

# Southside All-Stars Swim Team 2017

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We are excited to announce Sydney Marvin as our head coach this year. She has been with our team for 11 summers and is looking forward to this season in her new role. Sydney is currently studying civil engineering at the University of Texas. We are excited for her to take over this position after her time as a Southside swimmer and assistant coach.

## General Information about the team:

- Costs this year will be a flat rate and include both the team shirt and a cap:
  - o Age: 12 & Under - \$200
  - o Age: 13 & Up - \$100
- Registration begins Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> and closes Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Late registration incurs a \$25 fee.
- This year, we will practice at the Jewish Community Center (JCC) facilities alongside their swimmers. Our coaches will run practice and it will feel much like it does at our home pool.
- Special stroke clinics will be held by our coaches on Friday through Sunday at the end of May at the West University pool. This is a unique opportunity we are excited to offer this year! These will be offered at no charge and more information will be available at the start of the season.
- This is Southside's 6<sup>th</sup> year as part of the Southwest Aquatic League, or SWAL. We swim meets against Bellaire, West University, Willowbend and Briargrove.

## Important Dates:

- Pizza Party Kick-Off: Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00 at the Clubhouse
- First Practice: Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>
- Practice Days: Monday – Friday (No practice on Memorial Day or May 31<sup>st</sup>)
- End of Season Banquet: Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30-7:30 Clubhouse

## Practice Times and Locations:

- Once we have a better idea of our size and needs for each practice, we may tailor the times and age groups to best fit this year's team. We hope to make this summer as easy as possible for families driving to the JCC.
- Practice Locations:
  - o May 15-26: Merfish Teen Center (9000 S Rice Ave) This is several blocks closer to Southside and is a large pool with tennis, basketball and an open field available to families and siblings during practice.

- May 30-June 21: JCC indoor pool (5601 S Braeswood Blvd) For these practices, JCC recommends we enter through the side guard gate on the end farthest from Braeswood.

May 15 – May 25 (Monday – Thursday) @JCC		Summer Times Begin May 30 @ JCC	
Age Group	Time	Age Group	Time
6 & Under	4:30-5:00pm	6 & Under	3:00-3:30pm
7 & 8	5:00-5:30	7 & 8	3:30-4:15
9 & 10	5:30-6:15	9 & 10	4:15-5:00
11 & Up	6:15-7:00	11 & Up	5:00-6:00

### Requirements:

- Have a Southside Place City Season Pass and be in good standing.
- Sign up for two volunteer spots per family.
- Be 5 years old by June 1, 2016. (This age limitation may be removed with approval from Coach Marvin.) Swimmers may participate up to the summer after high school graduation.
- To participate in meets, swimmers should have our team suit. This year we will have a new team suit that can be purchased at a Suit Purchase Day at practice before the first meet. More information will follow regarding this date. We use Texas Swim Shop (10429B S. Post Oak, 713-723-0910).

### Swim Meet Information:

- Meets are held in two parts:
  - 6 & U: 4:30pm Warm-up / 5:00 Start
  - 7 & Up: 6:00pm Warm-up / 6:30 Start / Meets typically end between 9:30 and 10:00
- League rules state that 6&U swimmers must be able to swim the length of the pool without assistance in the water to compete in meets. This rule does not prevent your child from joining the team, and we encourage you to still sign them up, as it is amazing what growth we see during the season!
- Please see the attached calendar for our season schedule.

### Parent Volunteers:

- SWAL meets are run by parent volunteers who help time, hand out ribbons, run time cards and gather swimmers for their events.
- Each Southside family is required to sign up for at least two volunteer shifts during the season. It is a great way to get front row seats for the action and to pass the time! We can't wait to see you there!
- Signing up is easy, simply follow the link on the swim team information / payment page at [www.southsideparks.com](http://www.southsideparks.com)

**Optional Swim Lessons:**

- We encourage all novice swimmers to sign up for swim lessons at a location of your choice. While everyone's skills will improve over the summer, your child will benefit from the smaller group environment of lessons with our coaches.
- More information will be available once the season begins.

**Contact Information:**

- Swim Team Coordinator: Samantha Smith 713-444-2166 / [samantha.smith.j@gmail.com](mailto:samantha.smith.j@gmail.com)
- Head Coach: Sydney Marvin – 832-372-6430 / [smarvin97@gmail.com](mailto:smarvin97@gmail.com)

# May 2017

May 15 – May 26	
Age Group	Time
6 & Under	4:30-5:00
7 & 8	5:00-5:30
9 & 10	5:30-6:15
11 & Up	6:15-7:00

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 Regular Registration Closes at Midnight	13
14 Kick Off Pizza Party - 5:30 at Clubhouse	15 Practice Begins @JCC - Merfish	16 Practice @JCC - Merfish	17 Practice @ JCC - Merfish	18 Practice @JCC - Merfish	19 Stroke Clinic @ West U	20 Stroke Clinic @ West U
21 Stroke Clinic @ West U	22 Practice @ JCC - Merfish	23 Practice @ JCC - Merfish	24 Practice @ JCC - Merfish	25 Practice, Timing, & Swimsuit Day @ JCC - Merfish	26 Stroke Clinic @ West U (TBD)	27
28	29 Memorial Day – No Practice	30 Summer Practice Times Begin @JCC	31 No Practice			

# June 2017

Summer Times Begin May 30 <sup>th</sup> (Held at JCC)	
Age Group	Time
6 & Under	3:00-3:30
7 & 8	3:30-4:15
9 & 10	4:15-5:00
11 & Up	5:00-6:00

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29 Memorial Day – No Practice	30 Summer Practice Times Begin @ JCC	31 No Practice	1 Practice @ JCC	2 Practice and Fun Friday Games @ JCC	3 10 & Under Invitational @ Willow: 8:00-11:00am
4	5 SWU/BG @ West University 5:00	6 Practice @ JCC	7 Practice @ JCC	8 Practice @ JCC	9 Practice and Fun Friday Games @ JCC	10
11	12 Fun Meet at Briar Meadow 5:00	13 Practice @ JCC	14 Practice @ JCC	15 BG @ SWU (Meet will occur at Briar Meadow) 5:00 / 6:30	16 Practice and Fun Friday Games @ JCC	17
18	19 Bellaire @SWU (Briar Meadow) 5:00 / 6:30	20 Practice @ JCC	21 Practice @ JCC	22 SWU @ Willow 5:00 / 6:30	23 Swim Team Banquet Clubhouse 5:30-7:30	24
25	26 Prelims @ West University	27 Prelims @ Willow	28 Finals @ Willow	29 Finals @ Willow (Rain Day)	30	