#### 2023 GRIT LC Invitational

# Prelims/Finals June 15-18, 2023

Wesleyan University Freeman Athletic Center 160 Cross Street Middletown, CT 06459

Held under sanction of USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. #L23-34. In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Connecticut Swimming, Inc. shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.

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**MEET HOST: GRIT Aquatics** 

WEBSITE: http://gritaquatics.com

POOL EMERGENCY NUMBER: 860-685-2000

COURSE: LCM.

**SESSION TIMES: Subject to Change:** 

Thursday Finals: 4:45pm warm-up 6pm Start
Friday-Sunday Prelims: 7:00am warm-up 8:15am Start
Friday-Sunday Finals: 5:15pm Warm-up 6:30pm Start

ENTRY OPENING DATE: Entries will be accepted no earlier than April 21st at 8:00pm.

**CONNECTICUT-ONLY DEADLINE:** CT deadline is May 8, 2023 @ 8:00am Date and time will be determined by the date and time of email. CT clubs meeting this deadline will be entered before out of state clubs.

April 25th Teams can start accepting entries from out of LSC Teams.

**DEADLINES:** Deadline is Thursday June 8, 2023 @ 8:00am. Date and Time of entry will be determined by the date and time of the email.

**PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**: Please make checks payable to GRIT Aquatics

Mail to: Bill Ball 83 Muddy Brook Road Ellington, CT 06029

Payment must be received by June 12, 2023

**NEW FOR LC 2023 SEASON ONLY (4/1-8/31):** Teams that are charged pool rental for running a regularly scheduled non CSI Championship meets, can charge a per swimmer facility fee not to exceed \$10. This charge will NOT be subject to CSI surcharges.

**ENTRY FEES:** Electronic entries: \$18.00 for individual events, \$20.00 for distance event, \$30.00 for relays. Per Swimmer Facility Fee: \$5.00. Manual entries: \$20.00 for individual events, \$22.00 for distance events, \$32.00 for relays. No refunds will be given for entries that are accepted, or for entries that are rejected due to improper entry.

**NEW FOR 2022-23:** The Meet or Entry Director MUST run a meet verification report and give said report to the Meet Referee. This is to ensure that no swimmer without their APT credentials or unregistered swimmers participate in a sanction USA/CT Swimming meet.

**SANCTIONED OR APPROVED:** Sanctioned

**MEET DURATION:** Full meet with time limits as defined by CT/USA Swimming.

**MEET FORMAT:** The meet will be swum as Prelim-Final format. The 800 Free and 1500 Free, Boys and Girls will be swum fast-to-slow, alternating heats of women and men, All relays will be swum as timed finals and compete during finals

**FACILITY:** The Freeman Athletic Center Pool is a 50 Meter by 25 Yard venue with a Colorado Timing System. Water depth at start end is: 14.5 feet. Water depth at turn end is: 5 Feet. The competition course has been certified in accordance with 104.2.2C(4). The copy of such certification is on file with USA Swimming. Limited Spectator Seating. A lifeguard will be on duty.

- -No Locks may be left on Wesleyan lockers. No shaving on premises is permitted. No access to faculty locker rooms in permitted.
- -Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited.

**WIFI ACCESS:** List if Wifi is available and connectivity is fair.

**WARM-UPS:** CT Swimming Warm-Up Procedures will be in effect.

Thursday Finals: General Warm-up 4:45pm-5:40pm

Specific Warm-up 5:35pm – 5:55pm

Friday- Sunday Prelims: General Warm-up 7:00am-7:50am

Specific Warm-up 7:50am-8:10am

Friday-Sunday Finals: General Warm-up 5:15pm-6:05pm

Specific Warm-up 6:05pm-6:25pm

General warm-up: All lanes open for circle swim, feet first entry only. NO DIVING

Specific warm-up: Lanes 1 & 8 Pace, Lanes 2 & 7 one-way sprints, Lanes 3-6 Circle swim No Diving

EVENT INFORMATION: Building will open no more than 20 Minutes prior to start of each session

**ENTRY LIMITATIONS:** Max: 10 Individual events for the meet, unlimited relays. No more than 3 individual events a day. No deck entries allowed.

