



SEPTEMBER SESSION 2020

The September Session will begin **Tuesday, September 8th**, and will run through **Friday, October 2nd, 2020** (4-week session) for the Gold 1, Gold 2, Gold Plus, Silver, Bronze and Senior groups. At this time, we will not be able to offer Diamond and Platinum groups due to limited pool time and COVID-19 regulations.

Registration will be open on 8/28/2020 to current Summer Session swimmers first. Returning Gator families that did not swim during the Summer Session will then be able to register starting on 8/31/2020. If there is room left in the groups after that registration will open to new members starting on 9/2/2020. Please register ASAP to reserve your spot. There will not be any exceptions once we meet the group limits due to COVID-19 restrictions.

PLEASE REVIEW WITH YOUR SWIMMER THE COVID-19 PRACTICE PROCEDURES. [CLICK HERE](#) TO VIEW THEM.

Session Fees

Gold 1 – \$140.00, Gold 2 – \$140.00, Gold Plus – \$140.00, Silver – \$180.00, Bronze - \$180.00, Senior - \$180.00.

Swimmer Evaluations

If your swimmer needs to be evaluated to determine what group they should be in, please contact Assistant Head Coach Tony Grice at tonyg2f@yahoo.com. He will coordinate with our coaches on a time and place for the evaluation. Coaches **MUST** approve swimmers moving up groups. Please talk with your coach if you have any questions about which group you should sign up for the August Session. Coaches have the final say on what group the swimmers belong in.

Practice Times

Practice for the September Session will take place at **the St. Clair Shores Municipal Pool. This is the general schedule. See the practice schedule on the website for specific dates and times. * Saturday practice times are subject to change. We may be able to practice earlier.**

Gold 1 M/W/F 8:00-9:00 pm, Sat 2:00-3:00 pm, Sun 10:00-11:00 am SCS

Gold 2	M/W/F 8:00-9:00 pm, *Sat 2:00-3:00 pm, Sun 10:00-11:00 am SCS
Gold Plus	M/W/F 8:00-9:00 pm, *Sat 2:00-3:00 pm, Sun 10:00-11:00 am SCS
Silver	M/W 6:00-8:00 am, M/W 9:00-10:00 pm, T/TH 8:00-10:00 pm, *Sat 12:00-2:00 pm, Sun 8:00-10:00 am SCS Pool
Bronze	M/W 6:00-8:00 am, M/W 9:00-10:00 pm, T/TH 8:00-10:00 pm, *Sat 12:00-2:00 pm, Sun 8:00-10:00 am SCS Pool
Senior	M/W 6:00-8:00 am, M/W 9:00-10:00 pm, T/TH 8:00-10:00 pm, *Sat 12:00-2:00 pm, Sun 8:00-10:00 am SCS Pool

Practice times and locations are subject to change. We rent pool time from the City of St. Clair Shores. School and city events take priority over Gators practices and events. We will try and give you as much notice as we can when there is a change in the schedule. Please see the website practice calendar for any changes to the daily practice schedule.

USA Swimming Membership Fee

All swimmers must be registered with USA Swimming. If you swam during the Fall, Winter or Summer sessions you have already paid your USA Registration Fee and do not need to pay the fee at this time.

The cost is **\$82.00**. This is in addition to the session fee. This USA Membership is good until the end of 2021. If you did not swim during the Fall, Winter or Summer session, this fee will be added in during registration. Answer "No" to the question about swimming during the 2019-2020 Fall, Winter, or Summer Sessions.

Multiple Swimmers Per Family Info

- Please register each swimmer separately. This needs to be done to update their USA Swimming membership, which is required to swim with the Gators.
- **Multi-athlete discount:** \$25 off 3rd swimmer, \$25 off each additional swimmer after that.
- The multi-athlete discount will be credited during the billing process.

Registration Information

- Registration will be done online at: www.gpgatorsswim.org
- Payment must be made by credit card or ACH bank transaction through our website. MasterCard, Discover, and Visa Cards are accepted. This includes bank cards that are Mastercard and Visa. See below for ACH payment instructions.

- You must register online and submit your payment before attending practice. Swimmers that are not on the roster will not be allowed to practice.

Registration Refund Policy

Weeks 1-2 of practice: \$30 Refund Fee

Weeks 3-4 of practice: 50% Refund of Registration Dues

After 4 weeks, there will not be any refunds of registration fees.

Late registrations accepted based upon availability.

ACH Payment Option and Transaction Fees

In the past the processing fees for credit cards have been absorbed by the club but they are a significant expenditure (approximately \$11,000 per year) and we have been looking at ways of reducing these costs. This past year we started charging you for these fees.

To help minimize these costs, we added ACH payments through your checking account as a method of payment. In the past we have not offered ACH payments and have added this as cheaper alternative to credit cards. ACH costs only \$1.25 per transaction, so it is generally more cost effective.

We recognize that some people will prefer the convenience of paying by credit card, so we will continue to offer that as an option, but the processing costs of 3% will be passed on to the member.

To set up your ACH information please go into your individual account and click on Setup AutoPay. Under Payment Setup you will click on Add Bank Account. You will need your bank account routing number and account number (both can be found on a check). Make sure you click Fees Associated with Your Account for your ACH payment method. Once you have done this save your payment setup. After your registration is approved, we will then charge your team account for the registration fees and your bank account will be charged on the first of the next month. New members will have to wait until their registration is approved to add their ACH information. New members will receive an email that their registration has been approved.