MMSC Winter Open

January 15-17, 2027

Hosted by Mundelein Mustang Swim Club (MMSC)

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Held under the sanction of USA Swimming

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Location: RecPlex Aqua Arena, 9900 Terwall Terrace, Pleasant Prairie WI 53158

Facility: Indoor, 10 lane 25 yard pool with non-turbulent lane lines. Pool depth 7' at the shallow end and 12' feet at the deep end. Starting blocks are 29.5". The meet host will ensure the required course requirements.

Facility rules: Please keep all trash picked up. Please police your area after each session. No glass articles are allowed on deck. Smoking and the use of tobacco is prohibited inside the RecPlex. Keep out of unauthorized areas. Refrain from flash photography during the race starts. No outside chairs are permitted in the facility.

Timing System: A fully automatic Colorado System with manual back-up buttons and back-up watches for each lane..

Session	Day	Age Group	Warm-Up Time	Check In Closes	Meet Start Time
1	Friday	All ages	5:00-6:00pm	5:20 pm	6:05 pm
2/3	Sat/Sun AM	9/10 & 11/12	8:00-9:00am	8:20 am	9:05 am
4/5	Sat/Sun PM	8 & under, Open	12:30-1:30pm*	12:50 pm*	1:35 pm*

*Approximate times: warm-ups will begin immediately after the conclusion of the morning session, but not before noon. All events are Positive Check In. Check In will close 20 minutes after the start of warm-ups. Athlete Check-In will be the responsibility of the club coaches. The meet will begin 65 min. after the start of warm-ups.

Eligibility:	All swimmers must be current members of USA Swimming and in good standing. USA swimming deck registrations will not be accepted. A swimmer's age for the meet will be his/her age as of January 16, 2026.
Disabled Athletes:	Athletes shall present an accommodation/modification form to the Meet Director or Meet Referee to assist with any athlete requests.
Coaches:	Coaches must be current members of USA Swimming to be allowed on deck

Meet Rules:	All USA Swimming Inc. and WI LSC rules apply, including safety rules which will be strictly enforced. Wisconsin Swimming warm-up procedures will be in effect. Feet first three*point entries from the starting end of the pool during general warm-ups will be enforced for all sanctioned/approved competition in accordance with the recent change to policy 4.5.2(a). Teams will be assigned warm up lanes to use as they wish. Violators of the Wisconsin Swimming warm up procedure are subject to disqualification. In granting this sanction it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and Wisconsin Swimming, Inc. shall be free from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event.
Seeding:	All events will be Positive Check in, timed finals. Swimmers not checked in prior to the check in deadline will be scratched from that session. For seeding purposes, please submit Short Course Yard times. NT's are acceptable. Special seeding procedures will be used for disability athletes. (USA Rule 202.2.13) 500 free and 400 IM events will be swum fastest to slowest. Events of 200y or longer may be limited. MMSC reserves the right to seed MMSC swimmers in limited events regardless of times. 1650 Free will be swam fastest to slowest. If timelines allow, we will try to accommodate all swimmers entered in the 1650 free.
Conduct:	All clubs will be responsible for their own swimmers. 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. Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted in changing area, restrooms, or locker rooms (USAS 202.4.11H) 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 the Program Operations Vice Chair. *There will be a Lifeguard on duty and medical supervision will be available for the athletes.*
Deck Changes:	Changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is prohibited. *Deck changes are prohibited (USAS 202.4.11I).*
MAAPP 2.0:	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. Times achieved by an athlete member at a sanctioned/approved meet who is over 18 years of age who had not completed the Athlete Protection Training (or whose APT training had expired) by the date of the swim, will not be able to be uploaded to SWIMS. This includes participation as a member of a relay. These athletes will also be considered "not in good standing" and can be subject to fines under Wisconsin Swimming Policy 11.2.1.

Safe Sport 360:	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 of the program include, but are not limited to, providing education and training, enforcing policies (such as the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy), rules and best practice guidelines, promoting healthy boundaries and mandatory reporting of violations. The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy prohibits Adult Participants (as defined) from having one-on-one interactions with minor athletes which are not within an observable and interruptible distance from another adult. Adult Participants are required to abide by this policy in full during this meet. Pursuant to USA Swimming Rules and Regulations and federal law, it is every member's responsibility to immediately (i.e., within 24 hours) report any incident of child abuse, including physical or sexual abuse, to law enforcement and the U.S. Center for SafeSport. Reporting must occur when an individual has firsthand knowledge of misconduct or where specific and credible information has been received from a victim or knowledgeable third party. A report to the U.S. Center for SafeSport may be made via telephone at 833-5US-SAFE (833-587-7233) or online at www.uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern. Various state laws may also require reporting to law enforcement or to a designated child protection agency. For information on how to report other alleged violations, including without limitation, the USA Swimming Code of Conduct and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy, please visit www.usaswimming.org/report. All athletes age 18 and older must complete Athlete Protection Training in order to be a USA Swimming registered member in good standing. Any athlete who turns 18 on or after June 12, 2026, who has not completed Athlete Protection Training by the first day of competition, will be prohibited from participating in the competition until such time as all membership requirements are completed. Times achieved by an athlete who turns age 18 on or after June 12, 2026, who competes in this USA Swimming sanctioned event without completing this membership requirement, will NOT count for qualification or recognition. This includes participation as a member of a relay.
Entries:	Entries will be accepted by the entry chair starting at 8:00 am Monday, December 7th, 2026. Entries will only be accepted via email. Entries will be accepted until January 9th, 2027 or until the meet is full, whichever comes first. Teams must submit hard copies, waivers and payment within 72 hrs of meet acceptance. **This is an Open Entry meet, no reservations. All Teams/Clubs are highly encouraged to submit their entries once the entry period is open. No team/club "spots" will be reserved for this event.** **Send forms, waivers and payment to:** MMSC, PO Box 1017, Mundelein IL 60060
Entry Fees:	Individual events are $6.00 each. A Wisconsin Swimming surcharge of $4.00 per swimmer entered in individual events must be included with your entry. $8.00 per swimmer facility fee also will apply. **Please make checks payable to Mundelein Mustang Swim Club.**
Entry Limit:	Swimmers may enter Four (4) individual events per day on Saturday and Sunday. Swimmers will be limited to Two (2) events during the Friday Evening Session.
Deck Entries:	Deck entries will be accepted to fill open lanes. Cost will be $10.00 per event plus the Swimmers MUST be entered in the meet prior to the event for deck entries to be accepted.
Awards:	Ribbons for 1-10th place in all individual events for 8 and Under, 9-10 and 11-12. Swimmers in the Open category will not receive awards. This meet will not be scored
Events:	Athletes swimming 25 yard events will be starting from the bulkhead end of the course.
Admissions:	No on-site admission will be charged for spectators. The meet fees include an admission surcharge of $14.00 per swimmer. This meet will be operated as a "paperless" meet, except for the required meet operations. Heat Sheets will be posted on Meet Mobile, once sign-ins are finalized and meet is seeded.
Concessions:	Concessions will be available from the facility. No glass containers are permitted on deck.