**SCRATCH PROCEDURES:** Teams will receive a scratch sheet for each day's events prior to that day's prelims. All scratch sheets are to be submitted to the administrative referee 30 minutes prior to the start of the session. Scratch sheets for the Women's 800 Free and Men's 1500 Free on Thursday evening are due to the

administrative referee by 5:30pm. Relay scratches are due to the administrative referee no more than 30 minutes following the morning prelims.

This meet will following National Championship scratch rules for finals and can only be done directly with the administrative referee.

**Failure to Compete in Finals:** Any swimmer qualifying for any heat of finals who fails to compete and who has not been scratched will be barred from all further competition in the meet. A declared false start or deliberate delay of meet is not permitted and will be regarded as a failure to compete. **Exceptions for Failure to Compete in Finals:** No penalty shall apply for failure to compete in finals if: 1. The Referee is notified in the event of injury of illness and accepts the proof thereof. 2. A swimmer qualifying for a final heat based on the results of preliminarily notifies the announcer within 30 minutes after the announcement of qualifiers that he may not intend to compete and confirms his final intentions within 30 minutes following his last individual preliminary event. 3. It is determined by the Referee that failure to compete is caused by circumstances beyond the control of the swimmer.

**SAFE SPORT POLICIES:** Spectators will be allowed in the facility but only in the stands area. Parents are not allowed on deck unless working a volunteer position.

**DISABLED ACCESS:** Limited handicapped parking is available behind the Freeman Athletic Center. Disabled access is through the front entrance only. The elevator in the front lobby leads to the locker rooms and deck access. Spectator area is to the left of the front lobby. If special assistance is required by athletes, coaches or spectators, please contact the Meet Director.

**ELIGIBILITY:** All USA Swimming clubs and individuals; Athletes with Flex memberships must not have swum in more than one USA Swimming meet prior to this meet in order to be eligible.

All athletes must be current athlete members of USA Swimming. Age on the first day of the meet shall determine the swimmer's age and age group for the meet. Any swimmer, who is entered and is unregistered, will be scratched from the meet until registration is completed. See CT Swimming athlete registration procedures. Registrations will not be processed at the meet. All coaches must present a valid USA Swimming coach card to the Meet Director prior to the commencement of any sanctioned swim meet, and must have this card with them while on deck Clubs are reminded that participation of unregistered swimmers and/or coaches will result in a \$100 fine per instance, as described in CT Swimming meet policies:

 $\underline{https://www.ctswim.org/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/Membership/Registration-Policy-for-Athletes.pdf} \ and$ 

https://www.ctswim.org/Customer-

Content/www/CMS/files/policies\_admin/RegistrationPolicyforMeetHosts.pdf

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 **without the use of the backstroke ledge.** 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.

**ADULT ATHLETES:** All athletes who will be 18 years of age or older on any day of the meet must complete the mandatory Athlete Protection Training prior to competition. Failure to do so will result in the swimmer being scratched from the meet.

**ADAPTED SWIMMING:** Any current athlete members of USA Swimming with a disability as defined by USA Swimming Rules and Regulations may enter this meet. If modifications to USA Swimming rules are

necessary then the coach or athlete must notify the meet referee of any disability <u>prior</u> to competition. Adapted athletes may direct questions to the <u>Connecticut Swimming office</u>.

**ENTRY TIMES:** Submit entry times in: LCM. None conforming times will be seeded last.

**ELECTRONIC ENTRIES:** Electronic entries (such as from Hy-Tek Team Manager or other team management software) that are in CL2 or SD3/SDIF format may be emailed as an attachment to the entry chair at gritaquaticsbb@gmail.com. Please check that your team name, address, and contact information are listed correctly in this file. Final payments are due upon entry. Please make checks payable to: GRIT Aquatics and mail them to: Bill Ball 83 Muddy Brook Road Ellington, CT 06029

ENTRIES FROM ATHLETES WITH NO CLUB AFFILIATION: Athletes entering this meet independent of a USA Swimming club or coach shall: 1.) be under the supervision of a USA Swimming coach for the duration of the meet. It is the swimmer's responsibility to make arrangements with a USA Swimming member coach prior to the meet. Athletes unaccompanied by a USA Swimming coach will not be permitted on deck. Please contact the Meet Director for assistance. 2) 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. It is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement. The name of the USA Swimming member coach supervising the athlete and racing certification should be submitted to the Meet Director with the entry.

All adult athletes, or parents of minor athletes, who enter without club affiliation will be required to attest to reading and understanding the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy.

