Interm swimming program 2025

School preferences information for school coordinators

# About the program

We are again conducting a comprehensive swimming and water safety education program in 2025. You can include interm swimming lessons in your Health and Physical Education program.

Interm Swimming is a school-based swimming program for children from Pre-primary to Year 7. It provides high-quality swimming lessons to ensure your students develop vital swimming and water safety skills.

# Costs involved

We meet the cost of interm swimming lessons for:

* all primary students in public schools
* primary students in remote and rural non-government schools.

The program is also available to primary students in metropolitan non-government schools on a ‘user pays’ basis.

# Series dates preferences

You must submit a minimum of 2 series date preferences per term for all 4 terms.

This includes schools that prefer lessons at a beach venue in Term 1 or 4, submitting Term 2 and 3 preferences for their local indoor swimming pool.

This does not include schools in locations where venues are only accessible for part of the year. To facilitate this change through WAIVS, we have classified schools in these locations as a ‘Country school’. Identified schools need to nominate 2 dates for each available term at their closest venue.

When you select and submit your preferences, consider the following information.

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| Considerations for interm swimming school preferences |
| Lesson information  | The standard lesson configuration is 10 days of 40-minute lessons. |
| Your venue selection and the suitability for the students attending:* deeper water for upper primary students,
* warmer conditions for lower primary students.
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| Surf venues are recommended for Year 5 to 7 students. |
| Stages 1 to 15 are offered at pool venues. |
| Stages 1 to 14 are offered at surf venues. |
| Lessons may be taken at different venues and in different terms for individual year groups, for example: * Pre-primary to Year 3 10 lessons at an indoor venue
* Years 4 to 7 10 lessons at an indoor or outdoor venue
* Years 5 to 7 10 lessons at a surf venue
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| Series dates  | To find out what’s available at your preferred venue or venues in 2025, refer to [interm swimming](https://www.education.wa.edu.au/interm-swimming). |
| Students attending  | Submit an accurate projected estimate of the total number of students who will attend lessons in 2025. We use this information to allocate your lessons to optimize available pool space and swimming staff. |
| Preference notes  | Help us accommodate your school needs by including relevant information in the ‘Preference note’ section. For example: * early close day and time
* school development days
* request lesson configuration outside the standard 10 days of 40-minute lessons.
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| Secondary schools  | Year 7 bookings can be accommodated with either 10 days of 40-minute lessons across a fortnight or 5 days of 80-minute lessons across a week. |
| Students are best catered for at venues where there is deep water. |
| Metropolitan non-government schools invoicing  | The ex-GST cost per teacher per lesson is outlined in the [Metropolitan interm swimming non-government school conditions and invoicing rates](https://www.education.wa.edu.au/interm-swimming).  |
| The total cost will include instructor and supervisor wages and on-costs for corporate services of 11.85%. GST will be added at the time of invoicing. |
| Venue Information  | Contact your preferred venue or venues for information about:* pool entry fees
* use of change rooms
* bus access.
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In a program of this size and complexity, constraints could impinge on a school’s preferences including available pool space and mandatory industrial and occupational health and safety compliance (that determine the size of classes and the number of lessons offered each day).

Before an allocation is made, we will discuss any necessary adjustments required outside of your school’s preferences.

# Submit preferences

Your school must have a registered school coordinator in WAIVS to enable the submission of your 2025 school preferences.

If you need to update your school coordinator details, call us on 6206 2011.

For step-by-step instructions to submit preferences, refer to [How to submit school preferences in WAIVS](https://www.education.wa.edu.au/interm-swimming).

# Online submission dates

* Opening date – 12 pm on Wednesday 17 April 2024
* Closing date – 12 pm on Wednesday 8 May 2024

If you have any queries, call program coordinator Nicole Barrett on 6206 2011 or email interm-metro@education.wa.edu.au.

Thank you for your school’s involvement in the program.