

# Canterbury Swim Team

In conjunction with

# **Findlay YMCA Swimming**



**Summer 2025** 

Thank you for your interest in joining the Canterbury Swim Team. To provide the best summer swim team experience for all swimmers, both the Canterbury and Lakeview Findlay Country Club swim teams have joined forces with the Findlay YMCA Swimming team. This new partnership provides all the usual experiences the Canterbury team is accustomed to, but with additional optional opportunities for racing and competing.

The team is open to any youth swimmer that is capable of swimming one pool-length unassisted (without any flotation aid or grabbing the walls/lane ropes). Swimmers not ready for the swim team are encouraged to participate in swim lessons through Canterbury and/or the YMCA's enhanced swim lesson program.

**FOCUS**: The summer swim team is focused on swimming foundations, competing, and HAVING FUN. Our coaching staff will teach proper swimming techniques to achieve better swimming efficiency, strength, and flexibility.

DATES: Monday, June 2 through Saturday, July 12, 2025

LOCATION: Canterbury Pool, 1828 Queenswood Dr, Findlay, OH 45840

FEES: \$90 per child. Includes a team cap.

#### **PRACTICE TIMES:**

Older Kids (10+)	Monday – Friday: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Younger Kids (5-9)	Monday – Friday: 10:30 – 11 a.m.

<sup>\*</sup> The practice group ages are initial recommendations and may be adjusted based on each individual swimmer

### **MEETS**:

- The home/away dual meet series with LVFCC will be June 26 @ Lakeview and July 9 @ Canterbury at 5:30 p.m.
- As a partner with the Findlay YMCA, you have the option to compete at WOAL swim league and Championship meets.

#### **WOAL Summer Swim League**

- The Findlay Frogs are a part of the Western Ohio Aquatic League (WOAL) in the summer with Ada, Bluffton, Kenton, Shawnee, Van Wert, Wapakoneta, and Westside.
- WOAL meets are on Monday and Thursday evenings at 6 p.m., beginning June 5. A complete schedule is on the below team site under "Events"

Swimmers must compete in a minimum of three events at two WOAL meets to be eligible to swim at Championships. The WOAL Championship Meet is July 11-12 at Wapakoneta. There is an additional cost of \$10, which includes a T-shirt.

## Registration

- All Canterbury swimmers must register on the <u>YMCA SportsEngine Motion site</u>
  - o Registration will open on April 17
  - o Parents must first create a Parent login account (upper right), then register each swimmer (magenta "Register" button below the photos)
  - o If website shows an error after creating a parent login, close your browser and then return to the homepage to register your swimmer(s)
- Payment to the Canterbury team will be done via cash or check made out to "Canterbury Swim Club" and is due by the first week of practice



### **Parent Involvement**

Swimming is unique to every other sport in the level of parent involvement. To make swim meets happen, <u>all</u> parents must be actively engaged. If your swimmer is signed up to swim at a meet, expect to volunteer for at least half of the meet in roles such as timer, computer operator, official, etc.

No other children should be in the pool during swim practice. You are free to wait at the pool during swim practice, but please remember the pool is not open and swimmers need to focus on their practices.

## Flag City Invitational

The Findlay YMCA swim team hosts the Flag City Invitational (USA Swimming) each year. This year, it will take place on June 13-15 at Riverside. This is an exciting meet to attend for those wishing to get more involved with swimming. We are always looking for sponsors and volunteers – if anyone is interested in volunteering, a signup will be posted closer to meet. Even if your child is not swimming, you are welcome to attend and/or to volunteer. This is also a great opportunity if you have a high schooler who needs to perform any community volunteer service.

## **Swim Apparel**

**Canterbury Team Suits** are available for purchase at Swim Outlet online and information will be posted to Facebook and sent via email. This suit is optional, but the team color is purple, so please consider a purple-ish suit of any sort. Swim caps will be provided as part of the fees, and information is below.

**Canterbury Spirit Wear** will be offered via Centennial printing and is totally optional as well. More information will come after practices begin. We hope to also offer team photographs during the summer.

YMCA Team suits are available for purchase at Swimville, information can be found on our team site under "Parent Info"> "Paperwork and Other Links". The team suit is an all-black suit with the Frogs and Y logo heat pressed and is available to members of all our practice site locations — Riverside, Lakeview, and Canterbury.

- The team suit is not mandatory.
- If not purchasing a team suit, wearing an all-black suit when competing is encouraged for WOAL meets.
- It is not recommended to wear the team suit during practice, as it will stretch and wear out faster.

**YMCA Team caps:** A back silicone cap with an all-white Findlay Frogs logo is included in the registration fee for <u>all</u> swimmers, regardless of if they swim in a WOAL meet or not. Wearing the team cap during WOAL meets is required, as this will help everyone identify and cheer for our swimmers.

## Communication

The primary method of communication will be through our SportsEngine Motion account. Families must have one email account and login, however additional emails can be added under your account information. We will also be utilizing the text feature through SportsEngine, please ensure you verify a cell phone number and carrier upon registration.

**Facebook:** We may utilize the Canterbury Swim Club Facebook page as needed. We also have a "Findlay Frogs Swim Team" Facebook group to promote the program and team spirit.

#### **Contact:**

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