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The crew at the Ashton Swimming Pool is getting ready for a great summer! This year sign-ups will again be online. Sign-ups will open at 10 am on May 30th. To sign-up go to the City's website at www.cityofashton.com.

Follow it and start your sign-up. In order to help you, we have included a copy of the swimming lesson schedule. Payment must be received online to reserve a class. If you do not use the internet, please come in to the City Building on May 30th after 10 am and we will get you signed up. No classes will be reserved without payment.

If you have any questions, you can call the City Building at (208)652-3987 and we will help you.

Just as a reminder – swimming lessons were updated to better match the Red Cross guidelines. Here is the information explaining the update:

Younger Levels: To begin in lessons:

If your child is 5 years old, he/she will start in Preschool level 1 & 2 if they are new to or shy of the water.

If your child is 5 years old and can swim under the water then you will start them in level Preschool 3.

If your child is 6 or over and new to taking swimming lessons - he/she will start with Level 1.

If your child has passed these levels (Preschool 1&2, Preschool 3 or Level 1), is over the age of 6 and you are comfortable with their progress – they will then start Level 2.

Level 2 through 4 will progress the same as they have in the past. The student moves on if they pass and the parent is comfortable with them moving on.

Levels 5 and 6 are more specialized and students focus on refining stroke development, water safety and fitness. For our pool, we will be focusing on refining swimming strokes in Level 5 and water safety and fitness swimming in Level 6. Levels 5 and 6 are especially worthwhile for those who are interested in becoming a certified lifequard.

Here is how the levels will be described online:

- P 1&2 Preschool age new to water
- P 3 Preschool age swims under water
- Level 1 6 or older new to water
- Level 2 Beginning Swimming
- Level 3 Stroke Development
- Level 4 Stroke Improvement
- Level 5 Stroke Refinement
- Level 6 Water Safety and Fitness Swimming

Children must be age 5 before starting lessons although a parent & tot class can be added to the schedule if enough interest is shown. If you are interested, please call the City Building to be added to the list.

If you feel that your child needs to re-take a level that is just fine. Safety in the water is what is important!

We sincerely appreciate all of our customers and thank you for your support of the Ashton Swimming Pool!