



SWIMMING

Parent Meeting

Short Course 2025-2026

About Us

Vision Statement:

South Lyon Aquatics is united in our commitment to be a continually growing, South Lyon and Howell community-based, championship program, providing an environment in which we help develop the finest athletes and community leaders within the framework of USA Swimming guidelines.

Mission Statement:

South Lyon Aquatics fosters an environment so that our swimmers are inspired to achieve their goals by instilling discipline, a good work ethic, as well as respect for their fellow teammates. We expect our swimmers, coaches and parents to be dedicated to fulfilling our core values and that of USA Swimming.

Board of Directors

Shannon Hall - President

**Michelle Thompson - VP
Membership**

Brendan Neligan - Treasurer

Katie Dodge - Secretary

Mark Smith - Member at Large

Andy Cebull - Head Coach

Coaching Staff

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Pat Wickering - Head Age Group Coach

Aaron Jost - Howell Lead Coach

Eric Newton - Assistant Coach

Kaylee Williams - Assistant Coach

Alli Vassilakos - Assistant Coach

Ashley Geddes - Assistant Coach

Who We Are

- **South Lyon Aquatics Swim Team was founded in June 2011**
- **Not for profit corporation**
- **Competitive swim club with approximately 200 athletes and growing**
- **80% of our swimmers are from South Lyon**
- **20% of our swimmers are from Howell**
- **Ages range from 5 - 17 years old**
- **Approximately 50 / 50 mix of female and male swimmers**
- **Swim out of 3 pools (South Lyon HS, Parker MS - Howell, South Lyon East HS)**

Membership

- **USA Swimming membership is included with the SLA registration fee**
- **New families are required to register directly with USA Swimming. A link will be provided in the coming weeks and reimbursement will be issued after the USA Swimming registration is confirmed.**
- **Short Course is 25 yard pool and runs from September through March**
- **Long Course is 50 meter pool and runs from April through July**
- **We will have an opt out for Long Course in March**
 - **If you do not opt out for long course, we will assume that you want to swim throughout the spring and summer**
- **If you do not wish to continue swimming for any reason, you must give us a 30 day notice of your intent to leave the team**

Billing & Payment

- **Billing and payment for group fees is automatic in the first week of the month**
 - **Group fees can be found under “Practice Groups” tab**
 - **Meets will be billed after they occur, instead of at the end of the month.**
- **You can pay by credit/debit card or ACH bank transfer**
 - **There will be a 3% processing fee on payments made by credit/debit card.**
 - **Your account information is not visible to anyone**
- **You can change your automatic payment method within your account at any time**
- **For charges, you will see the name South Lyon Aquatics on your credit/debit card or bank statement**

Available Practice Locations

- **All SLA swimmers may attend practice at any location**
 - **Parker Middle School in Howell**
 - **South Lyon High Schools**
- **Please refer to the practice calendar on our website for specific times and locations for each practice group**
 - **For example, Dev A has 3 practices a week - a swimmer could attend 2 practices at Howell during the week and 1 practice in South Lyon**

Team Store & Equipment

- **Link for our team store is found under the TYR Team Store tab, use code LYON25 when setting up your account**
- **Practice group equipment lists are located on our website under the “Practice Groups”**
- **Team suit orders will be available soon. It will be emailed out and also posted on our team website.**
- **SwimOutlet is another great option for affordable swim equipment and suits**

Spirit Wear

- SLA Spirit Wear is available to order twice a year, in the fall and spring
- Orders can be placed at <https://sla25.itemorder.com/shop/home/>
- We have several new items this year, check it out! The merch makes great holiday gifts too.
- The club gets a percentage of all sales, this is a great way to support the team and represent SLA
- Store is officially open and will close for the season October 3



Youth Blend Hooded Sweatshirt -



****NEW**** Youth Super 10 Hoodie



****NEW**** Youth Flannel Pant

Meet Schedule

- **Meet schedule is located on our team site under the meet schedule tab**
- **Coaches would like swimmers to attend meets whenever possible**
- **We are a competitive club and our swimmers train to compete at these meets**
- **Please add these swim meets to your calendar**

