for the scratch must be related to a medical problem or family emergency.
 - i.e. A swimmer is not allowed to scratch because they “have to make a flight” or “needs to be home for school on Monday”
- Swimmers are required to remain at a travel meet until the final swim for our team has been completed for the entire meet. No one will be permitted to leave the meet before all swimmers have completed their races.
 - This is required whether or not the swimmer is swimming an event in that session.
 - Swimmers with unique situations must talk with their coach to be given permission to deviate from this policy.
 - The “unique situation” must be related to a medical problem or family emergency.
 - i.e. A swimmer is not allowed to leave a meet early because they “have to make a flight” or “needs to be home for school on Monday.”
- During the designated fine-tuning period prior to the December travel meet, swimmers are not permitted to attend practices or swim in meets with teams other than SJAC. Swimmers who are found to be in violation of this rule will be pulled from the trip. Any fees already paid will be forfeited.

Any swimmer who deviates from any of the above rules without first getting permission from the coaching staff will be suspended from the next travel meet.

Mandatory Meets are just that – Mandatory

- Any swimmer who misses a mandatory meet will be indefinitely suspended from the platinum group.
- The director of competitive swimming will make the determination whether this swimmer will be allowed to continue training with the team in a different group, and if

so, what criteria need to be met for the swimmer to return to the Platinum group in the future.

- Swimmers with unique situations must talk with their coach to be excused from a mandatory meet.
 - Acceptable reasons for missing a mandatory meet would be due to illness, injury, and/or a family emergency.
 - Playing another sport and/or academic demands are NOT an acceptable reason for missing a mandatory meet.

Mandatory Meets Include:

December Shave Meet (TBD)

SJAC January Meet

Middle Atlantic Champs

NCSA Juniors/USA Nationals

GPAC (Summer LC)

Bucknell (Summer LC)