



# SAFE SPORT NEWSLETTER



## Safer in Sports Day - August 8, 2021

August 8, 2021 is Safer in Sports Day, below are some ideas on how to celebrate with your LSC or USA Swimming member club:

- Download USA Swimming Activity Books for [5-11 year olds](#) and [12-18 year olds](#).
- Start implementing [Coaching Boys Into Men](#) or [Athletes As Leaders](#) cards with your athletes.
- Prepare for your upcoming season by reviewing and preparing MAAPP 2.0 [consent forms](#) and [Meet 360](#).
- Purchase [USA Swimming Safe Sport materials](#) to engage your athletes.
- Download and display [art templates](#) throughout your facility.

To view more resources, visit USA Swimming Safe Sport's Club Toolkit page!

[CLUB TOOLKIT](#)



## USA Swimming Safe Sport's Updated MAAPP Requirements

Remember: The deadline to fully implement USA Swimming's updated Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy (MAAPP) is **September 1, 2021**. This is a requirement for all USA Swimming members, its member clubs, LSCs and Zones.

To help all of our members implement this updated policy, USA Swimming has a number of resources available. This includes an editable MAAPP 2.0 document, educational documents to help guide USA Swimming member clubs and hour-long, interactive webinars with time for participants to ask questions.

**There are only two educational webinars left!**

### ***MAAPP 2.0 Informational Webinars***

*Description:* Join USA Swimming staff in an hour-long informational webinar to discuss MAAPP 2.0. All webinars will be structured similarly. They will be recorded and posted on the website for future listening, along with the PowerPoint slides and minute breakdown of what the webinar covered.

*Target Audience:* All USA Swimming members, member clubs, LSCs and Zones.

Monday, August 9, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. EDT ([Register](#))

Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. EDT ([Register](#))

Learn more by visiting the link below.



## MAAPP 2.0 Consent Forms

Consent forms for MAAPP 2.0 have been published online!



Remember, these specific forms are models for your club. You can use these or create your own.

[FORMS](#)



## Corporate Bylaw 2.6.6 Change

Effective September 1, 2021, all employees of USA Swimming, LSCs and member clubs must be non-athlete members of USA Swimming regardless of whether they interact directly and frequently with athletes.

To clarify for our members, employees can be different based on the type of club you are on. This being said, all individuals who are paid or unpaid as part of your clubs staff are considered employees. We are currently seeking clarification from the U.S. Center for SafeSport on this matter, particularly how it extends to our institutionally-owned clubs. We will issue more information once we receive guidance.

For further clarification, please attend our next MAAPP 2.0 educational webinar. Click below to register.

[MAAPP WEBSITE](#)



## Congrats to These Three LSCs!

Congrats to **Iowa Swimming**, **Maine Swimming** and **Maryland Swimming**! These LSCs went above and beyond to achieve the third milestone in the USA Swimming Safe Sport Club Recognition LSC incentive. They will receive \$2,500 and a \$400 Match-Up Promotions coupon code.

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## Safe Sport Club Recognition Incentives

The fourth and final milestone in the USA Swimming Safe Sport Club Recognition LSC incentives is right around the corner! Remember, even if you did not achieve one of the other milestones, you can still qualify for this final one.

LSCs with the following percentages of member clubs achieving Safe Sport Club Recognition within the stated timeframes will receive the financial incentive and Match-Up Promotions coupon codes detailed below\*:

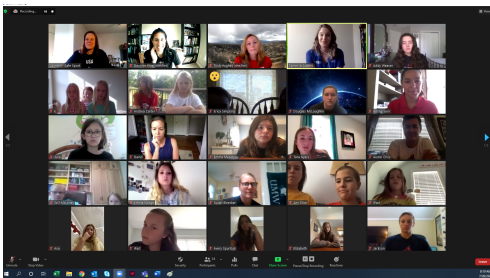
- **100% of member clubs in the geographic territory achieve Recognition by September 1, 2021: \$3,000 and \$500 Match-Up coupon code.**

Wondering how to get started? View the Safe Sport Club Recognition FAQs [here](#), then follow [these](#) easy steps to add an additional user to your club portal.

