

**Athletic Department News**  
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**Spring Sports Registration**

Spring Sports registration will begin February 1. All Spring Sports registrations should be done through the Family ID portal. The Family ID portal is available on the Wamogo website on the Athletics page or by clicking [here](#). The last day to sign up is March 15. Practices for all sports begin March 18. Don't be left on the sidelines! Sign up as soon as possible.

**Swim Team Update:**

The Wamogo Swim Team is off to a 4-3-1 start to their season. Posting wins over Gilbert (2), Nonnewaug, and Housatonic, as well as a strong come from behind to tie Classical Magnet. The team lost 14 seniors from last year that were the leaders and strong swimmers of the team. This year's team had a daunting task of filling those shoes. The team is lead by Adrianna Corona, Faith Greene, Krystian Wnorowski (State Qualifier in 50 Free), Paul Marceski, Mark Sniffen, Jason Marika and newcomer Isabelle Giansanti. They offer the team the leadership and swimming ability to compete night in and night out due to their ability to swim all strokes/ events. "Believe or Leave" has become the mantra of the team for many years, started by the swimmers themselves. This philosophy and the kinship expressed by all to help each other has proven to develop new swimmers and create a strong sense of togetherness within the team. The team has seen many newcomers with no swimming background and little ability, transform into quality swimmers earning points for the team in meets. This year we have seen swimmers challenge themselves and are now seeing the hard work payoff. Alicia Davis, Nathan Mitnick, Spencer Musselman and Brendan Smith have developed into multiple stroke swimmers and Riley Brady, Amy Couture, and Brian Davis competing and pushing other team members. The addition of freshmen Ethan Cook, Alex Sideris, Tyler Giggey, Ben DiPaolo, and Ken Richardson have been refreshing, as their efforts are called on night in and night out to secure points for the team. Devin Rhoads has become the newest swimmer to start as a non-swimmer and develop into one of our faster sprinters.

Newcomers Corina Marques, Michaela McNutt, Melissa Demetri, Angel Blauvelt, and Brianna DeFrancesco are putting incredible effort into the pool and listening to Jackie Bouffard (assistant coach) intently. Additionally, Martine Bouton is working hard to aid the team in any manner she can.

One noted item is that the Wamogo Swim Team is currently riding a 10 year honor as the Berkshire League's Tex Alex Sportsmanship Award recipient, voted on by the teams and coaches in the league as well as earning 2 State Sportsmanship Awards presented by the Swim Officials.

The team is halfway through its meets and have upcoming matches with Lewis Mills(2), Shepaug , Northwestern, Housatonic, Nonnewaug, Bristol/St. Paul's, and Litchfield. We hope to see many of you out to support our team and take the opportunity to see what a meet is like. It is an opportunity to view comradery that is expressed on the pool deck by all.