

**POTOMAC VALLEY SWIMMING**  
**PVS 18&U Winter Championships**  
Hosted for PVS by SNOW Swimming  
**December 3-6, 2020**  
**Claude Moore Recreation Center**  
46105 Loudoun Park Lane  
Sterling, VA 20164

**Supplemental Document/Information**

**In applying for this sanction, the Host, SNOW SWIMMING, agrees to comply and to enforce all health and safety mandates and guidelines of USA Swimming, Potomac Valley Swimming, Virginia Swimming, the Commonwealth of Virginia, Loudoun County, and Claude Moore Recreation Center.**

**Local Protocols and Requirements**

All local and state protocols will be followed per [Moving Virginia Forward – Phase 3 Guidance](#). This guidance includes:

- Face coverings required for all attendees and support staff of the meet.
- Fitness and Exercise establishments open at 75% capacity.
- Indoor and outdoor swimming pools may be open at up to 75% occupancy, if applicable, provided ten (10) feet of physical distance may be maintained between patrons not of the same household.
- The total number of attendees (including both participants and spectators) of recreational sports cannot exceed the lesser of 50% of the occupancy load on the certificate of occupancy, if applicable, or 250 persons.
- Indoor and outdoor recreational sports should maintain ten (10) feet of physical distance between all instructors, participants, and spectators, where practicable.
- Conduct daily screening of coaches, officials, staff, and players for COVID-19 symptoms prior to admission to the venue/facility. Anyone experiencing symptoms should not be permitted in the venue/establishment.

**Participant Ingress and Egress**

- All attendees will enter the facility from doors in the back of the building, behind the child care center. See attached map. Separate entrances will be used for athletes and coaches, officials, and volunteers. Athletes will proceed directly to their assigned area.

## Planned Number of Individuals

Pool Allowed Occupancy: 573  
50% Pool Allowed Occupancy: 286

Spectator Allowed Occupancy: 565  
50% Spectator Allowed Occupancy: 282  
Socially Distanced Spectator Occupancy: 86

## Estimated Total Attendees

| WARM-UP        |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Pool           | 95         |
| Pool Deck      |            |
| Swimmers       | 5          |
| Coaches        | 35         |
| Officials      | 12         |
| Marshals       | 8          |
| Volunteers     | 6          |
| Facility Staff | 6          |
| Spectator Area |            |
| Swimmers       | 10         |
| Marshals       | 6          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>183</b> |

| COMPETITION      |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Pool             | 53         |
| Pool Deck        |            |
| Swimmers         | 28         |
| Coaches          | 35         |
| Officials        | 12         |
| Timers           | 10         |
| Marshals         | 8          |
| Volunteers       | 6          |
| Facility Staff   | 6          |
| Spectator Area   |            |
| Swimmers         | 29         |
| Marshals         | 4          |
| Clerks of Course | 2          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>     | <b>193</b> |

## Safe Sport Considerations

In compliance with Safe Sport, parents will have access to and the opportunity to observe their child. The meet will be live-streamed on the PVS Facebook page.

## Meet Specific COVID-19 Protocols

- Athletes must arrive and depart in their suits. Locker room use will be for emergencies only and no showering or changing will be allowed.
- Athletes must shower prior to arrival the pool.
- All attendees should bring a reusable water bottle to the meet.
- All attendees (athletes, coaches, volunteers, officials, etc.) must wear masks to enter the facility and at all times when inside the facility, with the exception of athletes when warming up, cooling down, and competing. Masks must be affixed to the face without hands and must cover nose and mouth.
- All attendees will be required to complete and submit a health attestation prior to entering the facility.
  - [Athlete Health Attestation](#)
  - [Official, Timer, Volunteer Health Attestation](#)
- All attendees will enter the facility from doors in the back of the building, behind the child care center. See attached map. Separate entrances will be used for athletes and coaches, officials, and volunteers. Athletes will proceed directly to their assigned area.
- Face masks should remain dry; therefore, all athletes should bring multiple masks.
- Each athlete should bring a small, plastic zipper bag (Ziplock or similar) to place each mask in while the athlete is in the water. Bags containing masks will be placed on chairs behind starting blocks during competition and warm-ups for swimmers in the competition course. Bags containing masks will be placed in boxes on the wall for swimmers in the cool-down pool.
- All attendees shall maintain a minimum of six (6) feet distance from all other participants whenever possible.
- Each session will be limited to **110** swimmers.
- The number of coaches allowed per team will be limited based on entries. A maximum of **35** coaches will be

permitted in any session.

