2026

BARB WIRE CLASSIC

HOSTED BY DEKALB COUNTY SWIM TEAM (DCST)
KISHWAUKEE FAMILY YMCA

DATES	December 12-13, 2026
LOCATION	Kishwaukee Family YMCA 2500 Bethany Rd, Sycamore, IL 60178
APPROVAL #	ILS1246-26A
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CLOSED YMCA MEET • SHORT COURSE YARDS

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IMPORTANT FACTS

- This meet is an Approved, CLOSED, YMCA MEET. Only swimmers who are members of a YMCA team may participate.
- Dates: December 12-13, 2026. Location: Kishwaukee Family YMCA, 2500 Bethany Rd, Sycamore, IL 60178.
- Entries open November 10, 2026 at 8:00 AM and close December 4, 2026 at 8:00 PM, or when the meet fills, whichever comes first.
- The meet is limited to 10 hours of competition per day. Past participating teams receive entry acceptance priority, followed by new teams in the order entries are received.
- Sessions 1 & 3 are for 11 & Older swimmers. Sessions 2 & 4 are for 10 & Under swimmers.
- Doors open at 6:30 AM. First warm-up session begins at 7:00 AM / TBD. Officials meeting is 7:15 AM; Saturday timers meeting is 7:45 AM; sessions 1 & 3 begin at 8:00 AM, sessions 2 & 4 warm-ups begin at 12:00 PM, with the meet beginning at 1:00 PM.
- Teams will receive warm-up assignments, timing assignments, timelines, and psych sheets after entries are received.
- Fly-over starts will be used. Swimmers should remain in the water after events except backstroke events.
- A bullpen will be available for 8 & Under swimmers only.
- Deck entries are not permitted.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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LOCATION	Kishwaukee Family YMCA 2500 Bethany Rd, Sycamore, IL 60178
DATES	December 12-13, 2026
HOSTED BY	DeKalb County Swim Team
ENTRY CHAIRPERSON	Quinn Cynor | qcynor@kishymca.org | 815-375-5385
MEET DIRECTOR	Vanessa Sullivan | meetdirector@dcst.org
MEET REFEREE	Dave Reynolds | meetref@dcst.org
SAFETY DIRECTOR	Michelle McGill | safety@dcst.org

Facility

The Kishwaukee YMCA has an 8 lane 25 yard competition pool with starting blocks in 7 feet of water at both ends. There will be some 25-yard lanes available in an additional pool for warm-up and warm-down during the meet. The facility uses non-turbulent lane lines with a fully automatic Colorado timing system. The meet will be run using Hy-Tek's Meet Manager. The seating capacity is for 700 spectators. A map is attached.

Conduct & Image Authorization

All coaches are responsible for the conduct of their swimmers and will see that their club has proper supervision at all times. Meet Marshals have the authority to remove any swimmer and/or spectator from the meet for violations such as improper behavior or damage to property. No smoking is permitted on the premises. Please encourage parents and swimmers to clean up after themselves.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including cell phones, is not permitted in changing areas, restrooms, or locker rooms. Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is prohibited. Deck changes are prohibited. Operation of a drone or other flying apparatus is prohibited over the venue while athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present.

All participants agree to be filmed and photographed by the official photographer(s) and network(s) of Illinois Swimming and the meet host under the conditions authored by Illinois and USA Swimming, and allow event organizers the right to use names, pictures, likenesses, and biographical information before, during or after participation to promote such competitions.

ELIGIBILITY & MEET PROCEDURES

Eligibility

All entered swimmers must be current (2026) athlete members of YMCA Swimming. All coaches and officials must be non-athlete members under current USA Swimming rules and policies. A swimmer's age as of December 12, 2026, will determine their age for the entirety of the meet.

Timeline (subject to change)

SESSION	SCHEDULE
Sessions 1 & 3: 11 & Older	Doors Open: 6:30 AM 1st Warmup Session: 7:00 AM / 7:25 AM Officials Meeting: 7:15 AM Timers Meeting: 7:45 AM Meet Start: 8:00 AM
Sessions 2 & 4: 10 & Under	2nd Warmup Session: 12:00 PM / 12:25 PM Officials Meeting: 12:15 PM Timers Meeting: 12:45 PM Meet Start: 1:00 PM

Warmups & Timing

Teams will be assigned lanes and times for warm-ups after all entries are received. Swimmer(s) without a coach present are to report to the Meet Director prior to warm-ups for lane assignment. Each team will be required to supply timers. Timing assignments will be distributed by email.

Format / Disabilities

This meet and all participants will adhere to the Rules that Govern YMCA Competitive Sports and the Swimming Addendum to the Rules that Govern YMCA Competitive Sports. USA Swimming technical rules will be followed. Swimmers without representation will need to check in with the Meet Director.

The Meet Referee has the authority to accommodate swimmers with disabilities. Coaches or swimmers are responsible for contacting the Meet Referee prior to competition with specific requests.

