

Wave Aquatics Swim Team 2019-2020 Registration and Team Information

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Hello and Welcome to the 2019-2020 Wave Aquatics Competitive Swim Team!

The Coaches and Staff look forward to another year of providing challenges and direction for all of our athletes.

Enclosed is information for the 2019-2020 Wave Aquatics Swim Team registration. A few important dates:

- <u>Returning Members</u> registration period: July 8- August 4
- New Members registration period: Opens August 12
- First day of practice: Tuesday, September 3
- Fitting with Sylvia's Swimwear: Sunday, September 8

What's New for the 2019-2020 Year

There are a few things that will be new for this coming year including:

- 1. A new group structure, that starts with our age group groups (Black, White, Purple) then moves to Senior Prep, then on to our Senior groups (Senior and Senior Elite).
- 2. Our Governing Board has turned over, and we have an Executive Director who helps oversee all of our Wave operations, freeing our coaches to focus on the swim team.
- 3. Trained Officials can still earn training dues credit once they have fulfilled their volunteer hours, however we have weighted it so that higher level officials earn more per hour. More information on that under Service Hours Policy below.

Registration Due Date for Returning Families:

For returning families joining at the start of the 2019-2020 season, online registration is due by August 4th. Online registration for returning athletes opens on July 8th. Two (2) Service Hours credits are available for returning members registering prior to July 31st. Registration will reopen on August 12th for the general public.

Returning families must have met all financial obligations from last season before a new registration will be accepted. If you have any questions in regards to fees or invoices please contact Kim Dang (kimdang@waveaquatics.org).

Registration Notes

The coaches have already sent out group assignments for the fall. If you missed it, please be sure to contact your coach so you know which group to register for.

Families that commit to signing up for the team with our Annual Membership option, are committing to that cost for the full year. Any family that chooses to leave the team before the end of the year will be responsible for those fees.

After reading through the information below, you can begin your registration for 2019-2020 HERE

Contractual Agreement and Team Policies

There are a number of items and team policies that are part of the registration agreement, and can be found on the <u>Wave website</u>. Registering for Wave in 2019-2020 indicates that you have read and agreed to these policies and commitments. These documents are linked below:

- Athlete Code of Conduct
- Parent Code of Conduct
- Service Hours Policy
- Team Travel Policy
- Meet Escrow Account
- Fundraising

Swim Levels and Registration:

The Wave Aquatics training groups:

- Senior Elite
- Senior
- Senior Prep
- Purple
- White
- Black

The purpose of the groups is to provide a high-quality training environment for the athletes. The group descriptions, performance standards, water and dryland practice, and meet attendance requirements are posted on the website.

Fall Practice Schedule

Our anticipated schedule for 2019-2020 for most training groups will remain similar to what we have done in the past. There may be a few minor schedule adjustments, but we anticipate any adjustments made will have little to no impact on family's weekly schedules. You can find the practice schedule HERE

Meet & Event Schedule

Below is our Meet Schedule for the upcoming SCY Season (September-March). We have split the schedule into three groups based on age and ability.

Black and White Groups:

September 22nd Black vs Purple (JAC)
October 5th and 6th October Challenge (TBD)
November 2-3 –Very Scary Open (Wenatchee)
November 16th, Mini Meet (JAC)
November 23-24th, November AGI (JAC)
Dec 7-8th, Fall Divisional (JAC)

Dec 19-22nd, PNS Champs (KCAC)

January 18th, Mini Meet (JAC)

January 17th-20th, Round Robin Travel Meet (Portland)

January 25-26, Winter Challenge (TBD)

February 29th-March 1st, February Divisionals (JAC)

March 28-29, Spring Showdown (KCAC)

Purple and Senior Prep:

September 22nd Black vs Purple (JAC)

October 5th & 6th October Challenge (TBD)

November 2-3 - Very Scary Open (Wenatchee)

November 23 & 24th, November AGI (JAC)

Dec 7 & 8th, Fall Divisional (JAC)

Dec 19-22nd, PNS Champs (KCAC)

January 17-20th, Round Robin Travel (Portland) (Team Travel Meet ONLY)

January 25th & 26th, Winter Challenge (TBD)

February 29th-March 1st, February Divisionals (JAC)

March 7th & 8th, BBST Last Chance Meet (Snohomish)

March 19th-22nd, AGRs (KCAC)

March 28th & 29th, Spring Showdown (KCAC)

Senior and Senior Elite:

September 22: Black and Purple Meet – Juanita HS

October 5-6: October Challenge – TBD

November 2-3: Very Scary Open – Wenatchee (Team Travel Option)

November 23-24: November AGI – Juanita HS

December 7-8: Fall Divisionals – Juanita HS

December 9: Last Chance Meet: Juanita HS

December 19-22: Short Course Champs - KCAC

January 25-26: Winter Challenge – TBD

February 29-March 1: February Divisionals – Juanita HS

March 6-7: WEST Eyes of March Last Chance Meet – Mill Creek

March 12-15: SR Sectionals - KCAC

March 19-22: Age Group Regionals – KCAC

March 28-29: Spring Showdown - KCAC

Training Fees Information

The schedule of 2019-2020 training fees is shown below. We have compared our fees to those of other comparable teams in the area, and we are confident that these are highly competitive.

