

Swim Lesson FAQ's

Q: I am not sure what level to put my child in. How do I decide?

A. Read through the skills descriptions to help decide. If you still aren't sure, please call or email Lynette Raether 608-842-6855, lraether@deforestschoools.org for help. If you are unsure about two levels, go with the **LOWER** one.

Q. Will my child pass the class at the end of the session?

A. Maybe, but maybe not. It's best to plan on **one year per swim level** to make sure they have the required skills to pass. Moving through levels too quickly won't help your child.

Q. My child spent the entire first class holding the wall or sitting on the edge and refused to do anything. What should I do?

A. You can talk to your child about participating in the class, however, the first class is a lot for a child. They have a new instructor, new classmates, and some skills are HARD! It **will** get better. Your child's instructor **WILL NOT** force them to enter the water.

Q. I have suggestions for my child's teacher. Can I tell him/her the suggestions during class?

A. Please don't. The children in the class should be the most important thing for the instructor during class. If you interrupt class, that takes attention off the children, and that can be scary in the pool. If you need to talk to an instructor, you can try to talk to them after class, or you can email Lynette Raether, lraether@deforestschoools.org

Q. I'd like to put my child in a swim class for every session. Can I do that?

A. PLEASE only sign up for one class for the summer. The reason is that our lessons are REALLY popular and for safety reasons we can't have very many students per class. Having that few students per class really limits the number of kids that can sign up. We want as many kids as possible to be able to participate. BUT if there are openings in a later session, we will post something on our Facebook page, and then by all means, please sign up for an additional class.

Q. Should my child wear goggles?

A. YES! Goggles take some getting used to, but it really helps the swimmer to have them on. Everything in the pool is so much clearer! You can purchase goggles locally at Target and/or Walmart. They can be ordered from swimoutlet.com. PLEASE fit the goggles before you get to the pool for class:)