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**7.19 SWIMMING AND DIVING**

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**7.19.1 General Rules/Policies**

- A.** Classes - There is one class in both boys and girls, A-AAAAA.
- B.** Practice Dates - Practice is allowed year round.
- C.** NMAA District Clinic - At least one head boys' team coach and one head girls' team coach from each declared swimming and diving school must attend the NMAA district clinic scheduled each October. Failure to comply shall result in a \$100 fine to the school per head coach.
- D.** Competitive Season - The competitive high school season begins the Monday of Week #19 and concludes with the state championships on Saturday of Week #34.
- E.** District Meets – The district meets are held on Friday or Saturday of Week #31, 32, or 33. The NMAA requires that each district host a district meet starting the 2008-2009 school year.
- F.** Meet Limitation - Each team or individual is limited to ten (10) meets prior to the state championships.

7.19.2 District Alignments 2006-2007/2007-2008

**All Classes – Swimming & Diving**

# of Schools 39

District	District	District	District
1	2	3	4
Captial	Albuq. Academy	Alamogordo	Albuquerque High
Desert Academy	Bosque School	Artesia	Cibola
Farmington	Hope Christian	Carlsbad	Del Norte
Gallup	Rio Rancho	Clovis	Eldorado
Gallup Catholic	Sandia Prep	Hobbs	Highland
Grants	St. Pius	Las Cruces	La Cueva
Los Alamos		Los Lunas	Manzano
Monte del Sol		NMMI	Rio Grande
Piedra Vista		Socorro	Sandia
Santa Fe			Valley
Santa Fe Prep			West Mesa
St. Michael's			
Taos			

7.19.3 State Championships Qualifying Information

State Championship Qualifying Procedures

1. Declared special qualifying swimming and diving meets must be submitted and approved by the NMAA in advance of the season, prior to Friday of Week #17. This form may be found on the NMAA website at [www.nmact.org](http://www.nmact.org). The link for submitting this information is located on the “Forms” section of the NMAA website. Once correctly submitted, the meet will be listed on the NMAA website as a qualifying meet.
2. Individuals qualify for the state championships by equaling the qualifying marks for swimming and degree of difficulty in diving, as set by the NMAA State Swimming and Diving Committee. The qualifying results must be achieved in a meet involving at least one other high school team of the same gender (in or out of state). Entries must be correctly submitted prior to Sunday of the state championship week at 11:59 p.m. to [www.directathletics.com](http://www.directathletics.com) in order to participate. A \$500 fine will be imposed to each school that makes changes to their team state championship entries after the published entry deadline.
3. Member schools have seven (7) calendar days to post qualifying marks established at qualifying meets. This is to be done through [www.directathletics.com](http://www.directathletics.com).
4. All qualifying meet hosts must submit their results electronically using Hy-Tek Meet Manager to the NMAA office within seven (7) calendar days upon the conclusion of the event. State qualifying performances must be designated as such on the program.
5. A certified NMAA/NMOA Swimming Official must be present and sign all meet results at the conclusion of the qualifying meet.
6. All swimming and diving qualifying meets must comply with standard meet format per NFHS rules thus eliminating multiple attempts at qualifying per event during a single meet.

7. Beginning with the 08-09 school year, swimming qualifying standards will be established each year by the NMAA. These standards will be calculated by dividing the last three years 18<sup>th</sup> place time at the state championships. When there is no 18<sup>th</sup> place time, the last place time will be used.
8. Beginning with the 08-09 school year, hosts of state qualifying meets are required to have a location for all swimming and diving events. If a location is not provided for both, it will not be considered a qualifying meet. All facilities must meet NFHS approved guidelines.

#### **7.19.4 State Championship Information**

- A. State Championships are held during Week #34
- B. A mandatory meeting will be held the Friday of Week #34 which must be attended by the team's head coach. Failure to attend without proper communication to the Event Director will result in sanctions at the discretion of the Executive Director.
- C. The top sixteen contestants from the preliminaries in each event will advance to the finals or consolation finals.