

## Safety Notice 2008

Please remember that Avery Aquatics Center was built with collegiate sports in mind. With large numbers of active and inquisitive kids accompanied by involved parents, we need to keep the following in mind.

Please remind your families of the following:

- Parents will not be allowed on deck once competition begins unless they are working in a volunteer job. It becomes too hard for the timers and officials to do their jobs and too hard for the swimmers to get to the blocks with parents trying to watch or assist their kids on deck. The fewer people on deck, the more smoothly the meet will run. Parents should discuss this with their younger swimmers so it's not a surprise. (Coaches may want to plan how to orient the younger swimmers to the pool area prior to the start of the meet.)
- Swimming under the bulkhead is strictly prohibited. There is no playing allowed in any of the other pools, the diving area, or with any of the training equipment. Children not following this critical rule can be barred from swimming in the meet.
- The railings on the spectator stands were not designed with small (or even medium sized) children in mind. No one should sit, hang, climb, lean over, etc. on the rails. The same warning applies to the walls and stairwells in the complex.
- Swimmers and their accompanying family members should not be playing with fitness equipment or in pools (or hot tubs). During competition the only pool open to JSSL is the Avery competition pool. Once competition begins, warm-ups will be limited to swimmers 11 and older and will be behind the bulkhead in Avery. There is absolutely **no diving or jumping** in this warm-up area. A "three point entry" (keeping your hand on the side of the pool) is required in this warm-up area. Please explain this rule to your swimmers in advance. Baker pool will be open to JSSL for warm ups only from 7:30 – 8:45. Marshals may ask children to leave the Championship Meet if they are found playing on equipment or in pool areas that are not part of our meet.
- JSSL swimmers are allowed to use the recreation locker rooms, but note that the locker rooms will be shared with non-JSSL swimmers. Do not leave items unattended in the locker rooms.
- Parents may want to remind their kids not to leave the complex without permission. Multiple gates will remain open throughout the meet.
- Food is not allowed on the pool decks. Eat only in the designated areas.