



LTPY PENGUINS PARENT VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIONS

Parent volunteers are critical to the success of our team!
It's also a great way to meet other families and learn about all things swim team related.
You will not miss your child swim when you volunteer.

There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer at meets. Most jobs are much easier than you might think and many that don't require any special training whatsoever. For example:

Set-up/Clean-up: **There is no training or experience needed for this job.** This is an easy commitment if you have young children that you feel will keep you from being able to volunteer as easily during the meet. There will be a veteran parent overseeing the set-up and clean-up of every meet.

Concessions: **There is no training or experience needed for this job.** Multiple volunteers are needed to sell items that are donated by parents. Package chips, trail mixes, fresh fruit, bottled water, etc. We will also order pizzas or subs to be sold. Typically, the volunteers for the first half of the meet will set up, and the second half volunteers tear down. **You will not miss your swimmer's event!** We are all here to watch our children swim. We have multiple volunteers so that we can take turns stepping out to the pool to see the action.

Bull Pen: **This job keeps you in the action and requires no training!** Multiple volunteers are needed to line up swimmers according to the heat sheet. Only 10 and under swimmers will report to the bull pen. These volunteers are responsible for verifying the names of swimmers in each event and getting them to their assigned lane before their event. Again, **you will not miss your swimmer's event.**

Timers: **You will be poolside for this job and no training is needed!** Timers use stopwatches to time each event in their lane and record the times on provided sheets. A brief orientation will be provided before start of meet.

There are some opportunities that require some training or special certifications, but we have experienced parents in each of these roles that will take you under their wing if you are interested!

Colorado Timing Equipment: You are always poolside for this commitment! There is some **on the job training** that is necessary but parents that may be interested in learning the Colorado Timing Equipment are encouraged to focus your volunteer commitment to this position and the Colorado team will train you and teach you everything you need to know.

Officiating: **This position requires specific training to be certified but you do not need to have a background in swimming.** Officials run the meet and serve to enforce the rules of swimming. Please indicate if you are interested in learning more about officiating.

Scorekeeping / Hy-Tech System: **Training is needed for this position and there are a limited # of spots.** Volunteers are needed to assist with running the swim meet software and scoreboard. Parents interested in learning this position are encouraged to focus your volunteer commitment to this position.

There are also opportunities for parents to get involved outside of just our swim meets.

Social Functions: A group of parents work on our end of season banquet... a few fun events that take place throughout the season... gathering donations for goodie bags for "The 12 days of Christmas practices" that will take place in December... 1000th PB Party ... organizing a Fun Family Meet that takes place toward the end of the season... we have had movie events/special parties ...