

Swim Team Parent Meeting

October 12, 2009

Practices

- You must pay your fees at the YMCA in order to participate in practice.
- Your swimmer must have a USA Swimming card.

Emails

- If you are not getting emails from Katie, please contact her at coachkatieb@gmail.com to get her the correct address. She will send emails with important meet and practice information, including pool closings.

Calendar

- There will be no swim practice Thursday and Friday October 22 and 23, due to Fall Break.
- Contrary to what it says on the calendar, there will be practice Friday, Nov. 6 before the PRO Invitational.
- High school meets that may affect swim team practice are not yet on the calendar. Coaches will get us that information as soon as it is available.

Types of meets

- Y Duals – between us and another Y team. There will be a swimmer list on the bulletin board. If you don't want to swim, cross your name off.
- Conference meets – run like an invitational. Usually there will be a swimmer list on the board; cross your name off if you won't swim. Katie will pick your events for conference meets. Must swim in 2 conference meets to swim at the conference championships.
- Invitationals – will get a list of events, you choose your events. Swimmer fees are for each event.

- Y State – have to swim at least 1 Y dual to swim at Y state.
- Age Group Divisionals/ State – must meet time requirement to swim. See time standards sheet near the folders.

Northwood sprint meet – Oct 17 State Rd 19, Nappanee

10 & unders: warm-ups at 7 am, be there at 6:50 am.

11 & over: warm-ups not before noon, be there at 11:50 am

PRO Invitational – Nov. 7 Penn HS, 56100 Bittersweet Rd. Mishawaka

Signup sheets due today

8 & under, 11 – 12: warm-ups at 7 am, be there at 6:50 am.

9 - 10, 13 & overs: warm-ups at noon, be there at 11:50 am

Shirts & suits

- There are plenty left at the Y. You don't have to have them, but it looks good to represent the team. It also makes it easier for the coaches to see everyone on the team, if they are in team suits and shirts. Note that the full covering suits or high tech materials are not allowed at any swim meets.

Handbook

- Please read p. 11 on parent responsibilities in the handbook.

Coach's report

- Please double check the meet list every time, even just to make sure your name is on the list.

- Practice is going well. Katie will start moving swimmers around in lanes soon. We are averaging close to 50 kids each night.

Kroger fundraiser

- Purchase a Kroger gift card for \$5 at the YMCA. The Y earns 3% on the money we spend through this card. If you spend \$400 a month in Oct Nov Dec, you will get a \$15 credit toward swim team fees. Do it again in Jan Feb Mar, you will get another \$15 credit. Credits will be held over to the following season, but are not transferrable to other Y fees.
- We will do a pancake breakfast at Applebees in January. Details will follow.