Good Afternoon,

We are excited to welcome all of you to this weekend's Third Coast Invitational. We have a few items we need to go over before you arrive in Pearland on Friday.

1) Large Meet

- a. Facility Capacity 1,100 people:
 - i. City of Pearland (COP) is requiring that we have counters at the doors to monitor the number of people in the building. Should we reach the 1100 capacity, the COP may limit people entering the building for 5 minutes. This is a new procedure required for the rental of the city facility for large events; we ask for your patience. To ensure a smooth meet we encourage families to sit in either the gym or outside, come in during their family's race and then exit once the race is complete.
- b. Seating in the Natatorium:
 - i. No coolers in the stands, fold-up chairs or saving seats.
 - ii. Transient seating will be available. This area will be marked. Spectators are to come in, watch their swimmer's race and then return to their seating outside of the pool.
 - iii. No swimmers should sit in the stands unless they are 8 & under. Swimmers should set-up on deck, outside or in the gym.
- c. Seating in a gymnasium will be available for swimmers and parents during the preliminary sessions:
 - i. Fold-up chairs are allowed on the gym floor. Bleachers will be available.
 - ii. No eating in the gym. Benches will be set-up in the hallway and families may use the lounge area on the second floor. Please police your areas. No setting-up in the hallways.
 - iii. Once the preliminary sessions are complete, the gym must be emptied. Please make sure all belongings are taken and trash is thrown away.
- d. Outside seating and set-up:
 - i. There is space for tents on the north side of the Natatorium. Here is the weather (Weather Bug) for this weekend.
 - ii. Participants must leave an egress from the building doors to the gates on the patio. No set-up in this area.
- 2) 400 IM: There were two mistakes in the meet invitation
 - a. The 400 IM is listed as a timed final event; however, it will be swum as a prelim/final event.
- 3) Warm-ups:
 - a. There will be assigned warm-ups. Those will be e-mailed tomorrow.
 - b. The activity pool (small pool) will be for 10&under swimmers ONLY before the competition begins.
 - c. During the competition the small lane will be for 10&under swimmers only.