- Only swimmers, coaches, meet volunteers, and officials will be permitted on the pool deck.
- Swimmers must follow all directions as posted and adhere to all marshal directions. Any attendee failing or refusing to comply with any of these protocols will be prohibited from entering the facility and/or asked to leave the facility.
- One-way traffic flow will be implemented. Swimmers will enter the pool deck from the eastern stairwell (the start end of the competition course) and exit the pool deck from the western stairwell (the shallow end of the pool). Stairwells will be one-way traffic only.
- All swimmers must remain in their designated area until they are called for their event and they must return to their area immediately following cooling down after their event.
- Swimmers may not enter another swimmer's "square" of seating.
- Any swimmer not following the meet protocols will be subject to immediate removal from the meet.
- Limited hospitality may be offered.
- We request that all attendees notify the meet director as soon as possible if they have tested positive for COVID-19, shown symptoms or have been in contact with anyone exposed to COVID-19 after attending the meet.
- No spectators will be permitted. Competition will be live-streamed on the PVS Facebook page.

#### **Arrival, Departure and Swimmer Location (see attached map)**

- Swimmers should arrive no more than fifteen (15) minutes prior to their scheduled warm-up times. If swimmers arrive early, they must wait in their cars until time to enter the facility.
- Swimmers will be dropped off in the back of the facility.
- Wearing masks at all times, swimmers will lineup six (6) feet apart on the sidewalk in the back of the building along the windows to the fitness center. A meet volunteer will confirm each swimmer has submitted his/her health attestation.
- Maintaining a six (6) foot distance, swimmers will enter the facility and proceed either up the stairs to the spectator area or onto the pool deck to their assigned area.
- Spaces for swimmers will be marked in the spectator area and in bleachers on the pool deck.
- Swimmers must depart the facility immediately upon the completion of their race(s) or immediately after counting for a teammate.
- Marshalls will monitor the team area to ensure safety and proper distancing.

#### **Pre-Meet Warm-Up**

- Nineteen (19) lanes will be used for warm-up, with a maximum of five (5) swimmers per lane and maintaining appropriate distance as required by applicable local guidelines and in accordance with USA Swimming guidelines.
- Swimmers will be assigned to specific lanes for warm-up as well as an "entry" number into that lane.
- Wearing face masks and with cap and goggles only, swimmers will exit the bleachers section-by-section, form a single-file line and proceed down the staircase at the start end of the pool.
- Swimmers will place their face mask in a plastic zipper (Ziploc or similar) bag and place it on the chair behind the block or in the box hanging on the wall behind the lane and proceed directly to their assigned lane.
- Warm-up distancing conducted in accordance with USA Swimming guidelines.
- After warm-up, coaches will direct swimmers to exit the pool one at a time by lane. Swimmers will immediately retrieve their masks, proceed down the pool deck along the window side of the facility, around the pool to the staircase at the shallow end of the pool and return to their designated spot in the bleachers.

