

2025



**5A and 6A
SWIMMING & DIVING
State Qualifiers'
Handbook**

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

STATE QUALIFIER HANDBOOK

Congratulations on your team’s advancement to the Swimming & Diving State Meet. This handbook has been prepared to serve as a guide to administrators and coaches and provide information about the State Meet. You will find this material valuable upon your arrival as you prepare for the meet.

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MEET INFORMATION

State Qualifiers' Webinar: February 18th @ 6:30pm. [Join Webinar Here.](#)

The purpose of this meeting is to review procedures and process for the State Meet. UIL Staff Meet Administrators will be presenting the information and available to answer questions.

****NEW FOR 2025 sportsYou:** UIL will utilize sportsYou (application) as the primary mode of communication throughout the State Meet. Please make sure at least one coach from your staff joins. Group Code - **W975-MG3Y**

****Warm-ups:** We will be utilizing both the indoor and outdoor pools for warm-up. A warm-up schedule will be provided to coaches during packet pick-up.

****Flyover Starts:** For Friday prelims, we will be utilizing flyover starts.

State Qualifiers/Scratches: Regional final times will be used for seeding heats for the State Meet. All state qualifiers will be named on the UIL Website.

- **Swimmers:** The first and second place winner in each of the eight (8) regional swimming meets will advance to the State Meet. The next eight (8) swimmers with the best regional final times overall will advance to the State Meet.
 - [Scratch Form](#)
 - [Girls Relay Confirmation Form](#) – Please declare your girl relay members along with alternates.
 - [Boys Relay Confirmation Form](#) – Please declare your boy relay members along with alternates.
- **Divers:** The top three male and top three female divers will advance from each of the eight regional meets to the State Meet.

NOTE: If your school qualified a relay, you MUST submit a Relay Confirmation Form no later than February 14th. Changes will be allowed to relay members at the State Meet if needed. The number of alternates allowed at state depends on the number of relays you qualify. (1 relay = 2 alternates; 2 relays = 3 alternates; 3 relays = 4 alternates) ****Due to limited deck space, please submit only the names of athletes for relays and relay alternates who may actually be needed to swim.**

****NEW FOR 2025** The [UIL Protocols for Electronic Relay Judging Equipment](#) is new for this championship season, and should be followed for all championship events utilizing electronic relay judge pads.

Divers: The rules in the National Federation Swimming and Diving Rules and Records Book shall be followed regarding dive list format for entries.

- The top three male and top three female divers, regardless of degree of difficulty, will advance from each regional competition to the State Meet.
- Diving entries must be submitted through www.cleanentries.com starting February 7th through February 15th, no later than 11:59pm CST. Questions regarding entries should be emailed to: pennyd2162@gmail.com. Changes can be made online after registration closes until 6:00pm on February 20th.

State Venue Location: Texas Swim Center- 1900 Red River St, Austin, TX 78712

Buddy Passes: Teams who are required to bring a buddy if they have one male or one female qualifier, may request one (1) comp ticket for that traveling buddy. **Comp tickets must be requested at packet pick-up. No comp tickets will be available at the meet.**

Administrator Comp Tickets: Each qualifying school can request **ONE** comp. Comp tickets will need to be claimed by the athletic director or administrator on the lower-level athlete entrance. Comp tickets do not allow deck access.

Packet Pick-up: Schools may pick up packets on Thursday, February 20th between 3:00 and 5:00pm at the UIL Office, 1701 Manor Rd. Packets are also available starting at 8:00am on Friday, February 21st at the UT Swim Center, swim deck entrance.

School Parking: Each school will be provided ONE parking pass (school vehicle OR bus). School vehicle parking will be available in the **Heath Center Garage** (1601 Trinity St. Bldg A, Austin, 78701). Please note that garage availability is based on a first come first serve basis. Bus parking will be on the west side of Red River St, between Dean Keeton and Clyde Littlefield (2200-2601 Red River St.). You MUST request a bus parking permit at packet pick-up.

Athlete Drop off/Pick-up Area: North of the E Martin Luther King Jr Blvd and Trinity St intersection (see map). Please note this is for drop-off and pick-up only. Buses and school vehicles will not be able to park here for an extended period of time.

