



## **Potomac Valley Swimming Update – Friday, May 28, 2021**

### **Memorial Day 2021**

The Memorial Day weekend is considered to be the unofficial start of summer. But, as we look forward to the opening of outdoor pools and the relaxing of many COVID-19 restrictions, let us not forget the true reason for the holiday. Memorial Day is a day to remember and honor those who have died while serving in the U.S. Military. Their service and ultimate sacrifice are the reason we are able to freely enjoy the picnics and parties that will take place this weekend.

The relaxation of COVID-19 restrictions in DC, MD and VA do not mean the pandemic is over. It also does not mean that all our swim practices and competitions are wide open. Restrictions still remain and we will gradually get back to where we were nearly 16 months ago when we had to cease operations. You must continue to follow the protocols of your club and the facilities we use.

Due to support from the US Government (e.g. PPP & EIDL) and relief funding from USA Swimming and Potomac Valley Swimming, most of our clubs have been able to maintain operations and look forward to the new season beginning this fall at or near full capacities.

Stay safe! Stay healthy! Socially Distance! Wash your hands frequently. Get the vaccine when it's available to you. And, continue to wear your mask if you are not vaccinated and when required by your club or facility!

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### **Potomac Valley Swimming Mission Statement**

PVS supports and promotes excellence for all through competition, education, inclusion, and leadership in a safe, equitable environment.