

York Families,

The 2025-2026 season is right around the corner, practices begin on Monday, September 8th 2025. Below are team updates and reminders –

Calendar of Events

The Calendar of Events for the upcoming season is attached and is posted on the Calendar page of our website. Please note some events are listed as “To Be Announced” or “Tentative”, once confirmed we will update the calendar and email out any updates. Some dates will be updated (high school swim practice adjustments and cancelations) when we receive additional information from the practice facilities.

Parent Back To Swim Meeting

We will hold a back to swim parent meeting for families on Sunday, September 7th at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department – 400 Center Street S, Vienna, VA 22180. The meeting will be held at 11:30 am for all team families. In this meeting we will go over everything you need to know for the season including protocols and site-specific information and give you the opportunity to ask questions and meet the coaches. If you cannot attend there will be a slideshow available after the meetings on our website on Monday, September 8th.

First Week Of Practice – Renaissance

The first week of practices at Renaissance will be held outside without the bubble installed. Renaissance is still working to finalize the bubble installation schedule, once confirmed we will share that information with you via email and post it on the news page of our website.

Signing Up For Swim Meets

Meets will start to become available for registration in the next few weeks, you will receive a team email to let you know when sign up is open for each meet this season. Please note that registration for meets will need to be completed by families by the registration deadline, no late entries will be able to be accepted. Families are encouraged to contact your swimmers' coaches if you have questions about what events are appropriate for your swimmer and they will make recommendations. Once meet entries have been sent to the host team you will be responsible for those fees regardless of if your swimmer attends the meet or not. Meet fees are locked in when entries are sent and we are responsible for paying those fees at the time entry. Meet fees will be charged to the credit card you have on file in your online account.

Athlete Protection Training (APT)

All **adult athletes** (i.e., athletes that are 18 years old or older) **are required to complete the USA Swimming Athlete Protection Training. If you are already 18 years old, please complete the training by September 15th, 2025.** If you turn 18 years old during the season please complete the training a week before you turn 18. 18-Year-old swimmers who have not completed the mandatory training are not permitted to participate in practices or meets per USA Swimming. Please note Adult Athletes must take the “**Core Course**” which is 90 minutes long. Adult athletes will need to create their own account on USA Swimming to complete the course. The Athlete Protection Training can be found [here](#).

USA Swimming Transfer

If you are joining us this season and previously swam on another United States Swimming Team, please take a moment to fill out the Transfer Swimmer Request now so that your swimmer may become attached to York Swim Club. You can complete the transfer form by logging into your USA Swimming account on www.usaswimming.org and click the “Club Transfer” link in your My Account

box on your dashboard page. Please email kristinbryantwolff@gmail.com with your swimmers USA Swimming Member ID# so it can be added to your account in our TeamUnify database.

First Two Weeks of Practice

Please be patient during the first two weeks of practice, it is always a little hectic at the beginning as coaches work with the swimmers to sort everyone into their lanes for the season. Please let our coaches determine the practice group your swimmer will begin the season in. As always thank you for your patience and support.

Team Equipment And Apparel Webstore

The York Swim Club 2025-2026 Season Team Equipment and Apparel Webstore will open shortly! Once available we will send out the link via email and post on the News page on our website. Our team outfitter is Sport Fair located at 5010 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22207. Equipment is not required to be purchased through Sport Fair. Below are the equipment lists:

8 & Under Swimmers – swimsuit, cap, goggles, fins, water bottle

9–12-year-old Swimmers – swimsuit, cap, goggles, fins, agility hand paddles, pull buoy, water bottle

13 & Over Swimmers – swimsuit, cap, goggles, fins, hand paddles, pull buoy, water bottle (OM4N Only – swimsuit, cap, goggles, zoomer fins, hand paddles, pull buoy, water bottle, snorkel & kickboard)

13 & Over Morning Groups – swimsuit, cap, goggles, zoomer fins, hand paddles (both agility and power), pull buoy, tempo trainer, snorkel, power bags (SOCKS), alignment board, water bottle

You can reach Sport Fair associates by calling 703-524-9500 or by emailing them at info@sportfairusa.com

New team car magnets and team caps will be handed out the first two weeks of practice. Team T-Shirts will be handed out at practice in early October.

If you have received this email and are not participating on the team this season and would like to be removed from our distribution list, please email kristinbryantwolff@gmail.com and we will be happy to remove you. Any active accounts without a swimmer registered for the 2025-2026 season will be de-activated on September 3rd 2025.

More information including USA Swimming Online Swimmer Registration (not available until after Labor Day Weekend) and 13 & Over Dryland Training registration links will be sent out shortly.

The coaches and I are very much looking forward to the start of the season and we are glad your family will be a part of the York family this year.

Sincerely,

Bob York