Dothan Dolphins Swim Team
Award Guidelines 2004-2005

Awards are given once a year at the annual swim banquet in August. The purpose of the awards system is to reward not only achievement, but also team loyalty and commitment. Award criteria are developed by the Awards Committee, a sub-committee of the DDST Booster Club and by the Swim Coach.

In order to receive an award, the swimmer must have paid the CITY for each quarter they have participated in to be considered a member for that quarter. There will be NO reminders by the Awards Committee to those who have not paid.

Allegiance Awards
(medal/pin & certificate)

Awarded to each swimmer for attendance and participation at scheduled practices. The following levels will be awarded:

Gold:	Swimmer participated in more than 60% of scheduled practices.
Silver:	Swimmer participated in 40-60% of scheduled practices.
Bronze:	Swimmer participated in 20-40% of scheduled practices.
Team Member:	Swimmer participated in less than 20% of scheduled practices.

Level is calculated by averaging monthly attendance at scheduled practices for **entire** year (swim year: Sept 1—Aug banquet date). Monthly updates will be posted. Any extenuating circumstances must be brought to the attention of the Awards Committee within 30 days of the monthly update posting.

Membership Awards

Swimmer must participate in practices and/or meet(s) to be considered a team member for any quarter. Upon completion of one full year or four full quarters, swimmer will receive a letter "D" in addition to their **Allegiance Award**. Four quarters refers to Fall (#4), Winter (#1), Spring (#2) and Summer (#3).

USA Registration will be paid for by the Booster Club for any swimmer who has participated in 10 scheduled USA meets during the season (ARPA district/state, Championships and SES Districts not counted.) Booster Club dues must be paid in full in order to qualify for this privilege.

High Point & Runner Up Awards
(trophy)

Awarded to the boy and girl in each age group. Age at end of summer season determines award eligibility. Swimmers changing age groups during the swim year "carry" points with them to new age group. **In order to be eligible, swimmer must swim in at least 4 USA Swimming meets (intersquad, intrasquad, development or ARPA district/state meets are NOT included)**

High Point & Runner Up Awards *(continued)*

Points will be awarded as follows:

- ☑ 20 points for participating in SCHEDULED team meets. Scheduled meets are those approved and posted by the city.
- ☑ Points earned by placing at SCHEDULED USA Swimming meets (points earned at intersquad, intrasquad, development or ARPA district/state meets are NOT included)
- ☑ Points for achieving time standards for the first time at SCHEDULED USA swimming meets. (B-10, BB-20, A-30, AA-40, AAA-50, AAAA-60, T-16/Jr Nat-70) When aging up, the achievement of a time standard must be an improvement on their time. (example: if swimmer already achieved B time in higher age group while in the lower age group, they will not receive any additional points.)

DDST Championship Team
(trophy)

Awarded to those swimmers who not only **meet** the time qualifications but also **attend** a SES Championship (Meet of Champions, Spring SouthEastersn, Long Course Championship) during the season.

Team Records

Swimmers who have set a new team record in the past year will have their name added to the record board posted on the pool deck.

Coach's Awards

Awarded at the discretion of the Coach.

Encouragement *(medal)*:
Award to encourage participation of newer swimmers.

DDST Swimmer *(trophy)*:
Awarded to those swimmers who have demonstrated sportsmanship by competing at meets during the year.

Team Spirit Award *(trophy)*:
Awarded to those swimmers whose behaviors and attitudes promote team spirit during competition and practice.

Outstanding Improvement *(trophy)*:
Awarded to those swimmers who have demonstrated significant improvement during the competitive season.

Outstanding Achievement *(trophy)*:
Awarded to those swimmers who have demonstrated significant achievements during the competitive season by earning first place in the ARPA championship and/or 1-8th place in a SE USA championship.

Any concerns or questions should be addressed to Awards Committee: Kathleen Kent and Suzel MacCallum

The Booster Club may, at its discretion, bestow other gifts and awards throughout the year or at the Swim Banquet based on its own criteria. This criteria will be posted with sufficient advance notice to allow swimmers the opportunity to earn that award

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