

# AQUATICS AT MIDTOWN

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Whether you swim to escape the stress of the day, to achieve your fitness goals, or you love watching your kids become safe and confident swimmers, Midtown's pools are calling. We offer a myriad of aquatics programs including youth swim lessons and competitive swim teams. For adults, we offer Masters swim team, lap swim, and fitness classes. Private and semi-private lessons are also available for swimmers of all ages and abilities.

At Midtown, we believe it's important for our swimmers to be part of a community that promotes learning through socialization. Our small class ratios allow our students to work together and build relationships while still getting the individualized attention and recognition they deserve.

The Midtown Aquatics team is comprised of highly trained and certified swim coaches who not only instruct swimmers, but also passionately motivate them to improve through our challenging, yet fun curriculum. We encourage our coaches and swimmers to bring their own personality and spirit to the pool each and everyday.

## \$19 PER CLASS X NUMBER OF SESSION WEEKS

### LEARN TO SWIM GROUP SWIM LESSONS (AGES 6 MONTHS-ADULT)

Whether your kids will be swimming at Midtown's pools or in the ocean on your next vacation, helping them learn to swim has never been easier. Our group swim lessons use limited flotation devices, which allows quicker progression among students and no false sense of securities. Midtown's certified swim coaches will turn kids of all ages and abilities into safe and confident swimmers. Students meet once per week at the same day and time.

#### **Parent & Child A Swim Lessons (Ages 6-18 months):**

*Parent & Child A* is an introductory level that emphasizes water discovery. It's a great bonding experience for a parent (or caregiver) and child. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:6.

#### **Parent & Child B Swim Lessons (Ages 18 months - 3 years):**

*Parent & Child B* is the next step in transitioning young swimmers from a Parent Child class to a coach and child class. This class continues to reinforce safety, water acclimation, and discovery while developing new experiences in the water. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:6.

**Preschool Swim Lessons Level 1 (Ages 3-5):** *Preschool Level 1* is for children who are ready to swim without a parent (or caregiver) but are still cautious in the water. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:4.

**Preschool Swim Lessons Level 2 (Ages 3-5):** *Preschool Level 2* is for children who feel confident in the water and are ready for new challenges. Assisted and unassisted learning. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:4.

**Preschool Swim Lessons Level 3 (Ages 3-5):** *Preschool Level 3* is for children who can perform longer swimming distances unassisted and are ready to focus on stamina. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:4.

**Youth Swim Lessons Level 3 (Ages 6+):** *Youth Level 3* is designed for new swimmers to promote confidence and comfort in the water while learning safe swimming practices. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:4.

**Youth Swim Lessons Level 4 (Ages 5-12):** *Youth Level 4* sets the stage for stroke introduction while still reinforcing water safety. Swimmers will begin learning freestyle and backstroke. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:6.

**Youth Swim Lessons Level 5 (Ages 5-12):** *Youth Level 5* reinforces water stamina and stroke introduction, which further expands into stroke development. Swimmers must be familiar with freestyle and backstroke and will begin learning breaststroke and butterfly. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:6.

**Youth Swim Lessons Level 6 (Ages 5-12):** *Youth Level 6* is the final stage of our youth level classes. Proper stroke technique is reinforced through well-developed skills. Swimmers must be familiar with all four strokes and will working on refining each individual stroke throughout the session. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:6.

**Adult Swim Lessons (Ages 18+):** *Adult Swim* is designed for adults motivated to learn how to swim while improving their stroke technique and stamina while gaining confidence in the water. Maximum coach-to-swimmer ratio is 1:4.

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## MIDTOWN MARLINS YOUTH SWIM TEAM (AGES 6+)

The Midtown Marlins Youth Swim Team is great for those who want to continue refining their skills in a fun and competitive environment. We practice two-three times per week and offer practice groups for ability levels appropriate to swim team, led by certified coaches. Swimmers are encouraged to try out for the team the first week of each month.

*See flyer for additional details.*

### **Beginner Swim Team (Bronze Group):**

*Bronze Group* is for swimmers with no competitive experience. Swimmers will learn all four strokes (freestyle, backstroke, butterfly, breaststroke) in addition to swim team basics and etiquette. Must be able to swim a minimum of 100 yards continuous freestyle.

**Intermediate Swim Team (Silver Group):** *Silver Group* is for returning swim team members. Swimmers will improve endurance and polishing stroke techniques for successful competitive swimming. Must be able to swim a minimum of 150 yards continuous freestyle.

**Advanced Swim Team (Gold Group):** *Gold Group* is for experienced swim team members. Swimmers will focus on stroke technique and endurance for all four strokes to become more successful in competitive swimming. Must be able to swim a minimum of 200 yards continuous freestyle.

## MIDTOWN MASTERS SWIM TEAM (AGES 18+)

The Midtown Masters Swim Team offers fun and organized swim workouts for adult swimmers who are looking to stay in shape in the water. We practice during the week and are led by a certified swim coach. Masters swim team is perfect for the retired collegiate swimmer, fitness swimmer or triathlete. NO PREQUESITE Required! *See flyer for additional details.*

## PRIVATE & SEMI-PRIVATE LESSONS (ALL AGES)

Private and semi-private lessons are available for all ages and abilities. *Private lessons* offer 1:1 ratio instruction and *semi-private lessons* offer 1:2 ratio instruction. These lessons are intended for swim coaches to help you achieve your personalized goals. Please note that private and semi-private lessons are only available during specific times of the day and all communication will be done directly through your swim coach.

### **FEES:**

<b>Private Lesson</b>	<b>\$40 per person/per lesson</b>
<b>Semi-Private Lesson</b>	<b>\$24 per person/per lesson</b>



## **KELLIE AYRES, AQUATICS DIRECTOR**

*Kellie joined the Midtown team in May 2017. Originally from the Philadelphia area, Kellie moved to Chicago in February 2016. She attended Bloomsburg University of PA where she was a four-year scholarship collegiate swimmer. After graduating, Kellie became the full-time Assistant Men's & Women's Swim Coach at Dickinson College and Carnegie Mellon University. She then obtained her Master's Degree in Sport Management - Intercollegiate Athletic Administration from California University of PA. Most recently, Kellie was the Aquatics Director for the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh and Director of Aquatics for YMCA Metro Chicago - Leaning Tower. She has led various teams and coached swimmers of all ages and abilities. For Kellie, the ability to see someone excel at swimming is what keeps her coming back each day.*

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