

Welcome! ¡Bienvenidos! □□ добро пожаловать Pari yegak

We want to welcome you to the Rose Bowl Swim Team and let you know that we are excited to have you become a member of the Rose Bowl family. The Rose Bowl Swim Team is a fun, energizing, and competitive group, and we are fortunate to have highly skilled and dedicated coaches to help our swimmers get the most out of their competitive swimming experience.

Here is an information packet with a few items of interest to new families. This is the procedure **for new families joining us in September 2009**. At this point, your child will have completed his “try-out” for the team and you’ve been advised of the practice group to which they have been assigned.

First, you must **complete a USA Swimming registration form** for each child (attached). And you must pay \$55 for this registration fee. Since you are joining in September, your \$55 fee will register your child through the balance of 2009 and through all of 2010. In the future, you will be required to pay \$55 per year. Every swimmer must register yearly with ***USA Swimming***. *This is very important: if swimmers are not registered, they may not swim at the Rose Bowl or participate in any meet, either at the Rose Bowl or away.* Your swimmer may start practicing with the team as soon as this form is completed and the \$55 is paid.

One component of this form requires a verification of birth date. You must bring a birth certificate or passport for each swimmer and show it to a coach or New Families coordinator. If you have brought the **swimmer’s birth certificate** today, please show it to a coach or New Families coordinator, and they will initial the top corner of this form. If not, your child may swim when the form is completed (and \$55 paid), but please bring a birth certificate on the next practice day and we will verify the form at that time.

Second, you must **complete the temporary contact information sheet** (attached). This will enable us to communicate with you from the start of the season until our new system is complete. Within the next month, the team will be implementing a new on-line registration process for all team members, and you will be included in that process. In addition to providing a lot of contact and communication information in the system, you will also need to pay an annual “Swim Team Registration fee (\$25) at that time, as well as a “family commitment” payment to the Booster Club, depending on the practice group of your swimmer. Neither of these payments is due at this time and more information is included in the “2009-2010 Fees & Policies” document in this package.

Third, you need to go to the front desk of the Aquatics Center and **pay your monthly training fee to the Rose Bowl Aquatics Center**. This fee is paid directly to the Center and the amount varies according to the swimmer’s level. The very helpful staff at the front desk will orient you about the Center’s policies and procedures, and they can tell you about different forms of payment. If your family has financial need, there is a scholarship program through the Center. You must make this payment every month – it is due on the first of the month.

Fourth, over the next week, **talk to your coach about the upcoming, early season swim meets**. There is one at home here at the Rose Bowl on Saturday, September 19th, and another the following weekend in Santa Monica. You may sign-up for either or both meets, by emailing to your coach or by completing the Meet Entry form in the lobby.

If you have questions, feel free to ask the *New Family Orientation Coordinators* (Katie Carey and Kathy Seeto), your child's swimming group parent liaison or any other veteran parent you see at the Rose Bowl. *If you can't find Katie or Kathy at the pool, drop us a note in the New Family Folder located in the lobby of the Rose Bowl Aquatics Center by the High Point Swim Shop.* We urge you to come to the *Monthly Parent Meetings* held in the RBAC Conference Room.

Within the next week, we will be adding a red folder with your swimmer(s)' names to the set of Swim Team folders located in the lobby near the store. Please check here periodically for information. We also encourage you to check daily for new information under the Swim Team tab of the *AAF Rose Bowl Aquatics Center* website (www.rosebowlaquatics.org).

We're delighted you've chosen the Rose Bowl Aquatics Swim Team. See you at the pool!

**Jeff Julian,
Head Coach**

**Katie Carey & Kathy Seeto
New Parent Orientation Coordinators**