## • Safety:

- Drowning is a leading cause of death in children under age 4, and persons of any age with autism.
- Florida is home to lakes, creeks, rivers, pools, and oceans! Learning basic safety skills is essential in this environment.

## • Physical, Mental, and Emotional Fitness:

- The buoyancy of water exercise benefits many who have trouble with weightbearing exercise and range of motion.
- Swim skills enhance and reinforce skills taught in other therapeutic realms (bilateral movement & coordination, muscle control, breath control, frustration tolerance, emotional regulation, etc.)
- Water itself is a soothing, relaxing place to be, and can provide stress relief benefits to swim participants.
- FUN!
  - Accomplishing a new skill, gaining independence in a water environment, being able to do more than just stand in the shallow end – it all makes being in the many water environments available so much more enjoyable!

## WHAT TO EXPECT FROM OUR ADAPTIVE SWIM LESSONS

- Individualization All lessons are private and tailored to the individual student. Our instructors watch both verbal and nonverbal cues, keeping participants moving forward while also respecting differences in pacing and tolerance.
- Experience Each of our instructors is licensed, insured, and Adaptive Aquatics certified.
- **Collaboration** Participants and instructors work *together* to accomplish skill goals. If you have specific goals or concerns, talk to your instructor; you're in this together!

## **POLICIES**

- Participants agree to the policies of their assigned instructor.
- Make-up lessons are provided at the discretion of the individual instructor. Make-up lessons WILL be provided in the case of weather cancellations. No make-ups will be provided for no-shows.
- No refunds for withdrawal or missed lessons will be issued once lessons have begun. <u>READY TO GET STARTED? REGISTER AT WWW.CFLDREAMPLEX.COM</u> Still Have Questions? Contact Becky James, Adaptive Aquatics Director, assuredaquatics@yahoo.com OR (352)432-1863