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Announcements & Reminders

Mardi Gras Meet- Sign up deadline is January 13
 The Mardi Gras Meet at LSU is January 24-26 and the sign up deadline is coming up! Eligible groups are listed on the meet info page (this is a sanctioned USA Swimming meet).
 <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/mardi-gras-meet-at-lsu</u>

• Reserved Spot: Bourgeois Family

Please do not use this parking space- this space was purchased at our fundraiser silent auction and is reserved for the Bourgeois family (who have more than one swimmer in two different groups) through April 2020. Thank you for your observation of this reserved spot!

• Parking Lot Reminders and Parent Drop off/pick up

We ask our families to park in a space and walk in for pick up or park until practice dismissal and then circle through to pick up. We understand that with us limited to one entry and exit point during the colder months there is a lot of flow in and out of the same location, and appreciate everyone working together to keep things safe for our swimmers entering and exiting and helping to keep the lot flowing.

If you have an older swimmer that is a driver, please remind them that they are to park in the Lafayette High Stadium lot.

As for drop off and pick up, please remember that swimmers under 13 years old may NOT be left unattended at the pool more than 20 min prior to the start of their practices and swimmers MUST be picked up no later than 10 min after the finish of their practices. Our coaches have had to monitor several swimmers in recent weeks due to parents and sitters dropping off swimmers in excess of 45 min and picking up swimmers later than an hour by parents and sitters. If a swimmer wants to or needs to arrive early, then a parent or sitter must wait with them. If a parent or sitter will be late picking up a swimmer, please email or call the office or have another parent wait with your swimmer until you return. Please email the office with any questions you might have.

Practice Schedule: Week of January 6

<u>NO SATURDAY PRACTICE</u> due to the swim meet in Baton Rouge!

Sr Black/ Sr White Monday and Friday 5:15- 6:30am (Sr Black) Sr Black swimmers participating in the Friday session of the meet will not have practice Friday morning!!! Monday- Friday 3:45- 6:00pm

Sr Red

Mon, Wed, Friday 5:45- 6:15 Drylands, 6:20- 7:30p Swim

Jr Red

Mon, Wed, Friday 5:30- 7:00 Bring Dryland Gear! *Jr White* will practice 4:00- 5:30 Tuesday and Thursday in addition to normal Jr Red schedule (no Dryland gear needed)

Age Group

Monday, Wednesday 4:30- 6:00

8&Under

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 4:30- 5:30pm

Novice Team (must pass swim assessment before registering) Tuesday, Thursday 5:40- 6:20pm

Crawfish Aquatics Winter Invitational this Weekend!

We are looking forward to having 200+ CA athletes competing in the CA Winter Invitational this weekend! Entries from visiting teams and our team are being processed and we will post athlete entry reports along with any updates to the meet schedule on Tuesday (see current schedule on the website). http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/2020-crawfish-aquatics-winter-invitational

Meet Volunteers Support: We will need plenty of hands to help with timing, along with Meet Mgmt. *Sign up- <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054badac2fa4fd0-2020</u> <i>Officials Sign up: <u>https://forms.gle/sR2rAhdvP2d7x3a56</u>*

Training of NEW Officials: we are at a critical low of officials, not only for Crawfish Aquatics but within LA Swimming. We need to have at least 12 officials and 4 trained as a Starter or Referee to be secure in carrying continue to host swim meets (this will be a huge component of consideration as we plan for

hosting the large number of meets we offer at our facility throughout the year. *We are specifically in need of parents with 12 & Under athletes to begin this process!*

Would you consider being trained as a meet official? Ron Moore can meet you during practice and run you through the course, then set you up on deck during the meet to walk with another Official for "live training". You could even start this weekend! Email the office if you would be willing to take part in Officials Training. Crawfish pays for all certification and your meet fees are "on us" also.

Upcoming Events Schedule and Important Dates

Go to Meet page on website: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/swim-team/meet-information</u>

- January 24-26: Mardi Gras Meet at LSU (USA Swimming sanctioned) Sign up: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/mardi-gras-meet-at-lsu</u>
- February 8: CA Developmental Meet
 8 & Under, Age Group, all of Junior Division, Senior Prep
 Sign up: <u>http://www.crawfishaguatics.com/calendar/crawfish-developmental-meet-feb-2020</u>
- February 13-16: Senior State Championship Sign up: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/senior-short-course-state-championship-2020</u>
- <u>March 5 or 6 (TBD soon!): CA Developmental Meet</u>
 Sign up: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/crawfish-developmental-meet-march-2020-at-ca-br</u>
- <u>March 12-15: 14 & Under Championship</u>
 Sign up: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/age-group-sc-state-championship</u>
- <u>March 21: 8 & Under Championship</u>
 Sign up: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/calendar/8-under-championship-4</u>

Invoice questions? Log in to your Team Unify account!

- To view past or upcoming invoices or change your payment method, log in to your Team Unify account! https://www.teamunify.com/team/laca/page/home
- <u>Team Unify app</u>: Please note that the app does not show billing history- you will need to log in to your account through the TU website for that. https://www.teamunify.com/swim-team-management-software/swim-app/

Team Suit and Training Equipment Requirements

View Info/Order here: <u>http://www.crawfishaquatics.com/swim-team/team-outfitting/</u>

• <u>Team Suit Orde</u>rs through DJ Sports online (Arena or Dolfin- use sort menu on left). -Not required for Novice, 8 & U, or AG. There is a sizing kit available at the Info Booth to check sizes before order. Wear a black Crawfish cap at the meets! -Ordering is available all year long.

-There is a sizing booth at the Info Booth that you can use to check sizes before ordering!

• <u>Training Equipment</u>:

-Junior White/Red, Senior Black/ White/ Red have equipment requirements. These are listed on the website by group. Equipment can be ordered through the DJ Sports link.

Fundraising Policy

Fundraising obligations allow flexibility for families and a lower monthly dues amount, which is reviewed annually by our staff. You can utilize the fundraisers (Swim-A-thon or the Business Sponsor program) or have the amount post to your May and December invoices. 50% of your family's obligation is invoiced/due in May and the other 50% is invoiced/due in December. *Review full policy from the*

handbook here:

Lafayette Fundraising Policy

**There is a 6 month grace period for new members before fundraising obligation begins.

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- Rate & Review us on Yelp! Crawfish Aquatics,

Lafayette:https://tinyurl.com/yajx5hog

- <u>Twitter: https://twitter.com/crawfishaquatic</u>
- <u>Website:www.crawfishaquatics.com</u>