

Frequently Asked Questions

JUNIOR CUDAS

What exactly is the Jr. Cuda program?

A special group of our youngest and newest swimmers learning to swim in the context of being on a team. It allows novice swimmers who are able to swim but have not yet passed deep water test, join the mighty Bolton Hill Barracuda team.

What are the requirements?

Children should be at *least* 5 or 6 years old and able to swim a full length unassisted. We will give them more than one chance to try but we do ask parents to be fairly certain that their child is capable, before putting them in the “try out” scenario.

When is try outs?

Any evening at 6:30, the first few weeks of June. Or any other time you see a coach at the pool when there is no full swim team practice going on.

When do they Practice?

They will have their own lane during the 8 & Under practice times. They will not be a part of the pre-season practice schedule in the first few weeks of June.

Who is Coaching them?

Jr. Cuda practices are run almost exclusively by hand selected Jr. Coaches (Swimmers 13-18 years old who try out with Head Coach Ramsey). We also highly recommend Jr. Cudas get some additional instruction through swim lessons offered by the club or elsewhere.

Will they compete in swim meets?

You bet! Jr. Cudas often compete in the first meet of the season, however they do not have to. We hope they are all in for meet number 2.

Competition can be stressful, but there is much to be learned from the experience of trying. These kids come back the next summer far braver, proudly pronouncing themselves veterans.