

Boys Swim & Dive Team Place in Top 10 at All-Class State Tournament



State Team: (L to R—Back Row) Head Coach Mike Witt, Will Twehous, Conor Kearns, Joey Brozek, Joseph Berrick, Marco Batres, John Liliedahl, Assistant Coach Devin Jensen (L to R—Front Row) Jordan Coffey, Crispin Corpuz, Logan Kempf, Joey Pynes, Ethan Newland (Not Pictured) Braden Kowalski

In its 9th consecutive year, the Pius X Boys Swim & Dive Team had 11 athletes competing in individual events and all 3 relays competing at the State Swimming & Diving Championship Thursday-Saturday, February 24-26.

The team had 5 medalists (1 diver, 1 swimmer, and 1 relay team), bringing home a total of 6 medals: Braden Kowalski (Fr), Jordan Coffey (So), and the 200 Medley Relay (Jordan Coffey, Ethan Newland, Joseph Berrick, and Conor Kearns).

The Bolts placed 9th out of 26 teams with 110 points, just 3 points behind 8th place, 6 points behind 7th place, and 9.5 points behind 6th place. The team was 3rd in the city of Lincoln. Earning points for the team were 1 diver, 8 swimmers, and all 3 relays (Joseph Berrick, Jordan Coffey, Crispin Corpuz, Conor Kearns, Braden Kowalski, John Liliedahl, Ethan Newland, 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay, and 400 Free Relay). It was the most points earned by the team since its conception 9 years ago.

Note: All high school swimmers and divers competed against each other regardless of the school size or age. Each team was limited to four entries per individual event and only one relay per relay event. Athletes were allowed to compete in 4 events at State (only 2 of them being individual events). 11 dives were performed by each diver with several rounds that included eliminations. The top 32 swimmers in the state with qualifying times swam at State Preliminaries. The top 16 from the State Preliminaries advanced to State Finals earning points for the team. The top 8 finishers of those 16 competed for medals and points.

Boys State Results

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| Marco Batres (Jr) | | |
| 100 Breast | 29th | |
| Joseph Berrick (Sr) | | |
| 200 IM | 15th | Points |
| 100 Breast | 20th | |
| Jordan Coffey (So) | | |
| 500 Free | 6th | Points * Medal * |
| 100 Back | 12th | Points |
| Crispin Corpuz (So) | | |
| 100 Fly | 15th | Points |

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| Conor Kearns (Sr) | | | |
| Diving | 9th | Points | |
| 50 Free | 11th | Points | |
| Logan Kempf (Fr) | | | |
| 100 Back | 27th | | |
| Braden Kowalski (Fr) | | | |
| Diving | 3rd | Points * Medal * | |
| John Liliedahl (Jr) | | | |
| 200 Free | 17th | | |
| 500 Free | 13th | Points | |
| Ethan Newland (Fr) | | | |
| 200 IM | 25th | | |
| 100 Breast | 12th | Points | |
| Joey Pynes (Jr) | | | |
| 100 Fly | 18th | | |
| Will Twehous (Sr) | | | |
| 500 Free | 30th | | |
| 100 Back | 31st | | |
| 200 Medley Relay | 7th | Points * Medal * | |
| Jordan Coffey (So) | | | |
| Ethan Newland (Fr) | | | |
| Joseph Berrick (Sr) | | | |
| Conor Kearns (Sr) | | | |
| 200 Free Relay | 10th | Points | |
| Joey Pynes (Jr) | | | |
| Logan Kempf (Fr) | | | |
| Joseph Berrick (Sr) | | | |
| Conor Kearns (Sr) | | | |
| 400 Free Relay | 12th | Points | |
| Crispin Corpuz (So) | | | |
| Joey Pynes (Jr) | | | |
| John Liliedahl (Jr) | | | |
| Jordan Coffey (So) | | | |

Earning Pius X Records (12/13 records in the 2016-17 season)

Joseph Berrick (Sr)
 Jordan Coffey (So)
 Conor Kearns (Sr)
 Braden Kowalski (Fr)
 Ethan Newland (Fr)
 200 Medley Relay
 200 Free Relay
 400 Free Relay

Members of the 2016/17 Boys Swim & Dive Team

Freshmen: Justin Beardslee, Keegan Boden, Jacob Hohl, Logan Kempf, Braden Kowalski, Cade Malmkar, Seth Miller, Ethan Newland

Sophomores: Dustin Clough, Jordan Coffey, Crispin Corpuz, Lucas Huber, Isaac Kramer, Alec Miller

Juniors: Marco Batres, Zach Henkenius, John Liliedahl, Joey Pynes, Wyatt Vandenhul

Seniors: Joseph Berrick, Joey Brozek, Conor Kearns, Will Twehous

The Bolts are led by Head Coach Mike Witt and Assistant Coaches Sheila Boothe and Devin Jensen.

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