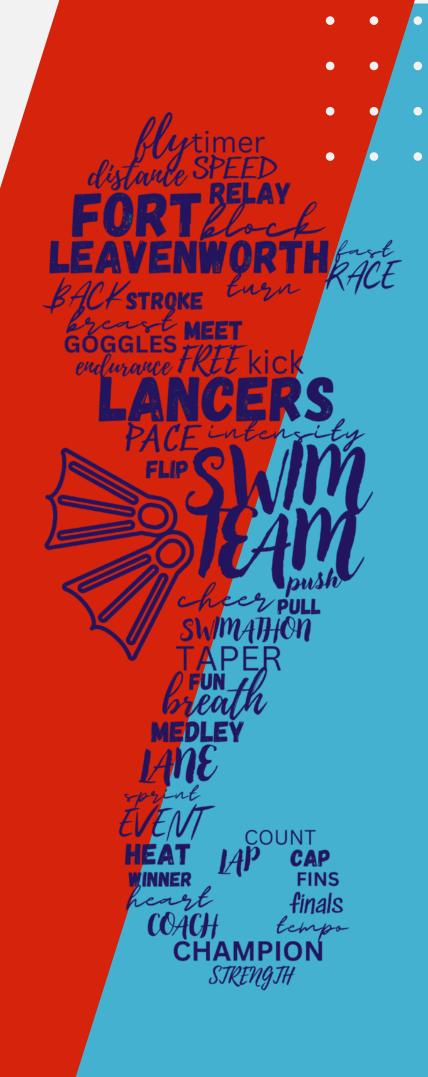
WELCOME

Fort Leavenworth Lancers

New Swimmer and Parent Information



Fort Leavenworth Lancers (FTLL)

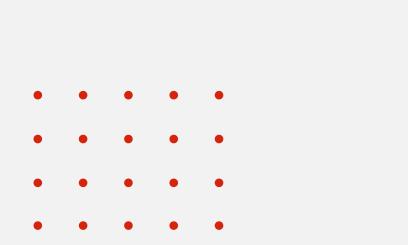
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Who we are...

- • •
- The Fort Leavenworth Lancers have been serving Fort Leavenworth and the surrounding communities for 60 years.
- The Lancers are a year-round, competitive swim team.
- We provide every member an opportunity to improve swimming skills and achieve success at his or her level of ability.
- The Lancers are a member of the Missouri Valley League, which falls under the governance of USA Swimming.
- Our coaches are highly trained and certified, have decades of swimming and coaching experience.
- We are committed to safely developing strong swimmers with a focus on stroke proficiency, conditioning, work ethic, and sportsmanship.
- The Lancers consistently produce top swimmers who compete regularly at the championship & zone/sectionals levels.







Your Lancer Coaches are...



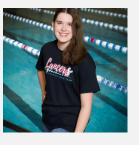
Jackie Hayes Head Coach



Joe McGuire Assistant Head Coach



Kourtney Flynn Assistant Coach



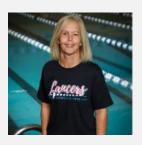
Alex Howell Assistant Coach



Braydon Kime Assistant Coach



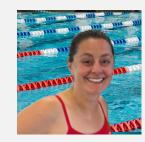
Victoria MurphyDryland Coach



Denise Sharp Assistant Coach



Sarah Waldon Masters Coach



Meghan Wieten-Scott Assistant Coach . . .

What is Competitive Swimming?

Learning all 4 strokes in order to compete in Sanctioned USA Swimming meets

- Freestyle
- BackstrokeButterfly
- Breaststroke

combined for the medley



Who can join the Lancers?

- Military and Civilian families
- Kids (college age and under)
- Swimmer must be able to swim 25 yards without assistance



Masters

- Military and Civilian adults
- Follows USMS guideline and is operated separately from kids.

Practice Groups

BRONZE

SILVER

GOLD

PLATINUM

Bronze - 12 & under - 45 minutes - 1,000 - 1,500 yards

Foundational skill development including stroke technique, starts, turns, and basic rules. Must be able to swim 25 yards without stopping. Minimum **2 practices** per week for continued progress

Equipment Requirements: Fins, kickboard, mesh bag, water bottle, suit, and team cap

Silver - 8 & up - 1 hour 15 minutes - 1,500 - 3,000 yards

Proficient in at least 3 competitive strokes. Training focuses on refining technique, improving speed, & increasing aerobic capacity.