Meet Results:	A copy of the results will be provided to each participating team via email and posted on both the MMSC and WI Swimming websites.

Timers:	MMSC will do our best to cover as many lanes as possible. However, some assistance with timing may be needed. If this occurs teams will be notified the Monday before the meet of timing needs. ***Swimmers competing in the 1650 Free will be responsible for providing their own timer and counter. MMSC will not be responsible for timing or counting these events***.
Officials:	There will be a need for officials to help the meet run smoothly. Certified officials should contact Steve Fidanze, Sfidanze@yahoo.com. Any assistance that can be provided would greatly be appreciated.
Parking:	There is plenty of free parking available

ORDER OF EVENTS

Friday Evening Session 1		
Girls	Event	Boys
1	10 and Under 200 Free	2
3	12 & Under 500 Free	4
5	Open 500 Free	6
7	10 and under 200 IM	8
9	11/12 200 IM	10
11	Open 400 IM	12

Saturday Morning Session 2		
Girls	Event	Boys
13	9/10 50 Back	14
15	11/12 100 Back	16
17	9/10 100 IM	18
19	11/12 100 IM	20
21	9/10 50 Free	22
23	11/12 100 Free	24
25	9/10 100 Breast	26
27	11/12 50 Breast	28
29	9/10 50 Fly	30
31	11/12 100 Fly	32

Saturday Afternoon Session 3		
Girls	Event	Boys
33	Open 200 Free	34
35	8 & Under 25 free	36
37	Open 200 Fly	38
39	8 & Under 50 Fly	40
41	Open 200 Back	42
43	8 & Under 25 Back	44
45	Open 100 Breast	46
47	8 & Under 50 Breast	48
49	Open 50 Free	50
51	8 & Under 100 Free	52
	10 Min Break	
	Open Boys 1650 Free	54

Sunday Morning Session 4		
Girls	Event	Boys
55	11/12 200 Free	56
57	9/10 50 Breast	58
59	11/12100 Breast	60
61	9/10 100 Back	62
63	11/12 50 Back	64
65	9/10 100 Free	66
67	11/12 50 Free	68
69	9/10 100 Fly	70
71	11/12 50 Fly	72

Sunday Afternoon Session 5		
Girls	Event	Boys
73	Open 200 IM	74
75	8 & Under 25 Fly	76
77	Open 100 Fly	78
79	8 & Under 50 Back	80
81	Open 100 Back	82
83	8 & Under 25 Breast	84
85	Open 100 Breast	86
87	8 & Under 50 Free	88
89	Open 100 Free	90
91	8 & Under 100 IM	92
	10 Min. Break	
53	Open Girls 1650 Free	

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Summary of Entries

Total Number of individual entries _____@ 6.00 each = _____

Total Number of Swimmers in Meet _____@ 4.00 each =_____ (WI Swimming)

Total Number of Swimmers in Meet _____@ 8.00 each =_____(Facility Fee)

Total Number of Swimmers in Meet _____@14.00 each =_____(Admission)

Total Meet Fees =_____

Please make checks payable to: Mundelein Mustang Swim Club.
Mail release form and payment to: Mundelein Mustang Swim Club, PO Box 1017, Mundelein IL 60060.

Name of Club_____Club Code _____

Name(s) of coaches attending the meet: _____

Club Contact: _____

Mailing Address:_____

City, State, Zip: _____

Contact Phone Number:_____Email:_____

In consideration of this entry I, intending to be legally bound; hereby co*sign, waive and release all rights and claims for damages which may accrue against USA Swimming, Inc.; Wisconsin Swimming Inc.; Mundelein Mustang Swim Club; the Lakeview RecPlex, their representatives, employees or successors for any and all injuries suffered by me or any contestant or representative in said meet as a representative of my club. I attest that all athletes included in this entry and participating in this sanctioned/approved event are duly registered as current athlete members of USA Swimming.

Signature (Coach, Parent or Club Representative) **This waiver must accompany entry.