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# BUILDING CONFIDENCE



## Swim Lessons

### Alex W. Spears III Family YMCA

**Swim Starters:** Children ages 6months-3 years old (with parents)

**Swim Basics:** Children ages 3-5 years old OR Children age 5-12 OR Teens/Adults ages 13+

**Swim Strokes:** Children ages 3-5 years old OR Children age 5-12 OR Teens/Adults ages 13+

**YMCA SWIM LESSON PHILOSOPHY:** At the Y, we believe that swimming is a LIFE SKILL. The ALL \*NEW\* YMCA Swim Lesson Program is designed to offer high-quality instruction in a safe, student-centered, and flexible environment. At the Y, we are **BUILDING STRONG SWIMMERS and CONFIDENT KIDS!**

### SWIM LESSON SESSIONS AND REGISTRATION DATES:

|               | Session Dates | Member Registration | Potential Member Registration |
|---------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| January M/W   | Jan 6-Jan 22  | Dec 18-26           | Dec 19-26                     |
| January T/TH  | Jan 7-Jan 23  | Dec 18-26           | Dec 19-26                     |
| February M/W  | Feb 3-Feb 19  | Jan 22-29           | Jan 23-29                     |
| February T/TH | Feb 4-Feb 20  | Jan 22-29           | Jan 23-29                     |
| March M/W     | Mar 2-Mar 18  | Feb 19-26           | Feb 20-26                     |
| March T/TH    | Mar 3-Mar 19  | Feb 19-26           | Feb 20-26                     |
| April M/W     | Mar 30-Apr 27 | Mar 18-25           | Mar 19-25                     |
| April T/TH    | Mar 31-Apr 23 | Mar 18-25           | Mar 19-25                     |
| May M/W       | May 4-May 20  | Apr 22-29           | Apr 23-29                     |
| May T/TH      | May 5-May 21  | Apr 22-29           | Apr 23-29                     |
| Jan/Feb Sat   | Jan 4-Feb 8   | Dec 18-26           | Dec 19-26                     |
| Feb/Mar Sat   | Feb 22-Mar 28 | Feb 8-Feb 15        | Feb 9-Feb 15                  |
| Apr/May Sat   | Apr 18-May 23 | Mar 28-Apr 4        | Mar 29-Apr 4                  |

### COST:

Each Session Costs: **\$36 Members** or **\$60 for Potential Members.**

\*\*Nationwide Members can register at the member rate, but cannot register until the Non-Member registration date\*\*

**Register at the YMCA front desk.** Contact Laura Brown, Aquatics Director at 336.387-9622 or [Laura.Brown@ymcagreensboro.org](mailto:Laura.Brown@ymcagreensboro.org) or [spearsymca.org](http://spearsymca.org) for more information.

The mission of the YMCA of Greensboro is to put Judeo-Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

# YMCA SWIM LESSON PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## SWIM STARTERS:

### STAGE A: WATER DISCOVERY

Introduction to the aquatic environment for infants and toddlers. SATURDAYS ONLY

**Ages:** 6-36 months **Length:** 30 minutes

**Qualifications:** None!

### STAGE B: WATER EXPLORATION

Focus on exploring body positions, blowing bubbles, and fundamental safety and aquatic skills. SATURDAYS ONLY

**Ages:** 6-36 months **Length:** 30 minutes

**Qualifications:** None (although, completion of the water Discovery Class is recommended)!

## SWIM BASICS:

### STAGE 1: WATER ACCLIMATION

In this beginning class, children develop comfort with being underwater and learn how to safely exit in the event of falling into a body of water.

**Ages:** 3-12 **Length:** 30 minutes

**Qualifications:** None!

### STAGE 2: WATER MOVEMENT

In this class, children are taught skills that focus on buoyancy and movement in the water while also learning how to safely exit in the event of falling into a body of water.

**Ages:** 3-12 **Length:** 30 minutes

**Qualifications:** (1) able to go under water & comfortably open eyes without goggles, (2) able to float on front & back with minimal assistance, (3) able to jump in the pool, submerge & return to the wall with assistance.

### STAGE 3: WATER STAMINA

In this class, children focus on swimming longer distances. In the event of falling into a body of water, children learn how to swim to safety.

**Ages:** 3-12 **Length:** 30 minutes

**Qualifications:** (1) able to float on front & back unassisted, (2) able to push off the wall on stomach with face submerged for 10 feet unassisted, (3) able to Swim-Float-Swim 15 feet unassisted, (4) able to jump into deep water and return to the wall unassisted.

## SWIM STROKES:

### STAGE 4: STROKE INTRODUCTION

In this class, children are introduced to basic swimming strokes.

**Ages:** 3-12 **Length:** 40 minutes

**Qualifications:** (1) able to submerge & retrieve an object in chest deep water, (2) able to swim front crawl 15 yards while taking a breath, (3) able to Swim-Float-Swim 15 yards, (4) able to jump in & tread water for 30 seconds, (5) able to swim to wall & exit.

### STAGE 5: STROKE DEVELOPMENT

In this class, children continue to work on their swimming stroke technique and all major competitive strokes are introduced.

