PRIORITY REGISTRATION: Monday, June 24 through Wednesday, July 3

Who should register during Priority Registration?

- **Current Maverick Swimmers.** This is defined as those swimmers who participated in the 2023-24 Winter SC season or 2024 Summer LC season, including approved 2024 Stroke Clinic swimmers.
 - Current Maverick Swimmers must register for the group recommended by coaching staff. This is found on the <u>Registration Information</u> page of the website.
 - Swimmers interested in registering for a group other than the one recommended by Maverick coaches must first speak to the Lead Coach who made the recommendation (the prior season coach).
 - Current Maverick swimmers with a recommendation of "Evaluate" must attend the swimmer evaluation to be considered for a spot on the roster. Visit the Join Maverick page to complete the Swimmer Interest Form.
- All other swimmers should follow instructions for Potential New Swimmers. More information is posted on the Join <u>Maverick</u> page of our website and later in this document. Swimmers interested in joining Maverick must first attend an evaluation to obtain a coach recommendation for group placement.

Note for High School-age swimmers: Swimmers in 9th through 12th grade this fall should register as a High School swimmer. As in previous years, the short course season price for high school swimmers is calculated based upon their time with Maverick and excludes the time they are swimming with their high school swim team. High school girls should register during priority or new swimmer registration, despite not returning to Maverick until October/November, so that we may plan pool space and coaching staff.

- At the close of priority registration, coaches will review registrations and place swimmers in the appropriate training group: Genesis or Senior. Coaches will take into consideration the need to balance group sizes in addition to swimmer ability, attendance, participation in summer long course training, and past meet participation.
- The Senior and Genesis groups will practice at the same time and location throughout the season. Coaches may move swimmers between groups to provide the best experience for both the group and the individual swimmer.

Eligible CURRENT MAVERICK swimmers MUST register during Priority Registration to secure their spot on the roster. Some groups may be near capacity at the end of Priority Registration.

SEASON INFORMATION

2024-25 Fall/Winter Short Course season runs from September 2024 through February 2025. Swimmers with championship meet qualifying times may swim through March or April 2025.

- Most groups practice Monday through Friday in the evenings between 5-9 p.m.. Core 3 and Senior groups may also practice on Saturdays when the team is not attending a meet. On weeknights, younger swimmers generally use earlier practice times followed by older swimmers.
- Practice locations: Naperville Central HS, Metea Valley HS, Naperville North HS, and North Central College. Each group may potentially practice at any location. The practice calendar may be similar to prior years, but will not be finalized or published until August.
- Meet information will be shared as it becomes available. We typically attend 1-2 meets per month.
- Anticipated start dates:
 - Senior & Genesis groups Tuesday, September 3
 - All other groups Monday, September 16
- Links to Maverick Policies, Code of Conduct, Handbook, SafeSport, and more are located on our website.



ATTENDANCE (PRACTICE & SWIM MEETS):

Attendance at practice and meets are critical components of swimmer success and are considered during coach recommendations for the following season. For each practice group, these minimums are included in the group descriptions below. Meeting both of those minimums is a factor for a swimmer to be eligible to receive a coach recommendation for priority registration for the next winter season.

SAFESPORT

SafeSport recognition complements our club philosophy of *Children First, Swimmers Second* by demonstrating our commitment to creating a safe, healthy, and positive environment for all members. In order to achieve and maintain SafeSport recognition, clubs are required to show that their members (both athletes & responsible adults) are trained on SafeSport principles. During the registration process, you will encounter agreements that acknowledge receipt of the MAAPP and SafeSport policies. Maverick <u>SafeSport policies</u> are located on our website. Prior to practices beginning in September, families should complete the <u>SafeSport training</u> described below.

- Responsible adults (aka parents/guardians) should take the course Parent's Guide to Misconduct in Sport.
- Swimmers in the 13-17 age range should take the SafeSport course SafeSport for Youth Athletes (13-17).
- Note: Swimmers who will turn 18 during this season are required to complete Athlete Protection Training and MAAPP acknowledgement prior to their 18th birthday in order to remain members in good standing. We will send that information prior to their birthday.

POTENTIAL NEW SWIMMERS

Who must attend evaluation? Swimmers not eligible for Priority Registration, including ALL potential NEW Maverick swimmers as well as returning Maverick swimmers who have been requested to attend by Maverick coaching staff.

Please review the **Join Maverick** page on the Maverick website for information about the process. Complete the **Swimmer Information Form** on that page to be considered for evaluation.

NEW SWIMMER REGISTRATION: Tentatively begins July 12 with most groups expected to reach capacity by August 1. Swimmers who have attended the swimmer evaluation and are offered a roster position may register during New Swimmer Registration. Instructions will be communicated via emails and/or the Maverick website. The registration process moves quickly during this time so we ask that potential new members adhere to the posted deadlines.

