

# CHAMPS

July 3, 2024

CHAMPS, our end of season, league wide meet, is fast approaching, and the St Johns Summer Swim League has important information to share to help us have a great weekend and event.

Last year, we held CHAMPS at The Bolles School (**7400 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32217**), and we are happy to announce we will return to this same location.

CHAMPS will continue with last year's format with two sessions over two days. Our 11 and Up age groups will swim Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, and our 10 and Under age groups will swim Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Meet Sessions and Timeline

### 11 and Up

Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>

3:15PM: Parking Opens

3:30PM: Swimmer Check In

3:45PM: Swimmer Warmups

4:40PM: Volunteer Meetings

5:00PM: Meet Begins

9:00PM: Meet Ends

### 10 and Under

Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

7:00AM: Parking Opens

8:15AM: Swimmer Check In

8:30AM: Swimmer Warmups

9:10AM: Volunteer Meetings

9:30AM: Meet Begins

2:00PM: Meet Ends

## Parking

Parking will be available in the Upper Practice Field on the north end of campus. Access to this parking area is accessible directly from San Jose Boulevard. We will have volunteers helping with parking. We will not have exclusive use of parking areas, as The Bolles School will be hosting other functions and events both days. Arriving early is best to give you and your swimmer time to setup and warmup.

We ask that you please DO NOT attempt to access campus through the main gate and park on campus. Limited parking will be available through the main gate for coaches and volunteer roles critical to the function of our meet. For these individuals, parking passes will be provided and checked as they arrive on campus.

## Volunteer Check In

Volunteers are asked to check in poolside at the Volunteer Check In table BEFORE the Volunteer Meetings mentioned above. Its critical we know who is present and ready, and our volunteer coordinators will direct you to the volunteer meeting area for your role.

Given that our timeline may ebb and flow due to any number of factors, we ask that volunteers please be mindful of the shift you have committed and the events for which they cover. For our second shift volunteers, please be ready in the events leading up to our volunteer shift change.

## Tailgate City

Each team will be assigned an area surrounding the pool complex to gather and organize during the meet. Volunteers between our ready bench and team tent areas will help to communicate and locate missing swimmers ahead of their events. Please try to setup your seating and tents near your teams.

The Bolles School asks that we DO NOT stake down tents. Instead, tents can be weighted down to secure them from wind off the river (e.g. legs bungeed to a cooler).

Space will be limited around the pool complex, and it will require efficient use of our assigned areas.

## Concessions and T-Shirts

If you missed the CHAMPS T-Shirt pre-order, a limited number of shirts and sizes will be available at the Rivertown tent area.

Food trucks will be present and parked on the road behind the pool complex.

## Friday, July 12th

- Cup Runneth Over Café
- Tikiz shaved Ice & Ice Cream
- Smackin Delicious (burgers, seafood, tacos, wings)
- Chunky Tomato (pizza, chicken tenders)

## Saturday, July 13th

- Cup Runneth Over Café
- Tikiz shaved Ice & Ice Cream
- Mamas Food (chicken and beef bowls, quesadillas, empanadas, shrimp basket, chicken tenders)
- Chunky Tomato (pizza, chicken tenders)

## Spectators

Both ends of the competition pool have elevated stands, and they will be under the supervision of our volunteer Meet Marshalls.

A few expectations of our spectators during CHAMPS:

- Meet Marshalls are volunteers tasked with maintaining an organized and safe pool deck. Please make their jobs easier by following their lead.
- **NO PHOTOGRAPHY** is permitted behind the starting blocks!!! This a team, league, and USA Swimming standard and rule. Our Meet Marshalls will be asked to be vigilante with protecting our swimmers and maintaining their safety.
- Please observe and follow the flow of foot traffic up and down the elevated stands.
- Please DO use the elevated stands to watch your swimmer's heat, but we ask that you vacate afterwards and allow others the same opportunity to watch their swimmers. Finding a seat in the events leading up to your swimmer's event and heat will be plenty of time to find a viewing space.
- Please DO NOT try to spectate from the pool deck. The pool deck is reserved for our competition and those that are helping to support it. This includes our swimmers, coaches and numerous volunteers. Meet Marshalls will be posted around the pool to limit access to these areas.

## Best Guest

We are excited to be back at The Bolles School, and we look forward to being here in the years to come. Let's do our part by being the Best Guest for our hosts.

Please keep campus clean ... around the pool complex, team tent areas, restrooms and parking.

Please look after our young family and friends, keeping them off landscaping and other secured areas of campus.

Please be respectful of not only our campus hosts but also other guests who may be present for other events.

Thank you!

The St Johns Summer Swim League Board

## Event Map