**OUTREACH ENTRY FEE REIMBURSEMENT**: Participating clubs will submit payment in full to the meet host for all Outreach athlete entry fees (splash fees). These fees will be reimbursed by CSI to the participating CSI club after completion of the meet. Scratches and 'No Swims' will not be reimbursed. For more information and to submit a reimbursement visit the <u>Outreach Athlete</u> page on ctswim.org.

#### **CUT PROTOCOL:**

If the session is oversubscribed the following protocol will be instituted IN THE ORDER PRESENTED to reduce the timeline to the required length or participation number:

- 1. Athletes aged 10 and Under will be cut from the meet.
- 2. The distance events (400 meters or yards or greater) may be heat limited to the top 4 heats of entries per gender in the order they were received.
- 3. The maximum number of events allowed per day may be reduced by one (1).
- 4. Visiting teams may be cut based on the date/time of the receipt of the final paid entry. If teams are cut, the host reserves the right to offer the available partial entry to the cut teams in the order that entries were received in order to fill the meet.

The host reserves the right to seek approval from Program Operations for additional changes, which may reasonably maximize participation opportunities.

Notification of any cuts or requests for changes must be made to Program Operations as soon as possible by the host. Attending teams will be notified no later than the Monday before the meet.

**NOTE:** If the host is required to institute the published cut protocol above. All accepted entries at the time that the cut protocol is instituted may be considered final by the host for the purposes of financial responsibility. (i.e. Teams submitting "placeholder" entries will be required to pay for the entries if the cut protocol is required).

**RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES:** In accordance with CSI Policies, the meet referee reserves the right to make any adjustments to the provisions of the meet announcement deemed necessary to ensure the fair and efficient running of the meet. The Meet Referee will seek Program Operations approval for all changes requiring approval. Clubs will be notified of changes no later than Monday before the meet.

**RELAYS:** Will be offered at this meet and there are no relay limitations. All relay swimmers must be officially entered in the meet.

#### **SAFETY:**

- 1. Diving will be prohibited during warm-ups except in specifically announced one-way sprint lanes. There will be no diving in the warm-up and warm-down areas at any time
- 2. No shaving is permitted at the competition site.
- 3. No glass containers are permitted within the facility.
- 4. Swimmers must be under the supervision of a coach. If a swimmer arrives at the meet without a coach, the swimmer should notify the referee before he/she warms up. The referee will assign the swimmer to a registered coach for warm-ups.
- 5. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

**SWIMWEAR:** Per CT Swimming policy, swimmers 12 years old and younger are not permitted to wear "Tech Suits" at any CT sanctioned or approved meets. "Tech Suits" are defined as a suit that has Bonded Seams, Kinetic Tape, or Meshed Seams. Age is determined on the first date of the meet.

#### PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RECORDING:

Meet Management has the full authority to restrict any and all photography, audio and visual recording using cameras, video cameras, tablets, cell phones or other electronic devices at a meet.

Photography or video recording from the deck is prohibited by all individuals, other than participating Coaches, unless prior authorization from the Meet Referee or meet referee has been granted.

Under no circumstances is photography or video recording permitted by anyone in the area adjacent to or behind the starting blocks, including spectator stands at deck level, while they are in use for race starting purposes during competition and warm-ups. Flash photography is prohibited during the start of any heat, including whenever any swimmer is stepping up or standing on a block for the purpose of the start of a heat.

Photography or video recording and the use of audio, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms. Additional "No Camera Zones" may be designated by Meet Management or the meet referee.

If individuals are properly credentialed, not obstructing movement on the deck and abiding by these rules, the following individuals may be allowed by Meet Management and the meet referee with prior authorization if they possess the following:

- Professional photographers with current, official media credentials that are promoting the sport of swimming
- Official team and professional meet photographers that are USA Swimming members, background checked, have signed off on MAAPP and completed Athlete Protection Training
- A participating athlete directly assisting a Coach, for instructional purposes, during an event using the Coach's electronic device

Any individual failing to abide by these rules may be ejected from the facility and be subject to a Code of Conduct violation at the discretion of Meet Management.

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- Professional photographers with current, official media credentials that are promoting the sport of swimming
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**DRONES**: 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. Exceptions may be granted with prior written approval by USA Swimming Vice President of Program Operations.

