

The GSSSL plan for the 2021 Summer League Season

Basic Season outline:

Practices may begin: Monday, May 10th

Regular season meets will begin the week of June 28th & run through July 22nd:

Week one: June 29/July 1

Week two: July 6/8 (teams may choose to go Wednesday/Thursday if they prefer)

Week three: July 13/15

Week four: July 20/22

The week of July 26th will be reserved for post season (format to be determined) with the season culminating by Tuesday, August 3rd.

Phase 1 or 2: If King county is in phase 1 or 2, the season will be virtual (similar to the 2020 season)

Phase 3 planning:

- The North and South will be divided in half to create 4 divisions of 4 teams each. (divisions determined by placement at the 2019 Northern/Southern Championships Division 1: 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th place teams, Division 2: 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th place teams)
- Each week, teams will have one opponent in which the meet will be split into half-with 10 and under swimmers on Tuesday evening and 13 & over swimmers on Thursday evening.
- 11-12 age groups will flex from week to week depending on capacity (but will be determined once numbers are submitted to the league in early June)
- The first three weeks of the regular season will be competing against teams in the same division.
- The fourth week of the regular season will be a match up with the team in the same place as you in the opposite division (for example, the first place team in South Division 1 will go against the first place team in South Division 2)
- Each week teams will host one of the two meets (should one team be willing to host both as they have more capacity, the league will absolutely support that to provide more opportunities for swimmers)
- For the fourth week, while the opponent will not be set, the date of hosting will be predetermined.
- Depending on a teams capacity, the number of athletes that can compete may be limited.

- We are still determining how to handle spectators, timers, age group chaperones, etc.
- Host club will be responsible for following COVID protocols at their own facilities and communicating those to the visiting team in a timely manner so they may communicate that with their athletes. Teams should be working on putting together a committee that is solely responsible for understanding and implementing the minimum Washington State pool guidance. .

Divisions:

South Division #1: Kent, Normandy Park, Lakeridge, Twin Lakes

South Division #2: Olympic View, Gregory Seahurst, Marine Hills, Arbor Heights

North Division #1: Sand Point, Innis Arden, Klahaya, BlueRidge

North Division #2: Aqua Club, Viewridge, Sheridan Beach, Wedgwood

The schedule for weeks 1-3 and the date of hosting for week 4 will be available by Mid-May.

Post Season: The Committee is still looking at what post season will look like.

Running of Meets Protocol: The committee is still looking into specifics of running the meets (# of timers, volunteers, covid protocol communication, entry deadline, spectators, etc.)