

Prosper High School Swimmers Set Records at Frisco Invitational

Two Prosper High School swimmers set three records at the Frisco ISD Invitational Swim Meet on Saturday, November 21. Gabrielle Kopski broke meet records in both the 200-yard and 500-yard freestyle events to help the girl's team finish fifth overall and teammate Zachary Wachter set a new school record in the 200-yard individual medley to help the boy's team to their seventh place finish in the meet.

The dive team started the meet by setting new personal high scores in 1-meter diving with Miranda Dymond taking second place and Samantha Willett taking fourth place overall.

The team of Hope Jestes, Madison Mannka, Spencer Smith and Gabrielle Kopski swam to a third place finish in the 200-yard Medley relay, the first swimming event of the meet.

Gabrielle Kopski's earned first place with her meet record time of 1:51.52 in the 200-yard freestyle while Jordan Wendt took eighth place in the event.

Hope Jestes swam to a pair of top finishes in the next two events starting with a third place in the 200-yard individual medley. Jestes then shaved 3.85 seconds off her previous best time to place second in the 100-yard butterfly.

After setting a new meet record time of 4:53.59 and taking first place in the 500-yard freestyle, Gabrielle Kopski joined teammates Jordan Wendt, Spencer Smith and Hope Jestes to take fourth place in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Spencer Smith finished the meet for the girls with her sixth place finish in the 100-yard backstroke.

The boys started their meet with the team of Nicholas Sandt, Mark Keffer, Zachary Wachter and Jack Smith taking seventh place in the 200-yard medley relay.

Zachary Wachter then set a new Prosper High School record time of 2:03.55 in the 200-yard individual medley. His time, 1.26 seconds better than his previous personal best time, earned Wachter second place in the event. Wachter followed the IM with a first place finish in the 100-yard butterfly.

In the 500-yard freestyle, Dawson LeBlanc bested his personal best time for the second meet in a row. His 6.20 second improvement earned him a seventh place finish.

Austin Keith, Jack Smith, Nicholas Sandt and Zachary Wachter teamed up to take fifth place in the 200-yard freestyle relay before Sandt placed eighth place in the 100-yard backstroke to finish the meet for the boys.

In addition to the new records, several swimmers set personal best times in individual events at the meet starting with a quartet of swimmers in the 200-yard freestyle. For the girls, Madison Mannka improved her time by 4.33 seconds and Paityn Snyder improved her time by 14.04 seconds. Dawson LeBlanc improved his time in the event by 2.13 seconds and Caden Vandygriff improved his time by 8.00 seconds for the boys.

In the 100-yard freestyle Spencer Smith and Paityn Snyder bettered their times by 2.40 seconds and 1.50 seconds, respectively.

Jon Brewster reduced his time in the 100-yard butterfly by 2.22 seconds, Daniel Trautmann reduced his time by 2.90 in the 100-yard backstroke and Mark Keffer reduced his time by 2.61 seconds in the 100-yard breaststroke.



Divers Miranda Dymond (left) and Samantha Willett both set personal high scores in the 1-meter diving event.



Gabrielle Kopenski revels after her first place finish in the 500-yard freestyle setting her second meet record of the day.



Zachary Wachter swimming the breaststroke leg of his school record setting time in the 200-yard individual medley.