**RULES:** Current USA Swimming rules will govern all competition.

**TIME TRIALS:** Time trials may be offered at the discretion of the Meet Referee in accordance with CSI Policy if time allows. Time trials are limited to the events published in this meet announcement (age/distance/stroke). Time Trials will count toward the athlete's event limitations for the day and meet. If they are offered, only athletes properly entered in one or more events in the meet are eligible for time trials and must be properly entered in the Time Trial. The deadline for Time Trial entries is/are 11:00am for morning sessions and 7:00pm for evening sessions. The fee for Time Trial entries are \$20.00 for individual events and \$30.00 for relays.

**TIMERS, OFFICIALS OR WORK ASSIGNMENTS:** Timer assignments will be determined by the size of the team's pre-scratch entry and are for the entire session. Exceptions are as follows: Athletes will provide their own timers for the 400 Free, 400 IM, 800 Free and 1500 Free. Participating clubs will be notified of work assignments by the Monday before the meet.

All volunteers will be required to attest to reading and understanding the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy.

**DECK ACCESS:** Only athletes, coaches, officials, and official meet staff actively participating in the meet are permitted on the pool deck.

**SCORING:** The meet will be scored. Top 16 in each event will be scored.

**AWARDS:** Team awards will be provided to the Top Scoring Men's and Women's teams.

**CONCESSIONS:** Limited concessions will be provided.

**HOSPITALITY FOR COACHES AND OFFICIALS:** Limited snacks and beverages will be provided for coaches and officials.

**PARKING:** Is available around the Freeman Athletic Center. Please Park in properly designated areas. Illegal parking is subject to ticketing and towing at the expense of the vehicle owner.

**DIRECTIONS:** If coming West on Route 66/Washington Street, go past High Street and turn left at next light onto Vine Street (cemetery on corner). Travel on Vine Street (tennis courts on right), turning to the right onto

Knowles Avenue where the street branches off. At the stop sign turn right. Parking for the Freeman Athletic Center is available in both Lot R on the right side of Cross Street across from the Freeman Athletic Center or in Lot Q, which is located on the left side of Cross Street (first left after the fire station).

If coming East on Route 66/Washington Street, turn right on Vine Street (cemetery on corner), which is the first light past Dunkin' Donuts and Midas. Travel on Vine Street (tennis courts on right), turning right onto Knowles Avenue where the street branches off. At the stop sign turn right. Parking for the Freeman Athletic Center is available in both Lot R on the right side of Cross Street across from the Freeman Athletic Center or in Lot Q, which is located on the left side of Cross Street (first left after the fire station).

Session: 1 Thursday Night Finals
Day of Meet: 1 Starts at 06:00 PM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	1 Girls 800 Freestyle	0	0	06:00 PM	
Finals	2 Boys 1500 Freestyle	0	0	06:00 PM	
	Finish Time			06:00 PM	

Session: 2 Friday Prelims

Day of Meet: 2 Starts at 08:15 AM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Prelims	5 Girls 400 Freestyle	0	0	08:15 AM	
Prelims	6 Boys 400 Freestyle	0	0	08:15 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	7 Girls 200 IM	0	0	08:20 AM	
Prelims	8 Boys 200 IM	0	0	08:20 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	9 Girls 50 Freestyle	0	0	08:25 AM	
Prelims	10 Boys 50 Freestyle	0	0	08:25 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	11 Girls 100 Butterfly	0	0	08:30 AM	
Prelims	12 Boys 100 Butterfly	0	0	08:30 AM	
	Finish Time			08:30 AM	

Session: 3 Friday Night Finals
Day of Meet: 2 Starts at 06:30 PM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round		Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	3	Girls 200 Medley Relay	0	0	06:30 PM	
Finals	4	Boys 200 Medley Relay	0	0	06:30 PM	
		Break: 10 Minutes:				
Finals	5	Girls 400 Freestyle	0	2 u	06:40 PM	
Finals	6	Boys 400 Freestyle	0	2 u	06:55 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	7	Girls 200 IM	0	2 u	07:15 PM	
Finals	8	Boys 200 IM	0	2 u	07:23 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	9	Girls 50 Freestyle	0	2 u	07:36 PM	
Finals	10	Boys 50 Freestyle	0	2 u	07:38 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	11	Girls 100 Butterfly	0	2 u	07:46 PM	
Finals	12	Boys 100 Butterfly	0	2 u	07:50 PM	
		Break: 10 Minutes:				
Finals	13	Girls 800 Freestyle Relay	0	0	08:04 PM	
Finals	14	Boys 800 Freestyle Relay	0	0	08:04 PM	
		Entry / Heat Totals:	0	16		
		Finish Time			08:04 PM	