	Monthly Membership		Annual Membership		
Training Group	Training Dues	Registration Fee	Training Dues Payments (9x)	Registration Fee	Total Cost of Annual Membership
Senior Elite	N/A	N/A	\$388	\$245	\$3,737
Senior	\$397	\$170	\$355	\$245	\$3,440
SR Prep 2	N/A	N/A	\$314	\$245	\$3,071
Purple	N/A	N/A	\$275	\$245	\$2,270
White	\$227	\$170	\$200	\$245	\$2,045
Black	\$185	\$170	\$162	\$245	\$1,703
College	\$150	\$75	N/A	N/A	N/A

Discounts:

There is a 10% family discount for each additional child. So families with three swimmers get a 10% discount for the 2nd and a 20% discount for the 3rd. The discount applies to the lowest active swimmer(s) fee(s) each month. After these discounts have been applied, a fee cap of \$5,900 in monthly membership training fees will be applied to a single family's invoice for swim team only, this does not include any other program that Wave operates.

Choosing Between Monthly and Annual Membership

Annual Membership

- Designed for those who expect to be swimming at least nine (9) months of the year.
- Annual fees are divided into nine (9) payments billed from September through May.
- Annual swimmers starting in October, November, and December pay a premium the first month (to cover June – July training) and make payments against the annual fee through May. No annual membership is available past December 15.
- The swim year runs from September 3 to August 9 of the following year.
- Annual Membership is a finance package that must be paid in its entirety. By
 registering online, you are agreeing to the terms and policies on the website and you
 are entering into an agreement with Wave Aquatics that is legally binding.
- Families that sign-up for an Annual Membership will be charged the outstanding balance of their annual fee shall they leave Wave Aquatics before paying their entire outstanding balance.

Monthly Membership

- Designed for those swimmers who are not yet sure that they can commit to swimming or those that know that they will swim only part of the year.
- Meet Escrow fees are due at registration.
- To guarantee a spot on the team later in the season monthly swimmers should register in July. The payment of registration and Meet Escrow fees hold your spot on the team.

- A monthly fee applies to any month, or part thereof, that the swimmer attends practice.
- For a partial month, a prorated monthly fee will be applicable.
- To cancel membership, email Kim Dang (<u>kimdang@waveaquatics.org</u>) and Erin Dunn (<u>erindunn@waveaquatics.org</u>) two weeks prior to your intended date of discontinuation.

Fundraising

This is required of all Wave families. Each family is required to raise \$125 per athlete or \$250 maximum per family per year.

Participating in the annual team fundraising event is strongly encouraged as a means to raise the funds as well as from a team building perspective. Proceeds from this event are used to create a better environment for all swimmers, fund events, purchase equipment, and fund travel costs that normal training dues do not cover. Cash donations are accepted as well as matching funds so be sure to check with your employer.

Families	Registering September to March (Invoiced Feb 1st)	Registering April to May (Invoiced June 1st)	Registering June and July
Per Athlete	\$125	\$50	\$0
2 or More Athletes	\$250	\$100	\$0

If families do not meet the minimum fundraising amount, your account will be invoiced the balance due according to the schedule in the table above. Any donations received after the invoice date for the 2019-2020 season will be credited to your account.

Registration Fee

This covers USA-Swimming registration, team cap, t-shirts, administrative costs, and online payment set-up costs. As a USA Swimming registered team, for insurance purposes, all Wave swimmers and coaches must be registered with USA Swimming.

- July 8 through March 30: \$170 for monthly membership, \$245 for annual membership
- April 1 through May 31: \$120 (only monthly membership is available)
- June 1 through July 10: \$75 (only monthly membership is available)

Returning college swimmers must show proof of USA Swimming registration or apply for registration prior to swimming with Wave.

Invoices:

Please mail checks to Wave Aquatics, PO Box 2953, Kirkland, WA 98083-2953. **Do not hand checks to coaches**.

 Optional automatic payment by debit or Visa/MasterCard is available through your family Wave account.

- NSF checks will be charged an additional \$35.
- Fees uncollected after 60 days may be sent to collections.
- Balances more than 60 days past due will result in removal of the swimmer from the team.

Swim Meet Escrow Account:

Each family is required to have a Swim Meet Escrow Account. See here for details.

