

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Welcome, *swim families.*

Everything you need to know for our 2026 summer swim program —
schedules, expectations, and the heritage we swim in.

SUMMER 2026

WHEN	WHERE	HOURS
Tue · Thu · Sat <i>June 23rd – August 1st 2026</i>	Kidd Park <i>pool area</i>	10 AM – 1:40 PM <i>staggered by age</i>

01 What's new this year

+ Expanded enrollment, no waitlist

With more sign-ups than ever, we've restructured age groups and times so more children can take part.

↻ New age groups and time slots

Some groupings have shifted — please check the schedule below carefully.

★ Required parent orientation

A parent or guardian must attend orientation to officially confirm your child's spot. We'll share the date and location well in advance.

02 Age groups & time slots

5-7

YEARS OLD

10:00 – 11:00 AM

8-11

YEARS OLD

11:20 – 12:20 PM

12-18

YEARS OLD

12:40 – 1:40 PM

Please arrive 15 minutes before your child's slot.



03 The questions families ask

PROGRAM DETAILS

When and where does the program take place?

The program takes place at Kidd Park every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, starting in June 2026 and ending in August 2026.

What is the dress code?

Children should wear appropriate swimwear — a swimsuit or swim trunks. Goggles and swim caps are recommended but not required.

What types of swimming will be taught?

Our program covers treading water, freestyle, backstroke, floating, and essential water safety skills.

Will my child receive a progress report?

Yes. Every child will receive a progress report at the end of the program, detailing the skills they've learned and areas to continue growing.

PARENT ORIENTATION

Why is orientation required?

Attending orientation is how your child's spot is officially confirmed. It's also the best way for us to introduce the team, walk through safety, and share the exciting things planned for this year.

When is orientation?

We haven't locked in the date and location just yet — we're working to choose a time that works for as many families as possible. We'll share final details well in advance so you have plenty of time to plan.

DAY-OF DETAILS

What time should we arrive?

All participants should arrive 15 minutes before their time slot. Parents are warmly encouraged to be present during the hour of their child's lesson.

Will food be provided?

We provide water and healthy snacks for each child — lunch is not provided, so please feed your child before or after.

What happens if it rains?

In case of rain or inclement weather, we'll notify parents of any schedule changes by email and/or GroupMe.

INSTRUCTORS & SAFETY

Who will be working with my child?

Certified lifeguards are on duty at all times, and our instructors are trained in CPR and first aid. The pool area is regularly maintained and cleaned to keep things safe and welcoming.

OUR ROOTS

Africatown was founded by enslaved Africans from the last known slave ship to arrive in the United States. Our community's ties to the water run deep — this program honors that connection and passes the knowledge of swimming on to the next generation.

QUESTIONS?

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We respond within 1-2 business days.