

CLEARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

22nd ANNUAL ARCTIC SWIM CLASSIC

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 2027

ENTRY FEES: \$200.00 for boys & girls team

\$100.00 for one gender only

(non sponsored school athletes \$25 – 2 individual events)

To enter: Please send response to John Jacob: jacobj405@clearfield.org

To pay: Checks payable to Clearfield Bison Swim & Dive Boosters

Send checks to ATT: John Jacob, Clearfield Jr/Sr High School, Washington Avenue
Clearfield PA, 16830

Questions contact: John Jacob 814-594-2463 or e-mail jacobj405@clearfield.org

MEET TIME: 11:00 AM

ENTRY RULES: Swimmers may enter 4 events per PIAA rules (2 individual & 2 relays OR 1 individual & 3 relays) Each school may enter any number of athletes per event* as long as they don't exceed the 4 event total limit per athlete. Each school may enter 2 relays per relay event (A & B relays). All events are Timed Finals. (* The 500 free has qualifying times for both boys 6:20 and girls 6:50).

Current PIAA rules and regulations shall govern the meet.

SCORING: PIAA Championship scoring up to 12 places.



Troy Wiestling <twiestling@doversd.org>

Athletic Event Request - Clearfield Arctic Invite

1 message

Ross Spangler <rspangler@doversd.org>
To: Troy Wiestling <twiestling@doversd.org>

Thu, Oct 1, 2026 at 9:42 AM

Hi Troy,

Here is a purpose statement for our participation in the Clearfield Arctic Invite event in January (see below). If anything else is needed, please let me know!

Good Morning,

The Clearfield Arctic Invitational provides our student-athletes on the swimming and diving team with educational and athletic experience opportunities through collaboration with the Clearfield Bison High School coaching staff and athletes. This trip opportunity exposes our student-athletes to a practice on Friday evening with various coaching techniques and new strategies. Both the Dover Area High School coaching staff and the Clearfield HS coaching staff work together to create a practice that is unique and meaningful to our student-athletes.

Having our athletes train for an evening in a different facility also gives them the opportunity to meet fellow student-athletes and create meaningful friendships through the sport of competitive swimming with one another. We see many of our student-athletes show leadership skills as we interact with and train with the Clearfield HS team. We swap team apparel as a means to engage our teams with one another and instruct our student athletes on the topics of respect and sportsmanship.

The overnight aspect of this experience also develops personal responsibility, independence, teamwork, communication, time management, and adaptability in an unfamiliar environment. It also gives our coaching staff, parent chaperones, and student-athletes the opportunity to spend time together during team meals and team time in the hotel banquet room.

The invitational event on Saturday provides our swimmers the opportunity to interact with athletes from schools they do not normally compete against. Being able to compete at this invitational with teams outside of PIAA District 3 benefits our student-athletes who are striving to achieve postseason qualification times for the SCAC county and the PIAA District 3 meet.

In exit questionnaires with our seniors, this practice/invitational tradition is something that our student-athletes have told us they enjoy the most out of all of our season events. We would love to continue the tradition of attending this event as it has been such a valuable experience to our team throughout the past 20 years.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out!

Thanks,
Ross Spangler
Head Coach - Dover Area High School Swimming and Diving