

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Do I have to provide a credit card?

A: No. You can also mail payments each month. Having a credit card gives you a \$5/month discount though.

Q: Are practices offered year round?

A: Yes. Other than a short break for the holidays, we offer practice every week of the year. You can suspend your account at any time, however.

Q: Are there discounts if I have multiple swimmers on the team?

A: Yes. Each additional child from the same family receives a \$10/month discount.

Q: Can I pro-rate a month if my child only swims a few times?

A: No. We do offer 10-pass cards that are good for 3 months, though.



Locations and Site Leaders

AG High School: Rich Firman 805-704-1807

Avila Bay Club: Mitch Emerson 805-242-3465

Atascadero Kennedy: Karen Neil 805-704-5082

SLO Kennedy Club: Jud Clark 805-709-7946

How To Join Puma

1. Swim Assessment

Assessments are offered at all pools and will ensure your child is in the right group. Please bring the following items to the assessment:

- Completed assessment form from website
- Check for \$64 to "Southern California Swimming"
- Copy of birth certificate for age verification
- Towel, goggles, swim suit & a smile!

Call the site lead to schedule an assessment. Assessment times are as follows:

- **Atascadero:** Tu/Th/Fr at 3:30pm
- **Arroyo Grande:** M-F at 6:30pm
- **Avila:** M/W/F at 4:00pm
- **SLO:** Tu/Thu/Fr 3:30 pm

2. Free Week Trial

Your swimmer can try out the team for one week at no cost. At the end of the trial, if you decide not to join, your check will be returned. If you decide, it will be applied to the US Swimming Registration cost.

3. Join The Team!

- Go to www.pumaswim.org and click "Online Registration"
- Fill out your info and click "Add Member" to add your child.
- **Add your credit card for discounted dues!**
- **Verify that you have joined by bringing the sign-up coupon on the other side to your site leader**

Your registration will be in "Pending" status and you will receive an e-mail verification when your site-leader activates it.



*The Premier Swim Club
on the
Central Coast*

Come in for a free assessment and get a free 1-week try-out period to "test the waters."

See how swimming can change your life!

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About Puma Swim Team

Puma is a year-round swim program that offers a fun, challenging, and goal-oriented experience for swimmers 5 years and older. Competing in swim meets is a highlight but is not required. Puma caters to both recreational and competitive swimmers ranging from novice to National level swimmers.

Our Core Values

- **Stroke technique:** All levels in our program emphasize proper mechanics to ensure the most efficient and powerful swimming strokes.
- **Self-Improvement:** Whether the goal is simply improving a stroke or setting a national record, swimmers are encouraged to set achievable goals that help them improve.
- **Fun:** We believe that it is important to have fun while working hard. We strive to have lifelong swimmers that enjoy the sport.



What Does Puma Cost?

Swimming is a relatively low-cost sport to participate in compared to other team activities. We offer 7 different levels so that any child from a complete beginner to a seasoned athlete will fit in. The monthly cost for each group is listed below:

Cubs	\$85/month
Bronze	\$95/month
Silver	\$105/month
Gold	\$115/month
Platinum	\$120/month
Junior	\$130/month
Senior	\$140/month

In addition, there is a one-time \$50 start-up fee per family, and an annual US Swimming Registration cost of \$64/year. Sign up for automatic monthly dues payments and receive a discount of \$5/month. Multiple swimmer discounts are also available.

Puma Practice Times

Practices are offered up to 6 times per week for the Bronze-Platinum groups, 8 times for Junior-Senior groups, and 3 times per week for Cubs. There are no minimum practice requirements as it is based on what your swimmers goals are. Swimmers can participate at any of our 4 locations in Arroyo Grande, Avila Bay, San Luis Obispo, and Atascadero. Practice times begin at Avila, SLO, and Atascadero at 3:30 pm. Our South County location begins at 5:30 pm. Please go to www.pumaswim.org and click on the "Practice Times" tabs for all updated practice information.

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Q: What is the youngest age for Puma?

A: Most kids are over 5. The minimum requirement is that swimmers must be able to comfortably get across the pool (25 yards) on their stomach and on their back.

Q: Does my child have to compete?

A: No. While competition is encouraged, it is not required.

Q: Do I have to register with US Swimming even if I don't go to meets?

A: Yes. The US Swimming registration also provides insurance to Puma and to your child and helps us keep our monthly fees down.

I'm Ready To Join!

Swimmer _____

Parent _____

I have filled out a US Swimming form, and provided a check for \$64 to "Southern California Swimming" with a copy of my child's birth certificate.

I have registered at www.pumaswim.org.

I am attaching a check for \$50 to "Puma" for a start up fee...

OR

...bill my account for the \$50 startup fee.

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