

Photography/Videography Policy

There has been much talk about whether it is safe to have images/videos taken of children participating in sports. While the great majority of images/videos are appropriate and are taken in good faith, it is a fact that images/videos can be misused, and children can be put at risk if common-sense procedures are not observed.

Under no circumstances can any photography/videography occur behind the start locations of swimmers (e.g., blocks and/or relay starts).

In some cases, the team designates and uses an official team photographer/videographer. Use of these photos/videos are restricted to publication on private, team-only sites. However, all parents and swimmers have the right to refuse permission to use photos/videos as described. Please contact registrar@elkgrovepiranhas.com. Unless otherwise notified, EGST assumes permission is granted for private, -team-only publication consistent with the standards described below.

All photographs/videos must observe generally accepted standards of decency in particular:

- Action shots should be a celebration of the sporting activity and not a sexualized image in a sporting context.
- Action shots should not be taken or retained where the photograph/video reveals a torn or displaced swimsuit.
- Photographs/videos must not be taken from behind swimming blocks at the start of a race or exhibit a child climbing out of the swimming pool.
- Photographs/videos are not allowed from the starting side, even after the race has started.
- Photographs/videos should not be taken in locker-rooms or bathrooms.
- Photographs/videos MAY be taken from the side of the pool or opposite side of the start of the race and as long all other guidelines are being followed.