Minimum **3 swim** practices and **1 dryland** session weekly.

Equipment Requirements: Fins, kickboard, pull buoy, snorkel, mesh bag, water bottle, suit, and team cap

Gold - 9 & up (exceptions may apply) - 1 hour 30 minutes - 3,000 - 5,500+yards

Emphasis is placed on stroke refinement, starts and turns, and aerobic development .Gold serves athletes having already achieved MV District times, aiming for Championship times, & those preparing to meet Platinum group standards.

Minimum 4 swim practices and 2 dryland session weekly.

Equipment Requirements: Fins, kickboard, pull buoy, snorkel, mesh bag, water bottle, suit, and team cap

Platinum - 12-19 (exceptions may apply) - 2 hours - 2 hours and 30 minutes - 4,000 - 7,500+yards

Athletes with competitive swimming as a primary activity. Training is intensive, focused on achieving high-level qualifications such as State & Sectionals. Must have achieved appropriate age group Championship times. Program also serves prep for collegiate swimming.

100% attendance at all swim and dryland practices

Equipment Requirements: Fins, kickboard, pull buoy, snorkel, mesh bag, water bottle, suit, and team cap

Masters - 18+ - 30min - 2 hours - Yardage varies by ability
Structured swim practices for adults seeking fitness skill improvement, or competition preparation.
Suggested Equipment - Fins, kickboard, mesh bag, water bottle, suit, and team cap

High School - Current High School Students (9th- 12th grade) - up to 2 hours - 2,500+ yards
Conditioning and stroke refinement outside their school season. Participation is limited to training only.
Suggested Equipment - Fins, kickboard, mesh bag, snorkel, water bottle, suit, and team cap

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Dryland Coach Victoria Where Harney Gym 2nd floor Times Platinum - MWF 5-6pm Gold - MWF 5-6pm Silver - MW 5-6pm Things to know MEET ON THE POOL DECK ATHLETIC SHOES, NO CROCS! WEAR GYM CLOTHING WATER BOTTLES REQUIRED EAT A SNACK BEFOREHAND Goal To improve overall performance through strength, flexibility & mobility.

Dryland

What happens after registration?

- Team Registrar reviews the registration and will reach out if there are any questions.
- Swimmers will be added to their assigned group.
- Buy or Rent (\$10 per month) swim group gear.
 - See "Group Descriptions" policy for required gear
- You can now access the team website
- Make sure to sign up for text alerts.
 - See team policy tab on website for directions.
- You can join the private Facebook group
 - Fort Leavenworth Lancers Parents
- Monthly dues and relevant fees (ie swim meets) are are auto billed through the website on the 1st of the month.



Stats

Let's Talk Money...

What does swim team cost?

- Team registration \$90 (already paid when joined.)
- USA Swimming Registration Starts 9/1
 - Directions were included with registration & are available in the Policy tab on the website.
 - o Premium USA Swim full membership, no restrictions approximately \$82 a year
- Monthly dues Vary by group, 10% sibling discount for 2nd sibling and subsequent siblings.

What are meet fees?

