## **EMILY O'CONNELL - VISITATION ACADEMY**



Emily will attend and compete for Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. She wil be a member of the Academic Scholars program and plans to study chemical engineering as a member of the Honors College.

**Favorite Rockwood memory?** My favorite memory is after Division I champs when I was in Silver. I was accidentally DQ'ed in the 50 fly and the officials could not go back and change it. After practice the next day, Coach Morgan Dodge and I went outside and burned the DQ slip together.

Most embarrassing or challenging moment? When I was 10 at a meet at IUPUI I did the 50 fly instead of the 100 fly. I stopped at the wall and it took a while for me to realize my error. What will you miss as you move on? I will miss the routine and familiarity of Rockwood. Your favorite race or practice? My favorite race is the 50 fly. My favorite practice is Coach Brad's 175 set, especially when he lets me do it fly.

FROM EMILY - I want to thank Jordan Stout and Lauren Votava for pushing and motivating me. They are 4 and 8 years older than me. They are both excellent role models and supported me since I was young. They had strong college careers at Georgia and Minnesota, respectively, I plan to follow their lead with my career at Mlami.

