



**2025 18th ANNUAL SANTA'S B.E.S.T.
Biloxi, MS
December 5 – December 7, 2025**



- SANCTION:** Held under the sanction of United States Swimming and Mississippi Swimming, Inc. **Sanction MSI # 2509**
- SPONSORS:** Biloxi Elite Swim Team, City of Biloxi, and Biloxi Public Schools
- LOCATION:** Biloxi Natatorium, 1384 Father Ryan Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530.
- FACILITY:** Indoor 50 meter by 25-yard pool with a 10/12-lane, 25-yard competition course with a 4-foot minimum depth and non-turbulent lane lines for short course competition. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C (4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming. Automatic timing will be provided by Colorado Timing System with HYTEK interface, and display scoreboard. Manual back up will be used. Continuous warm-up/warm-down will be available in the deep end.
- We ask that swimmers, parents, and coaches be thoughtful when using the pool and surrounding areas. There will be no tobacco products or alcohol allowed on the facility grounds. Parking is available at the pool and school next door. **Please do not block driveways or park on the grass.**
- 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.
- RULES:** Current USA Swimming rules/regulations will govern the conduct of the meet unless otherwise noted herein. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including cell phones, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.
- SWIMWEAR:** Swimwear will be according to Article 102.8 of USA Swimming Rules and Regulations. Deck changes are prohibited.
- ELIGIBILITY/
DISABILITY:** All participants must be USA Swimming registered athletes. Entries will not be accepted without current registration numbers. A swimmer's age on the first day of the meet will determine his or her age for the entire meet.
- All 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 ("MAAPP"), and that they understand that compliance with MAAPP is a condition of participation in the conduct of this competition.

The Biloxi Elite Swim Team welcomes all swimmers with disabilities as described in the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, Article 105, to participate in our meets. Coaches entering swimmers with disabilities that require any accommodations are required to provide advance notice in writing to the Meet Director by the entry deadline accompanying their meet entry file, including the need for any personal assistants required and/or registered service animals. Failure to provide advance notice may limit the Biloxi Elite Swim Team's ability to accommodate all requests.

COACHES: Coaches must be current USAS Coach Members in order to perform deck duties. If a coach is not currently certified, he/she may observe the meet as any other observer, but may not coach or sit in the coaches' area. There will be a brief Coaches' meeting 15 minutes before competition (if needed).

SUPERVISION: 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.

Lifeguards will be on duty for the duration of the meet. The AED is located in the lifeguard office.

PARENTAL ACCESS: Parents needing access to their athlete during the meet in a closed-deck environment can contact their children directly via cellphone and arrange to meet them on the patio area or may contact a staff member/lifeguard.

SEEDING: Seeding will be done according to Article 102.5 of USAS Rules and Regulations. All times must be entered in SHORT COURSE YARDS for the meet.

MEET FORMAT: This is an Invitational timed final meet. For all events on Friday, they will be placed as 10 & under, 11 – 12, 13 – 14, and 15 & Over. All other events will be placed as they are swum. All events less than 400 yards will be pre-seeded. All events 400 yards or longer will be deck-seeded.

Swimmers/Coaches must sign-in their swimmers with the admin person for all deck-seeded events no later than 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of each day's session. If the swimmer is not checked in, the swimmer is legally scratched from the event. The 500 Free, 400 IM, and 1650 Free will be swum as open, fastest to slowest, alternating girls/boys, but placed separately. Swimmers may be required to provide their own timers for deck seeded events.

ENTRIES: A Swimmer may swim a maximum of **two (2) individual** events on Friday, and **five (5) individual** events plus **one (1) relay** all other days.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2025.

Please send compatible meet entry file for Hy-Tek Meet Manager via email with the 2025 Santa's BEST Team Entry Summary Report Sheet at the end of the invitation. There will be an additional surcharge per athlete (Ten dollars, \$10.00) if team entries have to be hand entered, in other words if entry file is not used.

NO LATE ENTRIES OR DECK ENTRIES WILL BE ALLOWED FOR THIS MEET.

If a swimmer who is not properly registered with USA Swimming competes in a sanctioned competition, MS Swimming will impose a fine of \$100.00 per event against the individual, member coach or member club submitting the entry.

**Mail entries to: Meridith Mangiaracina
1384 Father Ryan Avenue
Biloxi, MS 39530
(228)435-6108
biloxieliteswim@gmail.com**

ENTRY FEE: \$6.00 per individual event
\$12.00 per relay event
\$20.00 total per swimmer surcharge [\$10.00 MSI surcharge + \$10.00 facility surcharge per swimmer (includes digital heat sheet)]

\$10.00 additional surcharge per swimmer (if hand entry is required)

Make checks payable to: **Biloxi Elite Swim Team**

ENTRY LIMIT: Entries will be limited to 300 swimmers per session.

WARM-UPS Warm-up procedures will follow MSI guidelines. Please be patient and flexible about warm-ups. The warm-up schedule will be based upon entry numbers per session. We will get the schedule out as soon as entry numbers are finalized.

SCHEDULE: All sessions will be scheduled based upon entry numbers. Notification will be given out as soon as entry numbers are received. Typical schedule:

Friday p.m.	warmups 4 p.m., competition 5:15 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday a.m.	warmups 7:30 a.m., competition 8:45 a.m.
Saturday/Sunday p.m.	warmups no earlier than 11:00 a.m., competition no earlier than 12:00 p.m.