ENTRIES, FEES & AWARDS

ENTRY ACCEPTANCE	November 10, 2026 - 8:00 AM
ENTRY DEADLINE	December 4, 2026 - 8:00 PM, or when the meet fills
ENTRY FORMAT	Email Hy-Tek entries to qcynor@kishymca.org
UPDATED TIMES	Accepted coaches may provide updated times through December 8, 2026 at 8:00 PM. No new entries may be added.
INDIVIDUAL EVENT FEE	$6.00 per individual event
RELAY FEE	$16.00 per relay
ISI SURCHARGE	$2.00 per athlete
FACILITY SURCHARGE	$15.00 per swimmer

Entries, Forms & Payment

Payment must be submitted by check by the first day of the meet; if not possible, a date needs to be given to the Meet Director. A signed Summary Fee / Release Form provided in this packet and payment in full are required. Entry fees and release forms can be sent by email to qcynor@kishymca.org. Make checks payable to “DeKalb County Swim Team”.

Mailing address: DeKalb County Swim Team, c/o Quinn Cynor, 2500 Bethany Rd, Sycamore, IL 60178.

Entry Limits

Swimmers may enter a maximum of six (6) individual events per day; relays do not count towards this limit. The host team reserves the right to limit distance events. Heat limitations will only be imposed if necessary to manage the timeline.

Scoring & Awards

Top 16 scorers in each age group will be scored. Individual events: medals 1st-8th; ribbons 9th-16th. Relays: medals 1st-4th; ribbons 5th-8th. Team trophies will be awarded to the top three scoring teams; DCST is excluded from team scoring. Awards must be picked up by a coach or team member and will not be forwarded after the meet.

Individual scoring: 20-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
Relay scoring: 40-34-32-30-28-26-24-22-18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2

Additional Meet Information

Multi-age events: 21 & Under events are swum together but scored and awarded separately as 14 & Under and 15 & Over. The 8 & Under 25 Freestyle and 25 Backstroke are scored as 6 & Younger and 7 & Older. All events are timed finals, slowest to fastest; submit short course yard times.

Only athletes, coaches, volunteer meet support, timers and working officials may access the pool deck. Heat sheets will be available on Meet Mobile. Athlete locker rooms/restrooms are for athletes only; coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators and non-athlete adults must use designated non-athlete restrooms.

Concessions will be available in the track area. Limited event shirts and other apparel/equipment will be sold while supplies last. Spectator deck seating is available, and team camping space is available in the commons and athletic hallway. Parents should drop swimmers at Door B. Do not park in adjacent lots; vehicles in non-designated lots will be towed. Meet results will be emailed to each team after the meet.

ORDER OF EVENTS - SESSION 1: 11 & OLDER

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
101	21 & Under 400 Freestyle Relay	102
103	12 & Under 200 IM	104
105	21 & Under 400 IM	106
107	12 & Under 100 Breaststroke	108
109	21 & Under 100 Breaststroke	110
111	12 & Under 100 Freestyle	112
113	21 & Under 100 Freestyle	114
115	12 & Under 200 Medley Relay	116
117	14 & Under 200 Medley Relay	118
119	21 & Under 200 Medley Relay	120
	10 MINUTE BREAK	
121	21 & Under 200 Backstroke	122
123	12 & Under 50 Butterfly	124
125	21 & Under 100 Butterfly	126
127	12 & Under 50 Backstroke	128
129	21 & Under 200 Freestyle	130

ORDER OF EVENTS - SESSION 3: 11 & OLDER

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
301	21 & Under 400 Medley Relay	302
303	12 & Under 200 Freestyle	304
305	21 & Under 100 Backstroke	306
307	12 & Under 100 Butterfly	308
309	21 & Under 200 Butterfly	310
311	12 & Under 50 Freestyle	312
313	21 & Under 50 Freestyle	314
315	12 & Under 200 Free Relay	316
317	14 & Under 200 Free Relay	318
319	21 & Under 200 Free Relay	320
	10 MINUTE BREAK	
321	12 & Under 50 Breaststroke	322
323	21 & Under 200 Breaststroke	324
325	12 & Under 100 Backstroke	326
327	21 & Under 200 IM	328
	10 MINUTE BREAK	
329	21 & Under 500 Freestyle	330

ORDER OF EVENTS - SESSION 2: 10 & UNDER

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
201	10 & Under Mixed 200 Freestyle Relay	
	8 & Under Mixed 100 Freestyle Relay	202
203	10 & Under 200 Freestyle	204
205	8 & Under 25 Backstroke	206
207	10 & Under 50 Backstroke	208
	10 MINUTE BREAK	
209	8 & Under 100 IM	210
211	10 & Under 100 IM	212
213	8 & Under 25 Freestyle	214
215	10 & Under 50 Freestyle	216
217	8 & Under 100 Medley Relay	218
219	10 & Under 200 Medley Relay	220

