



THE PLATEAU CLUB



SWIM TEAM

2025

INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

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SWIM TEAM OVERVIEW

Team Philosophy

The Plateau Club Swim Team is dedicated to offering a well-rounded swimming experience that balances community, sportsmanship, and enjoyment with high-quality coaching, individual skill development, and competitive team opportunities. Our coaching staff will work closely with athletes to enhance their skills, refine racing techniques, and build self-confidence.

Communication & Contact Information

Please refrain from interrupting the coaches during practice, as their time is limited, and they aim to provide as much focused instruction to the athletes as possible. Coaches transition quickly from one group's session to the next, which limits their availability for in-practice discussions. If you have questions about your swimmer's development, meet strategies, or anything related to their performance in the water, please email the Head Coach. **Additionally, if your swimmer will be late or absent from a scheduled meet, please notify us via email ASAP!**

Coach Email: **TBD** (Starting Mid-May)

Program Manager Email: christopherw@plateauclub.com

The coaches and parent coordinator communicate frequently with families through weekly email bulletins. **Please be sure to provide an active email account on your registration.**

Coaching Staff

TBD

Important Dates

Registration Opens: April 1

Swim Suit Fitting: Drop In

Apparel Deadline: April 18

Parent Meeting: May 14 (5PM)

Final Apparel Deadline: May 16

New Swimmer Assessments: May 13 & 15
(3-5PM)

First Day of Practice: May 19

Registration Due: May 9

Time Trials: June 14

First Swim Meet: June 17

INFO & REGISTRATION

New Swimmer Information

For brand new swimmers and returning Little Swimmers interested in joining the team, a skills assessment appointment must be scheduled at the recreation center. Assessments take about 10 minutes and will be held on May 13th and 15th from 3-5pm.

Following the assessment, all new swimmers will be notified of their results and team eligibility. If a swimmer does not meet the criteria for Little Swimmers or the swim team, we will recommend swim lessons. To qualify for the competitive team, swimmers must be able to complete 25 yards of both freestyle and backstroke legally.

Little Swimmers

The Little Swimmer program is designed for children ages 5-8 who aren't yet ready for a full summer of competitive swimming. To participate, swimmers should be eager and able to comfortably swim 25 yards of freestyle and 25 yards of backstroke with effort.

Little Swimmers will attend the first four weeks of practice and take part in the swim team time trials on June 14th, with practices concluding on June 12th. At the end of the session, each swimmer will be evaluated to determine if they are ready to move up to the competitive team.

This program provides a positive and encouraging introduction to swim team life, and Little Swimmers are welcome to join in all team activities and social events.

Registration Information

Registration must be submitted by 7:00 PM on Friday, May 9th to avoid a late fee. After this deadline, a \$50 per family late fee will be applied in addition to the regular swim team cost. The final day to register is Friday, May 16.

All swimmers must be registered and have completed all Midlakes League forms (see reference at the bottom of the pages). Swim team members must also be Plateau Club members. For those who are not Full or Recreation members, a Swim Team Affiliate membership is available for the swim season. This membership provides access to all practices and meets.

The Swim Team Only Membership Application must be completed along with the league registration. For more information or to access the Swim Team Only membership application, please contact Recreation Manager Christopher Williams at christopherw@plateauclub.com.

PARENT GUIDELINES

Parent Involvement

In the Midlakes Swim League, swim meets are made possible thanks to the generous support of our parent volunteers. Since meets are entirely run by volunteers, family participation is a requirement. If we do not receive enough volunteers, we may be forced to cancel the meet.

To run a successful home meet, we need a minimum of 25 volunteers, and 15 volunteers are required for each away meet. **Each family is expected to provide at least five volunteer commitments throughout the season.** If your family does not meet the minimum volunteer requirement, a **\$100 fee** will be charged for each missed commitment.

Parent Volunteer Opportunities

All volunteer sign-ups are managed through the gomotion team website. Sign-ups will open two weeks before each meet and remain open until all volunteer positions are filled. If you're unable to attend your assigned volunteer shift, please contact the parent coordinator as soon as possible.

Timers: Home meets require 12, away meets require 8 - 12

Stroke/turn judge: Home and away, require 2 per meet

Relay judge: Home and away, require 2 per meet

Starter/referee: Home meets only, require 1 per meet

Announcer: Home meets only, require 1 per meet

Data entry: Home meets only, require 2 per meet

Ribbons: Home meets only, require 1 per meet

Heat winner distribution: Home meets only, require 2 per meet

Parent Meeting

Please join us on May 14th at 5 PM for a parents-only meeting for both new and returning members. This will be an opportunity to meet our coaching staff and parent coordinators at the Plateau Rec Center. Information will be sent out to registered swimmers following the parent meeting.

SWIM TEAM INFO

Cancellation Policy

In the event that your child is unable to participate in swim team, refunds will be given according to the following cancellation deadlines:

| | Full Refund | 75% Refund | 50% Refund | No Refund |
|------------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Deadline to Drop | May 18 | May 23 | May 30 | May 31 & After |

Swim Meet Registration

Athlete registration for all meets is required, with either a positive or negative response. This information should be entered on the team website and is crucial for creating the best team lineup for each meet. Registration will close on Sunday night for Tuesday meets and Tuesday night for Thursday meets. **If you need to cancel your registration after the deadline, please contact the Head Coach immediately at TBD.**

Home/Away Meet Times

On home swim meet days, swimmers must arrive no later than 4:30 PM, with warm-ups beginning at 4:45 PM and the meet starting promptly at 6:00 PM. For away swim meet days, swimmers should arrive no later than 4:45 PM, with warm-ups starting at 5:15 PM and the meet also beginning at 6:00 PM.

