



## Schroeder YMCA Swim/Dive Team

**SCHROEDER UPDATE Thursday, March 19, 2020**

3/19/20

Dear Masters, Dive and Swim Team Members,

After my note on Tuesday, 3/17, I received many replies that were both heartfelt and heartwarming. I tried to reply to all that I had received individually and if I missed some please excuse me.

Coaches Caleb, Chandler and Phil have begun to deliver programs for each age group - from young to adult - that they will work to improve as we go. If you have not received an invitation to join, please let me know and I can connect you to the coach that is leading your athlete's age group. Divers are welcomed to join as well. Some of the offerings are swim specific but much of the daily exercise is not specific to swim. Todd will catch up with his divers soon.

- Chandler - Senior and Jr athletes at both sites and adults
- Caleb - Jr and Age Group athletes at both sites
- Phil - youngest athletes at both sites.

Again, the goal is to engage you / your children around our sport and provide some training that each can do at home. We also want to maintain our community and social relationships. All these things are to help each to cope and stay active so we can have some dependable bright spots in each day that we can look forward to. I hope you will encourage your athlete to give it a try or try it yourself.

There is an attachment about potential micro training sessions that you can review and begin to think about and do some tentative planning.

By Friday, March 27, before the April 1st date where your accounts will be charged, you will be able to complete a google form that will ask for your preference:

- Continue my monthly payment
- Make a sustaining contribution at one of three levels \$150-\$100-50/month
- Discontinue my account at this time.

Until we are able to resume normal training and racing, you should feel comfortable declaring up to 75% of whatever you choose to continue to give as a tax deductible gift to the WSAC non-profit if you / your athlete is taking part in online programming. If you are not participating, that amount could be 100% tax deductible. When we resume regular training, you will receive an acknowledgment of your gift.

The financial reality is as follows:

- The fixed monthly costs for paying our mortgage, keeping the pool heated and maintained, our insurance, etc is \$30,000.
- We have about \$200,000 in cash or about 6 months of reserves
- We think that whatever our member families choose to continue to pay will be about what our 8 full time coaches can be paid.
- Related are all of our wonderful part time staff who are now without work like so many in our communities. I / we all feel terrible for those who have already been affected - Lifeguards, coaches, swim instructors - because we are unable to conduct regular programming.

We want to help Parents. The google form has some suggestions and asks for your input. Coaches Phil, Caleb and Chandler have begun their programs and they are eager to improve how these programs are delivered and the content that is provided.

Our goals have not changed even in these crazy times: To insure that the WSAC is maintained and preserved for future generations and that our programs promote excellence and prepare youth for success. I know that our facilities and our coaches are the club's two most important assets.

Thanks to you all and please feel free to connect with me anytime,

Dave Anderson