

# MUNICIPALITY OF WHITESTONE 2024 SWIM PROGRAM

# **Overview**

July 3 to 26, Monday to Friday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Time:

Subject to weather conditions

Registration: Register by June 21, 2024. Registration forms can be found online or picked up

at the Municipal Office, 21 Church St, Dunchurch.

Assessments: Will be scheduled in 15-minute time slots on July 3 and 4 (other times can be

arranged if needed). We will advise of your assigned lesson time on July 5 and

lessons will commence July 8.

Cost: Free!

Whitestone Waterfront Park Location:

Levels offered: Following the Lifesaving Society Swim Program, we are offering:

> Preschool levels 1 – 5 (30 min. lessons) ages 3 to 5 Swimmer levels 1 – 6 (I hour lessons) ages 6 and up

Note 1: Preschool levels 3,4 are equivalent to Swimmer levels 1, 2

Note 2: Possibility of adding a Parent and Tot (ages 3 and under) if enough interest

Outline of The program will run Monday to Friday for 3 weeks. Registration for only 1 Program:

or 2 weeks is permitted. To ensure for the full curriculum to be taught, it is

recommended that children be registered for at least 2 weeks

# Frequently Asked Questions – Swim Program

#### 1. How can I register my child?

You can call the Municipal Office at 705-389-2466 for information and to obtain a registration form. Registration forms are on the Municipal Website.

## 2. I am not available for the full 3 weeks; can I register for part of the session?

Yes, for sure! However, we recommend at least a 2-week commitment to properly learn and meet the respective levels requirement. We do ask that you let us know the start and end date that you wish to attend so that the instructor can be aware and work with your child accordingly.

#### 3. How do I know what level my child is in?

Skill assessments will be held July 3 and 4 in order to identify a level that properly suits participants' abilities. At this 15-minute assessment, the swim program Instructor will observe

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## 4. What time do the programs run?

Programs will be offered at various times dependent on level but will be 30 minutes for preschooler lessons, and 60 minutes for ages 8 and up, between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday (weather permitting). If you have a preference of timing, please let us know and we will try our best to accommodate.

### 5. How many children will be in the class and what is the instructor to child ratio?

There will never be more than 5 children per instructor in the water at once, however class size will differ dependent on interest and registration.

## 6. Can I drop my child off and not stay?

It is mandatory for one parent or guardian to be present at the waterfront during the child's designated swim time. The parent/guardian is also solely responsible for supervision of the child outside of designated swim lesson time slot.

#### 7. What if it rains?

In the instance of heavy rain that obstructs the view of the water and safety of patrons, and/or thunder or lighting, all swim lessons will be cancelled and postponed and parents / guardians will be notified to the best of our ability. Please note that if the lesson cannot be postponed to a weekend or weekday option within the 3-week session, the missed lesson will be cancelled.

## 8. If I have 2 children in different levels, can they come to lessons at the same time?

We can make a note on your registration form and try our best to accommodate, however we only have 1 instructor available. We will try our very best to at least put the sibling's sessions back to back.

#### 9. What are the requirements to pass each level?

We follow the Lifesaving Society's swimming levels and requirements. Test sheets, to be able to view various criteria of the swimming levels, can be provided by the Swim Instructor.

#### 10. Cost

This program is free!

### 11. What levels do you offer? What affiliation do you have?

We teach based on the Lifesaving Society's curriculum, offering Preschool levels 1-5 (ages 3 to 5) and Swimmer levels 1-6 (ages 6 and older). If there is enough interest, we may add a Parent & Tot program for parents and children up to 3 years old.

12. Do I have to have a cottage or residence in Whitestone to be able to register for lessons?

No, you do not have to have a cottage or residence in Whitestone to register.

#### 13. Do you offer leadership levels?

At the moment, we cannot offer any leadership levels (Bronze star, medallion or cross).

If you have any other questions please contact the Municipal Office.

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