



Masons Bend Eagles Volunteer Points Guide 2026

Our swim meets simply wouldn't happen without the help of parent volunteers. Every job—big or small—keeps things running smoothly so our swimmers can focus on having fun and doing their best.

This year, we will be revising our volunteer points system:

- Each family must earn **10 volunteer points** across the 6-meet season.
- Families may mix and match roles to reach 10 points.
- **Points are tracked per shift (half meet)**, not per meet. Roles requiring commitment for the entire meet are listed as "Specialty Roles" and require additional training. Please contact a member of the Swim Team board for more details.
- Families may distribute shifts among multiple adults.
- Additional volunteer opportunities are available for the championship meets. These positions will be communicated later in the season, ahead of the final meets.
- Completing more than 10 points is welcomed and recognized at the end-of-season celebration.
- Families that do not meet the 10-point requirement by the end the season will be requested to pay a \$250 penalty.

Point Values by Role

Specialty Roles

Role	Points per Shift (Full Meet)	Volunteers Needed (Total)
Head Timer (Home Only)	3	1
Announcer (Home Only)	4	1
Starter (Home Only)	4	1
Head Judge (Home & Away)	3 (away) 4 (home)	1

**Note: Additional training required for these roles.*

- **Head Timer:** Oversees all lane timers, ensures accurate stopwatch use, and resolves timing discrepancies.
- **Announcer:** Provides meet announcements, calls events, and keeps the meet running smoothly with clear communication.
- **Starter:** Uses the starting system to begin each race and ensures fair starts for all swimmers.
- **Head Judge:** Supervises all Stroke & Turn judges and ensures rules are applied consistently.

Home Meet-Only Volunteer Roles

Role	Points per Shift (Half Meet)	Volunteers Needed (Total)
Set Up	2	12
Clean Up	2	12
Runner	2	2
Parking Attendant	2	10
Concessions	3	6

- **Set Up:** Arrives early for home meets to ensure pool and subsequent areas are “meet ready”. Requires availability starting at 3pm on home meet days and takes 1-1.5 hours to complete.
- **Clean Up:** Stays after the meet to help break down tents, gather trash, and restore the pool deck.

- **Runner:** Transports time sheets and DQ slips between timers, judges, and the scoring table.
- **Parking Attendant:** Directs cars, ensures safe traffic flow, and helps maintain order in the parking area. Requires availability starting at 3:45pm until approximately 20 minutes after the start of the meet.
- **Concessions:** Assists with food and drink sales, restocking, and customer service at the concessions stand.

Home & Away Volunteer Roles

Role	Points per Shift- Away (Half Meet)	Points per Shift- Home (Half Meet)	Volunteers Needed (Total)
Clerk of Course	2	3	4
Scorekeeper	2	3	2
Ribbon Writer	2	3	2
Stroke & Turn	3	4	8
Tent Parent	2	2	24
Timer	1	1	12

- **Clerk of Course:** Organizes Eagles swimmers into heats and lanes, ensuring athletes are ready for their events. Escorts swimmers to the designated staging area ahead of races.
- **Scorekeeper:** Records race results, inputs times, and verifies scoring accuracy in the SwimTopia computer program.
- **Ribbon Writer:** Prepares award ribbons for the Eagles during the meet. Ribbon writers help keep ribbons organized to ensure they can be handed out to swimmers efficiently and in a timely manner.
- **Stroke & Turn Judge:** Monitors swimmer technique during races and reports rule violations to the Head Judge. Requires additional league training prior to first meet.
- **Timer:** Uses a stopwatch to record swimmers' times and ensures accuracy for each lane.
- **Tent Parent:** Supervises a group of swimmers by age group during the meet, ensures they get to events on time, and maintains order in the team tent. This year, we will need the following number of tent parents per age group:
 - **6 & Under, Boys and Girls:** 3 per tent, 1st Half only
 - **7-8, Boys and Girls:** 3 per tent 1st Half, 1 per tent 2nd Half

- **9-10, Boys and Girls:** 2 per tent both halves
- **11-12, Boys and Girls:** 2 per tent both halves
- **13 & Up:** 1 per tent both halves

Additional Volunteer Opportunities

<u>Role</u>	<u>Associated Points</u>	<u>Volunteers Needed</u>
Team Building Event Volunteer- 3 events	1 point per event	8-12
Concession Donations	1 point item requested	TBD

Examples of How Families Can Reach 10 Points

- Tent Parent (home, 1 half) $\times 3 = 6$; Timer (away, 1 half each) $\times 4 = 4 \rightarrow$ Total 10
- Stroke & Turn (home, 1 half) $\times 2 = 8$; Set Up (home) $\times 1 = 2 \rightarrow$ Total 10
- Set Up (home) $\times 2 = 4$; Concessions (home, full meet) $\times 1 = 6 \rightarrow$ Total 10