

GPAC High school swimmers make a statement at Class 2A State Championship in Orlando, Florida on November 12.

Over the course of the 3 week long State Championship Series, 22 of GPAC's 31 (70%) high school swimmers advance to Regional competition and 16 (51%) advanced to the State meet. GPAC turned in six All American Consideration (AA-C) and Automatic All American (AA-A) times for the meet while 12 swimmers make the podium (top 3) in 8 events. GPAC swimmers also achieved two Senior National time standards and several Junior National Time Standards.

The Washington HS girls (**Brittney Foster** and **Jacquie Kinman**) stated off the evening in the 200 Medley relay with a 4th place finish ahead of the Pace girls (**Caroline Page, Bailee Tate, Olivia Weekly & Erica Jenson**).

PJ Dunne (Gulf Breeze) led the way for the boys with a 3rd place finish in the 200 freestyle with a 1:40.63 a Junior National cut and an AA-C time.

In the next event the 200 Individual Medley, **Zoe Macfarlane** (Pensacola High) finished in 5th place with a 2:06.03 while **Jack Tona** finished in 23rd with a 2:03.72.

The 50 Freestyle saw 4 GPAC swimmers compete. **Olivia Weekly** (Pace) sprinted to fourth place in the 50 free (24.26) followed by **Brittney Foster** (Washington) (24.58) with a 9th place finish. Pace high school was just getting started after Weekly's performance Senior **Ryan Funk** placed 3rd in the 50 free (21.02 AA-C & JR National cut) and **Nate Thomas** finished in 8th (21.71).

The Pace team burned up the pool with a follow up swims from **Olivia Weekly** in 2nd 100 Fly (56.45 AA-C), **Caroline Page** (Pace) placing 3rd (57.61), and **Brittany Foster** (Washington) coming in 14th place (1:01.03). The boys followed up with great performances from **Ryan Funk** (Pace) 2nd (49.50 AA-A/Senior National Time Standard/GPAC Team record) and **Adam Gunn** (Gulf Breeze) 5th (51.72) in the 100 Fly.

After Adam Gunn's swim in the 100 Fly, **PJ Dunne** followed up with a fourth place finish in the 100 free with a 46.33, while **Jacquie Kinman** (Washington) finished in 16th (55.53) and **Brianna Mount** (Escambia High) finished in 22nd place in the 100 freestyle (55.78).

The Washington girls (**Brittney Foster** and **Jacquie Kinman**) were determined to return to the podium with a 2nd place finish in the 200 Free Relay. The Gulf Breeze boys (**Adam Gunn, Adam Foley, and PJ Dunne**) brought everyone to their feet in the 200 free relay by placing **first** with touching out Barron Collier by .14. The Pace boys (**Ryan Funk, Nate Thomas & Spencer Gonzales**) finished in 9th place.

Caroline Page (Pace) made her way to the podium in the 100 Backstroke with a 2nd place finish (56.67 AA-C and a Senior National Cut). **Zoe Macfarland** (Pensacola) placed for her 4th straight year in the 100 Backstroke, this time in 4th place (56.79 AA-C and a JR National Cut).

In the final individual event of the meet, **Jacquie Kinman** placed 8th in the 100 Breaststroke (1:10.83).

Finishing off the evening the Gulf Breeze boys (**Adam Gunn, Adam Foley, and PJ Dunne**) placed 6th in the 400 free relay.

The GPAC Swimmers helped the area high schools place as follows:

Girls: Pace 8th 93 points, Washington 9th 88 points, Pensacola 23rd 29 points

Boys: Gulf Breeze 6th 111 points, Pace 13th 62 points

Congratulations swimmers you make GPAC proud!