Returning Maverick swimmers who missed Priority Registration may register during New Swimmer Registration, but will only be approved to the roster on a space-available basis. If this applies to your situation, contact the <u>registrar</u> immediately for assistance.



WINTER 2024-25 SHORT COURSE SWIMMER FEE INFORMATION

GROUP	FEE
Pre-Core	\$870
Core 1	\$1045
Core 2	\$1195
Core 3	\$1295

GROUP	FEE	GROUP	FEE	
High School Boys *	\$920	High School Girls *	\$1070	

* Due to IHSA rules for HS athletes, Maverick swimmers train and compete exclusively with their HS team during the IHSA season. They return to Maverick practice when their HS season is complete.

* Published pricing accounts for the varied season lengths for high school swimmers.

Maverick Swim Club offers two payment options during online registration:

- 1. PAY FULL AMOUNT: Pay all fees as a lump sum
 - This is the ONLY option for High School Girls registering after September 1.
- 2. PAYMENT PLAN: Spread fees over four payments:
 - The first payment is due at the time of registration and includes 25% of a swimmer's Group Fee.
 - Three additional payments of 25% of the Group Fee, billed as follows: September 1, October 1, November 1

NOTE: A swimmer's registration is complete and a roster spot is confirmed when payment is received and the swimmer is approved to the roster. Payment is required at registration or via check on the day following registration.

USA SWIMMING REGISTRATION: USA Swimming (USAS) membership is a requirement for Maverick swimmers and must be current in order for swimmers to participate in practices and meets.

- Upon completion of registration, new members will be emailed instructions and a direct link to register with USA Swimming. This information is typically sent in early September.
- Returning Maverick members will be renewed as a group. We will bill the USAS registration fee to individual accounts.
- Members who will turn 18 during this season are required to complete Athlete Protection Training and MAAPP acknowledgement prior to their 18th birthday in order to remain members in good standing. This is required by USAS for practice and meet participation.

GENERAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

- Swimmer fees are billed on the dates listed above and are due before the 15th of the month.
- Failure to pay fees by the 15th will result in a \$15 per month late fee.
- Meet fees are posted to swimmer accounts when meet entries are submitted and accepted by the meet host. These charges are due on a monthly basis and are charged to the credit card on file on the first of each month (or due via check by the 15th of each month).
- Online payments may be made via credit card, debit card, or bank draft. Checks, payable to Maverick Swim Club, may be mailed to the office (address below).
- Checks returned for insufficient funds will be assessed a \$25 fee.
- Full financial information is located in the Maverick Handbook, page 7, and in waivers signed during registration.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Notice of intent to cancel/withdraw a swimmer's registration must be given in writing to Maverick Swim Club.

- The first 25% of the group fee is non-refundable at any time.
- Meet entry and other fees incurred by the Club on behalf of the swimmer are non-refundable.



HOW TO ESTIMATE EACH SWIMMER'S TOTAL COST FOR THE WINTER SC SEASON

The chart below lists both required and optional costs for the season. Blue items are required. Clear items are optional or flexible (like the number of "away" meets your family attends). We hope you will find this helpful in estimating your family's costs for the season.

You can estimate your cost for the season by adding your swimmer's group fee, USA Swimming registration fee, meet entry fees, travel cost to away meets, spectator admission fees (charged by host teams), championship meet fees, team suit, and gear.

FEE EXPLANATION	
 Group Fee (insert amount for your swimmer's group from previous page) The Group Fee covers pool time, coaching, general administration, 2 personalized latex caps*, and team t-shirt*. * Team shirts and personalized caps are ordered approximately August 1. Only swimmers registered by the order date will receive complimentary shirts and caps as this is a custom order. 	
 USA Swimming Registration Fee Required for USA Swimming & Illinois Swimming Membership. Includes insurance. This fee is paid directly to USA Swimming. Swimmers transferring from another USA Swimming club will be billed a \$10 transfer fee as required by Illinois Swimming. *awaiting an updated amount for the 2025 calendar year; for swimmers new to USA Swimming, the 2025 fee will also cover Sept-Dec 2024 	\$87-95*
 Meet Fees (both Maverick-hosted and "away" meets) See the Core Group Descriptions document for information on meet requirements by practice group. Accounts are charged meet entry fees based on swimmer commitment and entries submitted (not meets actually attended) Away meet fees are submitted directly to the host club and billed to swimmer accounts. \$50-80 per full weekend; approximately 8-12 potential meets 	
 Championship Meet Fees (for swimmers who qualify) Billed to accounts based on entries submitted \$40-100 per championship meet 	
 Team Suit, Gear Team suit Gear for Core 1 and up. \$60-100, depending on the training group. This is a permanent investment. 	
 Training Suits, Apparel - Varies widely Training suits & caps at family's discretion (appropriate competitive swimwear required for practice). Apparel purchases at family's discretion. 	

