

2026 Piranha Pentathlon

Saturday, October 17, 2026

Hosted by Princeton Piranhas Swim Team

Held under the sanction of USA Swimming

<u>Meet Sanction Info:</u>	NJ Swimming Sanction # - NJS-TF-101726-SCY Any changes of the meet information without the approval of the Competitive Performance Director, administrative chairperson, age group chairperson or senior chairperson are a violation of the sanction. 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.		
<u>Date of Meet:</u>	Saturday, October 17, 2026		
<u>Location:</u>	Princeton Middle School Pool 217 Walnut Lane, Princeton, NJ 08540 The pool is located on the Princeton Middle School campus. The pool entrance and parking lot are on Guyot Lane. If you are parking on the street, please do not block driveways or you will be towed.		
<u>Facility Info:</u>	The Princeton Middle School Pool is an eight-lane, 25 yard, single course pool with Colorado timing system and full display board. The depth of the water at the starting blocks is 8' - 0" and the depth at the turn end is 4' - 0". Absolutely NO Chairs allowed in the facility.		
Host Team Contact:	Kip Hein	609-371-2065	kheinswimppst@gmail.com
Meet Director:	Kip Hein	609-371-2065	kheinswimppst@gmail.com
Meet Referee:	Robin Meirs		MeirsFamily@yahoo.com
Administration Official:	Kip Hein	609-371-2065	kheinswimppst@gmail.com
Safety Marshall:	Julie Meirs Kevin Hom	609-371-2065	teamswimppst@gmail.com
Entry Coordinator:	Kip Hein	609-371-2065	kheinswimppst@gmail.com
Entries Open:	September 25, 2026 at 6:00 am		
Entry Deadline:	October 2, 2026 6:00 pm or when the meet fills, if earlier.		
Swimmer Age:	Age for this meet is calculated as of October 17, 2026		
Entry Fees:	\$30.00 per swimmer		
	Swimmer surcharge \$10.00 / swimmer		
Meet Course:	Short Course Yards (SCY)		
Meet Format:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meet will be run as a timed final meet. This is a pentathlon meet and entered swimmers are expected to swim in all 5 events in their age group. Swimmers who do not swim all 5 events will not qualify for overall Pentathlon awards. The 15 & Over and 13-14 events will be swum in the morning session and the 11-12, 9-10 and 8 & under events will be swum in the afternoon session. This meet will be deck seeded with coaches checking in/scratching all swimmers. When the seeding has been posted, swimmers will report to the blocks. 'NT' or 'No Times' will be accepted for this meet. 		
Entry Limits:	Swimmers are expected to enter all 5 events		
Checks Payable To:	Princeton Piranhas Swim Team		
Email Entry Files To:	kheinswimppst@gmail.com		
Mail Checks/Reports	Princeton Piranhas Swim Team 48 Sharon Station Rd. Allentown, NJ 08501		

Tentative Meet Schedule:

***This schedule is tentative pending receipt of entries.
Depending on the entries, sessions may be combined or split.
The complete schedule with session warm-up and start times will be established when all entries have been received. This will be published on the meet section of the NJS website and e- mailed to the coaches of participating teams.***

Session Schedule:		Warm-up	Start
Saturday AM Session 1	All 15 & over & 13-14 events	TBA	TBA
Saturday PM Session 2	All 11-12, 9-10 and 8 & under events	TBA	TBA

Scoring:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There will be No team scoring. There will be individual scoring.
Awards:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awards will be done by totaling each swimmer's times from all 5 events to net an overall time within their age group. Any swimmer who is disqualified from any event will not be eligible for overall pentathlon awards. Awards will be given in the 8 & under, 9-10 and 11-12 events only. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 16th place for individual events. Medals will be given for the top 3 pentathlon finishers.
Starts:	Overhead starts will be used.
Admissions and Programs:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectators will be allowed. No Admission Heat Sheets (and Results) will be available on Meet Mobile
Concessions:	Will not be available
Vendor:	A swim vendor will not be in attendance.
Medical Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Princeton Middle Pool is staffed with certified lifeguards by the host team and all operational personnel are trained in CPR and First Aid. There is an AED on site. There is not an EMT on site.
No Show Policy	No penalty will be incurred for an unscratched swimmer who fails to report to the starting blocks for his/her scheduled event. However, the event will be counted toward the swimmer's maximum allowable swims for that day. The swimmer may be allowed to swim the event in a later heat or a subsequent event if the swimmer is at the starting end of the pool, ready to swim, and an open lane is available. However, the host club will not schedule an additional heat to accommodate the swimmer.
Internet Website Posting:	Meet information, Hy-Tek .HYV Event file and results will be posted on the New Jersey Swimming website. www.njswim.org
Meet Requirement Statement:	In order to be eligible for the NJ Swimming Zone Championship Team or for NJ Swimming Athlete Travel Grants for Sectional and National level meets, NJ Swimming policy stipulates certain participation requirements. As a NJ Swimming sanctioned meet, this meet counts toward those participation requirements.
Directions:	<p>There is currently a significant amount of construction at the school. Please note you are expected to park in a new lot located at Westminster College. It will be an 8-minute walk to the pool from this parking lot. Google Maps: To the pool from the parking lot at Westminster on Franklin Ave. https://maps.app.goo.gl/67q6zW1R5jdyrbRx5</p> <p>Google Maps to Parking Lot: https://maps.app.goo.gl/HQhsyzKgY3s1g9ZS8 Address: 27 Franklin Ave, Princeton, NJ 08542</p>

