**Volunteering FAQs**

What is the Cats volunteer obligation for Spring/Summer 2018?

 *Cats parents with full-season swimmers will be required to complete four volunteer jobs* ***per family****.*

What is the obligation if our swimmer is only participating in one session (Spring OR Summer)?

 *Parents of swimmers in only one session will be required to complete two volunteer jobs* ***per family.***

Does this obligation apply to all Cats parents?

*Yes, with the exception of parents with only Purple group swimmers, officials, board members, coaches and committee leaders.*

What is considered a volunteering ‘job?’

*Each individual item listed under an Event’s Job Signup page is equivalent to one job. This can be performing duties at a swim meet, organizing or assisting at an event, or making a cash or food item donation. Each box checked under Job Signup equals one job.*

What events require volunteers and when will they take place?

*Most volunteer positions involve working at swim meets. These will be hosted throughout the season. Our primary volunteer opportunities will be the Cats-PAC dual meet (April 21st) and the Age Group State Championship meet (July 26-29).*

If we are only swimming one session, does our obligation need to be fulfilled during that session?

 *No, they can be fulfilled at any time during the Spring/Summer 2018 season.*

How do we sign up for volunteer jobs?

*When Job Signups are opened for an event, you will receive an email announcement. Follow the link in the email, which will take you to the Job Signup page (you will need to log in first). Find a job during a time slot you will be available for and check the box. IMPORTANT! Be sure to click the Signup button at the top or bottom of the page. You will be prompted to enter your contact info.*

Do we need to volunteer at the same session our swimmer is attending?

 *Not necessarily, but it is advisable as it otherwise makes for a long day at the pool.*

I’ve never volunteered before. Don’t I need some sort of training?

*Most meet volunteer positions require little to know prior training or experience. Our website has a listing of volunteer job descriptions under the Parents Corner menu to give you an idea of what each one entails.*

I signed up to volunteer at a meet, but something came up and I couldn’t make it. It’s no big deal, right?

*WRONG! A job signed up for is an obligation. If for any reason you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to find someone to fill in. Get to know your fellow parents and have each other’s back. One of the greatest things about Cats parents is their willingness to help out whenever needed!*