



**WESTERN ZONE DIVERSITY SELECT CAMP
and DIVERSITY SUMMIT
June 26-29, 2014
California State University East Bay
Hayward, California**

Athlete Application

Purpose: Instill a vision of success and inspire athletes from under-represented populations to become leaders in the sport of swimming.

Goals: To empower athletes from under represented populations and their coaches to:

1. Demonstrate the viability of inclusiveness in swimming within their local LSC
2. Achieve performance excellence at every level of the sport
3. Expound the benefits and value of participating in the sport of swimming
4. Be positive leaders and role models that others from socioeconomic backgrounds can emulate
5. To connect, network and promote the virtues of the sport of swimming through a comprehensive strategy involving the athletes, coaches and LSC Diversity Chairs in their own local LSC's and throughout the Western Zone.

Site: California State University East Bay, Hayward, California. Hayward is located between San Jose and Oakland. There are nearby airports in both cities. Participants will be housed on campus.

Dates: June 26-29, 2014. Athletes and coaches will arrive Thursday late afternoon/ evening and depart Sunday morning. Summit participants will arrive Friday and depart Sunday morning.

Age: 13 -16 years of age at the time of the camp (9-10th grades)

Qualifications: Athletes must have qualified in at least one individual event in their local LSC championship meet in either SCY or LC seasons. In the event that there are no qualifying swimmers, the LSC can elect to send two athletes (and alternates if accepted) of its choice.

Selection: Each LSC will select the two athletes and alternates they wish to represent that LSC using the application attached. The LSC will then select one coach from a diverse cultural group or a coach of a diverse cultural team based on their own LSC evaluation.

Camp Schedule: The three day camp program will include a combination of pool training, motivational and education sessions, networking and strategic planning sessions for members of each LSC, and team building activities. The campers will also participate in a local outreach event. An athlete social activity is also planned.

Coaches and Diversity Chairs: The coach and Diversity Chair track will include observing an in water workout, classroom sessions with guest speakers, team building, and strategic planning sessions and goal setting with their LSC specific athletes.

Diversity Summit Participants: The Diversity Summit will include classroom sessions with guest speakers including staff from USA Swimming, strategic planning sessions, team building, and interaction with the camp.

Camp Staff: The camp staff includes head coach Jason Calanog, The Bolles School, and assistant coach Miriam Lynch, senior coach of Nations Capital Swim Club as well as a national athlete along with the camp oversight committee. Coach Calanog during his time at Bolles has had swimmers qualify for the Olympic Games, Olympic Trials, World Championships, US Nationals, Junior Nationals, and Zone Teams.

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**ATHLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY:
APRIL 6, 2014 to LISA DAHL
ldahl@usms.org**

Athlete's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Athlete's Phone: () _____

Athlete's Email Address: _____

USA Swimming Number: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ ____ **Male** ____ **Female**

Club Name: _____

Parent Names: (Father) _____

(Mother) _____

Parent contact Email Address: _____

Parent contact phone number: _____

T-shirt size: ____ Small; ____ Medium; ____ Large; ____ XLarge (check one) -- Adult sizes

Western Zone Diversity Select Camp Eligibility:

Any swimmer who represents an ethnically under-represented population that is less than 20% of the current USA Swimming membership. You may check more than one:

__ African American __ Hispanic or Latino __ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

__ Native Alaskan __ Asian __ Native American __ Other _____

Signatures below testify to the eligibility of the athlete:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Coach of record Signature: _____

MUST READ AND CHECK ALL OR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

- ___ I will be physically ready for training
- ___ I understand that I must meet the ethnicity eligibility (above) to apply for this camp.
- ___ I understand that I must meet the selection eligibility requirements and the qualifying time standards to apply for this camp.
- ___ I understand the additional camp details will be provided to me upon my acceptance.
- ___ I understand that additional paperwork that I receive MUST be returned to the Western Zone Diversity Select Camp Oversight Committee on or before their published deadlines.
- ___ I have listed at least three events on my application that I have achieved the time standard for this camp.
- ___ I understand funding for this camp will come from my local LSC for transportation, room and meals provided for me at the camp.
- ___ I will follow all the USA Swimming rules, camp rules, and my LSC rules including code of conduct and safe sport.
- ___ I am returning this application to my local LSC Board appointee for submission by their published deadline.

Event (Put SCY or LCM)	Qualifying Time	Meet Where Time Was Achieved	Date/Location of Meet	USA Swimming Power Points

Use this section to list your other best events and times even if you do not have a camp time standard in that event.

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List your IMX Score for the current season: _____

(Find the IMX Score on your own *MY USA Swimming* page at www.usaswimming.org.

Find more information about IMX in the *Times/Time Standards* section on the USA Swimming website.)

(ATHLETE'S SIGNATURE) (DATE)

(COACH'S SIGNATURE) (DATE)