

**To: GJY Parents and Swimmers:
From: The YMCA Aquatic Director**

The Greater Johnstown YMCA and GJY Swim Coaches would like to welcome swimmers and parents as we begin the 2019-2020 GJY Swim Team season. The Coaches are looking forward to another great season of swimming. In order for all swimmers and parents to have a positive and safe experience, the coaching staff is asking that you review the following.

GJY Website: gjyswimming.com

We will send each family (new members and those that did not swim with us for the summer) website sign-up information to be able to go in to the website to create a personal account for log-in access. This email will be generated by us from our website and sent to you to have access to go in and create your account so when you receive it just follow the instructions. This website holds all the information you will need for the upcoming season. You will be expected to go to our website for all information regarding meets, practice schedules, other links, etc. We have swim meet, concession sign-up and timer sign-up links on the website. Please go to the website to familiarize yourself with these links.

Swimmers:

- 1. Please shower before entering the pool.**
- 2. Please dry off in the shower area before going into the main locker room.**
- 3. No horseplay in the locker rooms or on the pool deck – Safety First.**
- 4. Good behavior during practice and swim meets is expected of all swimmers.**
- 5. Please be on time for practice.**
- 6. A team uniform consisting of a team suit and team cap must be worn team meets. Wearing a cap is optional for boys.**
- 7. All swimmers must show their membership card at the front desk.**

Team Fee:

Please pay team fees as scheduled below at the front desk

Swim Team Fee Payment Options & Due Dates – Pick one Option

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| 1. 1 Payment – Paid in Full: September 9: | \$340.00 |
| 2. 2 Payments – Payment 1: September 9: | \$170.00 |
| Payment 2: October 7: | \$170.00 |
| 3. 3 Payments – Payment 1: September 9: | \$115.00 |
| Payment 2: October 7 | \$115.00 |
| Payment 3: November 11 | \$110.00 |
| 4. 4 Payments – Payment 1: September 9 | \$85.00 |
| Payment 2: October 7 | \$85.00 |
| Payment 3: November 11 | \$85.00 |
| Payment 4: December 16 | \$85.00 |

****There is a \$20.00 discount per consecutive children in a family.**

****All Swim Team Fees must be paid in full by December 16.**

2. "Try-it-You'll Like it" – For first time swim team members only. This option is available for the first 2 weeks of practice from (September 9 thru September 20.) After the 2 weeks a YMCA membership is needed and the remainder of the swim team fee should be paid
3. All swimmers must hold a full-privileged membership to the Greater Johnstown YMCA. Your child's membership must be current by the first day of practice. *Please pay membership and swim team fees at front desk. The exception to this is "Try it you'll like it"
4. All swimmers must hand in a new emergency form & picture release form for 2019/20
5. Parents are not permitted on the pool deck during practice.
6. Please do not interrupt the coaches during practice. If you would like to discuss something involving your child or the swimming curriculum please wait until swim team practice is over or ask for a meeting with the coach to be scheduled.
7. All matters and concerns that you may have regarding the management of the YMCA Swim Team program should be directed to the Aquatic Director.
8. Please do not send your child to practice if they are sick
9. Invitational Swim Meets: *Entries will be done thru our website this year – Payment is required before your child is entered in the Invitational.
10. Any newspaper articles pertaining to the swim team must be submitted to the Newspaper by the YMCA Aquatic Director or Marketing Director.
11. GJY Parent's Club: This is a support group to the YMCA Swim Team.
 - **The Parent's Club helps run the Home Dual Meets, Novice Meet and the Distance Meet, etc.
 - **The Parent's Club raises funds to help pay for dual meet rentals, banquet, dive practices, parties, extra coaches expenses, etc.
 - **The Parent's Club is asking for a concession fee (to be determined) to help defray the expenses for the 2 Home Dual Meets, Novice Meet, and Distance Meet
12. Parent Folder - A folder will be given to each family by the Parent's Club that will explain important information needed during the year...

*****Practice Attendance:** Attending practice on a regular basis, being on time and not leaving early is very important for each swimmer to reach their goals.

*****Dual Meet Participation:** Participation in all Team Dual Meets is required by all members of our swim team.

*****YMCA values of caring, honesty, respect, & responsibility will be incorporated into our program.**

******Please read! Very Important Information!**

Greater Johnstown YMCA/USA Swim Team Code of Conduct

*****The attached Swim Team Code of Conduct must be signed by parents and swimmers at the beginning of the season.**

Please note: If you handed a signed Code of Conduct in last year you do not need to hand in another one for this year.