To read more about these incentives, click the link below.

*\*Seasonal USA Swimming Registered Clubs are not required to become Safe Sport Recognized for LSCs to achieve the total percentages and receive the incentives. However, if LSC's have seasonal clubs that are Safe Sport Recognized, those clubs will count towards the required percentage.*

[INCENTIVES](#)



### July 2021 Alum Visit Winner

On Monday, July 26, [CCA Marlins](#) had a virtual visit with alum [Cammile Adams](#).

Learn more about how to win a visit from a National Team member or alum by becoming a Safe Sport Recognized club [here](#).

[PREVIOUS WINNERS](#)

## 2021 SSRP Trainings

Safe Sport is committed to creating a healthy environment that is free from abuse for all members. As we continue with virtual learning opportunities throughout 2021, we will be increasing security measures to keep parents, athletes and coaches safe during trainings. Starting in January, **all trainings will require individuals to register ahead of time.**

In addition, we have enhanced our Safe Sport Trainings' security measures and will have the following in place:

- Meetings will be locked
- Athlete attendees will only have access to chat with hosts
- Multiple USA Swimming Safe Sport staff will be on all trainings and will monitor participant video share
- Frequent check-ins with attendees
- Screen share and annotation capabilities will be disabled
- Meetings will require registration and athlete training registrations will be cross-checked with USA Swimming member records
- USA Swimming has enabled the At-Risk Meeting Notifier tool from Zoom. This tool searches the public internet for Zoom meeting information and checks the meeting's security settings. Zoom notifies USA Swimming if a meeting appears to be at high risk for being disrupted. This tool is enabled for all USA Swimming hosted Zoom meetings.

Safe Sport trainings are held monthly, please view trainings dates through March 2021 below:

***Parent Training:***

- Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

***Athlete Training (ages 12-18):***

- Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 8 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

***Coach Training:***

- Friday, August 27, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))
- Friday, September 17, 2021 at 3 p.m. EST ([REGISTER HERE](#))

If you cannot attend these trainings, athletes and parents can independently complete trainings using the USA Swimming LEARN platform. Click the link below for more info on Safe Sport trainings.

**TRAINING  
WEBSITE**

## USA Swimming Safe Sport Club Features

We love to see how you are implementing Safe Sport into every day culture.

Email [ssrp@usaswimming.org](mailto:ssrp@usaswimming.org) with how your club, LSC or Zone is implementing Safe Sport practices and materials for a chance to get featured!

## Free Resources

### ***USA Swimming Safe Sport Leadership Conference***

Watch the [webinars](#) from the 2021 USA Swimming Safe Sport Leadership Conference.

### ***Resources for You and Your Club***

Read more on the [USA Swimming Safe Sport resources](#) available to you now.

### ***Safe Sport Club Recognition Tips Sheet***

Has your club achieved Safe Sport Club Recognition? Use our [Tips Sheet](#) to help spread the word.

### ***Meet 360***

This [informational resource guide](#) will help assist administrators in creating a healthy and positive environment free from abuse for athletes during swim meets.

### ***Team Talk Page***

Use [this page](#) to access free materials such as the [Coaching Boys Into Men](#) and [Athletes As Leaders](#) cards.

## Friendly Reminders

### SSRP Renewals

- Safe Sport Club Recognition status expires after two years. If you are coming up on your expiration, please start gathering your information. For more information on how to renew, visit [here](#).

### [Athlete Protection Training \(APT\)](#)

- All new and current adult USA Swimming members, including adult athletes, are responsible for ensuring compliance with USA Swimming membership requirements. APT must be renewed annually in order to maintain compliance. Adult athlete members will not be permitted to participate in USA Swimming-sanctioned competition if this requirement is not met. Please reference [this](#) document for exemptions and accommodations for APT.
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Each Zone has a USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chair who assists in the training of and dissemination of information to the LSC Safe Sport Chairs/Coordinators. It is important to know who your Zone Chair is because they will help guide, support and share information with you.

The USA Swimming Safe Sport staff is proud to be working with all of our Zone Safe Sport Chairs. See below for the 2021 USA Swimming Zone Safe Sport Chairs and their email addresses.

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