



Oklahoma Swimming Inc. is excited to announce that [applications](#) are now being accepted for OKS Swimmers to participate in the Central Zone Multi-Cultural Meet to be held in Indianapolis, IN June 14-16, 2024. As part of this exciting event, there will be a special guest speaker and the swimmers will attend the first night finals session of the US Olympic Team Trials on Saturday night!

Applications will be taken from February 1 thru March 4 so swimmers will have the opportunity to meet the qualifying standards through all OKS Championship Meets.

OKS Goals for the Zone Multi-cultural meet include:

- To empower athletes from multi-cultural backgrounds and diverse populations to:
 - Demonstrate the viability of multicultural success in swimming
 - Achieve performance excellence at every level of the sport
 - Expound the benefits and value of participating in the sport of swimming
 - Be positive leaders and role models that others from multicultural backgrounds can emulate.

General Criteria:

- All athletes must be registered USA Swimming members at the time of the application and at the time of the meet.
- All athletes must be a registered USA Swimming Premium athlete member in good standing.
- Athletes must represent an underrepresented community and/or an ethnically underrepresented population that is less than 10% of the current USA Swimming membership. These populations can include African American/Black, Hispanic/Latinx, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American and others. Other athletes may be accepted if they represent another underrepresented demographic.
- Swimmers should be an active member of their club (attend workouts, pursuing opportunities to improve)
- Eligible athletes will be 13-17 years of age and not graduating from high school in 2024. Age as of the first day of the trip.
- Swimmers should not previously have attended a Zone multi-cultural camp/meet or Central Zone 14-under Meet.



Qualification Standard:

- The OKS Team for Central Zone Multi-cultural meet will consist of a limited number of athletes but all are encouraged to apply.
- Athletes must have achieved at least one National B time standard in at least one event in their age group at the time of selection for the meet.

Selection Criteria:

- Parents will submit an application thru OKS
- The OKS DEI Chair and the OKS Zone multi-cultural meet staff will select the team based upon the applications received.
- No more than 4 swimmers from an individual club may be selected.
- Coaches will be notified by DATE TBA.

OKS staff:

- Two coaches
- Two chaperones

Registration fee: A registration fee of \$400 per swimmer will be due within 30 days of the selection announcement of the team. (scholarships may be available)

If you have additional questions, please contact [Beth Harkins, OKS DEI Chair](#) or [Bob Staab, OKS General Manager](#).