

> Dear Brookside Parents and Swimmers,

Welcome back to another exciting year of competitive swimming at the Brookside Swim Club! I will be returning as the head coach assisted by Ryan Tighe and one more coach that is TBD. We had a successful season last year and hope to continue the tradition.

We will be swimming in the A League under the White Division. Our competition in the dual meets is with East Brunswick Coppermine, Hillsborough A Team and Chatham Colony. Although the New Jersey Swimming and Diving Conference have posted the dual meet schedule, Ann Marie Waidelich and I will be attending the official meeting next week to finalize the schedule. As soon as we have the information, we will email you and post it on the web site.

Championships will be held the last weekend in July and are mandatory. Brookside will be hosting one day of those championships as well as the Mini Minnow Meet. Swim parents and older children (for community service) are expected to participate and volunteer at those events. A work bond check (which will not be cashed and will be returned at the banquet) is due when registering for the team in the amount of \$50.00 payable to "Brookside Swim Club". Championship fees from every swimmer are due by the first home meet, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 21. Each swimmer will swim 3 individual events and 1 relay we will post the amount before the first swim meet. Swim conferences will take place July 28 – 30 and our swim/dive team banquet is scheduled for Thursday evening, July 31 at 6 pm at Brookside Swim Club.

Swim Team Policies:

*15 Minute Rule – the coaching staff will not allow any swimmer into practice more than 15 minutes late. This rule is strictly enforced.

*Missing meets – If there is a meet that you cannot attend, you must write it on the sheet in the Breeze Way that is titled "Meets I will Miss." It is unfair to other swimmers and coaches when your child is entered in a meet and does not show up. Please notify coaches by Monday for a Wednesday meet and Wednesday for a Saturday meets. If your swimmer does not attend a meet that he/she is expected to, they will not be entered in the next meet.

* Attendance – While the coaching staff understands that the summertime brings with it a multitude of activities, vacations and camps of all sorts, I do ask some consideration concerning attendance during the short season. Please attend as many practices and meets as possible.

Finally, I would like to thank all of the parents in advance for all that they do. The team could not function without the hard work and dedication of the parent representatives, officials, timers snack stand workers and every parent who drives to a meet and cheers on the team. If you have any questions or concerns during the season, please feel free to talk with me after any practice or email. Also feel free to contact AnnMarie atanmar320@aol.com or 732-398-0986 . I am really looking forward to the summer season!!! GO BROOKSIDE!!!!!!

Thank you,
Carrie Ann Egan