

SWIM-A-THON 2008 FAQs

When is the swim-a-thon?

Date: Saturday, June 14th

Time: 08:00am – 10:00am

Location: Moses Lake High School Pool

Who participates?

All MLMR swimmers are expected to participate. ****VERY IMPORTANT**** If you will not be using the pledge forms, please let us know and return them to Teresa Hutsell. MLMR's have to pay USA Swimming for all unused forms that are not returned.

Who should checks be made out to?

Moses Lake Manta Rays (MLMR)

How many lengths will I swim?

You can swim as many lengths of our 25 yard pool as you can in two hours, up to 200 lengths.

How do I get donations?

You can ask friends, family members, and businesses if they would like to sponsor you for either a flat amount or an amount per length. Remember to start right away!

How much in donations should I get?

Each swimmer is expected to have \$150 in donations or \$300 per family. There are prizes for amounts \$150 and above that are turned in by the due date, June 27th.

What should I say?

There is a suggestion sheet for approaching individuals and businesses. Always remember to say "thank you" with a smile, even if someone chooses not to sponsor you at this time. Remember, we are representing our team to the community!

Can I give a receipt?

There are receipts included in your packet. Extras are available in the swim-a-thon folder in the file box along with additional materials if you need them. We are a 501c(3) non-profit organization(ID#91-1179119)

How do business sponsorships work?

A business can sponsor you for a flat amount or pledge per length, just like an individual. You can either use the special business donor form or your tally sheet included in your packet.

Sponsorship Levels:

Olympian	\$100 and above
Gold	\$75-\$99
Silver	\$50-\$74
Bronze	\$25-49

How will this money be used?

Swim-a-thon money is used for things such as the purchase of swim equipment, helping swimmers go to championship meets, relay fees, and it also helps us keep our fees down. Five percent of all donations are required to be sent to USA Swimming.

As a parent, how can I help?

Besides helping your swimmer get donations, we will need people to count laps and to bring food and drinks the day of the swim-a-thon. Look for sign-ups and more information as the swim-a-thon gets closer.

Who do I give money to, and when?

Money will be collected by Teresa Hutsell. There will be two designated collection dates, Saturday, June 14th at the Swim-a-thon and Friday, June 27th after practice. You can also leave checks in the Swim-a-thon folder (NO CASH). Please make sure everything is clearly marked with the swimmer's name. ALL MONEY MUST BE TURNED IN BY FRIDAY, June 27th.

What are the prizes and how can I earn them?

Level 1	\$250	Towel with swimmer's name monogrammed + Level 1
Level 2	\$350	\$15 Hastings Gift Card + Levels 1-2
USA 1	\$500	USA Swimming t-shirt + Levels 1-2
USA 2	\$750	USA Swimming towel + Levels 1-2
USA 3	\$1000	USA Swimming bag + Levels 1-2

Top boy and girl fundraiser will each win a \$20 gift certificate to the movie theater!

All money MUST be turned in by FRIDAY, June 27th in order to count toward prizes.

I still have questions – what should I do?

Call Teresa Hutsell at 750-8756