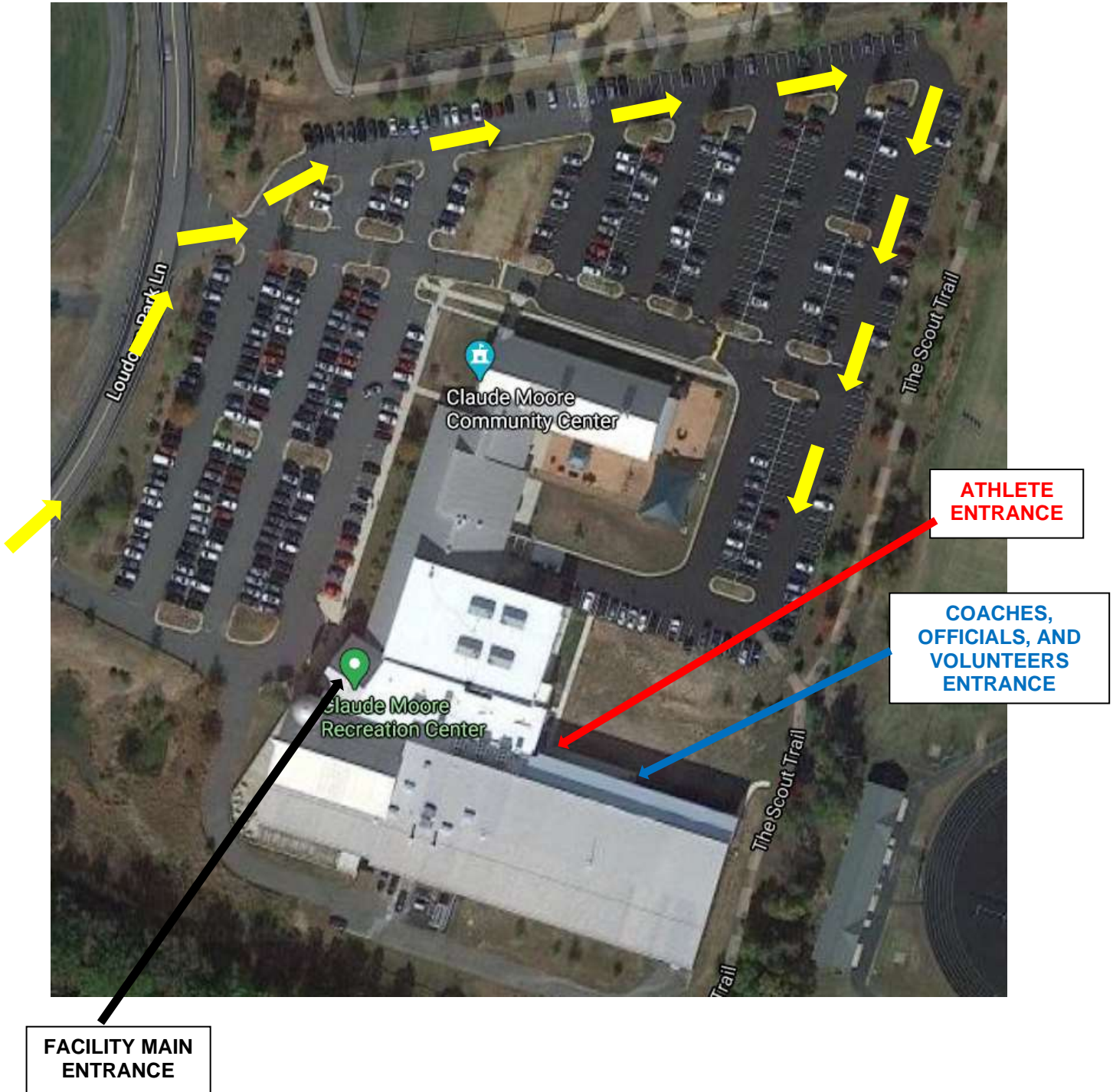
## **Competition**

- To prepare for competition, 8 (8) lane timers and one (1) head timer will enter the pool deck and move to their designated lanes. Additional officials, if any, will enter the pool deck take up their positions around the pool.
- At the start, timers will be seated 6' back from the edge of the pool to provide safe distancing for all athletes.
- At the finish, timers will stand to maximize distance between timers and officials.
- To start competition, sixteen (16) swimmers (the first two heats) will move from their designated areas to the starting area. Swimmers will be lined up based on their seeded heat and lane.
- Heat 1 swimmers will line up behind the block for their assigned lane. They will place their masks in the box labeled for their lane and their towel or parka, if any, in the chair directly behind their assigned lanes.
- Heat 2 swimmers will follow Marshals and Clerk of Course direction to line up along the wall behind their assigned lane.
- Heat 3 swimmers will line up in the spectator area, maintaining 6' of social distance.
- Upon completion of Heat 1, the swimmers will exit the pool, immediately put on their masks, retrieve their belongings, and proceed down the pool deck on the window side of the pool (the lane 10 side), around the pool to the staircase at the far end of the pool and return to their designated spot in the bleachers. Swimmers may warm down in the 9 available warm down lanes if space allows. One-way traffic on the pool deck must be maintained.
- Heat 2 swimmers will not approach the blocks or remove their masks until Heat 1 has finished, exited the area behind the blocks and the timers have moved back from the edge of the pool. The Clerk of Course will signal when swimmers can leave this "ready" area.
- Heat 3 swimmers will proceed down the stairs and line up along the wall behind their assigned lane as Heat 2 swimmers approach the blocks.
- The above procedures will be followed by all subsequent heats.

## **Continuous Cool-Down**

- Eight (8) lanes will be available during the meet for cool-down.
- Before returning to the bleachers, swimmers may enter one of the cool-down lanes immediately upon exiting the competition pool. Entrance and exit from the cool-down lanes is ONLY from the window side of the pool.
- All swimmers must place their masks in a plastic bag prior to entry into the cool-down lane. Boxes will be provided for bagged masks.
- No more than five (5) swimmers will be allowed in the warm-up/cool-down lanes at any time.
- Marshals/coaches will supervise the cool-down lanes.
- Cool-down distancing will be in accordance with USA Swimming guidelines.

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