

LADY GIANTS WIN DISTRICT SWIM TITLE; 6 ROSS ATHLETES ADVANCE TO STATE MEET

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BOWLING GREEN – Six Fremont Ross swimmers will be making the trip next week to Canton to for Division I state swim meet after the Little and Lady Giants swim programs enjoyed stellar performances in the Northwest District meet. The Lady Giants won the team championship, posting 266 points – 10 more than second-place Rocky River – and captured five event championships as well. The boys, meanwhile, finished sixth as a team, with five top-eight finishes.



Olivia DeRodes



Alexis Prenzlin

Olivia DeRodes and Alexis Prenzlin enjoyed the biggest individual days.

DeRodes, finished first in every event she swam in. She won the 200 and 500 freestyle events. Her 200 time of 1:52.53 set a new school record, surpassing the 1:52.62 mark set by Molly O'Conner in 1998.

But DeRodes wasn't through breaking records. Her mark of 5:04.17 in the 500 broke her own program-record time of 5:05.97.

Then, along with Prenzlin, MaKennah Fitzgerald, and AnneMarie Moses, DeRodes swam legs in the first-place 200 freestyle and medley relays.

In addition to her relay work, Prenzlin won the breaststroke championship and placed third in the 200 IM, breaking her own school record. Her time of 1:03.11 topped her previous record of 1:03.74

Prenzlin holds the highest seed of any Ross swimmer heading into next week's state meet. Her breaststroke time seeds her sixth in the event. She is 15th entering the IM.

As for DeRodes, she will be 14th in the 500 and 17th the 200.

DeRodes, Prenzlin, Fitzgerald, and Moses are seeded 10th in the 200 medley entering the state meet and 15th in the 400 relay (3:33.43).

Fitzgerald, who finished fourth in both the 100 freestyle and backstroke at the district meet, squeezed into the state meet in the backstroke, her time of 57.74 giving her the 24th and final seed at the state meet. Also making the trip to Canton as a 24 seed is Maddie Gallagher, who placed fourth in the breaststroke in 1:06.53.

Moses placed fifth in the butterfly and sixth in 50 freestyle. Though she earned a place on the podium at the district meet, she missed the cut for the state meet. Gallagher, McKela Elder, Rilee Overmyer and Mara Brown combined for an eighth-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay in a time of 1:43.70.



Dylan Weisenauer

As for the boys' team, the Little Giants placed sixth as a team and were led by Dylan Weisenauer. The junior will be Ross's only male representative at the state meet, as his third-place finish in the 100 butterfly, with a school-record time of 50.85 seconds, earned him a 15-seed next weekend. He broke the previous record of 51.27, set by Lincoln Fahrback in 2007.

Weisenauer set another record but missed out on qualifying for a second event next weekend by an eyelash. He finished fourth at districts in the backstroke, his time of 52.59 missed the final seed at the state meet by a mere 0.03 seconds, but broke the school record of 52.64 set in 2014 by Trent Williams.

The 200 medley relay, comprised of Weisenauer, Case Stevenson, Ethan Taylor and Connor Colston placed fifth at the district meet in a time of 1:39.14 and the 400 freestyle relay, with the same foursome, placed sixth in 3:17.58

Taylor placed eighth in 500 freestyle (4:56.22), Colston finished ninth in the 200 freestyle (1:48.12) and Stevenson took 10th in the breaststroke (1:01.01).

The state swim meet will be held at the C.T. Branin Natatorium. The Division I preliminary rounds will be Friday beginning at 9 a.m. and the finals beginning Saturday at 4 p.m.

