**Albany Aquatic Association Volunteer Policy**

Every year Albany Aquatics Association hosts a minimum of 5 swim meets (6 if we are hosting 10 & Under Championships) and the 4A High School Districts concession stand. These events are HUGE fundraisers for our Swim Team and are successful due to our amazing AAA family volunteers.

Hosting Swim Meets at Albany Community Pool provides two things:

1. A local place for your young Athlete to compete
2. Revenues which help keep operating costs and coaching dues affordable

The Swim Fiscal Year is broken into two seasons. Short Course Season is held September to March and Long Course Season is held April to August.

Short Course Season requires roughly 7 hours of Volunteer Time per family spread out over these events: October Pentathlon, November Swim Meet, 4A High School Districts Concession Stand and February Swim Meet.

Long Course Season requires roughly (depends on number of Active families) 12 hours of Volunteer Time per family spread out over these events: May Swim Meet, June Swim Meet and 10 & Under Championships (mid-July).

The various volunteer jobs at a swim meet may sound intimidating, but in truth they are very simple. 95% of the jobs take about 5 minutes of training and then once can perform the job very easily.

There will be a Volunteer Sign-In at every event that we host throughout the year. If you do not sign in, then you DO NOT get credit for your volunteer hours for that event (see Jennifer at Meet Director’s table behind starting block to sign-in).

If you have a conflict or need help, please know anyone may volunteer for your family for credit. Examples are: Grandpa, Grandma, sister or brother of swimmer, friend of swimmer, etc. The person volunteering for your family needs to sign-in with your family name in parentheses.

When registering for the team annually, each family will be asked to sign our AAA Volunteer Policy, which explains that families who have not volunteered the required number of hours will be charged $15.00 per unfulfilled hour at the end of each Short Course and Long Course Season.

If you have concerns about meeting the required hours, please contact the Team Treasurer or Meet Director to discuss options BEFORE the end of the season.