



YMCA Swimming News - September 2022

Happy New (YMCA Swimming) Year! Welcome and welcome back. These updates are posted on the [YMCA Swimming and Diving website](#) and e-mailed to registered YMCA coaches monthly.

Annual YMCA Team and Coach Registration

- Every YMCA team and Every YMCA coach, regardless of team size, league, meet participation, employment status, etc.
- [Team registration](#) is \$50 per team.
- [Coach registration](#) is free until December 1 when it becomes \$25 per coach.
- Important: See the [Coach Certification Requirements for Registration](#) document for the trainings and certifications that each YMCA coach needs to maintain, the accepted providers and course names and the YMCA standards for re-certification.
- Remove coaches from your team listing (YMCA Admin tab on left of screen) if they are no longer with your team.
- After December 1, only registered coaches will receive YMCA Swimming e-mails.

Who to Contact

- Each [region](#) has a *Regional Representative* who is your primary resource for questions, networking and resources. Your regional representative will be sending you information for your region soon.
- Each region has a *Regional Officials Coordinator* who serves as a resource for YMCA swim officials and helps promote and coordinate the service of volunteer officials.
- Each region has a CEO or COO Partner for YMCA Swimming. This individual advocates for the growth and benefits of Y swim team programs among the Y Alliance and his or her fellow leaders.
- Find your regional representative, officials coordinator and CEO/COO Partner listed [here](#).
- There are currently several openings in these areas. If you would like to serve or know someone who would, please contact [Meredith Griffin](#).

YMCA Swimming Documents & Resources

- Both the [YMCA Swimming and Diving website](#) and [Link](#) (the YMCA's information sharing and social networking platform) contain rules and resources. Link also connects you with the broader YMCA movement, allows you to post questions and share ideas and it keeps you current on YMCA information beyond swimming. Instructions for accessing Link are [here](#).
 - Rules That Govern YMCA Competitive Sports
 - Swimming Addendum to the Rules That Govern YMCA Competitive Sports
 - YMCA Meet Sanction Rules
 - Y-USA Program Guidelines for YMCA Competitive Swimming
 - YMCA Meet FAQs
 - Y Competitive Sports Style Guide (branding guidelines)
 - Y Meet Director's Handbook
 - ...and much more

- Some documents will be updated for 2022-23 by October 1 so please bookmark the web page and refer back to it throughout the year.

YMCA Fall Virtual Meet

- Use the designated meet file to compete locally then submit your meet results to be tabulated with those of all others who participate across the country.
- Meets may be held between September 30 and October 30. In states where Y meet participation is restricted during Fall high school swimming season, the meet may be held between November 25 and December 11.
- This is the ONLY virtual meet that is recognized as a valid closed YMCA meet.
- Minimum number of certified Y officials required.
- Results are submitted through Swim Cloud. Each team and coach needs to be registered in Swim Cloud.
- DO NOT alter the event numbers.
- Find all meet information and files on the [meet web page](#).

YMCA Swim Coaches Forums

- All YMCA coaches, aquatic directors and supervisors welcome.
- Monthly topics and conversation, idea sharing.
- Submit questions, comments, ideas ahead of time if you cannot be on live.
- Recorded and posted on the [YMCA Swimming and Diving website](#).
- Third Tuesday each month, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm Eastern, [via Zoom](#).

Job Postings

- If you have a coaching position open and would like to post it on the YMCA Swimming and Diving site, there is a dedicated [page](#) under the Coaches tab.
- Please send the posting or link to [Meredith Griffin](#).
- **Please also remember to notify Meredith when the posting has been filled and/or needs to be removed from the list.**

Athlete Representatives

- Four YMCA national committees are seeking athlete representatives to serve in 2022-23:
 - National Advisory Committee
 - National Eligibility Committee
 - National Championship Meet Committee (must plan to attend both Short Course and Long Course National Championships)
 - National Officials Committee
- High school juniors or seniors who have participated in YMCA Swimming for at least three years.
- Information and application are on the [YMCA Swimming and Diving website](#).

Officials Training

- Need officials training? Request all training through the [YMCA Service Delivery Support Request](#) (*the truck*) in Link.
- Check the YMCA [Learning and Career Development Center](#) (LCDC) and/or contact your Regional Officials Coordinator for trainings that are already scheduled.

2023 YMCA National Swimming and Diving Championships

- In 2023, both the YMCA National Short Course Swimming Championship and the YMCA National Diving Championship mark 100 years since their inception!
- A Centennial Committee is working on special celebratory features and activities for the meets next spring. Stay tuned!
- Do you or your team have ideas? Send to Meet Director, [Bob Turner](#), or Technical Advisor, [Jim Ryan](#).
- Find qualifying times and hotel information for the 2023 YMCA Short Course Swimming Championship (April 3-7 in Greensboro, NC) on the [meet webpage](#).

USA Swimming Member?

- Information on USA Swimming registration and the new SWIMS application and OMR can be found on the [USA Swimming website](#) and through your LSC.

Congratulations Y Swimmers at Junior Pan Pacs!

- **Daniel Diehl** (Cumberland YMCA – MD), **Thomas Heilman** (Piedmont Family YMCA – VA), **Anna Moesch** (Greater Somerset County YMCA – NJ) and **Emily Thompson** (Greater Somerset County YMCA – NJ) competed for Team USA at the 2022 Junior Pan Pacific Championships in Honolulu.
- Diehl and Heilman were part of the Junior World Record setting Men's 400 Freestyle Relay. They also were members of the winning Men's 400 Medley Relay.
- Diehl and Moesch were part of the Jr. Pan Pac record setting Mixed 400 Medley Relay.
- Moesch also set a Jr. Pan Pac record as part of the Women's 400 Freestyle Relay.
- Diehl won the 100 Backstroke, setting a new Jr. Pan Pac record.
- Heilman won the 100 Butterfly with a new Jr. Pan Pac record.
- **Coach Gary Taylor** (Piedmont Family YMCA – VA) served as a member of Team USA's coaching staff for the meet.