

Southlake Community Summer Swim Meet Series

2025 Swim Meets Rules

Meet Dates

Meet #	Age Groups	Date	Time	Swimmer Count
1 – Session A	4 – 8 years old	June 18	8:30 am – 10:20 am (Warmups 8:30 am – 8:50 am; Events start 9:00 am)	50 swimmers total (Approx 35 SRL, 50 Tiger Sharks)
1 – Session B	9 & Up	June 18	11:00 am – 12:50 pm (Warmups 11:00 am – 11:20 am; Events start 11:30 am)	65 Swimmers Total (Approx 40 SRL, 60 Tiger Sharks)
2 – Session A	4 – 8 years old	June 25	8:30 am – 10:30 am (Warmups 8:30 am – 8:50 am; Events start 9:00 am)	50 swimmers total (Approx 35 SRL, 50 Tiger Sharks)
2 – Session B	9 & Up	June 25	11:00 am – 12:50 pm (Warmups 11:00 am – 11:20 am; Events start 11:30 am)	65 Swimmers Total (Approx 40 SRL, 60 Tiger Sharks)

Note: We hope to host the 2 meets in July at the Southlake Natatorium.

We are thrilled to announce our intention to host summer swim league meets at The Southridge Lakes Community Pool. Our primary objective is to provide a vibrant and competitive platform for swimmers of all ages and abilities to showcase their talent, foster camaraderie, and promote the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition.

Through these summer swim league meets, we aim to create an environment where athletes can push their limits, refine their skills, and forge lifelong friendships. Additionally, we seek to cultivate a sense of community spirit by welcoming participants, families, and supporters from diverse backgrounds to come together and celebrate the joy of swimming.

Our commitment to excellence extends beyond the competition itself. We are dedicated to providing a safe, inclusive, and well-managed event experience for all involved.

Rules:

Rule 1: Facilities, Fees, and Insurance

Section 1. Pool Dimensions

- Article 1. 2 League meets will be held at the Southridge Lakes Community Pool in a 25-yard 6-lane course.

Section 2. Insurance

- Article 1. The following must be in the hands of the Southridge Lakes Home Owners Association (HOA) Pudwill, before the first league meet.
- Article 2. Each team is responsible for its insurance.

Section 3. Materials

- Article 1. Each team will be supplied with a copy of the league rules before the start of the season.

Rule 2: Entries, Scoring, and Awards

Section 1. Entries

- Article 1. Entries for all meets must be submitted in an electronic file that is compatible with Hy-tek Meet Manager.
- Article 2. Entries must be submitted to Rachael Ausdenmoore or designated Hy-Tek representative by 1 pm on Monday (two days before the competition)
- Article 3. No Late Entries will be accepted. Deck Entries are not permitted.
- Article 4. Individual Entry Rules
 - A swimmer's age for the season will be his/her age as of June 1st of that season (June 1st, 2025)
 - A swimmer may swim an event above his/her age, but never below.
 - To be eligible to swim in the Swim Meet Series, a swimmer must be attached to a participating team's roster, be at or under 12 years of age, and be able to swim their age-appropriate distance unassisted.
- Article 5. The age groups for all races are as follows: 6 & under, 8 & under, 10 & under, 12 & under
- Article 6. Entry Limitations

- A swimmer may not swim the same distance/stroke in more than one age group per swim meet. For example, an 8-year-old cannot compete in the 8 & Under 25 Free and the 10 & Under 25 Free in the same swim meet.
- Each swimmer may swim up to a total of four (4) events: a maximum of three (3) individual events and one (1) relay event.
- A swimmer may not compete for more than (1) team during any given season.
- Article 7. Relay Entry Rules
 - There is no limit to the number of relay teams you can enter in an event, but each swimmer is only allowed to swim for one relay per swim meet.
 - You may enter a swimmer above their age group to fill out a relay, provided it is the only relay they swim on for that meet.
 - Relay starts for the 2nd and 4th place participants will start in the pool due to safety, as the pool is less than 3' deep at the end of the pool

Rule 3. Volunteers

Section 1 Volunteers

- Article 1. All teams are responsible for filling their team volunteer roles for all meets.

