

OSS Thunderbolt Swim Team

### ***FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS***

#### **What is a swim team?**

Swim team is a team sport for boys and girls ages 4-18 that provides an opportunity to learn the art of competitive swim in a fun and structured environment.

#### **Is swim team a substitute for swim lessons?**

No, your child must be able to swim 25 yards, preferably in two of the four strokes.

#### **Do I have to be a resident of Olde Savannah Square to swim on the Thunderbolts?**

No. The OSS Thunderbolts are an open team.

#### **How many swimmers are on the team?**

There are approximately 150 swimmers.

#### **How many coaches are on the Thunderbolt staff?**

There is one head coach, five assistant coaches and two junior coaches.

#### **What is included in my registration fee?**

Two months of swim practice, six swim meets, a team T-shirt, season end trophy/awards and team banquet.

#### **How often do I have to practice?**

Everyone is requested to attend the practices as often as possible, but practices are optional. The more you practice, the better you will swim.

#### **Do I have to purchase a team swim suit?**

No. A team suit is not required, but preferred.

#### **Will my child swim at every meet?**

Yes. Nobody warms the bench. All swimmers get to participate in each of the six schedule meets.

**Where will the meets take place?**

Three of the six scheduled meets will take place at our home pool. The other three will be at various Gwinnett County communities.

**Is there a way for parents to get involved?**

Yes, we are a 100% volunteer run sports team and parent participation is a must.

**What is the county swim meet?**

It's a competition at the end of the season for the top boy and girl swimmers in each age group from within the Gwinnett County Swim League.

**How do I know if my swimmer is qualified for the county swim meet?**

You can track your swimmers ranking against other Gwinnett County Swim League swimmers at [www.gwinnettswimleague.com](http://www.gwinnettswimleague.com). At the end of the season you will be notified of county qualification.