



2023 Midwest Winter Classic

December 1 - 3, 2023

Shawnee Mission School District Aquatic Center • Lenexa, Kansas

Hosted by:

The Kansas City Blazers Swim Team



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Entry Deadline

6:00 PM CST, Monday November 27, 2023

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Sanction: Held under the sanction of Missouri Valley Swimming, Inc. on the behalf of USA Swimming, Inc.

Meet Sanction No. MV-23-92

Time Trials Sanction No. MV-23-93TT

Time Trials are limited to swimmers already entered in the meet and at the discretion of the Meet Referee.

Time Trials count towards a swimmer's max events per day & for the meet.

It is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

Location: SMSD Aquatic Center- 17251 W 87th St, Lenexa, KS 66219

Facility: 50-meter x 25 yard competition course configured for dual-25 yd competition for prelims (82 degrees), 4 lane, 25-yard warm-up, cool-down pool (86 degrees), the depth of the pool is 7ft at the start end and 13 ft at the turn end. Daktronics System throughout facility, two 8 lane scoreboards, 1 full-color digital display board, 2 Stark Movable Bulkheads, 6" Competitor Gold Medal Lane Ropes. Both the North and South competition course is certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4). A copy of this certification is on file with USA Swimming.

There will be lifeguards stationed around the pool. There are several AED stations around the facility and EMTs will be called if necessary.

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Meeting Schedule: Coaches meetings will be held 30 minutes prior to the start of Friday's preliminary session and other times, as requested, by the Meet Referee.

There will be an officials meeting one hour prior to the start of each session. All officials working the session must be present at this meeting.

Admissions: There will be an admission fee of \$25 for the whole meet or \$10 per session, charged for all spectators over 13 years of age.

Heat Sheets: Heat sheets for spectators will be available free of charge via pdf on the Blazers website and on Meet Mobile.

Timing Assignments: Each club attending is required to provide timers based upon the number of entries from their team. The host clubs will send sessions and lane assignments prior to the meet.

- Teams traveling from outside of Missouri Valley LSC will be exempt.
- Volunteers who pre-register to time a session will be able to purchase admissions for \$15 for the whole meet.
- Any volunteer timers attending single sessions will receive free admission for that session.
- No refunds will be given for previously purchased admissions.
- Swimmers must provide their own timers and counters for the 1,650 Freestyle.
- Swimmers must provide their own counter for the 500 Freestyle.

ENTERING THE MEET

Membership: All athletes must be 2023 or 2024 registered athlete members of USA Swimming. *Athletes over the age of 18 must have fully completed USA Swimming's Athlete Protection Training to be eligible to swim in the meet.* Registration and validity of all athletes will be verified by the MVS Registration Chair prior to the meet. Those not registered or found to be invalid will not be allowed to swim in the meet.

Qualifying times: Qualifying Standards for this meet are the USA Swimming 2021 - 2024 National Age Group Motivational Standards as listed below:

- 10 & Under will not have Time Standards
- 11-12 will use the *11-12 Age Group* "BB" Time Standard
- 13-14 will use the *13-14 Age Group* "BB" Time Standard
- Senior (15 & Over) will use the *15-16 Age Group* "BB" Time Standard

- Events listed as 11 & Over will use the Age Group “BB” Time Standard for their Age Group to enter the 200 Butterfly, 200 Breaststroke, 200 Backstroke, 1,650 Freestyle and 400 IM; *i.e. 11-12 swimmers using an 11-12 Age Group “BB”, 13-14 swimmers using 13-14 Age Group “BB”, and 15 & Over swimmers using a 15-16 Age Group “BB”.*
- The 12 & Under 500 Freestyle will use the *11-12 BB Age Group standard* for 11-12 and 10 & Under swimmers.
- Swimmers may enter the 1,650 Freestyle achieving a qualifying time in either the 1,000 or the 1,650 Freestyle. Swimmers’ 1,000 split will automatically be pulled for an official split.

Swimmers may swim a maximum of **three (3) individual events** per day and a **maximum of seven (7) events** for the meet.

Swimmers who have achieved a LCM qualifying time, but not the SCY qualifying time, shall enter with the time they have actually achieved. The entry report must clearly note the submitted time as a LCM. Conversions are not allowed.

Relays: Each team will be allowed one relay per relay event, made up of swimmers already in the meet. There will be NO relay only swimmers. There will be NO relay qualification times.

Bonus Swims: Swimmers achieving and swimming in one qualified event are eligible to swim up to two additional ‘bonus swims’ in events they have not achieved the qualifying time. Bonus events cannot exceed 200 yards in length and will count toward the overall entry limit for the swimmer. In addition, each bonus event must be clearly marked as ‘Bonus’, and the entry should be the athlete’s best time. NT entries are not accepted, as the athlete must have a provable time in the SWIMS database.

