

Piranhas 2025 Swim Meet Volunteers

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OUR
VOLUNTEERS. Our meets wouldn't be
possible without you!!!!

Our amazing Volunteer Coordinator this year is Jessica Salas. She has provided the best way to reach her.

Jessica Salas Volunteer Coordinator: (530) 320-5664

Volunteering

Volunteering: As a competitive/recreational swim team, we participate in weekly swim meets. Swim meets are run entirely by volunteers. There are no hired officials. Please, please show up..

Standard Requirement: Each family is required to work a total of four (4) volunteer shifts (or "jobs") per regular swim season, and one (1) shift at Champs.

Volunteer Positions: There are a variety of volunteer positions available that can accommodate just about every need and ability. Volunteer positions, time and dates are assigned on a "first come, first served" during the registration process. Once your registration check and volunteer deposit are received, please visit swimtopia.com to sign up for you shifts.

Volunteer Positions

- Set up for home meets
- Swim area Stager
- Swim Lane Timer and Back Up timer
- Water/Timer Sheet Runner
- DQ Slip Runner
- Baby pool monitor
- Snack Bar Workers: Coordinator, BBQ Cook, Server, Setup and Clean up
- Data entry / Computer Support
- Floater
- Stroke and Turn Judges
- Break down and clean up for home meets

Event Set-up

- Setup/Cleanup the Event area: tables, chairs, EZ Ups, trash cans, pick up trash, etc. Helps the Meet Manager with setting up the PA and Starting System
- Please follow the instructions on the white board inside the swim room.

Post-Meet Tear-down

 For home meets, tears down all equipment following the swim meet and places equipment back into the storage room, ensuring that all equipment is properly locked away.

Swim Lane Timer and Back Up Timer

Lane Timer:

- 1. Uses stopwatch to time and then record swimmer's time for each event.
- 2. 2 Timers are assigned to a single lane and are responsible for timing the swimmer in that lane.
- 3. A back-up timer is available if anyone misses the **Start.**
- 4. Involves standing on pool deck and operating a stopwatch.

See this YouTube video for a better idea of what to expect: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZX0KFjoh194

Backup Timer:

- Duties are the same as Lane Timer.
- 2. This person times every race. This time will be used in the event of a technical problem (e.g. forget to press start on stop watch) with one of the other lane Lane Timers.

^{**}You get to get very close to all the action and cheer swimmers on as they race!**

Stager

- You will be provided a list of events along with swimmers names in a time card.
- Organizes swimmers so they are ready before their event. Swimmers report to
 the staging area when their event is announced. Stagers get the swimmers
 organized by lane into the proper order for their events and heats. The job is
 critical in making the swim meet run smoothly and on time.

Timesheet Runner and Water Runner

- Collects time slips from the Lane Timers. Brings them to the computer room.
- Distributes small cups of water to all volunteers at the meet.

DQ Slip Runner

- Collects DQ slips from the stroke and turn judges ever 1-2 races and brings them to the computer room.
- The volunteer coordinator will tell you who the stroke and turn judges are for each meet.

Ribbon Writer

- Works in computer room attaching printed labels to ribbons.
- Take a break when your child is swimming!
- Need to stay at meet until all Ribbons are completed

Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gEKY-MHuQxg

Computer Support/Data Entry

- Works in computer room organizing time slips and assisting the computer person inputting swim times.
- You get to take a break when your child is swimming!

Floater

- The floater position is a backup role designed to fill any one of the Easy to Moderate difficulty positions in the event of a cancellation on the day of a swim event.
- The floater position may or may not be needed but if needed, the individual will be expected to fulfill the full shift

Snack Bar Workers

- You will be reporting to Brian Davis at the start of your shift, please note the time listed in the volunteer sign up as he will need you at a specific time as opposed to a specific event number
- Servers Organize, restock, assist with sales of snack bar items including hot food.
- Cash Register Responsible for handling money, calculating orders and giving change.
- BBQ Cook Hottest job around the pool! Must be clean and have some experience in cooking large volumes of hamburgers and hot dogs.

Stroke and Turn Judge

- This position requires careful focus and knowledge of swim technique.
- To fulfil this role, you will need to attend a training class that occurs in the spring.
- The date and time for the class is TBD.
- The training class itself will count as one full volunteer shift.

Training Videos

Ribbon Writer Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gEKY-MHuQxg

Timer Training Video: videos on swim meet timers - Google Search

Starter Training Video: Swim meet volunteer starter training video youtube - Google Search

Announcer Training Video: Swim meet announcer Ser - YouTube