

SWIM LESSONS

PARENT/CHILD



Parents and children can come together to learn and grow in Parent/Child Swim Starters Aquatics Program. Accompanied by a parent*, infants and toddlers learn to be comfortable in the water and develop swim readiness skills through fun and confidence-building experiences, while parents learn about water safety, drowning prevention, and the importance of supervision.

A / Water Discovery Introduces infants and toddlers to the aquatic environment.

B / Water Exploration Focuses on exploring body positions, blowing bubbles, and fundamental safety and aquatic skills.

SWIM LESSONS

PRESCHOOL 3-5 YEARS OLD



Students learn personal water safety and achieve basic swimming competency by learning two benchmark skills: **swim, float, swim**—sequencing front glide, roll, back float, roll, front glide, and exit—and **jump, push, turn, grab**.

In Water Acclimation, Water Movement, and Water Stamina, students are taught the recommended skills for all to have around water including safe water habits, underwater exploration, and how to swim to safety and exit in the event of falling into a body of water. Activities, games, and drills, geared to reinforce learning, are utilized heavily as students progress in this skill-based approach to swimming.

1 / Water Acclimation Increases comfort with underwater exploration and introduces basic self-rescue skills performed with assistance.

2 / Water Movement Encourages forward movement in water and basic self-rescue skills performed independently.

3 / Water Stamina Develops intermediate self-rescue skills performed at longer distances than in previous stages.

4 / Stroke Introduction Introduces basic stroke technique in front crawl and back crawl and reinforces water safety through treading water and elementary backstroke.

SWIM LESSONS

YOUTH 6-14 YEARS OLD



Having mastered the fundamentals, students learn additional water safety skills and build stroke technique, developing skills that prevent chronic disease, increase social-emotional and cognitive well-being, and foster a lifetime of physical activity.

In Stroke Introduction, Stroke Development and Stroke Mechanics, swimmers are introduced to the four competitive swimming strokes as well as rescue skills and healthy lifestyle habits.

1 / Water Acclimation Increases comfort with underwater exploration and introduces basic self-rescue skills performed with assistance.

2 / Water Movement Encourages forward movement in water and basic self-rescue skills performed independently.

3 / Water Stamina Develops intermediate self-rescue skills performed at longer distances than in previous stages.

4 / Stroke Introduction Introduces basic stroke technique in front crawl and back crawl and reinforces water safety through treading water and elementary backstroke.

5 / Stroke Development Introduces breast-stroke and butterfly and reinforces water safety through treading water and sidestroke.

6 / Stroke Mechanics Refines stroke technique on all major competitive strokes and encourages swimming as part of a healthy lifestyle.