Service Hours Policy:

In order to run Wave meets and other social activities, the Booster Board manages a volunteer program to which all members are committed.

Policy Reminder:

The majority of the required hours must be performed by an adult family member. There are certain activities that may be performed by children twelve (12) or older. Approval of children working a job must be obtained by the Volunteer Coordinator prior to the job deadline. No children will be allowed to work any deck activities at a championship meet. No family may transfer service hours worked to another account or otherwise fulfill service hours on behalf of another family, including job replacements.

See **HERE** for more information.

Registered Officials can earn training dues credit up to 30 hours once their volunteer hours have been met for the year at Wave officiated meets. The hours are valued as follows based on your certification level:

Stroke and Turn \$10/Hour Administrative Official \$10/Hour Starter \$15/Hour Deck Referee/Meet Referee \$20/Hour

Team Gear and Equipment:

There are three ways that families get outfitted with Wave gear:

- 1. We do a team order with Sylvia's Swimwear twice a year; once in the fall and once in the early spring where you can order items such as team sweats, team suits, team bags, personalized team caps, team shirts, etc. We will email out information to families when orders are open.
- 2. Sylvia's has a retail store in Bellevue. You can reach the store at (425) 747-1131 or check out their website at www.goswim.com. They carry our team suits in stock along with all kinds of training equipment such as fins, buoys, etc.
- 3. Wave sets up a specified date to hand out gear to registered swimmers in September. For families who join after that or are unable to make the September event, the Wave Boosters will arrange another time for gear pickup.

From Wave you receive:

- Parent T-shirts (max of 2 per family)
- Swimmer T-shirts (each swimmer receives 1 black, 1 white, and 1 purple shirt)
- Swim Cap (each swimmer receives 1 silicone cap)

At meets, each swimmer is required to have:

- 2 team suits*
- A team cap (if they wear one)
- A team bag
- The correct team T-shirt for that day of the meet**

*When a swimmer steps on the blocks at a meet, they must be wearing a team suit and if they choose to wear a cap it must be a Wave cap. The exception to this is swimmers at championship meets (PNS, Regionals, Senior Sectionals, Etc.) may wear a 'technical racing suit' instead of their team suit, however they must warm-up in their team suit.

**Wave meet t-shirts are worn in the following order at meets:

Day 1-Classic Black Wave Aquatics t-shirt

Day 2-White Wave Aquatics t-shirt

Day 3-Purple Wave Aquatics t-shirt

Day 4-Wild Card Wave Aquatics t-shirt (your choice)

Day 5-Classic Black Wave Aquatics t-shirt

Training Equipment for Practice

We have listed the needed equipment by training group:

Black

- 1. TYR Crossblade Training Fins
- 2. Water Bottle
- 3. Dryland Clothing
- 4. Suit
- 5. Team Cap
- 6. Team Bag
- 7. Goggles that work
- 8. Extra pair of goggles that work
- 9. Extra Cap
- 10. Extra Suit

White

- 1. TYR Crossblade Training Fins
- 2. Water Bottle
- 3. Dryland Clothing
- 4. Mesh Equipment Bag
- 5. Pull Buoy
- 6. Swimmer's Snorkel
- 7. Suit
- 8. Team Cap
- 9. Team Bag
- 10. Goggles that work
- 11. Extra pair of goggles that work
- 12. Extra Cap
- 13. Extra Suit

Purple

- 1. TYR Crossblade Training Fins
- 2. Water Bottle
- 3. Dryland Clothing
- 4. Mesh Equipment Bag
- 5. Pull Buoy
- 6. Swimmer's Snorkel
- 7. Suit
- 8. Team Cap
- 9. Team Bag
- 10. Goggles that work
- 11. Extra pair of goggles that work
- 12. Extra Cap
- 13. Extra Suit

Senior Prep

- 1. TYR Crossblade Training Fins
- 2. Water Bottle
- 3. Dryland Clothing
- 4. Mesh Equipment Bag
- 5. Pull Buoy
- 6. Finis Agility Hand Paddles
- 7. Swimmer's Snorkel
- 8. Tempo Trainer
- 9. Suit
- 10. Team Cap
- 11. Team Bag
- 12. Goggles that work
- 13. Extra pair of goggles that work
- 14. Extra Cap
- 15. Extra Suit

Senior and Senior Elite

- 1. TYR Crossblade Training Fins
- 2. Water Bottle
- 3. Dryland Clothing
- 4. Mesh Equipment Bag
- 5. Pull Buoy
- 6. Hand Paddles
- 7. Swimmer's Snorkel
- 8. Tempo Trainer
- 9. Suit
- 10. Team Cap
- 11. Team Bag
- 12. Goggles that work
- 13. Extra pair of goggles that work
- 14. Extra Cap
- 15. Extra Suit