



Adirondack Aquatic Center

ADIRONDACK AQUATIC CENTER PROPOSAL
TO
ADIRONDACK DISTRICT LOCAL SWIM COMMITTEE

AAC would like the Adirondack District LSC to please consider the following:

A \$1 per swimmer per meet surcharge for all USA Swimming meets hosted in the Adirondack District beginning in the Fall of 2019. The fee will be charged for a 5-year period and then be subject to review.

The fee will be payable with meet fee remittance to the meet host and then remitted to the Sanction Chair to disperse to Adirondack Aquatic Center.

AAC plans to approach other local aquatic organizations to implement a surcharge for their meets. Greensboro Aquatic Center currently has a \$2 per swimmer per meet surcharge for all events held in their facility.

THE NEED

AAC is continually incurring expenses in preparation for the build – architectural design fees, aquatic engineer fees, legal fees, etc. The surcharge will help greatly with these costs now as well as in the initial years of operation.

Implementing this surcharge will show our swim community's commitment to the AAC project to prospective funding sources. The project is ready to be built. The major hurdle to secure funding is to show the need, usage and desire for a premiere aquatic center.



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BENEFITS TO THE ADIRONDACK DISTRICT LSC

The entire Adirondack District will benefit from the following:

- A state-of-the-art facility with ample deck space, seating and parking.
- A 50-meter pool with separate warm-up/cool-down pool.
- Prelims/Finals format for Long Course Championships.
- Long Course Championships held in an 8-lane pool, without weather delays.
- No more split High School Sectionals and Silver Championships.
- Increase in maximum number of athletes at meets
- The ability to run multiple short course sessions simultaneously.
- A hub for coach and official training, certifications and clinics.
- A hub for swim clinics, water safety courses, lifeguard training, etc.
- The ability to run State, Regional and National meets.
- The level of competition for age group swimmers will increase creating a stronger and larger LSC.
- Countless aquatic programs for all ages and abilities.
- SC and LC Championship dates will be held for the opportunity to compete at AAC.

Schenectady Metroplex along with Schenectady County, The Galesi Group and two local foundations are extremely interested in building Adirondack Aquatic Center (AAC) at Mohawk Harbor in Schenectady. The above groups have funded a \$40,000 feasibility study through the firm Counsilman-Hunsaker. Metroplex will be using their grant writers to apply for state funding. There are tax credits and incentives in this area along with opportunity zones and revitalization initiatives.

This is a very exciting time for Adirondack Aquatic Center. There is a very good chance the center will be up and running in less than 2 years. It will take involvement from all to build, maintain and operate this facility that will offer so much to so many. Sustaining AAC will consist of usage contracts and consistent revenue streams to offset the expenses a facility like this will incur.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

The Adirondack Aquatic Center Board

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