



March 2011

Dear Parents,

We are truly excited for the 2011 Bedford Barracudas swim season. It has been a long cold winter and although the thought of standing by a pool in the hot sun seems crazy, it is right around the corner. Registration is rapidly approaching and we are looking forward to seeing you on either **Monday, April 4th** or **Tuesday, April 12th** from 6:00 -8:00pm at McKelvie. If you would kindly reply to this message, it will assist us in gaining an accurate count of returning swimmer families and aid in the registration process. Thanks!!

As we begin a new season, it is critical that we have the support of every family on the team. Hosting meets, running them effectively and keeping the meet moving in a timely fashion requires the help of each family on the team. Each swim meet requires over 60 volunteers ranging from running concessions to timing the swimmers' races. In the past, the team's greatest challenge has been assuring that all of the families take part in filling the positions required for each meet.

In order to ensure that volunteers are available for every meet, the team will now have a ***Parent Support Contract*** that will require volunteering by each family. We will discuss the job descriptions and details of the new contract at the *Mandatory Parents' Meeting* and Merchandise pick up night on June 6th, from 6:30-7:30 at McKelvie Intermediate School. *The Parent Support Contract, Swimmer Registration Form, and the Bedford Parks and Recreation Conduct Clause* will be available to download on the team website www.bedfordswimteam.org and will be also be available at registration.

We are really looking forward to a very sunny and wicked warm summer as we begin another fun filled and exciting season. Thanks so much!

Sincerely,

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