### **Summer Swim Team Overview**

YMCA Summer Swim Teams are for kids ages 5 to 18. Swimmers learn the importance of teamwork, sportsmanship, and goal setting.

Swimmers compete in a series of weekend meets during the summer against other YMCA of the Triangle branches. Practices are age-specific and held in the evenings Monday through Thursday.

## What are the important program dates and times?

May 31 - First Practice!

June 11 - Time Trials

June 18- Home Swim Meet

June 25 - Home Swim Meet

July 4 – July 7 – No practice!

July 16 – Swim Meet @ NW Cary

July 23 - Swim Meet @ East Triangle

July 30—No Swim Meet

August 4- Last Practice!

August 6 - Championship Swim Meet

August 7 - End of Season Celebration

### When are practices held?

Monday - Thursday evenings

We recommend a minimum of 2 practices a week.

**6-7pm:** 5-10 year old

7-8pm: 10-18 year old

\*final practice assignments at the coach's discretion

# What skills do the swimmers need to show to qualify for the team?

Swimmers 10 years and younger- Swim 25 yards each of Freestyle and one other competitive stroke. Must demonstrate basic competency in each stroke, as well as endurance to complete the total 50 yard swim (2 pool lengths).

Swimmers 11 years and older- Swim 50 yards each of Freestyle and one other competitive stroke. Must demonstrate basic competency in each stroke, as well as endurance to complete the total 100 yard swim (4 pool lengths).

## What do you do if swim practice is cancelled?

Practices and meets will be cancelled for any extreme weather. For days when we experience on-and-off extreme weather conditions, the Head Coach will communicate to families. Practices will not be rescheduled due to weather or pool closure.

For any additional questions, please contact <a href="Matt.McDonough@ymcatriangle.org">Matt.McDonough@ymcatriangle.org</a>

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