



Crawfish Aquatics Fundraising Policy

The Crawfish Aquatics Fundraising Policy is in place to secure the long-term financial viability of our organization and to financially equip it to offer the quality standards expressed by our vision.

Financial obligations for Crawfish Aquatics are met through member tuition/fees, athletic events (meets), and outside fundraising. While our base level financial goal is to generate sufficient income to meet the pool & facility rental and upkeep fees (heating, electricity, chemicals and water), cover operating costs and employ a large and experienced staff for quality care and expertise, as an organization we are continually striving to expand and offer new and exciting opportunities to our membership that set Crawfish Aquatics apart from other organizations.

This policy allows for reduced monthly dues rates and provides flexibility to meet the families' interests. All funds raised by organization members beyond base financial needs go directly back to the membership through facility expansion/additions, special events, equipment purchase and other items that benefit swimmers and their families.

Summary

- Each family with swimmers in the Advanced Competitive groups (Senior, Junior Division) that participates in the program for over 6 months is required to contribute \$300 per calendar year in outside fundraising.
- Each family with swimmers in the Performance Track groups (9 & U Division, Age Group Division, HS Group) that participates in the program for over 6 months is required to contribute \$150 per calendar year in outside fundraising.
- If a family has children in both the Advanced Competitive groups and Performance Track groups the fundraising obligation will be \$300.
- Novice, Developmental Competitive group does not have a fundraising obligation.
- Two organized fundraisers will be held per year (with fundraising obligation billing issued following each):
 - o **Swim-a-Thon-** April/early May
 - o **Business Sponsorships-** November Kickoff and throughout the year

Process

- \$50% of your Annual Obligation will be invoiced in May and 50% in November of each year.
 - o \$150 (Advanced Comp Track) and \$75 (Performance Track) will be due at each invoicing period.
- Any amount toward the amount due at the "First Half of Year" or "Second Half of Year" billing that is not satisfied after the organized fundraisers will be deducted with other monthly fees on those invoices.
- Families may independently conduct fundraising at any time during the year.
- Families may satisfy any or the entire amount at any time during the year.
- There is no carryover of excess contributions from year to year except for business sponsors obtained in the fall—these can be applied to November and May of the following year.
- For new members, there is a six-month grace period – the obligation will begin the first May or November after the six-month grace period has ended. *Examples: join in September, the first obligation will be in May; join in January, the first obligation will be November.*

Conditions

- The amount will be reviewed on an annual basis and adjusted (up or down) as necessary. It is never intended to have any excess funds beyond the operational costs and necessary investments of the club.
- Special situations such as illnesses or families rejoining the club after a lapse in membership will be reviewed by the staff on a case-by-case basis.