Session: 4 Saturday Prelims

Day of Meet: 3 Starts at 08:15 AM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Prelims	17 Girls 400 IM	0	0	08:15 AM	
Prelims	18 Boys 400 IM	0	0	08:15 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	19 Girls 200 Freestyle	0	0	08:20 AM	
Prelims	20 Boys 200 Freestyle	0	0	08:20 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	21 Girls 100 Breaststroke	0	0	08:25 AM	
Prelims	22 Boys 100 Breaststroke	0	0	08:25 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	23 Girls 100 Backstroke	0	0	08:30 AM	
Prelims	24 Boys 100 Backstroke	0	0	08:30 AM	
	Finish Time			08:30 AM	

Session: 5 Saturday Night Finals
Day of Meet: 3 Starts at 06:30 PM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals	15 Girls 200 Freestyle Relay	0	0	06:30 PM	
Finals	16 Boys 200 Freestyle Relay	0	0	06:30 PM	
	Break: 10 Minutes:				
Finals	17 Girls 400 IM	0	2 u	06:40 PM	
Finals	18 Boys 400 IM	0	2 u	06:55 PM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	19 Girls 200 Freestyle	0	2 u	07:14 PM	
Finals	20 Boys 200 Freestyle	0	2 u	07:21 PM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	21 Girls 100 Breaststroke	0	2 u	07:33 PM	
Finals	22 Boys 100 Breaststroke	0	2 u	07:37 PM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	23 Girls 100 Backstroke	0	2 u	07:46 PM	
Finals	24 Boys 100 Backstroke	0	2 u	07:51 PM	
	Break: 10 Minutes:				
Finals	25 Girls 400 Medley Relay	0	0	08:06 PM	
Finals	26 Boys 400 Medley Relay	0	0	08:06 PM	
	Entry / Heat Totals:	0	16		
	Finish Time			08:06 PM	

Session: 6 Sunday Prelims

Day of Meet: 4 Starts at 08:15 AM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round	Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Prelims	29 Girls 200 Backstroke	0	0	08:15 AM	
Prelims	30 Boys 200 Backstroke	0	0	08:15 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	31 Girls 100 Freestyle	0	0	08:20 AM	
Prelims	32 Boys 100 Freestyle	0	0	08:20 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	33 Girls 200 Breaststroke	0	0	08:25 AM	
Prelims	34 Boys 200 Breaststroke	0	0	08:25 AM	
	Break: 5 Minutes:				
Prelims	35 Girls 200 Butterfly	0	0	08:30 AM	
Prelims	36 Boys 200 Butterfly	0	0	08:30 AM	
	Break: 20 Minutes:				
Finals-S	27 Girls 1500 Freestyle	0	0	08:50 AM	
Finals-S	28 Boys 800 Freestyle	0	0	08:50 AM	
	Finish Time			08:50 AM	

Session: 7 Sunday Night Finals
Day of Meet: 4 Starts at 06:30 PM Heat Interval: 30 Seconds / Back +15 Seconds

Round		Event	Entries	Heats	Starts at	
Finals-1	27	Girls 1500 Freestyle	0	0	06:30 PM	
Finals-1	28	Boys 800 Freestyle	0	0	06:30 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	29	Girls 200 Backstroke	0	2 u	06:35 PM	
Finals	30	Boys 200 Backstroke	0	2 u	06:44 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	31	Girls 100 Freestyle	0	2 u	06:57 PM	
Finals	32	Boys 100 Freestyle	0	2 u	07:01 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	33	Girls 200 Breaststroke	0	2 u	07:10 PM	
Finals	34	Boys 200 Breaststroke	0	2 u	07:18 PM	
		Break: 5 Minutes:				
Finals	35	Girls 200 Butterfly	0	2 u	07:31 PM	
Finals	36	Boys 200 Butterfly	0	2 u	07:39 PM	
		Break: 10 Minutes:				
Finals	37	Girls 400 Freestyle Relay	0	0	07:57 PM	
Finals	38	Boys 400 Freestyle Relay	0	0	07:57 PM	
		Entry / Heat Totals:	0	16		
		Finish Time			07:57 PM	