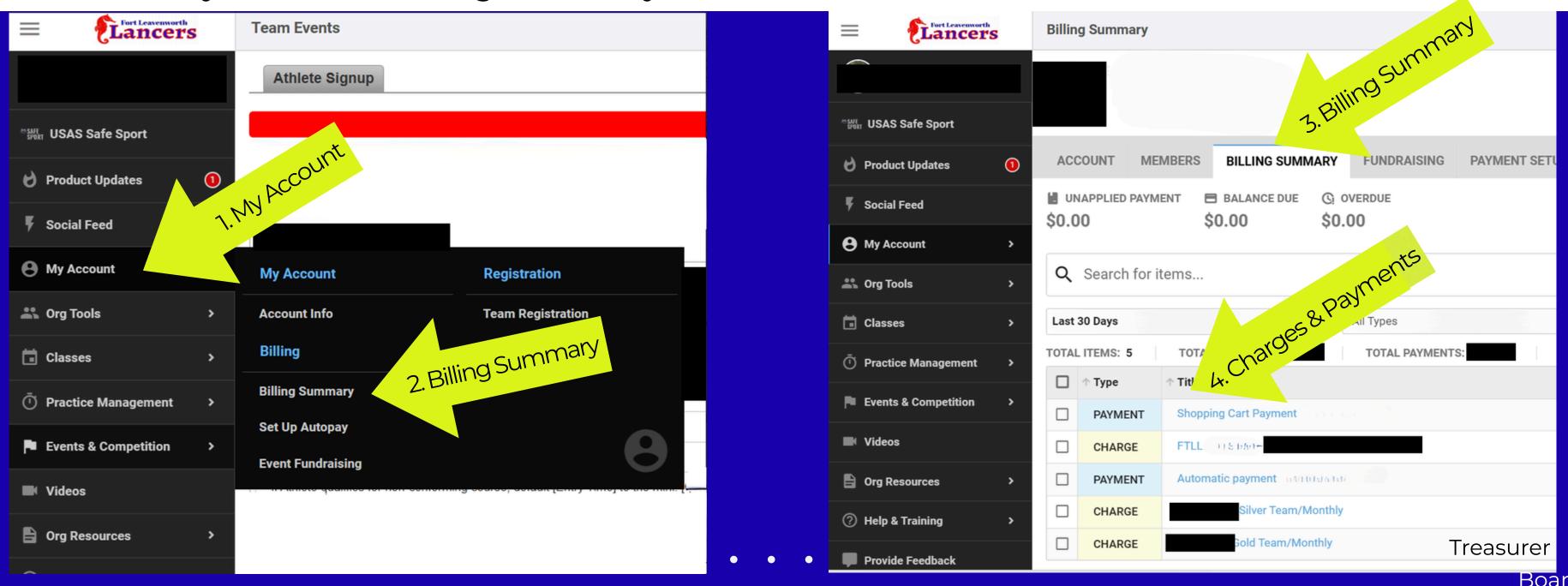
- When you commit to swim a meet there are 3 fees for the meet.
 - Entry Fee Individual entry, relay entry
 - Facility Surcharge What the host team charges for use of the natatorium
 - Coaching Fee \$15 per swimmer for regular meets and \$25 per swimmer for championship meets.
- Once you're committed the fees are billed even if you do not show up for the meet. These fees we pay to the host team regardless of whether you attend the meet. If a swimmer causes a relay to scratch (not swim) then that swimmer is responsible for the entire relay fee.

Treasurer

Let's Talk Money...

How do you pay?

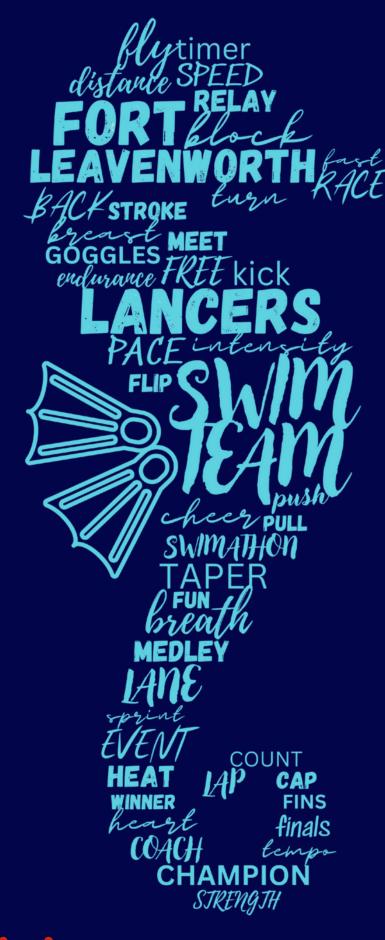
- Team account automatically billed on the 1st of each month to the card on file.
 - Make sure to keep updated to avoid \$5 failed transaction fee and/or \$25 late fee.
- You can check you balance any time by logging into your acount on the team website.
 - My Account Billing Summary



Team Policies

- Group Descriptions
- Group Fees
- Financial Policy
- Fundraising
- Volunteer Policy
- Financial Aid Policy
- Meet Fees Explained
- Practice Observation Policy
- Team Attire
- Equipment Rental Lease Agreement
- Officials Reimbursement Policy
- Travel Meet Coaching Expenses
- Swimmer Code of Conduct
- Parent Code of Conduct
- Photograph & Video Permissions
- Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy.







Some Fine Print Reminders...

