

Section IX In-Season Qualification Procedure

Introduction:

To specify the procedure for qualifying for the New York State Swimming and Diving Championships for the Section IX Swimming and Diving season.

Proposal basis:

Time/score standards are meant to be a single marker for qualification. The standards, provided they are achieved in High School competition under National Federation rules, make an athlete eligible to compete in the New York State Swimming Championships.

Implementation:

- 1) All times/scores achieved during High School meets under National Federation rules that conform to the NF rules for official times/scores are eligible during the current season.
- 2) Performances that meet the time/score “State Standard” are reported to the section coordinator or designated section statistician prior to the Section IX Championships utilizing the On-Line validation procedure and includes the confirmation of the meet referee on the official score sheet of the meet where the qualifying performance was accomplished.
- 3) The In-Season Qualifying athlete/event list will be made available prior to the Section IX Championship meet to allow athletes and coaches to understand the current status of qualified athletes.
- 4) Decisions as to who will represent the section for the New York State Championships will be decided within one hour of the completion of the Section IX Championships.
- 5) The “Automatic Representation” rule will still be implemented if the section fails to have a representative with the “State Standard” in an event at the New York State Championships.

Clarification:

- 1) The New York State Swimming and Diving Championships meet is no longer an extension of the Section IX Championships
- 2) As specified in the National Federation rule book, the school owns the qualifying relay.
- 3) Only one 200 Medley Relay, 200 Freestyle Relay and 400 Freestyle relay team per school will be permitted.
- 4) A team that qualifies three relays may only represent all three relays if entry limitations are not violated and two of the four participants on the each relay have individually qualified for the New York State Championships.