



This group is specifically designed to teach children with autism how to safely swim in the water. Graduates will be able to swim the length of the 25-yard WHS pool, including the deep end, and tread water for two minutes.

Starfish Swim Club Policies

Every parent must read and agree to Starfish Swim Club policies in writing.

- The goal of the Starfish Swim Club is WATER SAFETY. Graduation consists of swimming the length (25 yards) of the Watertown High School pool, including the deep end and treading water for two minutes. This is not a program to refine swim “technique.”
- We must have notice cancellation at least 24 hours before your child’s scheduled class as we coordinate our volunteer swim buddies/staffing. We understand that there may be shorter notice as emergencies come up, but communication is vital.
- If you cancel your child’s lesson three (3) weeks in a row, your child may be moved back to the wait list.
- We welcome a behavior tech or BCBA as a swim buddy in the pool, if necessary, for the success of your child in this program. Sun, Moon & Stars reserves the right to assist in making this determination.
- Not every child works best in a group swim setting and may require private lessons, which we are not able to accommodate at this time. Sun, Moon & Stars reserves the right to assist in making this determination.
- Please supervise your child(ren) and any siblings at all times in the pool area. The pool deck is slippery, and, therefore, no running is allowed. Once the child’s lesson is over, they are expected to leave the pool.
- All children who aren’t consistent with their potty training must wear a swim diaper, or protective swim pants. The pool will be closed down in case of a “code brown” or “code green” in case of vomit. There is a cost associated with cancelling lessons for the day and parents may incur a cost for such cancellations (\$45 minimum).