



Schroeder YMCA Swim Team

1. Happy Thanksgiving! It'll be great to see all of our college Alumni home and at the pool. Have a great day tomorrow!
2. Western Great Lakes Open (WGLO) went very well for all age groups. Coaches were in a agreement that lots of progress has been made by the team in the last eight weeks.
3. Please read this note on the bottom of the newsletter from Coach Jessica.
4. We all have a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. Please consider a gift to the Friends of Schroeder Campaign. The annual **Friends of Schroeder Campaign** helps to underwrite the ongoing costs of running the Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center and it enables kids and families participate in our programs.
5. Help us raise money for the Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center in a new, fun easy way! The money raised will go to the **Friends of Schroeder Campaign**. We are holding an **exciting raffle at the Y-Finalist Swim Meet**. Generous parents have already donated **THREE Michael Phelps autographed items, a Nintendo Wii, a Wii fit, basketball tickets for a Marquette game and a Wisconsin Badger game** (think Holiday gifts!!) We are hoping to add six to seven more items that 800 swimmers -- and their parents -- would love, like the new I-Pod Touch, Rock Band 2, Packer Tickets, Brewer tickets, other sporting event tickets, an apple laptop computer, or other items you think kids would love. Let us know if you want to donate one of these items by yourself or jointly with several other families. **We can't thank you enough for all you do – it is appreciated by us every day!**
6. Practice Schedule Changes for Thanksgiving:
 - a. Thursday, Groups 4-6 9 - 10:30 AM light practice to make room! No practice 1-3
 - b. Friday, Group 3 8:30 - 10:30 AM, Groups 4-6 10:30 - 1PM
 - c. Saturday normal
7. Many families have returned a Swim Team Work Requirements form and signed up for spots on Supermeets. But many have not. Your child will receive a note from their coach soon if you have not returned a form or signed up on Supermeets. You will have five days to get signed up and/or return the form or your child will not be able to train until the form is returned or you have signed up. Thanks for your prompt attention.



8. Please view and proof your Schroeder YMCA Finalist meet entries - attached.
9. Review the guidelines for equipment, primarily high tech swim suits, and our sponsor TYR. An article was recently posted on our site and if you search on TYR you'll find it. This is of concern for athletes and parents of swimmers in groups 3, 5 & 6.
10. During the Holiday Break, Coach Adam Mania will be running a Stroke clinic on January 2nd, and a Start & Turn Clinic on January 4th. Please see the announcement on our site and attached.
11. Great job to Group 1 and 2 swimmers for a considerably better meet than the the Y-Invite in terms of everyone making their races and not incurring DQ slips. We also had a few kids get their State cut times, and many others achieve best times! This meet was also better in terms of everyone getting their events written on their hands rather than having the coaches do it. Lets keep this up! The next meet we are gearing up for is the Y-Finalist in December. And just to help everybody out with what meets are left, here is a comprehensive list of the meets for Group 1 or 2 swimmers.

(All Welcome) **Saturday, January 24: Winter Single High Point Trophy Challenge, Arrowhead High School**

*Note: There will be a few swimmers in Groups 1 and 2 that will attend the Tri-State Challenge in New Trier, IL in on the same weekend. I will let these families know.

(All Welcome) **February 6-8: A+, Schroeder**

(All Welcome) **February 20-22: WI Swimming Regional Meet, Homestead HS**

(Time Standards - 12 & Unders) **February 27-3/1: WI Swimming 12 & Under State, Schroeder**

(Time Standards - 13 & Overs) **March 5-8: WI Swimming 13 & O State, Schroeder**

(Good end of the season meet for all those who do not have Y-State cuts and/or those who are trying to get Y-State cuts) **March 15: Last Chance Meet, Oshkosh YMCA**

(Time Standards) **March 20-22: WI YMCA State**

Take a look at the cut times for those particular meets that are contained within the information on the website. If you have any questions regarding these swim meets and what your child will be swimming please feel free to contact me.

Thanks and Happy Thanksgiving!

Jessica

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