Athlete Entrance: For schools who have already picked up their school packet and have their tattoos and wristbands, those individuals can utilize the side gate/door of the outdoor pool (**off MLK**) to gain access to the Texas Swim Center. Schools who

have NOT picked up their school packet, will utilize the lower-level swim entrance, where they will need to pick up their school packet and distribute tattoos and wristbands prior to entrance. **Divers will be able to enter the swim center at 7:30am. Swimmers will be able to enter the swim center at 7:40am. PLEASE NOTE, due construction along the north side of the swim center, all spectators, athletes and coaches will need to utilize MLK to enter the facility (south of swim center)**

Ticket Sales: All tickets will be sold online only. Online tickets will be available starting February 10th at 8:00am CST. **NO RE-ENTRY.** [Purchase tickets here.](#)

Ticket Type	Ticket Price
Single Session Ticket	\$15.00 + fees
All-Conference Session Ticket	\$25.00 + fees

**** NO RE-ENTRY PERMITTED.**

Deck Access:

Participating Athletes: All swimmers and divers must have a tattoo to be admitted into the pool deck area. Each school will be provided one tattoo per participant.

- *****Lap Counters-** If you have a single state qualifier who is participating in the 500 Freestyle, we will provide your school with one additional tattoo.

Swim & Dive Coaches- Each school will be provided ONE wristband inside of their school packet. Additional wristbands may be requested at packet pick-up if the school has the appropriate number of qualifiers based on the chart below.

QUALIFIERS	ADDITIONAL WRISTBANDS
8-17	1
18-25	2
26+	3

Additional wristbands outline above MUST BE picked up when the school packet is being picked up. NO additional wristbands outside the parameters will be given.

- **** Diving coaches** will receive an additional wristband if more than one student-athlete qualifies from school and there are both a swimmer and a diver from your school. A school only qualifying divers (and not meeting thresholds above) will not receive an additional wristband.

Athletic Trainers: Will not be granted access to the pool deck. EMT and athletic training staff will be provided on site.

****NEW FOR 2025 Videographer (Diving):** Schools who have a diver with the NISCA All-American Qualification Degree of Difficulty (Girls – 13.0 DD total for Optionals; Boys – 13.2 DD total for Optionals) are allowed to appoint ONE individual per qualified diver to videotape for the purpose of All-American Diving qualifications submission. The individual designated as the videographer MUST be affiliated with the school at which the athlete attends (student or employee). The school coach must request this videographer pass PRIOR TO the meet. Only qualified diving competitors will be allowed in the diving competition area. No spectators will be allowed on the diving deck. Film Passes can be picked up at school packet pick-up on Wednesday/Thursday OR upon arrival to the facility the days of the State Meet. Please note proper identification will be required for pick-up. **Deadline to submit is February 19th, 11:59pm CST.** [Dive Film Pass](#)

Coaches' Area: During swimming competition, the center deck (area of the deck dividing swimming and diving pools) is reserved for school coaches only. Spectators and team members will be prohibited in this area.

Team Seating: A team seating assignment diagram will be available in the school packet. Coaches are responsible to see that only school coaches and participants are in their assigned area. Coaches must work together to accommodate participants.

Locker Rooms: Participants are responsible for securing their own valuables. Locks must be removed after each session. Shaving onsite will be grounds for disqualification.

Officials: Meet referees will be selected by the UIL Staff. The meet referees will assist UIL Staff with the selection of the State Meet officials.

Meet Committee: A meet committee shall be appointed by the UIL for the State Meet.

Rules: National Federation Rules will be followed. Decisions of the referee are final. Protests in writing must be submitted to the Meet Director.

Scoring: 16 places will be scored in all individuals, relay, and diving events. Points shall be scored by the following: Individuals, 20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11 for final; 9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 for consolation; Relays, scored double.

Results: Results will be posted in the hallway outside the locker rooms and upstairs for spectators. Live results will be available on the UIL Website (<http://www.uil texas.org/swimming-diving/state/swimming-diving-state-meet-qualifiers-results>).

Final Heat Sheets will be provided to coaches on Saturday upon their arrival.

Awards:

- All participants finishing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd must report according to the awards schedule to the awards area.
 - If your athlete(s) finishes 1st in an event, we ask that you report to the awards' stand with your athlete and help the UIL in draping all medalists.
- Swimmers and Divers of the Meet will be announced and presented with a plaque prior to team awards.
- Championship, runner-up, and third place team trophies will be presented after the last event.
- UIL will allow additional medals to be purchased onsite for teams finishing first, second or third.