Full Ross swimmer results from the district meet are below, followed by the seeds of those qualifying for the state meet. If any swimmers have been omitted, please contact rmcgowan1005@gmail.com

Division I Northwest District Meet Girls results

Team scores: Fremont Ross wins district championship with 266 points, 10 points ahead of Rocky River

Top finishers:

200 medley relay: 1st, Alexis Prenzlin, AnneMarie Moses, Olivia DeRodes, MaKennah Fitzgerald, 1:45.41

200 freestyle: 1st, Olivia DeRodes, 1:52.53; 18th, Rachel Haitonic, 2:03.12; 24th, McKela Elder, 2:04.24

200 IM: 3rd, Alexis Prenzlin, 2:07.54;

50 freestyle: 6th, AnneMarie Moses, 24.40; 17th, Maddie Gallagher, 25.67; 18th, Mara Brown, 25.75; 26th Rilee Overmyer, 26.78

1 meter diving: 17th, Jadyn Rozzell, 212.95; 19th, Sarah Watson, 200.40; 31st, Morgan Shertzer, 100.20

100 butterfly: 5th, AnneMarie Moses, 59.15; 13th, Mara Brown, 1:01.80; 25th, Rilee Overmyer, 1:05.08

100 freestyle: 4th, MaKennah Fitzgerald, 53.26; 17th, McKela Elder, 55.82; 32nd, Lauren Zimmerman, 58.71

500 freestyle: 1st, Olivia DeRodes, 5:04.17; 10th, Rachel Haitonic, 5:25.89

200 freestyle relay: 8th, McKela Elder, Rilee Overmyer, Maddie Gallagher, Mara Brown, (1:43.70)

100 backstroke: 4th, MaKennah Fitzgerald, 57.74; 14th, Faith Zimmerman, 1:03.94; 24th, Haley Wilson, 1:05.81

100 breaststroke: 1st, Alexis Prenzlin, 1:03.11; 4th, Maddie Gallagher, 1:06.53; 15th, Lauren Zimmerman, 1:10.65

400 freestyle relay: 1st, MaKennah Fitzgerald, Alexis Prenzlin, AnneMarie Moses, Olivia DeRodes, 3:33.43

Boys results

Team scores: Fremont Ross places sixth out of 24 teams with 130 points.

Top finishers:

200 medley relay: 5th, Case Stevenson, Dylan Weisenauer, Ethan Taylor, Connor Colston, 1:39.14

200 freestyle: 9th, Connor Colston, 1:48.12; 24th, Logan Kropp, 1:54.34; 25th, James Elder, 1:55.33

200 IM: 14th, Ethan Taylor, 2:03.96; 15th, Case Stevenson, 2:04.15

1 meter diving: 11th, Bowen Schoch, 298.90; 17th, Dane Michael, 191.00; 25th, Sam Sweeney, 108.40

100 butterfly: 3rd, Dylan Weisenauer, 50.85; 16th, Connor Colston, 54.74

100 freestyle: 22nd, James Elder, 50.94; 26th, Logan Kropp, 51.73; 31st, Braedyn Price, 52.35

500 freestyle: 8th, Ethan Taylor, 4:56.22

200 freestyle relay: 14th, Cole Dymond, Logan Kropp, Braedyn Price, James Elder, 1:35.16

100 backstroke: 4th, Dylan Weisenauer, 52.59

100 breaststroke: 10th, Case Stevenson, 1:01.01

400 freestyle relay: 6th, Connor Colston, Ethan Taylor, Case Stevenson, Dylan Weisenauer, 3:17.58

Division I state championship meet seeds

Girls

200 medley relay: 10th, Alexis Prenzlin, AnneMarie Moses, Olivia DeRodes, MaKennah Fitzgerald, 1:45.41

200 freestyle: 17 th, Olivia DeRodes, 1:52.53;

200 IM: 15th, Alexis Prenzlin, 2:07.54;

500 freestyle: 14th, Olivia DeRodes, 5:04.17;

100 backstroke: 24th, MaKennah Fitzgerald, 57.74;

100 breaststroke: 6th, Alexis Prenzlin, 1:03.11; 24th, Maddie Gallagher, 1:06.53;

400 freestyle relay: 15th, MaKennah Fitzgerald, Alexis Prenzlin, AnneMarie Moses, Olivia DeRodes, 3:33.43

Boys

100 butterfly: 15th, Dylan Weisenauer, 50.85