



Macomb Township
Parks & Recreation Department
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Dear Swim Lesson Parents,

Our staff is extremely excited to begin working with your child. Our goal is to provide your child with the knowledge and skills necessary to have a fun and safe experience around all aquatic environments. To accomplish our goals, we have learned through experience that children respond more effectively by following these guidelines:

1. Make sure your child has used the restroom before lessons begin to limit class interruptions.
2. **All patrons and guests must use gender-appropriate locker room or Family Cabanas.** If using a Family Cabana please make changes as quickly as possible as there are other families waiting to use these facilities as well. Please remember there are patrons who may find it uncomfortable and/or inappropriate for a child of the opposite gender to be in the changing facilities with them. If you have a small child of the opposite gender who needs your assistance, please use the family cabanas.
3. We recommend parents keep their distance from their child during lessons to allow the child's full attention to be focused on their instructor. The instructor will inform you if there is a need for you to be near your child during the lessons.
4. **Please keep your child out of the water until their instructor is ready to begin class and has invited the children to enter the water.**
5. Please meet your instructor under the appropriate level sign hanging on the walls for the first class. The instructor will indicate where your child should meet for the remaining classes of the session. Once again, please keep your child out of the water until their instructor has asked them to get into the water.
6. If you bring other children with you during swim lessons please keep them away from and out of the pool. This becomes a distraction to the instructor as well as the other children in the lesson.
7. If you have found in the past that your child works better with goggles, feel free to bring the goggles to class. If your child seems to struggle with going underwater, goggles may help eliminate some of that anxiety.
8. Flotation devices we will use will be water noodles and kickboards. We do not require you to bring any of this equipment on your own.
9. A progress report will be given to each child at the end of the session. This report will indicate what level your child should be enrolled in next. This will be needed for enrollment into the next session. Without your child's progress report, they will need to take a swim test. These progress reports will be available in the main hallway of the Rec Center on the last day of class.
10. Instructors will be available before & after class to address any questions or comments you may have about your child's lessons.
11. Participants will be allowed into the aquatic center no sooner than 15 minutes prior to the beginning of the swim lesson session. Use of the facility before or after swim lessons does require a paid admission or check-in with a membership. Please refer to open swim hours.
12. **Make-Up Swim Lessons will be scheduled ONLY if the pool is closed due to inclement weather or maintenance, causing classes to be cancelled.** The make-up class would occur on the next day in the sequence of classes after the last scheduled class date. Please keep this in mind when scheduling other events and activities. Communication will be through email. Please make sure your email is up to date in your account.

Your cooperation and understanding of these guidelines is appreciated.

Thank you,
Aquatic Staff