



2018-19 Registration Information

Welcome to another season with Lyons Aquatics! We are looking forward to another great season. Please read the following information as it contains details about the upcoming season.

Registration Dates for Returning Swimmers

Registration will open for all returning swimmers on August 6th, 2018. We ask that returning swimmers register by August 19th so that we know our numbers prior to tryouts. A \$15 late fee will be applied beginning September 1st.

Tryouts for Potential New Swimmers

Tryouts will be held on August 20th and August 21st for potential swimmers. **Returning swimmers do not need to attend tryouts.** Potential swimmers only need to attend one of the two tryout dates. Please go to the Online Registration tab on our website at www.lyonsaquatics.com for more information and to sign-up.

Team Placement

You will receive an email letting you know which team your athlete has been assigned to. Please be sure to register for the team that you are assigned. The lead coaches have taken careful consideration of both your swimmer's age and ability in order to place him/her on the team that will allow for the most development and success. If you have questions about your child's placement, please contact the lead coach from your team last year as he/she can answer any questions you may have as to why your child was assigned to a new team.

Lead Coaches:

White Team – Liz Wilp

Red Team – Julie Jackson

Blue Team – Julie Jackson

Bronze Team – Liz Wilp

Silver Team – Paul Busse

We are currently interviewing great candidates for lead coaching positions for the Gold, Senior and National teams. These coaches WILL be in place before the season starts. We are very excited about the changes coming to our club and teams. If you have any questions about Gold, Senior or National teams, please contact Coach Megan at meganjrt20@gmail.com.

We appreciate your loyalty and patience.

Season Start Date

Practices will begin for the season on September 10, 2018.

Registration Fees

The program fees for the 2018-18 season are outlined in the chart below. We are offering three options.

1. Register for the Fall/Winter season only and pay in full
2. Register for the Fall/Winter season only and use payment plan – pay an additional \$15 to have the option to pay in two installments (payments are at time of registration and 12/1/2018)
3. Register for the full year (Fall/Winter, Spring and Summer seasons) at one time and receive a 10% discount on the registration fees (payments are at time of registration, 12/1/2018, and 2/1/2019 except White team which will only have the first two payments as there is no Summer season for White team).

No refunds will be granted two weeks after practices have begun. You are responsible for paying the balance due in full unless a medical refund was granted. Refund requests for medical reasons must be made via e-mail to the Board at LyonsSwimBoard@gmail.com. An administrative fee of \$50 will be assessed for any refunds.

You must have a valid credit card on file with the club. When you register, please be sure to click the box on the payment page to save your credit as your primary payment so it can be used for meet fees.

Meet Entries and Fees

Meets will be opened for entries when the meet files are available from the host club. Swimmers eligible for meets will be invited to attend and will receive an automated email notifying them of the invitation. Swimmers are asked to login to their account and either accept or decline attendance at the entire meet or in specific sessions. Lyons Aquatics will post on the website the close date when entries are due. **Members who ask to be entered in a meet after the close date will be added if the meet host club will accept late entries and a \$10 per swimmer late fee will be assessed in addition to the regular meet fees.**

Athletes are responsible for paying all meet fees and associated surcharges for sessions entered. If a swimmer has an injury and is unable to swim in a meet, meet fees will be refunded if a doctor's note is submitted. If a swimmer does not participating in a meet due to illness, personal conflict, etc., he/she is still responsible for paying all meet fees.

Travel Fees and Deposits

With various travel meets requiring different levels of coaching assistance, we have structured our travel meet fees based on both coach role for the meet (managing vs chaperoning) and the number of swimmers attending the meet.

- For meets outside of the Chicagoland area in which parents are integral and provide all accommodations for athletes and our coaches travel to only manage and coach our swimmers at the pool, a \$20 per swimmer fee will be assessed. Examples include: Fishers, Circle City Classic – Indy, Age Group State in Pleasant Prairie
- For travel meets in which our coaches travel at a higher cost, act as a partial chaperone, manage transportation, and/or provide assistance in keeping our athletes fed, we charge \$50 per swimmer. Examples include: Iowa, NASA - Clearwater, FL
- Elite meets (Jr Nationals/Grand Prix) in which parents are often not part of the travel arrangements, our coaches are fully responsible for the safety, local transportation, and some feeding of athletes, we charge as per the expenses needed by coaches – often \$200 per athlete -dependent upon number of athletes and coaches needed.

