Drowning: do you know?

Drowning is the #1 cause of death from unintentional injuries in children ages 1-4 and #2 in ages 1-14
- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

69% of deaths of children under 5 happen when they were not expected to be swimming
- According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission

Bathtubs, toilets, buckets, ponds, pools, oceans, streams, rivers, lakes all are drowning risks

Drowning happens in SECONDS

Drowning prevention
Aim for layers of protection

- 4-sided fence around the pool
- Door and pool alarms
- Swim lessons
- Always use Coast Guard-approved life jackets on open water
- Don’t store toys in pools
- Designate a “Water Guardian”
- Educate to eliminate drowning
- Do not rely on flotation devices during swim time

Saige Pfeffer (27 mos) drowned on September 2, 2015. She slipped away for moments during non-swim time, like Levi Hughes (age 3) and Emmy Miller (19 mos) who both drowned on June 10, 2018. Their families are working together to spread awareness about the truth about drowning.