

Louisburg swim adds more state times, breaks school relay record



Louisburg sophomore Noah Sharp qualified for state in the 100 backstroke Saturday at Blue Valley Southwest. He was also a part of the 200 medley relay that broke their own school record.

OVERLAND PARK – The Louisburg boys swim team continues to thrive in the waters and racked up even more state times Saturday at the Blue Valley Southwest Invitational.

The Wildcats added two more state times to their resume and broke a school relay record in the process. Add in some new personal best marks, and the Wildcats had one of their better

days of the season.

As a group, Osawatomie-Paola-Louisburg-Spring Hill finished third out of 13 teams in what was one of its bigger competitions on the year.

“We were so happy to see our swimmers step up in this intensely competitive meet and show themselves as forces to be reckoned with,” coach Mary Argeropoulos said. “Their relay made a statement to the high school swim world that they mean business. Each time Louisburg swimmers took to the pool, they were focused and driven towards the goal at hand.”

The Louisburg quartet of Colin Brown, Andrew Jamison, Colton Prettyman and Noah Sharp broke their own school record in the 200-yard medley relay as they won in 1 minute and 41.63 seconds, which improved their state time.

Sharp also had his best day of the year as he earned his first state qualification time. The Louisburg sophomore took third in the 100 backstroke in a qualifying time of 1:01.41 and was seventh in the 100 freestyle.

Prettyman also earned a state qualification time, with the latest coming in the 500 freestyle. The Louisburg senior was first in 5:24.

Brown also had his best performance of the season as he took first in the 100 backstroke in 55.21 seconds and first in the 100 butterfly in 53.38 seconds – both personal best times.

As for Jamison, he took second in the 100 breaststroke in 1:03.17, which also lowered his state time.

“Noah lowered his 100 free time to put himself in a much better position to be invited to state competition in that event and then dropped just under 2 seconds off his backstroke to seal his state qualification time,” Argeropoulos said. “Colin set new personal best times for himself (all-time

career and high school) Saturday and Colton added a new state event to his bracket with his qualification in the 500 Freestyle. Andrew continues to be in solid contention, dropping time in the 100 breaststroke to move a few more spots up the list in the state and make his statement as well."

Paola's Landen Terflinger also earned a state qualification in the 200 freestyle as he took second in 1:58.60. Terflinger, Prettyman, Sharp and Brown went on to also take third in the 400 freestyle relay.

Jamison, Terflinger, Brock Delmez and Spring Hill's Tag Solberg took fourth in the 200 freestyle relay.

The Miami County team is back in action today as they travel to Bonner Springs. Events begin at 4 p.m.