Disabled Swimmers: Athletes with a disability are welcomed and shall provide advance notice of desired accommodations to the Meet Director. The athlete (or the athlete's coach) is also responsible for notifying the session referee of any disability prior to the competition.

Entries: Entries will close Monday, November 27th at 6:00pm

Entries should be sent to the entry chair at kcentries@gmail.com

Entries should be in Hy-tek format along with a PDF copy of their entries and may be submitted by email. Each entry accepted will be confirmed via a return email receipt.

Fees: Individual Events: \$7.00 per event
 Relay Events: \$14.00 per event
 Deck Entries: \$14.00 per event
 Facility Surcharge: \$15.00 per swimmer

Checks should be made payable to: Kansas City Blazers

Mail payment to: Kansas City Blazers, 6501 Antioch Rd. Merriam, KS 66202

Deck Entries: Deck entries are permitted prior to the seeding deadline (detailed below) and must be accompanied by sufficient proof of time. Deck entries will be seeded at the lowest conforming time.

MEET PROCEDURE, FORMAT AND RULES

Format: There will be a preliminaries/finals format with the fastest eight (1-8) swimmers advancing to Championship Finals, and the next fastest eight (9-16) advancing to Consolation Finals. The following exceptions apply:

1. The 10 & Under 200 IM and 200 Freestyle, 12 & Under 500 Freestyle and 11 & Over 1,650 are Timed Final events.
2. The 11-12 200 IM and 11 & Older 400 IM are Prelims (Friday)/Finals (Sunday).
3. 13-14 & Senior 500 Freestyle events will be top-8 only in Finals.
4. All Relays will be timed finals events swum during the prelims sessions on Saturday and Sunday.

Events in finals will be conducted with Consolation Finals prior to the Championship Final.

There will be a minimum of two (2) hours between the end of the Preliminaries and the beginning of Finals. Actual starting time for Finals will be announced at the meet.

Rules: Current USA Swimming and Missouri Valley Swimming rules, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy 2.0 (“MAAPP 2.0”), will govern these Championships and will serve as the official guide for technical and procedural rules

Current (2023 or 2024) USA Swimming membership is required for coaches and working officials to be on deck. Coaches must be current with all safety certifications and background check requirements. At the request of the Meet Referee or special designee, coaches and officials must present their USA Swimming credentials. Persons without a valid USAS Coach Membership will not be allowed access to the deck area and will not be allowed to participate in any coaching capacity.

Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member-coach as being proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water without the use of the backstroke ledge. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. The starting procedure and 'no recall' provision of USA Swimming Rules shall be used. Flyover starts may be used for all events during the preliminary sessions.

The meet will be paced at the discretion of the Meet Referee. At the request of the swimmer's coach and at the discretion of the Meet Referee, at least 10 minutes will occur between swims for the same individual, *except swimmers entered in both an 11 & Over event and an 11-12 event immediately following.*

It is the responsibility of each coach and/or swimmer to indicate which events are to be scratched and to return the scratch form to the Clerk of the Course by the scratch deadline prior to each session.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms, locker rooms, or behind the blocks.

The use of flash photography at the start of any heat of any event is strictly prohibited.

Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present.

Changing into or out of swimsuits (Deck Changing) other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.

All adult participants participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy 2.0 ("MAAPP 2.0"), and that they understand that compliance with the MAAPP 2.0 policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

Scratch Rules: Scratch procedures are in accordance with current USA Swimming National Championship rules and regulations (Rule 207.11.6) and this meet announcement.

No Show penalties are as listed below:

1. Failure to compete in a preliminary event will not result in a penalty.
2. Any swimmer who qualifies for an A or B final, who fails to declare intent to scratch or to scratch per USA Swimming Championship procedures and fails to compete in said final race shall be removed from the remainder of the meet.
3. Any swimmer who qualifies for an A or B final, who fails to declare intent to scratch or to scratch per USA Swimming Championship Rules and fails to compete in said final race, which is his/her final race of the Meet, shall be fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

100% of all fines go to the Missouri Valley Athlete Travel Fund.

Scratch Deadlines: Friday events emailed by 2:00 PM. Saturday & Sunday Prelims events 30 minutes after the start of the previous nights session.

Officials: Attending stroke and turn judges from any LSC should come prepared to volunteer their services.

There will be an officials meeting one hour prior to the start of each session. All officials working the session must be present at this meeting.

Officials must carry proof (physical or electronic) of 2023 or 2024 USA Swimming certification credentials while acting in any official capacity on the deck of the pool.

Warm Ups: The facility will open 30 mins before the first warm up session of the day. No early access to the facility will be allowed for Coaches or Officials.