Rule 4. Scoring & Awards

Section 1 Scoring

- Article 1. There will be no team scoring

Section 2 Awards

- Article 1. Only individual awards will be issued
- Article 2. Ribbons will be issued for 1st place to 8th place. For the final meet, places 1 – 3 will receive medals, and places 4 – 8 will receive ribbons
- Article 3 – Awards will be issues for 6 & under, 8 & under, 10 & under, 12 and under categories.
- Article 4. Participation ribbons will be issued for any swimmer who places 9th or over

Rule 5. Team Personnel, Conduct, Meets

Section 1. Coaches & Volunteers

- Article 1. Each team will have coaches assigned to it. Conduct of coaches: Coaches shall be an example of sportsmanship for their teams.
- Article 2. Each team shall provide 1 lifeguard to the meet
- Article 3. Volunteer Roles

Position	Description	Who	Number
Timers	Timing of the events using a stopwatch	Parents	12 total (6 from each team)
Runners	This position helps swimmers get ready for their events. Gathering all the swimmers for each event and taking them from our seating area to the Ready Area located on deck.	Coaches/Parents	2 from each team
Clerk of Course	Clerk of Course consists of collecting, organizing, and delivering the swimmers to the start in the appropriate heat and lane	Coaches/Parents	2 from each team
Stroke Judges	This position will judge the legality of the swim strokes during an event	Parents	1 from each team
Results Tabulators	This position will collect all the times provided by the timers and determine participant placement in the event. The results will be collected via a spreadsheet or similar collection tool	Parents	4 (2 from each team)
Awards	This position will assist in the preparation of ribbons for qualifying swimmers. This will include writing the times and event on the ribbons	Parents	4 (2 from each team)

Section 2. Conduct of Teams

- Article 1. No team personnel (swimmer, coach, parent, and/or spectator) shall act in an unsportsmanlike manner. This includes any act the Meet Referee deems to be unsportsmanlike. Team personnel may be disqualified from further competition in

that meet and/or ejected from the competition area by the Referee for unsportsmanlike conduct

- Article 2. Each Team is responsible for cleaning up their team area before they vacate the facility.

Section 3. Season

- Article 1. The season will consist of 4 League meets.

Rule 3. Safety / General

Section 1. Safety

- Article 1. Each team/participant is expected to follow the Southridge Lakes Community Pool General Rules

Rule 4. Meet Management

Section 1. Events (4-6 year olds)

Girls #	Age Group/Event	Boys #
1a	6 & Under 100 Yard Free Relay	2a
3a	8 & Under 100 Yard Free Relay	4a
5a	6 & Under 25 Free	6a
7a	7-8 25 Free	8a
9a	6 & Under 25 Back	10a
11a	7-8 25 Back	12a
13a	8 & Under 25 Breast	14a
15a	8 & Under 25 Fly	16a

*6 & Under may swim “up” an age group to compete in the 25 Breast or 25 Fly

Section 2. Events (9 -12 year olds)

Girls #	Age Group/Event	Boys #
1b	9 - 12 100 Yard Free Relay	2b
3b	9-10 25 Free	4b
5b	12 & Under 50 Free	6b
7b	9-10 25 Back	8b
9b	12 & Under 50 Back	10b
11b	9-10 25 Breast	12b
13b	12 & Under 50 Breast	14b
15b	9-10 25 Fly	16b
17b	12 & Under 50 Fly	18b

*9 – 10 year old may swim “up” an age group to compete in the 50-yard events

Section 3. Event Order

- Article 1. If there are no entries for a particular event, it will be skipped for that league meet.
- Article 5. In League Meet Competition, the heats shall be seeded and swum from slowest to fastest.

Section 4. Starts

- Article 1. The starter will use a whistle to start each event

Section 5. Team Seating

- Article 1. Teams will bring tents to house the swimmers and their families.
- Article 2. Tents will be set up in the sports field north of the pool. There will be pool gate access to these areas

Rule 5. Timing

Section 1. Timers, General

- Article 1. Lane timers have neither the responsibility nor the authority to direct swimmers to any lane. While they may assist in ensuring the correct swimmers compete in the correct heat and/or lane, it is ultimately the responsibility of the swimmer to be at the right place at the right time.
- Article 2. When instances of confusion arise in such matters, the Meet Referee must stop the meet and rectify the situation before the race is allowed to proceed. Lane timers are expected to promptly inform the Meet Referee when such intercessions are required.

Section 2. Manual Timing

- Article 1. Two (2) timers are required for each lane and will be supplied by each team