



SINGLE AGE STATE: VOLUNTEERING

Hey BAC families

This email is going out to every active BACer, including the HS Boys groups.

As most of you likely know, we're hosting the Wisconsin Single Age State Championship Meet in about 2 weeks at the Verona Natatorium.

Hosting a meet like this is a big deal! It brings in swimmers from every corner of the state and it's a great chance for BAC to showcase the great job we can do hosting meets like these. For those that aren't aware, BAC has a LONG history of hosting meets like this, primarily the old February 12-U Meet at the old UW Natatorium. But obviously it's been a while, so we're eager to show off our skills to a new generation of swim family.

This meet projects to be a big one. Last year we had 560 participants, which was considerably lower than average due to delayed recovery from the COVID shutdowns. The LSC wanted to make sure our numbers 'bounced back' and adjusted the qualifying standards accordingly. It's worked, and teams across the state are reporting more qualifiers than they had last year. This year we're anticipating over 700 athletes, which should be awesome!

Hosting a meet like this takes a lot of work. Our full-time staff has been putting considerable hours towards the meet already, as have members of the WI LSC staff. But the bulk of the work comes the weekend of the meet, with a huge need for volunteers to make the meet run well.

We're doing a couple of different things to address the need for volunteers.

First, we've asked our HS-aged girl swimmers to volunteer as timers during the afternoon shifts. This puts them on deck at the same time as the 12-under girls, which should be great. If any of the 13-14 girls or HS-aged boys are also looking to volunteer, please email Coach Jacob

Second, we're asking for volunteers from any parents or siblings that aren't connected to the meet. If you're able, we'd love the help!

Finally, we're looking at the combined Holiday Splash and Single Age State (consecutive weekends) as a single 'volunteering unit'. Given the size and format of the Splash, we'll have more volunteers available than are strictly needed for the meet. If any Splash participants are able to shift their volunteering to the following weekend, that would be amazing.

Overall, we're incredibly excited about hosting this meet, and while the volunteer situation is a potential hang-up, we're feeling really confident on the ability of the BAC family to help us make the event an amazing experience.

You can sign up NOW for open volunteer spots, and email Coach Jacob or Coach EJ (ejohnsonmail@gmail.com) with any questions.

Thanks so much in advance, and Go BAC!

