FAQ's about "States" 2021

Q: Clarification on Relay Rules

A: For relay entries, there are 2 options...

1) Swim the relay as a relay, just as normal. Obviously following pool criteria for social distancing. This would only be for teams that are able to do this option.

2) Use aggregate times. This means you would set up events, ie: event 101 50 Back, event 102 50 Breast, event 103 50 fly, and swim each event as its own event and then add up the times to create a Relay time.

For States, after everyone has swum their respective 50's over the course of the season, you add up the fastest combination and submit that as your A relay, B relay, etc.

That's more like what we would do anyway over the season...working on the best combinations for States. The one thing to stress is that Relay splits do not count as an official time to be used when doing the aggregate times.

Q: What about diving?

A: Link to Diane's Document

Q: Can the kids' times from last year be used for this year's entries?

A: Negative, we can only accept times from November 2020-February 2021

Q: How are you verifying times that come to you from other virtual meets?

A: As with most things with Covid, there is no perfect solution. Normally, we would have multiple teams at a meet as a check on times, but with most teams not being able to swim with multiple teams present, we will be verifying using just the meet referee signing off that the meet was valid. Other than that, we are trusting that the coaches will be honoring our mission. If any times show up that are way off base, we will check in on those times.

Q: Are there State Cut Times?

A: No. Each team will be able to submit an entry on February 20 with their entries for each event. After the entries have been received, we will produce a final results list.

Q: How many chances will our swimmers get to clock an official time, are we allowed to ask the state official to come as many times as possible or is there a cap?

A: You may have your swimmers swim as many meets as you safely can that are officiated by meet officials. Then you'll send in their top times swum this season as their entries for the meet.

Q: Will we still honor our seniors? And only those in the meet or any senior swimmers?

A: YES! We will be creating a slideshow which will be displayed on the VISAA website with pictures sent in by the coaches. No, your senior does not have to be in the meet as some schools are having differently scheduled seasons, but we still want to recognize these kids!

Q: How will I turn in my entries?

A: Entries will be submitted through SwimCloud. The Hy-Tek [™] file will be sent to the meet directors and will take about a week to compile entries and report back on the top 16 swimmers

Q: How many swimmers may I enter?

A: No limit on the number of swimmers enter, but only 4 can score in the top 16.

Q: Do entry regulations still apply?

A: Yes! Each swimmer can enter/swim no more than 2 individual events and a max of 4 events including relays. A swimmer can swim 2 events and 2 relays or 1 event and 3 relays.