

Fall 2026 Swim Lessons Schedule

Marshalltown YMCA-YWCA



	4-week Session Aug 24 - Sept 16 M/W NO class Sept 7TH	4-week Session Sept 21 - Oct 14 M/W	4-week Session Oct 19 - Nov 11 M/W	4-week Session Nov 16 - Dec 16 M/W No class week of Nov. 23rd - Nov. 28th	8-week Session Aug 24 - Oct 17 T, TH, SAT	8-week Session Oct 19 - Dec 19 T, TH, FRI, SAT No class week of Nov. 23rd - Nov. 28th
Registration Dates	Aug 17 - Y Members Aug 19 - Program Participant	Sept 14 - Y Members Sept 16 - Program Participant	Oct 12 - Y Members Oct 14 - Program Participant	Nov 09 - Y Members Nov 11 - Program Participant	Aug 17 - Y Members Aug 19 - Program Participant	Oct 12 - Y Members Oct 14 - Program Participant
Cost	\$35.25 Y Members \$50.75 Program Participant	\$40.25 Y Members \$58.00 Program Participant	\$40.25 Y Members \$58.00 Program Participant	\$40.25 Y Members \$58.00 Program Participant	\$40.25 Y Members \$58.00 Program Participant	\$40.25 Y Members \$58.00 Program Participant
Stage 1 Water Acclimation	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	T 4:30-5:15p.m. TH 4:30-5:15p.m. SAT 9:30-10:15a.m.	T 4:30-5:15p.m. TH 4:30-5:15p.m. SAT 9:30-10:15a.m.
Stage 2 Water Movement	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 10:15-11:00a.m. 4:30-5:15p.m. 5:30-6:15p.m.	T 6:30-7:15p.m. TH 4:30-5:15p.m. SAT 8:30-9:15a.m.	T 6:30-7:15p.m. TH 4:30-5:15p.m. SAT 8:30-9:15a.m.
Stage 3 Water Stamina	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	T 5:30-6:15p.m. TH 5:30-6:15p.m. SAT 9:30-10:15a.m.	T 5:30-6:15p.m. TH 5:30-6:15p.m. SAT 9:30-10:15a.m.
Stage 4 Stroke Introduction	M/W 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	M/W 4:30-5:15p.m.	M/W 4:30-5:15p.m. 6:30-7:15p.m.	T 6:30-7:15p.m. SAT 8:30-9:15a.m.	T 6:30-7:15p.m. SAT 8:30-9:15a.m.
Stage 5 Stroke Development	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	TH 6:30-7:15p.m.	TH 6:30-7:15p.m.
Stage 6 Stroke Mechanics	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	M/W 5:30-6:15p.m.	TH 6:30-7:15p.m.	TH 6:30-7:15p.m.
Water Discovery/ Water Exploration	Parent/Child class ages 6mo.-3 years				Th 5:45-6:15p.m. Th 6:30-7:00p.m.	Th 5:45-6:15p.m. Th 6:30-7:00p.m.
Home School Swim Club	multi level groups: stages 1 -3 and 4-6				W 3:00-3:45p.m.	W 3:00-3:45p.m.
Adaptive Swim Lessons	Lessons adapted for children with special needs				FRI 5:00-5:45 PM FRI 6:00-6:45 PM	FRI 5:00-5:45 PM FRI 6:00-6:45 PM NO Class Nov 25th
Adult Lessons					T 6:00—6:45p.m.	T 6:15—7:00p.m.

STRONG SWIMMERS CONFIDENT KIDS

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Swim Starters Aquatic Program

Accompanied by a parent*, infants and toddlers learn to be comfortable in the water and develop swim readiness skills through fun and confidence-building experiences, while parents learn about water safety, drowning prevention, and the importance of supervision.

Stage Descriptions:

A / Water Discovery Introduces infants and toddlers to the aquatic environment.

B / Water Exploration Focuses on exploring body positions, blowing bubbles, and fundamental safety and aquatic skills.

* We define parent broadly to include all adults with primary responsibility for raising children, including biological parents, adoptive parents, guardians, stepparents, grandparents, or any other type of parenting relationship.

Swim Basics for Preschool and School Age

Students learn personal water safety and achieve basic swimming competency by learning two benchmark skills: **swim, float, swim**—sequencing front glide, roll, back float, roll, front glide, and exit—and **jump, push, turn, grab**.

In Water Acclimation, Water Movement, and Water Stamina, students are taught the recommended skills for all to have around water including safe water habits, underwater exploration, and how to swim to safety and exit in the event of falling into a body of water. Activities, games, and drills, geared to reinforce learning, are utilized heavily as students progress in this skill-based approach to swimming.

Stage Descriptions:

1 / Water Acclimation Increases comfort with underwater exploration and introduces basic self-rescue skills performed with assistance.

2 / Water Movement Encourages forward movement in water and basic self-rescue skills performed independently.

3 / Water Stamina Develops intermediate self-rescue skills performed at longer distances than in previous stages.

Swim Strokes for Preschool and School Age

Having mastered the fundamentals, students learn additional water safety skills and build stroke technique, developing skills that prevent chronic disease, increase social-emotional and cognitive well-being, and foster a lifetime of physical activity.

In Stroke Introduction, Stroke Development and Stroke Mechanics, swimmers are introduced to the four competitive swimming strokes as well as rescue skills and healthy lifestyle habits.

Stage Descriptions:

4 / Stroke Introduction Introduces basic stroke technique in front crawl and back crawl and reinforces water safety through treading water and elementary back-stroke.

5 / Stroke Development Introduces breast-stroke and butterfly and reinforces water safety through treading water and sidestroke.

6 / Stroke Mechanics Refines stroke technique on all major competitive strokes and encourages swimming as part of a healthy lifestyle.

Home School Swim Club

This multi-level class is available to any home school student. Swimmers practice strokes, basic water safety and skills.

Adaptive Swim Lessons

This multi-level class is available to any student with special needs. Swimmers practice strokes, basic water safety and skills. Classes limited to 2 students per instructor. Quiet environment to minimize distractions. Certified special needs teachers.

Specialty Classes and Programs

Swimmers who love the water and want further instruction for future aquatics activities enjoy participating in our Specialty Programs focused on leadership, competition, and recreation. We continually develop our specialty program curriculum. Please check the Y website for updates: www.ymca-ywca.org. : Swim Team, Diving Club, Porpoise Club, Lifeguarding

PARENT TIPS

- Register in person at the Y or go online to www.ymca-ywca.org for class descriptions and registration.
- Please contact Shelley Lechnir, Aquatic Director for questions regarding placement in a level: shelley.lechnir@ymca-ywca.org or 641-752-8658
- **Stages are for both Preschool and School age children. They are combined.**
- All swimmers progress at an individual pace. Some may need to repeat a stage.
- If class is full, please ask to be added to wait list. Classes will be added if possible. (Not a guarantee.)

Y swim instructors are nationally certified. Their training includes CPR, AED and First Aid. Swim lessons provide important life skills that could save a life and will benefit students for a lifetime.



SWIM LESSON CANCELLATION POLICY

The Marshalltown YMCA-YWCA reserves the right to combine class levels, or cancel classes for insufficient enrollment. In the event of a cancelled session, system credit will be given. Classes missed due to weather will not be made up or refunded.

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