

Highland Splash

April 12, 2011

Dear Parents and Swimmers,

Welcome to the 31st season of *The Highland Splash*!

PARENT MEETING & TEAM PICNIC: Monday, June 6th, 5:30 p.m. at Lindendale Park Pavilion. The main purpose of this meeting will be for everyone to meet the coaches and board members. This is also a great time to meet the other swim parents, find out what to expect at meets, ask questions and volunteer to help. The more you know, the more you can help your swimmer get the most out of the season. This year, the first practice will be the evening of the Parent Meeting.

PRACTICE: A practice schedule is attached. There are three practice groups. Please bring your swimmer to the practice most appropriate for his/her age. Placement in the practice groups is subject to change. Once practice begins, abilities can be assessed further. If a swimmer would benefit by being moved to a different group, changes will be made accordingly. If you have a conflict with the schedule, please discuss it with the Team Coach. Together you can work out an appropriate time to attend practice.

All swimmers should be on the pool deck ten minutes before their practice time in order to stretch. The Team Coaches expect everyone to be on time. Our pool use is limited, so we must make every minute count!

POOL PASS: Just a reminder, a Pool Pass is a requirement to swim on the team. Purchase your pass at the Korte Rec Center (651-1386) before May 31st. If you don't have a pass, you CANNOT swim!

SUITS: We are offering a Red & Black Team Suit, however an all-black suit is perfectly acceptable. We do *not* require a team suit, but girls *must* wear a one-piece suit. Team suits will be bulk ordered during registration with a discount (no discount after 4/12). If you choose not to order the suit during registration, it can be purchased on-line at www.swimoutlet.com – the suit description is: Sporti Light Wave.

GOGGLES: *EVERYONE NEEDS GOGGLES!!!* Chlorine in the water actually becomes hydrochloric acid, which is hard on your eyes. Goggles also help you see the wall better!

SWIMMER FILE BOX: The Coach will always have a plastic file folder box at the pool. Each family has a folder in the box. Splash Information Handouts and most importantly, Meet Ribbons will be filed alphabetically – please have your swimmer check the box regularly! There will also be a folder for the Coach – if you have a note for the Coach it can be placed here. The Meet Absentee Forms are VERY important & should be placed in the Coaches folder as well! (Please fill these out and return promptly, so the Coach can begin planning the meets – thanks!)

INTERNET: www.highlandsplash.org Check it out!! The Highland Splash maintains a website. Check it often for news, minutes, scores, schedules, etc!

TEAM E-MAIL ADDRESS: highland.splash@gmail.com Please feel free to send questions or requests to this e-mail inbox.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions contact a board member listed below. We would be happy to help. We look forward to seeing you at the parent meeting on June 6th at 5:30 P.M.

Sincerely,
The Parents Board

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2011 Meet Schedule

June 11	SPLASH BASH (practice meet)		
June 16	Highland	@	Freeburg
June 21	Dorchester	@	Highland
June 23	St. Clair	@	Highland
June 28	Highland	@	Scott AFB
June 30	Highland	@	Westhaven
July 5	O'Fallon	@	Highland
July 7	Dupo	@	Highland
July 12	Highland	@	Kingspoint
July 23	Midwest Conference Championship Meet**		
August 6	All Star Meet**		

All regular season meets: Warm-ups begin at 5:30 p.m.; Meets begin at 6:00 p.m.
Warm up time for the Midwest Conference Championships begins at 7:00 a.m.

** Swimmers must qualify for the Conference Championship & All Star Meet.