Volunteer Obligations

- See team policy for full details
- Highlights
 - <u>1 volunteer hour for every month</u> on the team (per family)
 - Variety of ways to fulfill these hours
 - HS conditioning is exempt from from the requirement if they are your only swimmer
 - Unfilled hours are billed to your account when you put in notice to leave the team - \$10 per hour short

Fundraising Obligations

- See team policy for full details
- Highlights
 - The below fundraisers per year are mandatory participation
 - Intrasquad meet \$25 maximum per swimmer
 - 1 SWIM-A-THON with minimum \$50 per swimmer of \$100 per family
 - HS conditioning are exempt from SWIM-A-THON

Secretary

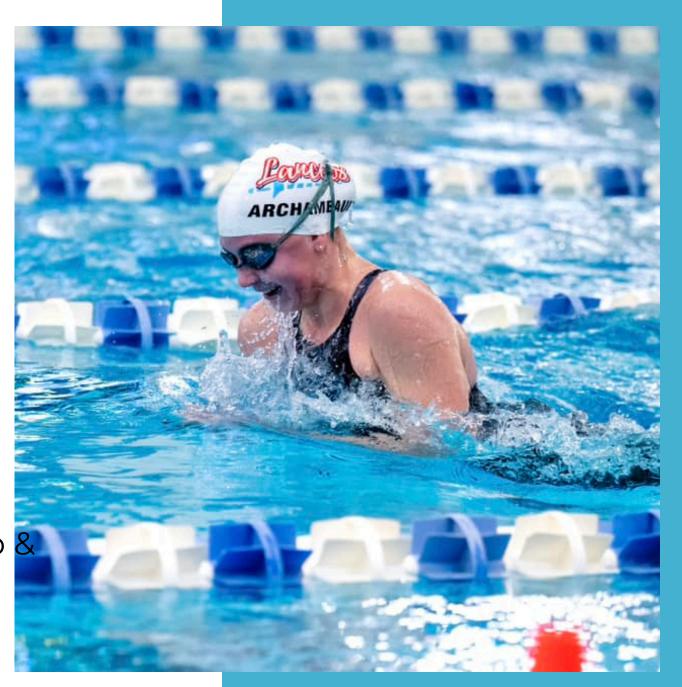
Some More Fine Print Reminders

SafeSport & Observation Policy

- See team policy for full details
- Highlights
 - Safety of our swimmers
 - To observe practice you <u>must be in the observation room</u>
 - Athlete Protection Policy
 - Background check through USA Swimming
 - Athlete Protection training (Gives you 2 volunteer hours)
 - Email certificates to the SafeSport Coordinator
- No pictures/video from behind the blocks during practice & meets
- Swimmers only in locker rooms.
- Families can use bathroom in observation room.

Pick-Up and Drop-Off

- Parents/Caregivers should come up to the outside doors for pick-up drop-off. [Door monitor volunteer opportunity]
- Feel free to quickly get swimmer settled before practice (especially
- little ones) and collect them/zip jacket/etc. at the end of practice. Outside of those short time periods, the above policy applies for observation.
- Do not drop swimmers off more than 15 minutes before practice starts.



Secretary

Helpful Websites & Apps to Download

Websites

- Fort Leavenworth Lancers Swim Team
 - Lancers Team Website
- Missouri Valley Website (Meet pdfs, Time Standards, etc.)
 - Missouri Valley Swimming LSC Home
- Facebook Pages (Public and Private)
 - Facebook (public page) Fort Leavenworth Lancers Swim Team
 - Facebook (private group) Fort Leavenworth Lancers Parents

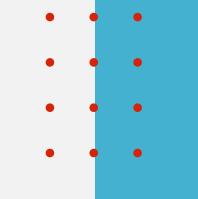
APPS

- SportsEngine Motion Works with the team website
 - Sign up for Meets
 - Sign up for Volunteer Opportunities
 - View your swimmers best meet time... and more
- Meet Mobile Great for swimmers at meets, heat sheets, & results (free and paid versions)
 - FAQ & how to use
- USA Swimming App- Time Standards & Registration
 - USA Swimming how to download the app.





Lancers Parent Board...





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If you are interested in serving on the board, please email the president.

Coming in September

Part 2: Swim Meet 101

- Basic Strokes
- Two Seasons
- Packing List
- Swimmer Speak
- Time Standards
- How to read a heat sheet
 - Paper & Digital
 - Transferring heat sheets to your swimmer
- Team Website and App
- Tips for parents