**Ages:** 5-12 **Length:** 40 minutes

**Qualifications:** (1) able to front crawl & back crawl 25 yards, (2) able to swim breaststroke kick and dolphin kick 15 yards, (3) able to tread water using multiple kicks for 1 minute.

### STAGE 6: STROKE MECHANICS

In this class, children continue to work on their swimming stroke technique and all major competitive strokes are introduced.

**Ages:** 5-12 **Length:** 40 minutes

**Qualifications:** (1) able to swim front crawl with bent arm recovery & rotary breathing for 25 yards, (2) able to swim back crawl with stroke rotation for 25 yards, (3) able to swim butterfly with over arm recovery, (4) able to swim breaststroke for 25 yards achieving stroke rhythm.

## FOR TEENS & ADULTS:

### STAGE A: SWIM BASICS

Students learn personal water safety and basic swimming competency in shallow water. This is for Beginners and Intermediate Swimmers!! MON/WED ONLY

**Ages:** 13+ **Length:** 30 minutes

**Qualifications:** None!

### STAGE B: SWIM STROKES

Focus on correct body positions, stroke mechanics and stamina for lap swimming. This is for Intermediate and Advanced Swimmers! MON/WED ONLY

**Ages:** 13+ **Length:** 40 minutes

**Qualifications:** (1) able to submerge touch the bottom in chest deep water, (2) able to swim front crawl 15 yards while taking a breath, (3) able to Swim-Float-Swim 15 yards, (4) able to jump in & tread water for 30 seconds.

# Spears YMCA Swim Lesson Registration Form

## SWIMMER INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stage: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Session: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION

### Guardian #1 (person who will be contacted in case of class cancellation)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian #2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT MEDICAL INFORMATION

### RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LEGAL LIABILITY:

THIS IS YOUR RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY (the "Release"). You individually and/or on behalf of any minor child, release the YMCA of Greensboro, Inc., its officers, directors, board members, employees, volunteers, agents, independent contractors, other participants and/or others acting on its behalf (collectively, "YMCA"). You agree that this Release is effective immediately. This is important to you and/or any minor children, so do not sign until you have had your questions answered. You provide this Release freely, and without duress under the following terms:

1) **GENERAL RELEASE:** I hereby agree for myself and/or my child and our respective heirs, assigns and legal representatives, to indemnify, defend and hold YMCA and its officers, directors, board members, employees, volunteers, agents, independent contractors and other participants ("Releases") in the program harmless from any and all claim and causes of action of any nature for any and all personal injury or illness, including death, which may occur to me and/or my child or which may be aggravated during or by any activity during the course of the program in which I have decide to allow myself and/or my child to engage. I further waive any and all claims or causes of action, which I and/or my child may now or hereafter have against Releases which may at any time arise as a result of any act or thing occurring in or arising out of my and/or my child's participation in the program. I further expressly understand and agree the foregoing indemnity, release and waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the law of the State of North Carolina and that any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full force and effect.

2) **ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** I, individually and/or on behalf of any minor child, expressly and specifically assume any and all risk of injury, illness, death, or property damage resulting from my YMCA activities. You assume the risks: I, individually and on behalf of my minor child, understand that YMCA activities are strenuous and dangerous and should be engaged in only by persons in good health. I understand that I should consult a physician before enrolling myself and/or my child in the YMCA program. Once you sign, you are saying that you understand the risks involved and accept all of the risks.

3) **MEDICAL RELEASE:** I, individually and/or on behalf of any minor child, further hereby release YMCA from any claim whatsoever which may arise as a result of any first aid, treatment, or services or assistance provided to me in connection with any injury that arises from activities at YMCA.A) I take full responsibility for my child(s) welfare and safety on or at YMCA activities. B) I hereby give permission for emergency medical treatment to be administered as deemed appropriate.

4) **INSURANCE: YOU ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE YOUR OWN HEALTH INSURANCE.** You should understand that the YMCA does not carry insurance to cover injuries and losses that may befall you.

5) **PHOTOGRAPHIC RELEASE:** I consent to be photographed and to allow YMCA's use of any photos of myself and/or my minor child at its sole discretion.

**HAVING READ, UNDERSTOOD, AND AGREE WITH THESE TERMS, I HAVE EXECUTED THIS RELEASE, TO BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

Participant/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Your signatures are required on reverse of this form for program participation.** 

## Swim Lesson Policies

- A minimum of three students must register to hold a class. Cancellations will be done before the session begins.
- Classes are limited in space based on age and skill level.
- All classes have prerequisites and the Y reserves the authority to move participants to different levels as they or we see appropriate. If space is not available in the necessary class a voucher will be issued for future registration.
- **Parents must remain on the pool deck for any child under the age of 13 in swim lessons.**
- If the YMCA cancels a class during a regularly scheduled session we will make every effort to make up the class or issue a voucher.
- Vouchers or make-up lessons are not given due to illness, injury, vacation, schedule conflict, etc.
- In the event of thunder/lighting the pool will close and not re-open until 30 minutes after the last sight of lighting or sound of thunder.
- In the event the pool is contaminated the Y pool will close until the water has been cleared and sanitized, this may result in the pool being closed for up to 24 hours.
- Class schedules are subject to change.

Participant/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_