

SCAR LAUNCHPAD

PARENT INFORMATION GUIDE

Learn to Swim. Build Confidence. Get Ready to Launch.

Welcome to **Launchpad**, Scarborough Swim Club's learn-to-swim program for children developing the skills, confidence, and independence needed to become strong swimmers. Launchpad creates a clear progression from fundamental water skills to preparation for the **SCAR Swim Academy**.

Discover → Explore → Build → Launch → Swim Academy

PROGRAM FORMAT

Session	12 weeks	Lesson	25 minutes
Group Size	Maximum 1:4 instructor-to-swimmer ratio	Schedule	One scheduled lesson per week

LAUNCHPAD LEVELS

DISCOVER

The first step in learning to swim. Swimmers develop comfort and confidence while learning breath control, submersion, floating, gliding, safe recovery, and body positioning.

EXPLORE

Swimmers develop basic propulsion and control through streamlines, flutter kick, introductory dolphin kick, rollover skills, side-glide kicking, and introductory freestyle arm action.

BUILD

Swimmers develop greater independence and endurance while working on freestyle with side breathing, backstroke, treading water, increased swimming distance, and development toward bilateral breathing.

LAUNCH

Swimmers refine freestyle and backstroke while being introduced to breaststroke, butterfly, turns, and stronger streamlines, preparing them for the SCAR Swim Academy.

PROGRAM FEES

Launchpad Program Fee	\$299 per swimmer, per 12-week session
One-Time Registration Fee	\$79 - includes registration fee and SCAR swim cap
Total for a swimmer requiring registration	\$378

The \$79 one-time registration fee is **non-refundable**.

CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

Families may cancel registration more than 24 hours before the scheduled start of the session and receive a refund of the \$299 program fee. The \$79 one-time registration fee remains non-refundable.

Cancellations made within 24 hours of the session start, or after the session has begun, are not eligible for a refund of the \$299 program fee.

MISSED LESSONS

There are no refunds, credits, or make-up sessions for classes missed by a swimmer. Launchpad operates on a fixed group schedule with pool space and instructors scheduled in advance.

IF SCAR CANCELS A LESSON

If SCAR must cancel a scheduled lesson, parents will be notified by email as soon as reasonably possible. SCAR will contact affected families and discuss any available options. This is separate from the missed-lesson policy for individual swimmers.

HOLIDAYS & TEAM BREAKS

No lessons are held on designated holidays or during scheduled SCAR team breaks. These dates will be identified on the program schedule. Planned holidays and team breaks are not considered SCAR-cancelled lessons.

REQUIRED SWIM GEAR

Each swimmer must bring a training swimsuit and swimming goggles that do not cover the nose to every Launchpad lesson. Please clearly label personal gear with the swimmer's name.

PARENT & SWIMMER EXPECTATIONS

Swimmers must be able to enter the water independently. Parents are not permitted on the pool deck or in the water during lessons. This helps swimmers develop independence, build a relationship with their instructor, and remain focused during their lesson. Please arrive on time and ready to swim.

PROGRESSION & THE SCAR PATHWAY

Launchpad is skill-based. Swimmers progress as they demonstrate the skills required for the next level. The goal is to prepare swimmers for the SCAR Swim Academy with a strong foundation in body position, kicking, breathing, streamlines, and basic stroke development.

Launchpad → Swim Academy → Competitive Swimming

Scarborough Swim Club

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