

PNS Diversity Vice-Chair Report
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2024 Western Zone DEI Camp

PNS will be sending 2 athletes (1 male, 1 female), and myself as the DEI Vice-Chair to the WZ DEI Camp June 17-20 in Indianapolis.

Below is the camp and submission information. The application can be found at the link below:
<https://forms.gle/6hyKALMttwGLUvmR8>

General Information:

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 ethnically underrepresented populations, those economically disadvantaged, and LGBTQAI2S+ 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 DEI Chairs in their own local LSC's and throughout the Western Zone.

Location: Butler University, Indianapolis, IN

Date: June 17-20, 2024 during Olympic Trials

Number of Attendees: 2 athletes from each LSC in the Western Zone. Each LSC may also submit up to 2 athlete alternates.

If, after the deadline, there are openings available for additional athletes, the alternates submitted by each LSC will be considered to attend the camp. LSCs will be notified by March 31, 2024 if their alternates have been accepted.

Athlete Age: 13 -16 years of age on the first day of the camp

Preferred Qualifications: Athletes should have an "A" time in one or more events in any course either as a 13-14 or as a 15-16 year old athlete. Designate the time standard achieved and age on the application.

Secondary Qualifications: If an LSC has no athletes apply who meet the preferred qualifications,

then the LSC may select athletes who have qualified in at least one individual event in their local LSC championship meet in either SCY or LCM seasons.

Additional Information: If an athlete has attended a previous in-person Western Zone Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Select Camp, USA Swimming Regional Diversity Select Camp or a USA Swimming National Diversity Select Camp, the athlete may **not** attend this Western Zone Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Select Camp. An athlete may attend only one in-person Western Zone Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Select Camp.

Camp Schedule: The camp will include a multiple in-water sessions, combination of dryland training, motivational, educational and networking sessions for all participants, as well as a Finals Session at the 2024 USA Swimming Olympic Trials!

Application Requirements: To complete this application you will need your USA Swimming Member ID number, qualifying event information [event, distance, course (SCY or LCM), qualifying time, time standard, age when time achieved, meet where time was achieved, date/LSC of the meet and USA Swimming Power Points], your IMX Score, a written personal statement of 150 words or less and a parent/guardian's signature.

<https://www.usaswimming.org>

<https://www.usaswimming.org/times/individual-times-search>

<https://www.usaswimming.org/times/popular-resources/power-point-calculator>

Application Deadline: In order to be considered to attend, individuals must submit their application to their respective LSC no later than **March 4, 2024**.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Emily Murray at diversity@pns.org.