



Health and Safety

The health and safety of our swimmers, families and swim associates are always our top priority at the Katz JCC.

The plan below reflects what actions we're taking to protect our Katz JCC families and staff. We are also continuously monitoring CDC guidelines, state and local regulations.

Caring for One Another

Every big moment in the pool starts with the magical combination of your swimmer's hard work plus the instruction of our dedicated swim instructors. To ensure we're providing a healthy, safe environment for everyone in and out of the pool, we are following the guidelines of the CDC and taking the following precautions:

Wellness Checks Prior to Entry

All staff will have their temperatures checked at the beginning of each shift before entering the facility, and we ask that all families also complete a wellness check prior to entry. We encourage families to use our health forms on our website for swim lessons and answer the COVID-19 questionnaire prior to arriving to expedite the check in process.

Personal Protective Equipment

All staff will be provided with suitable personal protective equipment for their role, including a face masks for dry shifts and face shields for Swim Instructors in the water. All adults and kids over the age of two wear face masks at all times while on site at the Katz JCC, with the exception of our swimmers in the water. In NJ, per local regulations, masks are required and we also ask that parents in Parent/Child level classes wear a face covering or face shields during lessons.

Supportive Policies for Illness and Absence

Swim Associates have access to enhanced paid sick leave that allows them maximum flexibility in the event they feel ill, ensuring they don't feel pressured to choose between their health and their work.

If you or someone in your home is feeling unwell, we ask that you stay home and take advantage of our flexible makeup lesson or freeze policy. Were someone in your household to be diagnosed with COVID-19 after being in a Katz JCC facility, we ask that you call us as soon as possible to let us know.

COVID-19 SWIM CLASS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Keeping Katz JCC Families Safe Before, During, and After Swim Lessons

Before

- All visitors to our building who are 2 years of age and older must wear a face mask.
- Have your child *wear their bathing suit* under their clothes. Pack a change of clothing.
- Please arrive only 10 minutes before your class is set to begin.
- One parent/caregiver will be allowed per three kids to manage numbers within our facility.
- We ask you to complete our health form prior to each lesson. Your family will still be required to also complete a temperature check at the front door prior to entering the facility. If your child or someone else at home is not feeling well, we ask that you please stay home and utilize our freeze lesson policy.
- Check-in will begin at the front door 10 minutes before the start of your scheduled lesson, at which time each family will be assigned a chair on the deck of the pool.
- Parent and swimmer will enter the pool through the dry door by the Fitness & Wellness office.

During

- We have capped capacity of our classes for the time being to provide for increased distancing in each lane.
- Curriculum is updated to limit usage of pool toys, and any toys used will be sanitized between each lesson.
- Class size will be reduced to 3 students per class.
- All swim instructors in the water will be wearing face shields to provide additional protection for both swimmers and staff. We also ask that parents participating in parent-child classes wear a mask or face shields during swim lessons.
- Parent/caregivers will be assigned a marked chair placed 6' apart to view lessons on the pool deck.
- Each instructor will be assigned to a lane with his/her own equipment, which will be swapped out and cleaned after each lesson by a dedicated cleaner.
- Parent/caregiver must remain seated during the swim lessons in the assigned chair. Face covering must always be worn.
- No electronic devices allowed on the pool deck.

After

- **Swimmers must exit the pool immediately after their swim lesson is over.**
- **Swimmers will not be allowed a free swim time before or after their lesson.**
- **SUSPEND END OF CLASS COMMUNICATION: To limit congestion on the pool deck, we are temporarily suspending in-person teacher talks after lessons.**



- Swimmers will exit from a separate pool door/wet door at the deep end of the lap pool to provide a one-way flow of traffic on the pool deck.
- Swimmers and parents will be allowed to use the locker rooms as long as swimmer and parent is the same sex.
- Swimmers and parents can use our portable changing room on the pool deck.
- We pride ourselves on a sparkling facility and have increased our cleaning regimen and pool sanitization schedule. In addition to professional deep cleaning and sanitation throughout the week, we will have a dedicated cleaner during every shift to disinfect high touch surfaces. We will also have hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes available for use throughout the facility. Our facility will be sanitized every day with an electrostatic sprayer.
- We use disinfectants from the EPA list of disinfectants that are qualified as being effective against COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and other "harder-to-kill" viruses.
- We test our pools every hour to ensure our pool is safe for our swimmers. We regularly wash our pool deck and utilize a highly concentrated and eco-friendly disinfectant to ensure the cleanliness and safety of the pool deck.
- All high touch and shared surfaces are thoroughly cleaned during and after each 30-minute lesson block, as well as an enhanced cleaning protocol at close each evening.

We appreciate patience and flexibility during this time.

Questions?

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