ORDER OF EVENTS - SESSION 4: 10 & UNDER

GIRLS	EVENT	BOYS
401	10 & Under Mixed 200 Medley Relay	
	8 & Under Mixed 100 Medley Relay	402
403	10 & Under 200 IM	404
405	8 & Under 50 Freestyle	406
407	10 & Under 100 Freestyle	408
	10 MINUTE BREAK	
409	8 & Under 25 Butterfly	410
411	10 & Under 50 Butterfly	412
413	8 & Under 25 Breaststroke	414
415	10 & Under 50 Breaststroke	416
417	8 & Under 100 Freestyle Relay	418
419	10 & Under 200 Freestyle Relay	420

SAFESPORT QUALITY CONTROL SYSTEM

- The USA Swimming Safe Sport program is USA Swimming's comprehensive abuse prevention program dedicated to creating a healthy and positive environment free from abuse for all its members. Components include education and training, enforcement of policies such as the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP), rules and best-practice guidelines, healthy boundaries, and mandatory reporting.
- The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (www.usaswimming.org/maapp) prohibits Adult Participants (as defined) from having one-on-one interactions with minor athletes that are not within an observable and interruptible distance from another adult participant. Adult Participants are required to abide by this policy in full during this meet.
- Pursuant to USA Swimming Rules and Regulations and federal law, every member is responsible for immediately (within 24 hours) reporting any incident of child abuse, including physical or sexual abuse, to law enforcement and the U.S. Center for SafeSport. Reports may be made by telephone at 833-5US-SAFE (833-587-7233) or online at www.uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern. State laws may also require reporting to law enforcement or a designated child protection agency.
- For information on reporting other alleged violations, including the USA Swimming Code of Conduct and MAAPP, visit www.usaswimming.org/report.
- All athletes age 18, or who turn 18 during the meet, must complete Athlete Protection Training to be a USA Swimming registered member in good standing by the first day of the meet. A member not in good standing is prohibited from participating until membership requirements are completed. Times achieved without this requirement will not count for qualification or recognition, including relay participation.
- Current USA Swimming and ISI rules, including safety and MAAPP, will govern this meet. In granting this sanction, it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming shall be free of liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.
- A registered athlete member at a sanctioned/approved meet who is age 18 or older and has not completed APT by the date of the swim will not be able to upload into SWIMS, will be considered not in good standing, and may be subject to fines under Illinois Swimming Policy 11.2.1.
- Underwater photography of any kind is prohibited at all times during this meet. Any swimmer entered in the meet must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as proficient in performing a racing start or must start each race from within the water. Participants not proficient with a backstroke ledge must start from within the water without use of the ledge. When unaccompanied by a member-coach, compliance is the responsibility of the swimmer or legal guardian.
- Operation of a drone or other flying apparatus is prohibited over the venue any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present. Deck changing is prohibited. Training equipment or devices are not permitted during warm-up periods.

USA SWIMMING'S SWIMS DATABASE INFORMATIONAL SHEET

Any teams and / or swimmers wanting to have their times from the meet entered into the USA Swimming SWIM Database system must return this form with their entries.

Note: Teams with no USA Swimming registered swimmers do not need to fill out this form.

Club Name: _____

Club Code: _____

If your team's swimmers swim unattached, please list club code unattached.

1) Do all the swimmers on your team have a current USA Swimming Membership? Yes? Proceed to 3. No? Proceed to 2.

2) Please list the swimmers who do have a current USA Swimming Membership with their USA Swimming ID number. Use additional sheets if needed.

Swimmer's Name: _____ USA ID Number: _____

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Swimmer's Name: _____ USA ID Number: _____

3) If you have any swimmers considered unattached as far as USA Swimming is concerned, please list these swimmers below. If this is not completed, you will be fined and billed accordingly.

Swimmer's Name: _____ USA ID Number: _____

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WAIVER AND ENTRY SUMMARY FORM

DeKalb County Swim Team / Kishwaukee Family YMCA
2026 Barb Wire Classic
December 12-13, 2026
Approval #: ILS1246-26A

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I, intending to be legally bound, hereby consign, waive, and release any and all rights and claims for damages which may occur against Kishwaukee Family YMCA (DeKalb County Swim Team); Kishwaukee Family YMCA; Illinois Swimming; USA Swimming or their representatives, employees, or successors, for any or all injuries suffered by me or any contestant or representative in said meet as a representative of my club.

I/we also understand that our club will be responsible financially for any damage done to the facility by our athletes at the meet. This completed and signed summary of fees and release form, entry forms and check must be received no later than the last day of the meet (December 13th, 2026), unless a change is previously agreed upon with the Entry Chairperson.

Club Name: _____

Club Code: _____

Entry Chair Name: _____

Entry Chair Phone & Email: _____

Head Coach Name: _____

Head Coach Phone & Email: _____

Coaches Attending: _____

Signature of Team Representative: _____

Title: _____

Entry Fee Summary

Total Individual Events: _____ x $6.00 = $_____

Total Relay's: _____ x $16.00 = $_____

Total Athletes in Meet: _____ x $17.00 = $_____

($2 ISI fee / $15 Facility Fee)

TOTAL DUE = $_____