Friday: Warm-ups: Not Before 4:00 PM Meet Start: Not Before 5:00 PM

Saturday: Warm-ups: Not Before 7:30 AM Meet Start: Not Before 8:30 AM

Sunday: Warm-ups: Not Before 7:30 AM Meet Start: Not Before 8:30 AM

Finals: There will be a minimum of two (2) hours between the end of the Preliminaries and the beginning of Finals. Actual starting time for Finals will be announced at the meet.

Warm-ups for the Friday session and preliminary sessions may be split and have assigned lanes. Warm-up assignments and times for these sessions will be determined after entries are received.

Warm-up for finals sessions will be open, with lanes reserved for 10 and under swimmers.

Participating teams may be assigned to specific lanes for the warm-up period based on the number of participants. The coaches of the teams assigned to each lane shall determine the warm-up procedure for that lane. If coaches in a lane cannot agree on a warm-up procedure, the session referee should be consulted and shall define that lane's procedure. The decision of the referee will be final.

Swimmers without a coach at the meet must check in with the Meet Referee or designee and will be assigned to a coach during the warm-up portion of the meet.

Swimmers may not dive into the pool during general warm up. Swimmers must enter the pool by stepping feet first, or sitting and sliding in, in a safe and cautious manner. Entering in any other manner may result in the disqualification from one or more of the swimmer's events for the session at the discretion of the Meet Referee. Swimmers may dive during a designated sprint warm-up.

Swimmers may perform racing starts as determined by the coaches monitoring warm-ups for that lane. Backstroke swimmers shall ensure that they are not starting at a time that a swimmer is on the blocks. Swimmers shall not step onto the starting blocks if a backstroke swimmer is waiting to start.

Coaches shall continually supervise their swimmers during all warm-up sessions. Swimmers or coaches not following the prescribed warm-up procedures or directions of marshals or USA Swimming officials may be barred from use of the warm-up area.

When warming-up or down during the meet, swimmers shall not perform racing starts and must circle swim.

Seeding: The meet will be deck-seeded.

To be seeded in the 1,650 Freestyle the swimmer must positively check in. If a swimmer does not check in for the 1,650 Freestyle, they will not be seeded.

Entries will be seeded according to USA Swimming rules and regulations (rule 102.5) and this meet announcement. SCY times shall be considered 'conforming-times.' Times from all other courses shall be considered 'non-conforming times'.

The seeding order is:

Entries meeting the qualifying time standard in course order 1) SCY 2) LCM

Awards:

- Individual events: Ribbons for 1st – 8th.
- Team Scoring: A trophy will be awarded to the top overall scoring team.
- High point: High point awards will be given to the top swimmer in each age group.
- High point scoring: 20, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1
- 11 & Over events **will not be separated** out by Age Group for awards or scoring.
- Awards must be picked up by the swimmer or their coach by the end of the meet. No awards will be mailed.

Time Trials: If the time schedule permits, at the discretion of the Meet Director and Meet Referee, Time Trials may be held after the prelims sessions Saturday and Sunday or after Sunday evening finals, and may be limited in length. The decision of the Meet Director and Meet Referee on that shall be final. Priority will be given to the current day's events.

There are no limits on the number of time trials swum for the meet, but the swimmer may not exceed (3) three individual events per day. Time trials count toward daily limit, but not the meet limit.

Deadlines for Time Trial entries will be established by the meet Referee.

Fees for the Time Trial events are \$9.00 per individual and \$18.00 for relays. These must be paid with the entry and are non-refundable.

Final Results: Finals results will be posted to Missouri Valley website and may include the swimmer's name, age and times.

ORDER OF EVENTS & QUALIFYING TIMES

	LCM	SCY		Friday		SCY	LCM	
1	-	-		10 & Under 200 IM		-	-	2
3	3:11.39	2:47.29		11-12 200 IM (Prelims)		2:43.99	3:08.49	4
5	6:48.29	5:56.79	11-12	11 & Over 400 IM (Prelims)	11-12	5:46.39	6:39.19	6
	6:25.89	5:37.59	13-14		13-14	5:17.09	6:04.69	
	6:18.79	5:30.49	Senior		Senior	5:03.69	5:47.29	
7	-	-		10 & Under 200 Freestyle		-	-	8
9	5:56.49	6:38.19	10 & U	12 & Under 500 Freestyle	10 & U	6:27.49	5:48.69	10
			11-12		11-12			
11	23:55.39	23:07.29	11-12	11 & Over 1,650 Freestyle	11-12	22:37.49	23:25.49	12
	22:23.09	21:43.19	13-14		13-14	20:43.19	21:27.39	
	22:02.19	21:26.19	Senior		Senior	20:02.89	20:33.99	

