

My name is Natalie Hilderbrand, and I am a freshman at Stanford University planning to study mathematics and computer science. It is unfortunate that my freshman year was cut short, but I absolutely loved the time in college I did get to have and can't wait for three more years. I am a member of the various clubs on campus including the club swim and club water polo teams, which have been great ways to find a community and regularly work out with friends. Although I am not swimming on a varsity team in college, my time as a PASA swimmer taught me life lessons that I will carry throughout college and beyond. Swimming at DKS not only facilitated lifelong friendships and taught me practical skills like time management, but it also helped me become a more resilient, confident, and positive person. I am so grateful for my experience swimming with Dana and Bruce, and even though I am not on a varsity swim team in college, my years of swimming greatly contributed to my successes so far and will continue to influence the rest of my life.

