

2021 12-Under SC State Championship Coach Info

Welcome to the 2021 12-Under SC State Championship Meet. Good luck to your swimmers.

Contacts: Please contact the people below if you have any questions about the meet

Meet Director: Mark Kohnhorst– overall meet operation.

Entry Chair: Darsi Kohnhorst – entry, scoring or results.

Meet Referee: Scott VanErmen

Head Chief Judge: Ron and Melissa Vandenhouten

Admin Official: Darsi Kohnhorst

Building Entry: Entry to the building is through the east entrance only. Everyone entering the building will submit to a temperature check to ensure everyone is fever free. Anyone with a fever of 100.4 F or higher will not be allowed in the building. No spectators. Parents are not allowed in the building. Meet will be livestreamed. Link and stream will be on our website prior to the start of the meet.

Coach Check-in: All coaches must check-in upon their first arrival and sign in. On Friday, check-in will be at the table in front of the office, after that, stop in the office to sign in. Bring your entry fee payment if you have not already sent it. Credentials will be checked, please be prepared. Properly credentialed coaches will be given a wristband which must be worn at the meet. If you need a replacement band, stop in the office. Coaches will also have their temperature taken upon entry to the building.

Warm-up Information: Warm-up assignments are posted. Have your swimmers arrive no more than 15 minutes before the start of their warm-up session. There are 5-minute breaks between warm-up, so please wait for the deck area behind warm-up lanes to be clear before sending your kids to warm-up. Teams may use their warm-up time for starts if all assigned teams agree.

South pool is open for warm-up/cool down throughout the meet, and if necessary, the middle as well. Limit lanes to 6 swimmers and no loitering on the sides. Swim until done and then exit. There will be a lane assigned for one-way sprints and another for pace.

Staging and Athlete Competition Flow: Swimmers will be staged in the hallway starting at the south end and move in a spaced line toward the north entrance of the pool. Swimmers should enter the hallway through the door by the office. Swimmers should report to the Clerk of Course during the break preceding their event. Clerks will organize swimmers and manage flow to the pool. We will use flyover starts. When next heat is in the water, swimmers will exit the pool, put on mask, and leave the area behind the blocks. Once cleared, the next heat will be allowed behind the blocks.

COVID Safety: Please reiterate to your swimmers and families that they should not come to the meet if they are not feeling well or have been exposed to someone with COVID in the last two weeks. Fees for swimmers who do not attend due to illness or quarantine will be refunded, so at least that should not play a role in any potential bad decisions.

Bring as few coaches as possible to help keep the facility under its legal capacity and allow space for swimmer and volunteer movement.

Locker rooms are not available for showering or changing. Locker rooms are available for bathroom use only. Marshals will enforce locker room capacity limits.

There are assigned seating areas for all teams in each session. All sessions are 25 or more under capacity. If you wish to relocate a small group, there will be other options available. Seats are marked 6 ft. apart, please enforce physical distancing and mask wearing in your team area.

A deck coaching area will be established along lane 8 and portions of lane 1 of both the warmup and competition pool. This area will be for coaches and athletes to be able to safely discuss races and for coaches to actively coach throughout the event. Coaches and athletes will station themselves in a position to speak with each other 6-feet apart whenever possible. Coaches will always wear masks.

Breaks: Breaks have been inserted into the sessions to allow recovery time for athletes between events with a goal of allowing about 15 minutes between most races. Awards will be “presented” during the breaks.

Awards: Top 8 individual and top 3 relay award winners will be announced during the breaks. Awards are presented after the following event in the session. Award schedule is in the updated session report.

Top 8 swimmers should pick-up their awards at the table in front of the office prior to the scheduled award presentation. Event Champion will have their picture taken for the Wall of Champions when picking up their award. At the start of the break, award winners should be behind the starting blocks matching their place, 1-8. Announcer will play awards music and swimmers will step up on the block corresponding to their place. The announcer will read the names 8th through 1st.

Ribbons are awarded to 9th-16th place in individual event and 4th-8th in relay event. Ribbons will be put in your team mailbox. Please pick them up throughout the meet and before leaving the meet. You can send swimmers to the mailbox as well.

State Champions should stop by the office to claim their state champion T-shirt. One per swimmer. Pictures on the Wall of Champions may be taken home by swimmers at the end of the meet.

Relays: Relays are limited to four teams per heat to minimize crowding behind the blocks. Remind your kids to mask after their swim and maintain spacing while behind the blocks. Relay sheets are in your mailbox. If you have no changes, you do not need to turn in relay sheets. Turn in changes to the office 20 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the relay. If you make a change after that, do it with the timer on the lane timer sheet prior to the start of the event.

Hospitality: Snacks and beverages will be available at the southwest corner of the pool throughout the meet. There will be occasional grab and go meals brought in as well. Feel free to bring a lunch of your own.

For the Kids: Bag tags are in your team mailbox. A3 Performance has provided water bottles for all participants they can be picked up by swimmers or coaches at the front table. Bella will be delivering ordered T-shirts on Friday. Meet personnel will distribute to teams throughout the weekend. Parents are not allowed in to pick-up their order.