

# Congratulations!

Your swimmer has qualified for Northwest Swim Circuit (NWSC) Invitational swim meet. This is a huge accomplishment! You should be very proud.

The NWSC Invitational swim meet this year will be held on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at Texas A&M University Natatorium (797 Olsen Blvd, College Station, TX 77845). We have had a lot of fast swimmers this season, so therefore a lot of Invitational qualifiers. For this to be a successful and enjoyable experience, we need to have all attendees on the same page.

Please understand that with the number of qualifiers and their fans, the facility will feel small. We ask that everyone be patient and keep in mind that we want this to be fun for the swimmers.

## **Seating**

We are going to need the cooperation of everyone as there are only 1100 stadium seats available while there is an anticipated spectator attendance of more than 2000 people. We are asking that you not “camp out” in the stands but only stay to watch your swimmer and then move out of the stands. One way to make this work is to partner with parents on your team that have swimmers outside of your swimmer’s age group. For example: if your swimmer is in the 7-8 girls group partner with other families that have swimmers in the 11-12 girls group and 15-17 girl’s groups and rotate in and out of the seats to see your swimmer. Sharing is a must for this to work at this venue. **Saving seats is not allowed** and security will be directing people to seats that are not occupied by a person and requesting all other items be removed from the seats.

Texas A&M will also provide use of the Archery Room for remote seating while waiting for events. The Archery Room is spacious and air conditioned and may provide a more comfortable area to wait for your swimmers events on meet day. Signs directing you to the Archery Room will be available on meet day if you would like to utilize this space.

Folding chairs, blankets, sleeping bags, etc...**are not allowed** to be brought into the Natatorium viewing area. Security volunteers and campus security will ask people to return any such items to their vehicles prior to entering the Natatorium.

### **Texas A&M Student Recreation Center Day Passes**

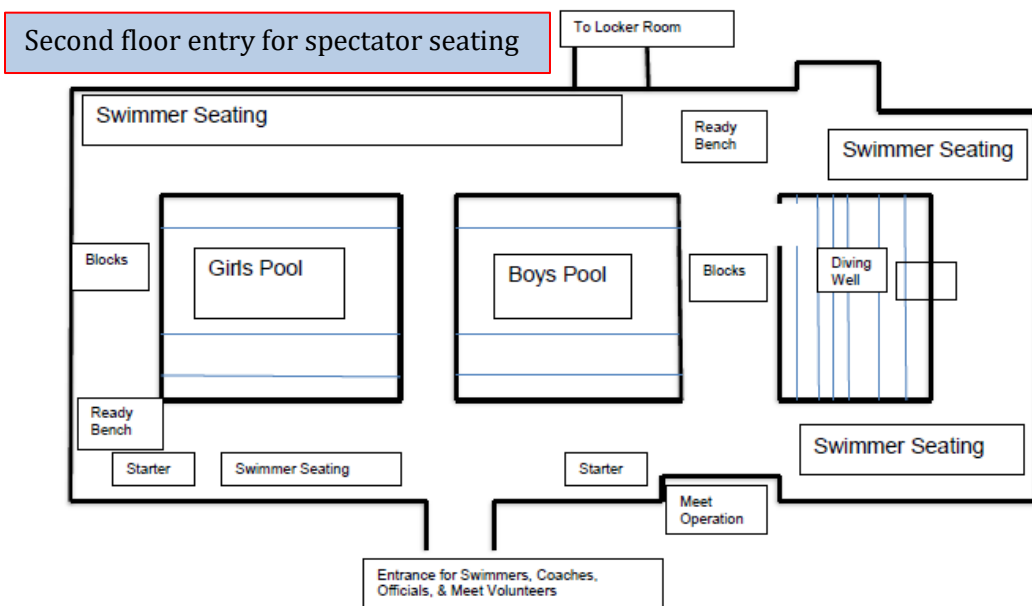
The Texas A&M Student Recreation Center will offer day passes to any meet attendees for use of all facilities for \$10 (additional fees may apply to certain areas).

Day passes are available to any attendee 18 or over with a valid ID, or minors may also purchase a day pass as long as the minor is accompanied by a guardian over the age of 18 at all times (guardian must also purchase a day pass). Please consult with the Student Rec Center staff for details on meet day.

### **Deck Access**

**Only participating athletes, coaches, and officials/volunteers with the proper credential tags will be allowed access to the deck.** There are no exceptions.

Please provide your swimmer or team volunteers with all necessary items prior to your swimmer entering the facility. Each team will be allowed to have coolers on deck and swimmers may carry reasonable items on deck with them as well. **Food or item deliveries will be prohibited during the meet.**



## **PARKING**

The West Campus Parking Garage located immediately to the north of the Student Recreation Center is paid parking. There are also some paid parking spaces in lot 104. Both of these areas remain paid parking even on the weekends. Lots 100a, 102 (with marked exceptions), and 100g in front of Reed Arena are free on the weekends.



## **DROP OFF**

Parents will drop off their swimmers at their Team Tent which will be set up on the grassy area in front of the Student Recreation Center entrance (see above map), around 11:45. Coaches and volunteers will be there to check in your kids.

Once you have checked your swimmer in with their team, you are free to enter the facility through the main doors of the Student Recreation Center.

Teams will be allowed to enter the facility deck area at their designated entry time, and directed to their seating area. Any late swimmers will be allowed to enter the facility once all other swimmers have entered.

The meet will begin at 1:45 PM.

PICK UP

Parents/guardians who want to pick up their young swimmers after they swim, but BEFORE the meet ends, will need to exit the natatorium and come around to the swimmer entrance across from lot 104. They will need to provide the security person with a piece of paper that includes the name of their swimmer and the team name and stay there until the swimmer(s) are brought to them by a coach or volunteer (NO EXCEPTIONS).

All swimmers remaining until the end of the swim meet will be directed back to the team tent area where swimmers were dropped off. Team volunteers will be available to help swimmer reunite with families or designated responsible parties.

Thank you in advance for helping us make this a successful swim meet.

2018 Northwest Swim Circuit Board Members