The fastest twenty-four (24) individual swimmers and relay teams from district competition will qualify for state competition. **There will be a maximum of twenty-four (24) qualifiers to the State Meet in each event**. In the event of a tie for the 24th position, the following tie-break procedure will be used: **1st criteria – grade** (senior swimmers have precedence over juniors, etc. (Example: Joe Jones, senior would qualify rather than John Smith, junior as John Smith has another opportunity to qualify). The relay team with the most seniors will have precedence over the team(s) with fewer total upperclassmen, etc. If each relay team has the same number of seniors, the team with the most juniors would have precedence, followed by the most sophomores.) [Example 1: Relay Team A with 1 senior, 2 juniors, and 1 sophomore would qualify before Relay Team B with 4 juniors. Example 2: Relay Team A with 2 seniors, 1 junior, and 1 sophomore would qualify before Relay Team B with 1 senior and 3 juniors.] **2nd criteria – if a tie still exists –** the individual or relay team with the **fastest district meet seed time** would be the qualifier. **3rd criteria – if a tie still exists an alphabetical system** will be used to break the tie. In **2019**, the individual or relay team from the school listed first in the IHSAA Directory will advance to the state meet. In **2020**, the individual or relay team from the school listed last in the IHSAA Directory will advance to the state meet. If a tie exists between competitors from the same school, the last name of the competitor as it appears on the official district meet roster will be used to determine the qualifier using the same even and odd numbered year system. In **2019**, the individual whose last name comes alphabetically first relative to his tied teammate will advance to the state meet. For **2020**, the individual whose last name comes alphabetically last relative to his tied teammate will advance to the state meet. If a tie still exists, the competitors' first names will be used. Any ties among qualifiers will be broken using the same procedure to determine heat and lane assignments.