

HAST ANNUAL FUND-RAISING REQUIREMENTS OF EACH FAMILY

The teams' Booster Club budget relies solely on fund-raising. A small budget from the city was approved but is very limited and does not provide any money for new equipment or maintenance of old equipment. To help the team succeed with needed equipment, supplies, etc., EACH family that has a swimmer on our team for more than 3 quarters in a year (Sept. to Sept.) will be responsible for a specified amount, set by the coaches on a yearly basis, in the Fund-raising efforts of our team. This can be accomplished by donating service through volunteer hours or a cash equivalent of donated hours.

Red, White & Blue Meet Fund-raiser...

We have established the HAST Red, White & Blue Meet as one of the premier and most anticipated swimming events in the state! Our annual meet attracts 25+ teams bringing over 700 swimmers to our pool and is our biggest fund-raiser of the year. It usually is either the first or second week of July. Please plan family activities around this meet. It consists of a Summer League Meet, Mini-Meet, B/C Meet, and an Invitational Meet over 4 days.

The Red, White, and Blue Meet is the team's ONLY annual fund-raiser. Because our Red, White & Blue Meet is the primary fund-raiser we do as a TEAM and the whole team benefits on a yearly basis, **participation is EXPECTED by each family of HAST either with donated service hours & food at the meet or a cash equivalent (of donated service hours & food donations). The proceeds from this meet sustains the team, through Booster Club Funds, financially throughout the whole year.** We ask time donations from each family at the Red, White & Blue meets -- usually TWO 6-hour (approx.) shifts -- in way of service (**only adults or 16 and older family members can provide service**) at the meet; AND food donations -- usually three items -- to help feed all of the coaches, officials, etc., and to sell as concessions.

***We anticipate ALL parents of our swimmers will participate with time AND food donations at the Red, White & Blue Meets because the profits from this meet benefits ALL SWIMMERS throughout the whole year.**

However, if participation in the Red, White & Blue Meet by you and your swimmer is not a possibility because of vacation plans, illness, injury, unexpected circumstances or any other reason, a family may **donate \$100.00 as the cash equivalent** of the donated service hours and food donations by the **other** families of our team. The amount of \$100.00 as the cash equivalent has been determined from previous Red, White & Blue Meet proceeds divided by the number of families on the team. **The amount of \$100.00 may be paid in lieu of participating in the TEAM fund-raising project of the Red, White & Blue meet.** *If your swimmer is taking the summer quarter off, but otherwise swims the rest of the year, this Family Fund-raising Requirement will still be in effect, and you will need to contact your swimmer's coach to set up volunteer hours throughout the year or pay the \$100.00 for Team Fund-raising in lieu of not participating in the Red, White & Blue Meets.*

To maintain an even commitment from ALL families of the HAST swim team, at the beginning of the Summer Quarter (June - August), Registration fees will be due AND **we are asking each family to provide a Fund-Raising Deposit Check of \$100.00** – turned in with your registration fees post-dated July 10th. The 'Deposit Check' will be held (not cashed) until after the Red, White & Blue Meets at which time the following will occur:

- 1) For you **COMPLETED** service and food donations rendered at the meets, your check will be **RETURNED TO YOU** (with many thanks from the coaching staff) at the completion of the Red, White & Blue Meets.
-OR--
- 2) The Deposit Check of \$100.00 will be deposited to the Booster Club Account (Deposit Check will be cashed after the meets) in lieu of **NOT** participating in the TEAM fund-raising project of the Red, White & Blue meets.
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- 3) **INCOMPLETE** service & food donations will also result in your check being deposited to the Booster Club Account. A check will be issued to you from the Booster Club for the portion of your completed service & food donations. The services and food assignments are prorated as follows: Services \$40.00 each, and the complete food assignment (3 donated items) \$20.00. **If you DO NOT show up for your service the day assigned, the charge will be \$50.00. It is YOUR responsibility to fulfill your assignments. If you do not fulfill your assignments, for whatever reason, you will be charged.**

Our team has the most dedicated and supportive parents of any team in Utah! We recognize and appreciate your willingness and many service hours throughout the year to help our team. We appreciate your acceptance of this policy so that the burden of running a meet this size is distributed evenly throughout all families on our team. We realize this is a big commitment (in time and money), BUT for us to be able to do this kind of a fund-raising project just **once a year** that helps our team financially throughout the whole year is an invaluable opportunity for our team. *Besides.....it's FUN!!!!* ©

~HAST Coaching Staff