



## Why Club Wolverine (CW) is Your Best Choice for Competitive Swimming



- 1. Teamwork!** CW is a large team with lots of opportunities to swim together. The team is supportive of each other from the young to older swimmer. You'll typically see the team rooting strongly for each other during a race. It's a great 'family'!
- 2. Great Swimming!** CW always prepares their swimmers very well for championship competition. Having some of the best swimmers in the state to practice against each day makes the entire team better.
- 3. World Class Coaching!** Led by Kelton Graham, a former Michigan High School coach of the year, our coaching staff is second to none in the state of Michigan. Our line-up of career coaches covers the gamut of early developing age-group swimmers to national caliber athletes and everything in-between. And they have coached CW swimmers to state championships, high school teams to state championships, have coached multiple zone team champions, been invited to coach national level camps, etc. Our club is thrilled to have such a great coaching staff.
- 4. Vast Range of Swim Groups!** CW has worked hard to develop a wide array of swim groups so there is a spot on CW for any level swimmer...from beginner to internationally ranked. All new swimmers are evaluated (see website for instructions) and suggestions are made by our coaches for swim group placement. So CW definitely has a place for your child!
- 5. Tons of Value Added Services!** CW provides many value added services that other teams just cannot match. These include meet and practice video taping, a comprehensive dryland (exercises out of the water) program, elite level coaches, great swimmers to train with, the USA Swimming Gold Medal status and its perks, and the list goes on and on.
- 6. Social Activities!** CW has a host of social activities throughout the year. Some are official team activities (fall picnic, pre-championship meet picnic or spaghetti dinner, attending a baseball game) and others are organized at the swim group level. And every swimmer will tell you they love to hang with their swimming buddies.
- 7. Organized, Focused and Fun Practices!** CW practices are always planned in advance and have a purpose and a focus. Our coaches excel at on-the-fly tweaking of a practice as they find necessary. Practices are fun, too!!
- 8. Dryland!** To become a top level swimmer a dryland program is a must. The CW focus on strength (including core strength), endurance and flexibility in a contemporary program provide a fun and necessary supplement to in-the-water training.
- 9. Parent Involvement!** Our fantastic parents are the heart and soul of our club. Everyone loves to volunteer whether it be on the board, the chair of a committee, or to help run our meets, we can always count on our legion of parents to come through.
- 10. Local and Intrasquad meets!** Sure CW has dominated at the state, regional and national levels. But our bread and butter are the great local meets where our age group youngsters 'cut their teeth'. The Ann Arbor area is host to lots of meets throughout the year, including four of our own. And our fun intra-squad meets add another level of low-key atmosphere to learn how to compete.
- 11. Encouragement of WISC and High School Swimming!** The CW coaching staff wants swimming to be fun. That's why unlike some other teams, we encourage our swimmers to compete in the WISC summer league and high school (or middle school). These are loads of fun and we love to see our swimmers do well in these meets (which they always do).