Programs: Swim & Dive programs will be digital this year. You can access the digital version of the program [here](#).

Photos: MaxPreps, the UIL sanctioned photographer, will be taking photos & photos at the awards stand. These photos can be purchased [here](#).

Food and Beverage: One cooler per team is permitted with food and drinks. Glassware is strictly prohibited. Concessions will be available.

BROADCAST INFORMATION

UIL Swimming & Diving State Meet to be Streamed Live on NFHS Network

NFHS Network will provide a live webcast of the 2025 UIL Swimming & Diving State Meet on Thursday, February 13 and Friday, February 14 (Conferences 4A & Below) from Josh Davis Natatorium in San Antonio and on Friday, February 21 and Saturday, February 22 (Conferences 5A & 6A) from the Lee and Joe Jamail Texas Swim Center on the University of Texas at Austin campus.

Fans, family and alumni unable to attend the event can watch the UIL Swimming & Diving State Meet live online with a subscription at NFHSNetwork.com.

Subscribers can also watch on the go or at home through the NFHS Network mobile app available through iTunes or the Google Play Store, and TV app available on Roku, Amazon Fire or Apple TV.

SWIMMING & DIVING STATE MEET SCHEDULE

Thursday, February 20, 2025	
3:00pm-5:00pm	Packet Pick-up (UIL Office- 1701 Manor Rd.)

Friday, February 21, 2025	
7:30am	6A Divers & Swimmers Enter Facility
7:45-8:45am	6A Dive Warm-up
7:45-9:15am	6A Swim Warm-up
8:50am	6A Dive Prelims
9:30am	6A Swim Prelims
1:30pm	5A Divers & Swimmers Enter Facility
1:45-2:45pm	5A Dive Warm-up
1:45-3:15pm	5A Swim Warm-up
2:50pm	5A Dive Prelims
3:30pm	5A Swim Prelims

Saturday, February 22, 2025	
7:45am	Schools allowed into locker rooms/on deck
8:00am-9:15am	6A Swim warm-up & Dive practice
9:30am	6A Swim & Dive Finals
2:15pm	Schools allowed into locker rooms/on deck
2:30pm-3:45pm	5A Swim warm-up & Dive practice
4:00pm	5A Swim & Dive Finals

ORDER OF EVENTS

Friday – Preliminaries

200 Medley Relay
5-minute break
200 Freestyle
200 Individual Medley
50 Freestyle
15-minute break
100 Butterfly
100 Freestyle
500 Freestyle
200 Freestyle Relay
100 Backstroke
100 Breaststroke
400 Freestyle Relay

Saturday – Finals

(Consolation Heats followed by Championship Heats; Championship heats will march out; Top 3 report to Awards Area)

Officials March
National Anthem
200 Medley Relay
Awards: 200 Medley Relay
200 Freestyle
200 Individual Medley
50 Freestyle
Girls 1 Meter Diving
Awards: 200 Freestyle, 200 IM, 50 Free
100 Butterfly
100 Freestyle
Awards: Girls Diving, 100 Butterfly, 100 Freestyle
500 Freestyle
200 Freestyle Relay
Awards: 500 Freestyle, 200 Freestyle Relay
100 Backstroke
100 Breaststroke
Awards: 100 Backstroke, 100 Breaststroke
Boys 1 Meter Diving
400 Freestyle Relay
Awards: Boys Diving, 400 Free Relay, Team Awards

ATHLETE DROP OFF AREA

Athlete Drop off/Pick-up Area: Buses/school vehicles should come from E Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, north on Trinity/San Jacinto to the designated area shown (see map). **This area is for loading/unloading only.** Driver must always remain with the bus. **All athletes MUST enter the facility from MLK (south of TSC).**



SCHOOL PARKING

Each school will be provided **ONE** parking pass (school vehicle OR bus). School vehicle parking will be available in the **Heath Center Garage** (1601 Trinity St. Bldg A, Austin, 78701). Please note that garage availability is based on a first come first serve basis. Bus parking will be on the west side of Red River St, between Dean Keeton and Clyde Littlefield (2200-2601 Red River St.). You **MUST** request a bus parking permit at packet pick-up, and the permit **MUST** be displayed on the dashboard at all times.