Order of Events

Saturday Morning Session

Event #	Event Name	Event #
1	15 & Over 100 Freestyle	2
3	13-14 100 Freestyle	4
5	15 & Over 100 Breaststroke	6
7	13-14 100 Breaststroke	8
9	15 & Over 100 Backstroke	10
11	13-14 100 Backstroke	12
13	15 & Over 100 Butterfly	14
15	13-14 100 Butterfly	16
17	15 & Over 200 IM	18
19	13-14 200 IM	20

Saturday Afternoon Session

Event #	Event Name	Event #
21	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	22
23	9-10 50 Freestyle	24
25	11-12 50 Freestyle	26
27	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	28
29	9-10 50 Breaststroke	30
31	11-12 50 Breaststroke	32
33	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	34
35	9-10 50 Backstroke	36
37	11-12 50 Backstroke	38
39	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	40
41	9-10 50 Butterfly	42
43	11-12 50 Butterfly	44
45	8 & Under 100 IM	46
47	9-10 100 IM	48
49	11-12 100 IM	50

NJS Information and Policies for USA Sanctioned Meets	
Locker Rooms:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If only one locker room/restroom: If Athletes and Adults including Coaches & Officials must use the same facility, make sure you are not alone with an athlete in the locker room, including using the restroom. Be proactive and tell the meet director immediately if this happens, even when no fault of your own. ● If multiple facilities: There is a separate locker room/restroom for athletes only! All other adults including Coaches & Officials need to make sure that you are only using the facility marked for you.
Spectator Considerations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● As per USA Swimming Safe Sport Protocols, Parents or legal guardians will have access to their child and an opportunity to observe their child if the facility protocols allow for spectators.
Entry Info:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There will be no refunds after the entry deadline except for events that may be scratched from meet by the Entry Coordinator or Meet Director, or as otherwise directed by NJ Swimming. Entries will be acknowledged within 48 hours of receipt. ● All entries will be accepted on a first come basis. ● Team entries will be considered accepted when the host club accepts the entries. ● Meet Entries will be taken until the meet fills. The host club must stay within the four hour per session rule. ● Special Notice: Meet entry fees must be received no later than the first session of the meet where the team competes. If a team fails to make payment by that time all their swimmers may be scratched, at the discretion of the Host Team.
Entry Times:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New Jersey Swimming follows the practice of not entering a meet with 'NT' or 'No Time'. Unless otherwise stated in the meet announcement, "NT's" will not be accepted. ● Unless otherwise specified in the earlier Meet Course section, entry times should be for the course that the meet is going to be swum, with converted times being permitted.
Over Entry Policy:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Swimmers entered in more events than permitted per day or for the duration of the meet, as stated in the meet announcement, will be required to scratch down to the allowable limit. Scratches may be submitted by the athlete or their coach and must be done before the start of the session.
Swimmer Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No swimmer will be permitted to compete unless the swimmer is a member of USA Swimming as provided in Article 302. ● All transfer swimmer(s) must swim unattached for 60 days from their last attached competition. Swimmers must use an UN- (New Team Alpha Code) as their team affiliation. All Unattached swimmers must be listed on the team's official waiver entry form. ● All swimmers 18 & Over at the meet start date must have met the USA Swimming Athlete Protection Training requirement. Failure to complete it will result in an athlete's inability to swim in this meet.
Check-In:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All check-in sheets must be turned into the scoring table before the start of each session. Check-in times will be noted on the check in sheets. Swimmers that are swimming will have a line through their name. Swimmers that are being scratched will have their names circled with a "SCR" next to the circle. Swimmers scratching a single event will have a line through their name and the event number circled with "SCR" next to the circle. ● Failure to follow this procedure may result in the swimmer(s) being scratched from the session.
Adaptive Provisions:	USA Swimming 2026 Technical Rules and regulations provides "guidelines for officiating swimmers with disabilities" and any athlete who needs any of these adaptations should provide the Referee with a note stating their name, their specific need, and a list of events in which they need assistance prior to the start of each session's competition. If necessary, this information may be provided by the swimmer's coach or guardians. NJ swimming will provide all swimmers with disabilities a chance to swim in events for which they have qualified (met the time standards of the meet).
Host Club Responsibilities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The host club will help provide timers for the meet. ● The host club will e-mail entry verification back to the participating clubs. ● The host club will create a warm-up schedule that will be fair and equal to all teams. ● The host club will create timing assignments that are fair and equitable with as many teams participating as possible. ● Warm-up schedules and assignments, and timing assignments will be e-mailed to all participating clubs no later than 1 week before the meet.