	LCM	SCY		Saturday		SCY	LCM	
13	-	-		Open 200 Free Relay		-	-	14
15	-	-		13-14 200 Free Relay		-	-	16
17	-	-		11-12 200 Free Relay		-	-	18
19	-	-		10 & Under 200 Free Relay		-	-	20
21	3:10.19	2:47.19	11-12	11 & Over 200 Butterfly	11-12	2:40.79	3:06.19	22
	2:59.19	2:36.89	13-14		13-14	2:26.89	2:47.99	
	2:53.99	2:33.49	Senior		Senior	2:20.89	2:39.99	
23	38.29	33.89		11-12 50 Butterfly		34.19	38.59	24
25	-	-		10 & Under 50 Butterfly		-	-	26
27	1:13.49	1:03.99		Senior 100 Freestyle		57.89	1:06.89	28
29	1:14.79	1:05.49		13-14 100 Freestyle		1:00.89	1:09.89	30
31	1:18.09	1:08.29		11-12 100 Freestyle		1:05.89	1:15.49	32
33	-	-		10 & Under 100 Freestyle		-	-	34
35	2:34.89	1:05.69		Senior 200 IM		2:20.89	2:43.99	36
37	2:37.59	1:07.89		13-14 200 IM		2:28.49	2:51.39	38

39	-	1:18.09		11-12 100 IM		1:14.99	-	40
41	-	-		10 & Under 100 IM		-	-	42
43	1:21.09	1:09.39		Senior 100 Backstroke		1:03.19	1:14.39	44
45	1:23.59	1:11.19		13-14 100 Backstroke		1:06.39	1:17.89	46
47	1:30.99	1:18.09		11-12 100 Backstroke		1:15.69	1:27.99	48
49	-	-		10 & Under 100 Backstroke		-	-	50
51	3:35.99	3:06.59	11-12	11 & Over 200 Breaststroke	11-12	3:00.19	3:28.69	52
	3:23.99	2:57.29	13-14		13-14	2:43.99	3:10.79	
	3:20.49	2:52.79	Senior		Senior	2:36.19	3:01.39	
53	45.49	39.99		11-12 50 Breaststroke		39.49	45.19	54
55	-	-		10 & Under 50 Breaststroke		-	-	56
57	5:32.89	6:11.99		Senior 500 Free		5:44.09	5:09.89	58
59	5:40.59	6:18.69		13-14 500 Freestyle		5:58.99	5:24.09	60

	LCM	SCY		Sunday		SCY	LCM	
61	-	-		Open 200 Medley Relay		-	-	62
63	-	-		13-14 200 Medley Relay		-	-	64
65	-	-		11-12 200 Medley Relay		-	-	66
67	-	-		10 & Under 200 Medley Relay		-	-	68
3				11-12 200 IM (Finals)				4
5				11 & Older 400 IM (Finals)				6
69	33.79	29.49		Senior 50 Freestyle		26.39	30.19	70
71	34.49	30.19		13-14 50 Freestyle		27.79	31.99	72
73	35.69	31.29		11-12 50 Freestyle		30.29	34.69	74
75	-	-		10 & Under 50 Freestyle		-	-	76
77	3:09.89	2:43.99	11-12	11 & Older 200 Backstroke	11-12	2:39.69	3:05.19	78
	2:58.69	2:34.89	13-14		13-14	2:25.09	2:49.09	
	2:54.99	2:31.39	Senior		Senior	2:17.49	2:41.39	
79	40.79	35.39		11-12 50 Backstroke		34.99	40.39	80
81	-	-		10 & Under 50 Backstroke		-	-	82
83	1:32.39	1:19.69		Senior 100 Breaststroke		1:11.09	1:23.49	84
85	1:34.79	1:21.69		13-14 100 Breaststroke		1:15.49	1:28.09	86
87	1:40.89	1:27.19		11-12 100 Breaststroke		1:24.49	1:38.39	88

89	-	-		10 & Under 100 Breaststroke		-	-	90
91	2:38.29	2:18.69		Senior 200 Freestyle		2:06.79	2:26.09	92
93	2:41.79	2:21.29		13-14 200 Freestyle		2:12.79	2:32.29	94
95	2:49.19	2:28.99		11-12 200 Freestyle		2:23.49	2:44.89	96
97	1:19.29	1:09.39		Senior 100 Butterfly		1:02.69	1:11.79	98
99	1:20.39	1:10.89		13-14 100 Butterfly		1:06.09	1:15.49	100
101	1:28.49	1:17.59		11-12 100 Butterfly		1:16.09	1:26.29	102
103	-	-		10 & Under 100 Butterfly		-	-	104