

## SWIM TEAM 2026

Summer will be upon us shortly. This brings thoughts of joining the Southern Hills Swim Team. We had a great summer last year with our friends. Steve Boyce, Head Coach, is returning for his seventeenth Summer. Steve is a teacher and coach during the school year and truly has the development of good swimmers and great citizens as his goals. Liberty Hawley will be returning as assistant coach. Liberty swam at Glendale and is finishing her first year at MSU. Sam Wilkins will be in his first season as assistant coach. Sam grew up swimming at Southern Hills and is finishing his first year at Glendale.

### **Big Change**

We are going to open joining swim team to non-members. If you have friends that would like to do swim team with us, but are not members at Southern Hills, they can now join us for swim team (\$165- non-member fee).

### **Information/Sign-Up Meeting – Tuesday, May 12, 2026**

All new families are invited to attend the 6:30 pm meeting. This meeting will be a swim team orientation for those families new to swimming or summer league. Steve will talk about helping you and your child to be successful at the first practice, first meet, and subsequent practices and meets. Please plan for all of this to take about 30 minutes. Steve and Julie's daughters are 23 and 25 years old. Kelsey finished her MBA and works for Breakthrough Beverage. Jordan teaches at Pershing MS, is the Head Swim Coach at Glendale, and is the Head Swim Coach at Hickory Hills Country Club.

All returning families are invited to attend the 6:30 pm meeting as well, but you may also just drop off your forms. There is again just one page (front and back). Steve will be at the pool from 6:15-7:30pm. The preference is that you bring your paperwork and payment then.

### **Team Communication**

All team communication is on the SportsYou app. Please download the app and use Code: LRJS-7PU5

### **Team Suits and Extra Gear**

We have a Team Store with BSN that is almost ready to go live. You will be ordering suits directly this way. The link will be published on SportsYou as soon as it is ready. Team suits are not required.

### **Practice Groups**

Spinner Dolphins – 8:30-9:30am – This group is for swimmers 11 years old and up who have been on a Team before. Advanced swimmers 10 years old may be moved up to this group.

Bottlenose Dolphins – 9:30-10:15am – This group is for swimmers 10 years old and under who have been on swim team before.

Spotted Dolphins – 10:15-11:00am – This group is for swimmers 8 years old and under who have not been on a swim team before or who need more instruction before moving up.

Friday is fun day for the whole team from 9-10am.

The groups are fluid. Coaches, in collaboration with parents, will place swimmers in the appropriate group. Group changes are sometimes made during the course of the season.

Practice will start on Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

### **Meet Schedule**

Thursday, June 4, 6:00pm at Twin Oaks Country Club

Thursday, June 11, 9:00am at Southern Hills

Thursday, June 18, 9:00am at Highland Springs Country Club

Thursday, June 25, 9:00am at Southern Hills

Wednesday, July 1, 1:30pm at Foster Natatorium – SWMO Championships

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