

FAQs

Tangy Tornadoes Swim & Dive Teams 2025



Eligibility & Membership Requirements: You must have a membership to the Olentangy Swim Association (OSA) (Powell Pool) to participate with the Tangy Tornadoes. Current OSA members under the age of 18 as of June 1, 2025, are eligible. New swimmers must also pass a swim assessment.

Swim and Dive Team Registration: Visit <https://tinyurl.com/TTSwimTeam>, click on 'Tangy Tornadoes,' then follow the registration link." Swim or Dive Team Fees are \$190 per athlete. If your child would like to do both Swim and Dive, the combined Team Fee is \$290. To register a diver for dive team only, select TT Dive Team ONLY. Registration opens April 25, 2025, for returning members and April 27, 2025, for new members. Registration closes June 1, 2025.

Volunteer Requirement:

Families are required to volunteer for 2 or 3 shifts. The exact requirement will be shared after registration is complete and we know the number of families on the team. If you do not fulfill your volunteer requirements, a \$150 fee will be assessed before you can register for the swim team next year.

Swim team board members and committee chairs *do not have volunteer requirements at meets and one child per board member family receives a free registration*. Ask about board member and committee chair opportunities!

Swim Assessments (for new Tangy Tornado swimmers only):

- Friday 5/23/25 and Tuesday, 5/27/25 – time TBD (there will be sign-ups)
- 10 and under swimmers must be able to swim one length of the pool freestyle without stopping to rest and one length of the pool backstroke without stopping to rest.
- 11 and over swimmers must be able to swim two lengths of the pool freestyle without stopping to rest and two lengths of the pool backstroke without stopping to rest.

Swim Team:

Swim Meets:

- **Saturday, May 31, 8:00 AM – 11:15 AM:** Intrasquad Meet
 - **Wednesday, June 4, 5:00 PM:** Meet at Arctic
 - **Wednesday, June 11, 5:00 PM:** Meet at Powell Pool vs. Dublin Pacific
 - **Wednesday, June 18, 5:00 PM:** Meet at Powell Pool vs. Dublin Atlantic
 - **Wednesday, June 25, 5:00 PM:** Meet at Powell Pool vs. Jerome Village
 - **Wednesday, July 2, 5:00 PM:** Meet at Muirfins
 - **Wednesday, July 9, 5:00 PM:** Rain Make-up Date
 - **Monday, July 14:** Champs; 11+ year olds: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm; 10 and under: 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm; Relays, all ages: 4:30 pm
 - **Wednesday, July 16, 6:00 PM:** Swim & Dive Banquet
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- Swim meets, except for Champs, start at 6 pm with warm-ups prior.
 - All team members are required to participate in a minimum of 2 meets to participate at Champs. Please note that in our league the intra-squad meet does not count as one of these meets.
 - Please see the parent handbook about how to “commit” to a meet.
 - Please see the parent handbook about how to write your swimmer’s events on their arm before each meet.
 - Swimmers can find their awards in their “mailbox,” a folder with their family’s last name in plastic bins at practice.

Please see the website and the parent handbook (under Parent Info on the website) for more detailed information.

Practices: *Schedule subject to change*

Swim team practices start on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, for all age groups. Date used to calculate athlete's age = 06/01/2025.

Age Group	Time	Tentative Days
13 & over	8:00 am - 9:30 am	M T W T H F
11 - 12	8:30 am - 9:30 am	M T W T H F
9 - 10	9:30 am - 10:30 am	M T W T H F
8 and under	10:30 am - 11:15 am	M T W T H F

Dive team:

Dive Team Coach: Leif Carlson, leandorla@att.net or 614-949-7707

Dive Assessments

- There are no dive team assessments. All abilities welcome!

Dive Meets:

TBD

Practices: *Schedule subject to change*

Dive team practices start Monday, June 9, 2025

Monday/Wednesday/Thursday, 5:30 pm – 7 pm (all ages)

The Lindsey's Law agreement needs to be completed on the website before first swim or dive team practice.

Practice Cancellation Policy: Practice will take place, cold or hot, rain or shine. Practice is sometimes delayed but rarely canceled. However, our swimmer's safety is our top concern. Please see the parent handbook for the inclement weather policy.

Social Activities: Bagel Fridays, Pre-Champs Pasta Party (tentative), end of season banquet

Team Suits: The Tangy Tornadoes use all black competition suits for both swim and dive teams. Boy's jammers are required to be above their knees, if it is too long your child will be disqualified during a meet. Girls suits should only allow for one finger to fit underneath the shoulder straps. Any brand of an all-black suit is acceptable.

Team Caps: Anyone with hair that falls over the top of the ear are required to wear a team cap for all meets. Caps will be available for purchase at practice and meets for \$10, cash only.

Other Gear: In addition to goggles, we are requesting that families purchase the following equipment for their swimmer to use during practice. When buying goggles, make sure to purchase competitive swim goggles. They will cost slightly more than those found in the summer swim section but will perform better in the water. We recommend the Speedo Vanquisher series.

- 13 & Over Practice Group: Fins, Pull Buoys, Kick Boards
- 11-12 Practice Group: Fins, Pull Buoys, Kick Boards
- 9-10 Practice Group: Kick Board, Fins optional
- 6-8 Practice Group: Kick Board, Fins optional

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