

# TEACHING THE COMMUNITY TO SWIM

## Summer 1 Group Swim Lessons June 3 – June 13

(Monday-Thursday)

Swimming is a life skill as well as great exercise and a challenging sport. We use a variety of fun methods to help kids overcome fears, build confidence in the water and develop skills that last a lifetime. The YMCA has over 100 years of experience teaching kids and adults how to swim, providing a safe and rewarding place to enjoy aquatics. Believe it or not, now is the perfect time for you or your child to learn how to swim! The YMCA of Catawba Valley's swim lessons are progressive so everyone continues enhancing their skills in each lesson.

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

YMCA Members: \$70 Non-Members: \$145

\*Financial Assistance is available; please call for more information.

#### YMCA REGISTRATION DATES

April 15 - May 31

#### **CITY OF HICKORY VOUCHER DATES**

May 20 - May 24

#### **CITY OF HICKORY**

Participants who live within the Hickory city limits should go to the Highland Recreation Center or on the city website during the City Registrations Dates to obtain a swim lesson voucher. Residents must bring the voucher with them to the Y to register.

Water Exploration Is the student comfortable working with an instructor without a parent in the water? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Water Exploration. In stage B, parents work with their children to explore body positions, floating, blowing bubbles, and fundamental safety and aquatic skills.

Water Acclimation Will the student go underwater voluntarily? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Water Acclimation. Students develop comfort with underwater exploration and learn to safely exit in the event of falling into a body of water in stage 1. This stage lays the foundation that allows for a student's future progress in swimming.

Water Movement Can the student do a front and back float on his or her own? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Water Movement. In stage 2, students focus on body position and control, directional change, and forward movement in the water while also continuing to practice how to safely exit in the event of falling into a body of water.

Water Stamina Can the student swim 10–15 yards on his or her front and back? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Water Stamina. In stage 3, students learn how to swim to safety from a longer distance than in previous stages in the event of falling into a body of water. This stage also introduces rhythmic breathing and integrated arm and leg action.

**Stroke Introduction** Can the student swim 15 yards of front and back crawl? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Stroke Introduction. Students in stage 4 develop stroke technique in front crawl and back crawl and learn the breaststroke kick and butterfly kick. Water safety is reinforced through treading water and elementary backstroke.

Stroke Development Can the student swim front crawl, back crawl, and breaststroke across the pool? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Stroke Development. Students in stage 5 work on stroke technique and learn all major competitive strokes. The emphasis on water safety continues through treading water and sidestroke.

Stroke Mechanics Can the student swim front crawl, back crawl, and breaststroke across the pool and back? If the answer is not yet, then begin in Stroke Mechanics. In stage 6, students refine stroke technique on all major competitive strokes, learn about competitive swimming, and discover how to incorporate swimming into a healthy lifestyle.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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### 2024 SUMMER 1 SWIM LESSONS | Registration Form

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	STAGES / AGES	PLEASE CHECK PREFERRED (Monday-Thursday)	
	Water Exploration / 6 mths - 3 yrs	□ 5:30pm – 5:50pm	□ 6:30pm - 6:50pm
	Water Acclimation / 3–5 yrs	□ 4:30pm - 5:00pm	□ 6:00pm - 6:30pm
	Water Acclimation / 6-12 yrs	□ 5:00pm – 5:30pm	□ 6:30pm - 7:00pm
	Water Movement / 3-5 yrs	□ 4:30pm – 5:00pm	□ 6:00pm - 6:30pm
	Water Movement / 6–12 yrs	□ 5:00pm – 5:30pm	□ 6:30pm - 7:00pm
	Water Stamina / 3-5 yrs	□ 4:30pm – 5:00pm	□ 6:00pm - 6:30pm
	Water Stamina / 6–12 yrs	□ 5:00pm - 5:30pm	□ 6:30pm - 7:00pm
	Stroke Introduction / 6-12 yrs.	□ 5:30pm - 6:00pm	□ 7:00pm – 7:30pm
	Stroke Development / 6-12 yrs.	□ 5:30pm – 6:00pm	□ 7:00pm - 7:30pm
	Stroke Mechanics / 6-12 yrs.	□ 5:30pm - 6:00pm	□ 7:00pm – 7:30pm
	Teen/Adult / 12-99 yrs.	□ 6:30pm – 7:00pm	□ 7:30pm - 8:00pm