

Fox Valley Wave families,

Fall/Winter 2025-26 swim season is quickly approaching. **PLEASE READ EVERYTHING BECAUSE THERE IS SOME NEW INFORMATION.**

The first day of practice will be Monday, September 8th, 2025. We are waiting on pools to finalize our practice schedule. The website calendar will be updated as soon as we have the schedule finalized. The pools we are tentatively using for practice this season include Neenah Middle School (former Neenah High School) and Appleton North, West, and East High Schools. The TENTATIVE schedule is linked [HERE](#). Please check the calendar weekly for updates! The meet schedule is [HERE](#).

PRACTICE TEAM MOVEMENT

We will have five practice teams this season. Unless you have been approached in person or by email, your child will be in the same practice group they were in for the summer 2025 season.

Our coaching staff has extensive experience and takes into consideration many factors when determining practice team placement. The coaches consider age, ability, attitude, and they also give thought to factors including coachability, maturity level, and dedication to the sport. Coaches place swimmers where they will be most successful.

Tidalnamis is our group for high school swimmers. If your swimmer is in high school they are invited to join the Tidalnamis group. Refer to the tentative schedule to see their practice schedule. If you have questions about which group to sign your high school swimmer up for please reach out to Ryan at headcoach@foxvalleywave.org.

All wavelets and swells will be swells. You should have received a separate email with information about this transition. If not please reach out to admin@foxvalleywave.org

REGISTRATION PROCESS – OPENING Tuesday August 27th.

1. August 27st – August 30th: All current members (those who swam Summer 2025).
2. August 31st - September 2nd : All previously active members that did not swim summer
3. September 2nd: Waitlisted swimmers will be notified of openings and be able to register

As part of the registration process, you will be required to review and agree to:

- Code of Conduct, Anti-bullying Policy, and Safe Sport Athlete Protection Training*
- Volunteer and Fundraising Policy Requirements
- Medical Release and Liability Waiver
- Concussion and Covid Waiver
- Photo Release and Electronic Communication Policy

*The Code of Conduct, Anti-bullying Policy, and Safe Sport are IMPORTANT policies you and your swimmer(s) should review TOGETHER! Please make sure to review them with your swimmer(s), so they are clear about the role they play in meeting these team expectations.

REGISTRATION

Log into your SportsEngine account. Navigate to Team Registration. You are required to pay a \$50 non-fundable fee during registration. During the registration process choose from:

Fall/Winter 2025/26 Paid in Full - Swimmer roster fees will be invoiced to your account on Friday September 5, 2025 with a due date of Monday September 8, 2025.

Fall/Winter 2025/26 Installment - Swimmer roster fee will be divided into 3 installments.

First payment: Invoiced Sept 5. Due Sept 8

Second payment: Invoiced Oct 20. Due Nov 1

Third payment: Invoiced Dec 20. Due Jan 1

FEE STRUCTURE

Fees include Fox Valley Wave participation fee. USA Swimming registration (\$92) fee will be in addition to the fee listed below. Credit card and/or ACH fees will be added at time of payment in addition to the fee listed below.

For current USA Swimming members this fee will be added to your SportsEngine account. For new USA Swimming members you will complete registration and pay for your membership directly through USA Swimming AFTER September 1. The USA Swimming Registration is required and includes: Splash monthly magazine, USA Swimming Deck Pass account, and meet insurance.

The fee structure below is calculated based on the number of weeks between September 9th and that roster's most likely final championship meet. If a swimmer's season is extended then they may be charged an additional fee calculated using their weekly rate fee by the extra length of time.

Practice Team	Prorated Cost for HS Swimmers*
Tsunami (T): \$1,750	Tsunami HS Girls: \$1,190
Tidalnamis (TN): \$1,650	Tsunami HS Boys: \$910
Tidal Waves (TW): \$1,508	Tidalnamis HS Girls: \$1,122
Breakers: \$1,175	Tidalnamis HS Boys: \$858
Swells: \$850	

*All high school swimmers must register when registration opens to hold a spot on the team after the high school swim season. The fee is already prorated for you.

*No other prorated fees for other sports or activities other than swimming are offered.

*We do offer an installment payment option. As indicated above.

*If you have overdue balance on your account you may not be able to swim in meets or sign up for subsequent seasons.

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

The Fox Valley Wave thrives due to the combined efforts of our coaches and parent volunteers to deliver our team mission. To continue to succeed, it is essential that each family volunteers their time before and during home meets as needed. Each family is expected to volunteer for a minimum of two slots at our home swim meet on December 6&7, 2025.

If you know you are unable to volunteer at the meet, opportunities to serve on the meet planning committee will be publicized, and you can fulfill your requirement in this manner. You will be required to track your time and have a board member verify your hours. If you cannot or will not volunteer, you will be charged a \$200 fee, invoiced to your account following the last meet volunteer opportunity.

You will find additional clarification regarding these requirements as part of the registration process. Please read this section carefully.

GET ALL YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

During the first week of practice there will be a greeter at the following practices:

- Swells practice on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday
- Breakers practice on Monday, Tuesday, and Saturday

This will be an informal time to answer any questions you may have about our team and the sport of swimming. If you are new to our team, but your swimmer has been placed into a different group than listed above, please reach out our education coordinator at education@foxvalleywave.org to set up a time to meet.

Finally, there will be a MANDATORY PARENT MEETING in late September or early October. Details will be posted in a later email and on the team website.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

GO WAVE!

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