**SCORING/
AWARDS:** Standard Top 10. Team Awards: 1st – 3rd, Individual: Places 1 – 20

- SCRATCHES:** No swimmer may enter another event make-up for a missed event.
- REPORTING:** Swimmers will report directly to the starting blocks.
There will be **NO Clerk of Course**.
- LANE ASSIGNMENTS:** Lane assignments will be included in the Coaches' Packets as well as posted at the facility. Teams may also be responsible for providing timers. Timer numbers will be based on numbers of athletes entered.
- OFFICIALS:** Please return the enclosed sheet for willing workers as soon as possible so that a schedule can be made. Officials' meetings will be at the discretion of the meet referee.
- MEET REFEREE:** Todd Patterson toddpattersonswim@bellsouth.net
- MEET DIRECTORS:** Colton Copeland ccopeland@biloxi.ms.us
- Entry Chair:** Meridith Mangiaracina biloxieliteswim@gmail.com
- MEET MARSHALL:** Meet Marshalls will be on deck with proper identification.
- 4-HOUR RULE:** If an age group for 12 & under swimmer is swum after the session has been running four (4) hours, each involved swimmer has the option of either swimming the event or receiving a refund for the event. A swimmer desiring a refund must declare his/her intent to the Meet Director. There will be no refunds for swimmers not in attendance.
- ADDITIONAL:** All relay entries will be entered on the back of the entry card by their **full name, last and first**. Any swimmer that is "relay only" must be included on the official recap/hardcopy and pay the swimmer surcharge.

ORDER OF EVENTS

Session #1

Friday Evening, December 5, 2025

Girls Event #	Event Description	Boys Event #
1	12 & Under 200 Individual Medley	2
3	Open 400 Individual Medley	4
5	12 & Under 500 Freestyle	6
7	Open 1000 Freestyle	8

Session #2

Saturday Morning, December 6, 2025

Girls Event #	Event Description	Boys Event #
9	10 & Under 200 Medley Relay	10
11	12 & Under 200 Medley Relay	12
13	10 & Under 100 Individual Medley	14
15	12 & Under 100 Individual Medley	16
17	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	18
19	9 - 10 50 Breaststroke	20
21	11 - 12 50 Breaststroke	22
23	8 & Under 50 Backstroke	24
25	10 & Under 100 Backstroke	26
27	11 -12 100 Backstroke	28
29	8 & Under 50 Butterfly	30
31	10 & Under 100 Butterfly	32
33	11 - 12 100 Butterfly	34
35	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	36
37	9 - 10 50 Freestyle	38
39	11 - 12 50 Freestyle	40

Session #3

Saturday Afternoon, December 6, 2025

Girls Event #	Event Description	Boys Event #
41	Open 200 Medley Relay	42
43	13 - 14 200 Backstroke	44
45	Open 200 Backstroke	46
47	13 -14 50 Butterfly	48
49	Open Butterfly	50
51	13 - 14 100 Breaststroke	52
53	Open 100 Breaststroke	54
55	13 - 14 200 Freestyle	56

57	Open 200 Freestyle	58
59	13-14 50 Breaststroke	60
61	Open 50 Breaststroke	62
63	13 - 14 200 Butterfly	64
65	Open 200 Butterfly	66
67	13 - 14 50 Freestyle	68
69	Open 50 Freestyle	70

Session #4

Sunday Morning, December 7, 2025

Girls Event #	Event Description	Boys Event #
71	10 & Under 200 Freestyle Relay	72
73	12 & Under 200 Freestyle Relay	74
75	8 & Under 100 Freestyle	76
77	10 & Under 200 Freestyle	78
79	11 - 12 200 Freestyle	80
81	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	82
83	9 - 10 50 Butterfly	84
85	11 - 12 50 Butterfly	86
87	8 & Under 50 Breaststroke	88
89	10 & Under 100 Breaststroke	90
91	11 - 12 100 Breaststroke	92
93	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	94
95	9 - 10 50 Backstroke	96
97	11 - 12 50 Backstroke	98
99	8 & Under 50 Freestyle	100
101	9 - 10 100 Freestyle	102
103	11 - 12 100 Freestyle	104

Session #5

Sunday Afternoon, December 7, 2025

Girls Event #	Event Description	Boys Event #
105	Open 200 Freestyle Relay	106
107	13 - 14 100 Butterfly	108
109	Open 100 Butterfly	110
111	13 - 14 200 Breaststroke	112
113	Open 200 Breaststroke	114
115	13 - 14 100 Backstroke	116
117	Open 100 Backstroke	118
119	13 - 14 200 Individual Medley	120
121	Open 200 Individual Medley	122
123	13 - 14 100 Freestyle	124
125	Open 100 Freestyle	126
127	13 -14 50 Backstroke	128
129	Open 50 Backstroke	130

2025 Santa's BEST Team Entry Summary Report Sheet

Club Name: _____ Club Code: _____

Total number of swimmers _____ x \$20.00 (+\$10.00 if hand entry required) = _____

Total number of individual entries _____ x \$6.00 = _____

Total number of relay entries _____ x \$12.00 = _____

Total Entry Fees \$ _____

Send Official Results to:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: _____ (cell) _____ (work) _____

Coaches attending the meet and/or Officials attending the meet

Release

On behalf of each of the listed competitors, I understand and agree that USA Swimming, Inc., MSI Inc., Biloxi Elite Swim Team, City of Biloxi, Biloxi Public Schools, and meet officials shall be free of all liabilities or claims for loss of valuables or damages arising by any reason of injuries to anyone during travel to or from this meet or during the conduct of this meet or during any social gathering associated with this meet and expressly agree to waive as condition of being allowed to enter this meet.

Signed _____ Date _____

(team coach/team representative)