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Four Greensburg Y Swimmers Advance to State Championships

GREENSBURG—Four members of the Greensburg Y Stingray swim team qualified for the YMCA state championship meet at West Virginia University March 24-26 during this past weekend's Western Pennsylvania YMCA Championships at The Spire Institute in Geneva, Ohio.

In total, 18 Stingrays qualified for the three-day district championships, the first in a series of meets that lead to the National YMCA Championships in Greensboro, N.C., in early April. The top three finishers in each event advanced to the state meet.

The following Y swimmers advanced to the state championships:

- Kaitlyn Stetchock (6th grade, Hempfield School District)
 - 1st, 200 breast (New District Meet Record and new team record/2:38.53)
 - 1st, 100 breast (New team record/1:12.17)
 - 2nd, 50 breast (34.31)
- Owen Busch (7th grade, Hempfield School District)
 - 2nd, 100 IM (New team record/1:07.16)
 - 2nd, 200 free (2:07.26)
 - o 3rd, 200 back (2:25.63)
 - 3rd, 50 fly (29.97)
 - 3rd, 100 back (1:06.21)

Patton Graziano/Jr./Penn-Trafford H.S. (50 free, 100 free, 100 back, 200 back, 100 fly) and Reegan Brown/Sr./Mt. Pleasant H.S. (100 free, 50 free and 100 fly) already qualified for the states and national championship earlier in the season.

Stingray swimmers who qualified for district championship this past weekend were:

- <u>15 and older division</u>: Reegan Brown (17), Addison Busch (15), Patton Graziano (17), Joe Kvocak (16) and Olivia Schrock (15).
- **<u>13-14 division</u>**: Ben Kvocak (14), Travis Himes (13), Preston Montag (14), Sophia Dubich (13) and Evan Schrock (13).

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- **<u>11-12 division</u>**: Owen Busch (12), Ashton Homan (11), Madeline Hutchins (12), Blake Lucas (11), Kaitlyn Stetchock (12) and Sabina Gibson (11).
- **<u>10 and under</u>**: Lily Baker (9).

The top six finishers from each of the District meets (in most events) move on to State's.

Swimmers who record qualifying times at any point of the season advance to the national championship meet April 3-7.

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