Meet Schedule

2025-26 Short Course Meet Schedule

Meet	Date	Location	Who Should Attend
SLA Fall Intersquad	October 21	South Lyon East High School	Green, Development A, and Development B
BA Halloween Town USA	October 25-26	Brighton High School	Development A, Green, WB, Competition, and Senior
SAC Thanksgiving Classic	November 15-16	Novi High School	All SLA Swimmers
SST Fall Classic	November 21-23	Saline High School	All SLA Swimmers

SLA Holiday Blast	December 6-7	Brighton High School	All SLA Swimmers
IA Tim Welsh Classic	January 2-4	Elkhart, IN	Coach Invite Only
SLA Arctic Blast	January 16-18	Brighton High School	All SLA Swimmers
SAC Winter Classic	January 31-February 1	Novi High School	Swimmers 11 and Older
LL Guppy Bowl	January 31	Lake Orion High School	All 10 and Under Swimmers
Junior Cup	TBD	Lake Orion High School	All 12 and Under Swimmers
Senior Cup	TBD	Brighton High School	All 13 and Over Swimmers
Michigan Swimming Regional Championships	March 7-8	TBD	Qualifying 12 and Under Swimmers
10 and Under Championships	March 14-15	Saline High School	Qualifying Swimmers 10 and Under
MAGS Championships	March 20-22	TBD	Qualifying Swimmers age 11-14
ULTRA Championships	March 27-29	TBD	Qualifying Swimmers 15 and Older

Meet Requirements for Each Family

- Families are required to work SLA hosted swim meets
 - Holiday Blast - December 6-7 @ Brighton HS
 - Arctic Blast - January 16-18 @ Brighton HS
- Work 2 sessions per swimmer with a maximum of 4 sessions for the short course season
 - NEW! Fine of \$100/session for not meeting the requirement
- Volunteering allows you to be on deck with your swimmer(s) and be up close to where the action is happening
 - You may complete your volunteer requirements during the sessions of which your swimmer is competing
- Any child 13 and over is welcome to volunteer
- There are limited opportunities to fulfill volunteer requirements by donating food items needed for concessions and hospitality for the meets

Helpful Swim Resources

- **South Lyon Aquatics Website**
- **SportsEngine Motion**
- **Meet Mobile**
- **Swimmetry**

Team Social Events

- **Team social events**
 - **Kacie Strong Foundation bowling party**
 - **Banquet**
 - **Summer pool party**
- **We Need You! We are currently looking for someone to take on the role of Social Chair. Please reach out to any of the board members if you are interested.**
- **Find us on Instagram and Facebook!**

We are all part of the team!

- **We all play an important role in South Lyon Aquatics - swimmers, parents, coaches, BOD**
- **South Lyon Aquatics is as strong as our families and we want everyone to be and feel involved**
- **We want to build off your expertise - let us know if you have any services or talents that you can offer for our team**
- **We currently have two Member-At-Large board positions open, please reach out to any of the board members for more information.**

Contact Us

- **We are here to help! If you have any questions, please contact us!**
- **We are parents invested in our swimmers, just like you!**
- **You can find us in the stands at the pool - come talk with us!**
- **What talents can you bring to our team? How would you like to help?**
- **Swim related questions should be directed toward the coaching staff**
- **Business related questions should be directed toward the BOD**



Thank you for attending!

Part 2 of our presentation will focus on meet information for our new families - how to register, suggestions, & helpful apps

Part 2 - Swim Meet Info for New Families

- Navigating our website
- Meet schedule
- Meet packet information
- How to register your swimmer for a meet
- How to edit your commitment
- Meet requirements - when to arrive, what to do
- Meet spectator tips and suggestions
- Useful apps - SportsEngine Motion, Meet Mobile, Swimmetry

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