

## Girls Zone 6 Report

2024

Once again, another great season by every team in the zone. Congratulations to Kalamazoo Loy Norrix, winner of the SMAC, and Allegan, champions of the SCC. Both championship meets were fast but hats off to all of the SMAC schools. Every team at that meet swam out of their minds!

A huge shout out to coach Janet Beemer of St. Joe for being named the D3 coach of the year. Her team was unreal at the state meet, finishing third. The SCC had three teams in the top 20 at the D3 meet- Allegan, Harper Creek and South Haven. The SCC did have one state champion, Aubrey Yarger from DK-Hastings. Aubrey won the diving at the D2 meet and was the league champion at the SCC meet two weeks earlier and her coach Todd Bates was named the D2 dive coach of the year.

The D2 meet was well represented by zone 6. Portage Central finished 5<sup>th</sup>, Hastings was 20<sup>th</sup>, Sturgis was 28<sup>th</sup>, Portage Northern was 30 and Lakeview 33.

Zone 6 D1 schools were big time at that meet. Kalamazoo Central finished 14<sup>th</sup>, Loy Norrix 15<sup>th</sup> and Bridgman was 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Maggie Spybrook was the D1 state champion in the butterfly and finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the backstroke. She dominated the SMAC championships, winning the 200 free and the butterfly. The fly win was her third in a row.

The zone 6 coach of the year is Jim Center from Kalamazoo Central.

The zone 6 swimmer of the year is Maggie Spybrook, also from Kalamazoo Central.

The zone 6 diver of the year is Clara Hoag from South Haven.

The zone 6 dive coach of the year is George Wilson, South Haven.