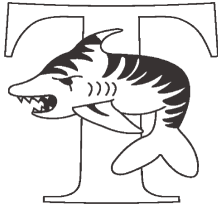


2025 TIMBER LANE TIGER SHARKS SWIM TEAM



Thank you for your interest in Timber Lane Swim Team! Please read through this information and email swimteamtimberlane@gmail.com with any questions. We would love for you to be a Tiger Shark this season!

Coaching Staff:
Head Coach: Harrison Burns
Assistant Coach: Will Ciecko

Registration & Fees:

- Complete the [TL registration form](#)- Due Friday, May 9, 2025
- Pay your non-refundable \$90 per swimmer - registration fee via venmo@Timber-Lane or check written to Timber Lane and mailed to 205 Harker Ave, Wilmington, DE 19803.
- All forms and payments are due by 5/9/25 for returning families.
- Swim Team fees help cover the cost of social activities, entry fees to championship meets, as well as ribbons and trophies. Your registration payment will include one swim cap with our team logo.
- All swimmers will be required to [register with Swimmngly](#). The cost for Swimmngly is \$16 per swimmer this year.
- [NBSL 2025 Eligibility Form](#) must be completed for **all** swimmers

Eligibility:

Timber Lane Swim Club members in good standing, ages 4 to 18 as of June 1st, 2025 are invited to join the swim team. No houseguests or babysitters. Each child will be required to swim a ½ lap of the pool prior to the swim season and a full lap by Time Trials. [NBSL 2025 Eligibility Form](#) must be completed for all swimmers. Swimmers may not participate in a meet without the NBSL Eligibility form completed.

Volunteering:

Swim meets and functions are run by volunteers. Please do your part to help. Volunteer information and sign ups to come.

Practices:

Please attend as many practices as possible. This is a great way not only to improve your skills, but also a way to make new friends. Some of our social activities will take place before or after practice. Practice will occur during rainy weather; however, never during a storm with thunder or lightning.

Pre-season Practices Tuesday, May 27th – Monday, June 9th (Time Trials on Monday 6/9/25)
Morning Practices Begin Tuesday, June 10th

Team Suits:

[Team suits](#) may be ordered from The Swim Shop in Fairfax Shopping Center. Suits will continue to be navy blue with our team logo. 18U swimmers only may purchase a pink suit. Each swimmer is responsible for going to the store and purchasing a Timber Lane swim team suit prior to the first swim meet of the season. Each swimmer will be provided with a swim cap with a Timber Lane Logo. Timber Lane team caps must be worn at all meets.

Swim Meets:

- Timber Lane Swim Team participates in the North Brandywine Swim League (NBSL). Our NBSL representatives are Chris Ciecko and Lindsay Abrahams. An NBSL representative will be present at each of our swim meets.

- Swim Meets begin promptly at 6:00 pm. Swimmers should arrive at the pool by 5:00 pm. Please note swimmers must leave the pool by 1:00 pm on swim meet days.
- If your child is missing a meet, coaches must be notified as soon as possible. For known time/date conflicts, please sign up on the “unable to attend” meet poster.
- NBSL changed the divisions last summer. Instead of three divisions, there are currently two divisions based on number of swimmers - Red Division (larger teams) and Blue Division (smaller teams). The Red Division will allow swimmers to compete in two individual events and two relays, whereas the Blue Division will allow swimmers to compete in three individual events and two relays. Timber Lane is in the Blue Division (up to 3 individual events plus 2 relays per swimmer). It is the coaches' responsibility to determine placement in events.
- Age groups are divided according to the child's age as of June 1st.
- Groupings are as follows: 6&under, 8&under, 10&under, 12&under, 14&under, and 18&under. Ages 11 and over swim at least two laps. Ages 10 and under swim one lap in meet events.
- Volunteers are needed to be timers, scorers, ribbon writers, announcers, starters, runners, place judges, stroke and turn judges, gatherers for each age group, and snack bar helpers.
- Parents are responsible for their own children at swim meets. Gatherers are there to line up swimmers in the correct lane. If your child cannot be located by the gatherer, your child could miss his/her event.
- Parents are responsible for cleaning up after the meet. No trash should be left behind. Home meets require moving furniture.
- For home meets only: please do not park in the Timber Lane Swim Club parking lot as a courtesy for our guests. Timber Lane swimmer's families are asked to park on the street and allow the visiting team to use our parking lot. The neighborhood requests that we park on one side only of the street, the TL pool side of the street.

Buddies:

Each swim team member will be assigned a “buddy” by the coach. The purpose of our buddy system is to build team unity and encourage all of our swimmers to cheer for one another as we build team spirit. More information to follow.

Swim Team Lunches:

Swim Team Lunches happen on the day of each of our meets. A sign-up sheet will be posted and/or Sign Up Genius sent out.

Snack Bar:

Volunteers run a snack bar during home swim meets. Each family is expected to donate items (baked goods, fruit, veggies, soda, water, etc.) to the snack bar. Snack Bar is our largest fundraiser so please do all you can to be supportive.

Schedule:

Please see our [2025 schedule here](#).

Team Spirit & Sportsmanship:

Timber Lane Swim Team has a reputation for outstanding sportsmanship and we are excited to continue this tradition. All swimmers are expected to cheer for their teammates. We are a small team with a big heart and we are proud of our swimmers and families. Unsportsmanlike conduct or comments will not be tolerated. Summer swimming is intended to be a fun-filled season with an emphasis on building relationships and positive sportsmanship qualities in our young athletes. We look forward to having a fun season in the water and on deck in 2025!