Participating Club Responsibilities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participating clubs must help with timing assignments. Timing assignments will be e-mailed to participating clubs 1 week prior to the meet. Participating club parents must stay off the pool deck except for timing assignments. Parent timers may not use phones/cameras while on the deck. Participating clubs should help with officiating whenever possible.
Coaches Conduct & Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meet is conducted according to current USA Swimming 2026 Technical Rules, and in adherence to the USA-S Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (2026 MAAPP). Make sure all interactions with athletes are observable and interruptible, including any meetings you have in between races or sessions. As a reminder, coaches are not allowed to massage any athlete, even if you are a licensed massage therapist. This includes all massages, rubdowns, stretching, physical manipulation, injury rehabilitation, and the use of electronic or instrument assisted modalities such as stim treatment, dry needling, and cupping. All coaches “on the deck” must be currently registered coach members of USA Swimming. Verification can be in the form of a current USA Swimming membership credential or Coaches Pass available thru the USA swimming Deck Pass App. Coaches must show their USA swimming coaching card or Coaches Pass for entrance to facility. All Coaches must have some form of USA coaching credential verification with them at all times.
Officials Conduct & Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meet is conducted according to current USA Swimming 2026 Technical Rules, and in adherence to the USA-S Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (2026 MAAPP). Make sure all interactions with athletes are observable and interruptible. Current USA Swimming and LSC Swimming certification is required for all officials and the Meet Referee will check your credentials. Swimming officials from participating teams should contact the meet referee (see page 1) with the sessions when they are able to help. All officials must wear the standard white and blue uniform. Officials will be required to work the entire session to receive credit for the session in OTS.
Meet Format Waiver:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meet will be run in accordance to current USA Swimming 2026 Technical Rules. The host club has the right to change the format of the meet with the approval of the Administrative vice chair and either the Age Group or Senior vice chair. These changes would be made for a more efficient swim meet for the swimmers and the host club. Reasons for these changes include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To allow more swimmers to swim. To conform to facility capacity limits or for facility safety concerns. To condense the meet into smaller time frame. Some of the changes that may be made: 1) add a session, 2) heat limit distance events 3) condense sessions, and 4) eliminate relays.
Warm-up Procedures:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warm-ups will be run under New Jersey Swimming Warm-up and Safety Guidelines. Teams will be assigned lanes according to the size of their entries, to achieve a fair and comparable warm-up for all swimmers. Swimming Equipment is not allowed in the competition pool during all warm-up sessions. This includes kick boards, hand paddles, and pull buoys. All swimmers must enter the pool feet first from the starting end of the pool. New Jersey Swimming officials and Safety Marshals will monitor warm-ups. All general warm-up lanes will swim in a counterclockwise direction.
Results:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet result files for TM will be emailed to all participating teams. Meet results will be posted on the meet website and on the New Jersey Swimming Website: www.njswim.org

USA-S Racing Start Certification Statement:	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. 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.
Audio/Visual Recording Statement:	Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms, locker rooms or behind the starting blocks.
USA-S Deck Change Policy Statement:	Deck changes are prohibited.
USA-S Drone Policy Statement:	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.
Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (2026 MAAPP)	All applicable adults participating in or associated with this meet, acknowledge that they are subject to the provisions of the USA Swimming Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("2026 MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with the 2026 MAAPP policy is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.
Tech Suit/Swimwear Policy:	<p>Swimwear must conform to USA Swimming 2026 Technical Rules.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rule 102.8. Only swimsuits complying with FINA swimsuit specification may be worn in any USA Swimming sanctioned or approved competition. "Tech suits" are not permitted at this meet for 12 & under swimmers. "Tech Suits" are defined, as suits that have bonded seams, kinetic tape, or meshed seams. A list of restricted suits can be found on the NJ Swimming Website; www.njswim.org. ● Rule 102.8.1E explicitly bans the use of therapeutic elastic tape (eg: kinesio tape) on any part of the body. <p>Pursuant to USA Swimming Rule 205.10.1, it is permissible for a swimmer to wear a single set of garments underneath his or her competition swimsuit for modesty and/or other privacy reasons.</p>