New this year, we will be requiring a deposit to be paid in advance by each swimmer attending meets that require travel and overnight stays, such as the Iowa and Florida meets. The deposit amount will be \$250 unless the total expected cost is less than that amount. The deposit will demonstrate a commitment to attend and will help to pay for upfront costs such as airfare, hotel deposit, and/or van rental.

Volunteer Requirements

In order to have successful home meets, we as a club must have parent volunteers.

The Lyons Pride meet will take place October 20-21, 2018. This meet has 2 days of swimming or a total of 4 sessions, which means that we only need each **participating** family to volunteer **1 session**.

The Lyons Classic meet will take place February 8-10, 2019. This meet has 3 days of swimming or a total of 7 sessions. These additional sessions mean we need each **participating** family to volunteer for **2 sessions** to ensure we have a smooth meet that runs on time.

The volunteer sessions are **NOT per swimmer, they are per FAMILY**. It does not matter how many swimmers you have in the meet, you are only required to do the number of the volunteer sessions for that meet.

There are buy-out options for each meet if you cannot attend the meet. If your swimmer is participating in the meet you **MUST** either volunteer or buy out. There are a **limited** number of buy-outs available per meet.

If you do not sign up at all or do not show up for your assigned shift, you will be fined \$200.

If your swimmer is NOT participating in the meet, you do not have a volunteer obligation.

If you have any questions about the registration process, please contact lyonsmanager@gmail.com.

If you have questions about policies or team placement, please contact Coach Megan at meganjrt20@gmail.com

We look forward to another fantastic season at Lyons Aquatics!!

ADDENDUM A

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Fees for Fall/Winter Registration Only (September 2018-February 2019)

TEAM	FEE – Pay In Full	Fee – Installment Plan*
White Team	\$375	2 x \$195= \$390 total
Red Team	\$640	2 x \$327.50= \$655 total
Blue Team	\$720	2 x \$367.50= \$735 total
Bronze Team	\$640	2 x \$327.50= \$655 total
Silver Team	\$810	2 x \$412.50= \$825 total
Gold Team	\$920	2 x \$467.50= \$935 total
Senior I	\$770	2 x \$392.50= \$785 total
Senior II – Girls**	\$400	2 x \$207.50 = \$415 total
Senior II – Boys**	\$370	2 x \$192.50 = \$385
National Team – year round (no HS season)	\$960	2 x \$487.50= \$975 total
National Team – HS girls	\$450	2 x \$232.50= \$465 total
National Team – HS Boys	\$420	2 x \$217.50= \$435 total

**Reflects fee after the \$15 fee for payment plan.*

*** Difference in fee between girls and boys is due to number of weeks they swim based on timing of the high school seasons.*

****Will have the opportunity to register for Spring and Summer sessions separately as those seasons approach*

Fees for Year-Round Registration (September 2018-July 2019)

TEAM	FEE – Pay In Full*	Fee – Installment Plan*
White Team (season ends in May as no summer season for White team)	\$472.50	2 X \$243.75 = \$487.50
Red Team	\$1039.50	3 X \$351.50 = \$1054.50
Blue Team	\$1206	3 x \$407= \$1221
Bronze Team	\$1138.50	3 x \$384.50 = \$1153.50
Silver Team	\$1413	3 X \$476 = \$1428
Gold Team	\$1525.50	3 x \$513.50 = \$1540.50
Senior I	\$1386	3 x \$467 = \$1401
Senior II – Girls**	\$1053	3 x \$356 = \$1068
Senior II – Boys**	\$1026	3 x \$347 = \$1041
National Team – (no HS season)	\$1557	3 x \$524 = \$1572
National Team – HS girls	\$1098	3 x \$371 = \$1113
National Team – HS Boys	\$1071	3 x \$362 = \$1086

* Reflects the total after adding the \$15 payment plan fee

** Difference in fee between girls and boys is due to number of weeks they swim based on timing of the high school seasons.

Billing for the year-round plan will occur on the following dates:

1. At the time of registration
2. December 1, 2018
3. February 1, 2019