

# 2019 BTC SWIM TEAM VOLUNTEER JOBS

## SWIM TEAM COMMITTEE

Want to lend your skills to making the BTC Swim Team experience great? Please let us know if you would like to help in any non-meet capacities – event planning, finances, awards, etc. We **really need help** so please consider joining us! No swim team experience required, new families welcome – please contact us at [btcswim@gmail.com](mailto:btcswim@gmail.com).

## MEETS

**Swim meets are very labor-intensive events and ALL families need to fulfill volunteer responsibilities!**

**Do we have to volunteer?** Volunteering is essential to the success of our team and meet experience. Without you, the volunteer, we just can't get it done ... so to answer is ... YES!!! You have to volunteer 😊. There is always an experienced person who can help, plus it's a great way to meet other parents and support your swimmers.

**Home Meet Snack Bar Staff:** **MISSION CRITICAL** for our fundraising and the ONLY way we can pay for all the Friday FUNday Brunches, Family Fun Night, Awards, etc. Set up and sell food to hungry swimmers and families. Volunteers are usually assigned to work 1/2 the meet. Ok to leave post periodically to see your own kiddos swim!

**Timer:** Timers meet about 30 minutes pre-race to review assignments. If we have enough people, timers switch off half way through the meet. In teams of three in each lane, time each race, and record, or tell the timer who's recording, the time the swimmer achieved. Reset the watch, and get ready for the next race! Over the course of the season, we have a minimum of 144 timing opportunities.

**Bullpen Staff:** The bullpen position involves calling out the next event needed to begin preparations for the race. Bullpen staff ensure that swimmers are in the appropriate event, heat, and lane, and if/when necessary, make modifications, such as moving swimmers up a heat to fill empty lanes. It's like herding cats but not as gratifying! Experienced volunteers will lead the herding and you learn the best methods helping as an understudy.

**Card Runner:** "Run" cards back and forth between swimmers and scoring table - you'll be busy! Over the course of the season, there are 25 opportunities to be a runner, 5 per home meet.

**Heat Winner Ribbons:** Watch the finish of each race closely to see which lane and swimmer finishes first in the heat. If it is too close to call, quickly ask the timers from the respective lanes for the times. Hand the heat winner ribbon to the victor and tell them great job! Each volunteer works 1/2 meet.

**Scorer:** Volunteers must be trained for this task - Stephanie Buzzell will provide training. According to scoring protocols, the scorer organizes the fastest times for each event and marks the score sheet to award the correct points to each team. Scorers then hand the cards of their team to their team's computer entrant.

**Computer Entrant:** Volunteers must be trained for this task - Stephanie Buzzell will provide training. The computer entrant collects the cards, after the scorers have confirmed the event overall order of finish, and imports the times into the meet results of our team software system.

**Officials:** Must be certified. Observe meet to make sure swimmers are using correct strokes and turns - must be certified. Officials meet about 30 minutes pre-race to review assignments.

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