Swim Meet Lineups

The coaching staff is dedicated to helping all swimmers develop the necessary skills to compete successfully in every stroke. Our goal is for each swimmer to participate in every event at least once throughout the season.

Depending on the number of swimmers registered for each meet and the pool size, the coaches will create a competitive lineup that maximizes each athlete's opportunities to swim, including both individual and relay events.

We strive to avoid having swimmers compete in the same events every week to give them the chance to improve across all strokes. This may mean that swimmers are not always entered in their strongest events, but rest assured, this approach is in the best interest of both the swimmer and the team.

PRACTICE & LESSONS

Private Swim Lessons

Additional stroke refinement can be achieved through private lessons. You can schedule these lessons with a coach via the gomotion website. Please note that the lessons will be billed to your member account.

Cancellations made less than 24 hours in advance will be billed at 50% of the lesson cost. No-shows will be charged the full lesson cost.

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| One swimmer: | \$45 for 30 minutes of instruction with a coach |
| Two swimmers (similar skills set): | \$70 for 30 minutes of instruction with a coach |

Practice Schedule

After School Practices (May 19-June 19, Monday-Thursday)

Little Swimmers: 4:15-4:45 PM

11&12: 6:15-7:00 PM

8 & Under: 4:45-5:30 PM

13 & Over: 7:00-8:00 PM

9 & 10: 5:30-6:15 PM

Saturday Practices (May 24, May 31, June 7)

10 & Under: 9:00-10:00 AM

11 & Over: 10:00-11:00 AM

Morning Practices (June 24 - End of Season, Monday-Friday)

8 & Under: 8:00-8:45 AM

11&12: 9:30-10:15 AM

9 & 10: 8:45-9:30 AM

13 & Over: 10:15-11:00 AM

SCHEDULE

Team Events

Team Tie-Dye: June 21

Get ready for the championship meets by tie-dying a shirt to get spirited!

Family Relays: TBD

During our last home meet get your family together to participate in a fun relay!

End of Season Banquet: July 29 - 6:30pm

Join us to celebrate the end of the season with ice cream and awards!

Swim Meet Schedule

Week 1:

June 17 - | TBD

June 19 - |TBD

Week 2:

June 24 - | TBD

June 26 - | TBD

Week 3:

July 1 - | TBD

July 3 - | TBD

Week 4:

July 9 -| TBD

July 10 -| TBD

Week 5:

July 15 -| TBD

July 17 - | TBD

Post Season Schedule

***Division Championships:** July 19 or 20 ***Prelims:** None ***League Championships:** July 28

*Announcements of schedule changes will be made throughout the season via e-mail notifications from the Head Coach.

CALENDAR

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| 4 - MAY | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 New Swimmer Assessments (3-5PM) | 14 Parent Meeting (5PM) | 15 New Swimmer Assessments (3-5PM) | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 Evening Practices | 20 Evening Practices | 21 Evening Practices | 22 Evening Practices | 23 | 24 Morning Practices |
| 25 | 26 NO PRACTICES Memorial Day | 27 Evening Practices | 28 Evening Practices | 29 Evening Practices | 30 | 31 Morning Practices |
| 1 - JUNE | 2 Evening Practices | 3 Evening Practices | 4 Evening Practices | 5 Evening Practices | 6 | 7 Morning Practices |
| 8 | 9 Evening Practices | 10 Evening Practices | 11 Evening Practices | 12 End of Little Swimmer Practices, Evening Practices | 13 | 14 Time Trials |
| 15 | 16 Evening Practices | 17 <u>B MEET</u> | 18 Evening Practices | 19 <u>A MEET</u> | 20 | 21 Tye-Dye |
| 22 | 23 Morning Practices | 24 Morning Practices <u>B MEET</u> | 25 Morning Practices | 26 Morning Practices <u>A MEET</u> | 27 Morning Practices | 28 |
| 29 | 30 Mile Swim | 1 - JULY Morning Practices <u>B MEET</u> | 2 Morning Practices <u>B MEET</u> (OPTION 1) | 3 Morning Practices | 4 Morning Practices <u>B MEET</u> (OPT. 2) | 5 |
| 6 | 7 Morning Practices | 8 Morning Practices <u>B MEET</u> | 9 Morning Practices | 10 Morning Practices <u>A MEET</u> | 11 Morning Practices | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Morning Practices | 15 Morning Practices <u>A MEET</u> | 16 Morning Practices | 17 Morning Practices <u>B MEET</u> | 18 Morning Practices | 19 DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP (OPTION 1) |
| 20 DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP (OPTION 2) | 21 Morning Practices | 22 Morning Practices | 23 Morning Practices | 24 Morning Practices | 25 Morning Practices | 26 |
| 27 LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP | 28 | 29 END OF SEASON BANQUET | 30 | 31 | | |