

How can I get a SCAT SMS alerts on my cell phone?

How does it work?

SCAT uses "Twitter.com" to broadcast short high priority, time sensitive text messages to SCAT families and friends. A copy of the message is included on the SCAT website and, even if you are not subscribed, you can get the latest message at any time.

Why would I want to use this?

SCAT news is available on the website. Occasionally, highly time-sensitive information becomes available while families might be away from home or away from their email. This information includes:

Meet status updates, Emergency alerts (pool mechanical failures/closures, severe weather, etc), Important widespread announcements with less than 24 hours notice

We want to make sure you get important information fast so these tidbits are additionally sent through Twitter.

How do I get started?

If you are under 15 years old, please get permission from your parents before registering.

The easiest way is to send **'Follow scatupdate' to 40404 from your cell phone** (no subject). Follow the instructions that you receive. It is OK to try again if you don't get the instructions right away.

You can also sign up by visiting the website <http://twitter.com>

- To register online, first create an account, Set up your cell phone as a device,
 - Visit twitter.com/scatupdate and become a 'follower'.
- Finally, verify phone notifications are 'ON' in 2 places ("Settings" "devices "and "Following" "scatupdate").
 - Recommended for privacy reasons: set your Account Settings to 'protect my updates'

I have limited text messaging. How many messages will I get?

The exact number will vary. A typical month is likely to include about 10 messages. An eventful month might have 20-30. A slow month may be 0-2.

- The number of Emergency alerts (pool mechanical failures/closures, severe weather, etc) depends on the situation. 1-2 per day for the extent of the incident might be typical.

What if I want to stop getting messages?

Send 'OFF scatupdate' to 40404 to temporarily suspend SCAT messages.

Send 'ON scatupdate' to 40404 to resume them.

If you decide you no longer want to use the system, you can send 'STOP' to 40404 and this will stop all messages and un-register your phone from your account.