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Owen Taylor

St. Xavier High School



Helping lead this season's St. Xavier AquaBombers' to an incredible 13th straight Ohio state team swimming championship was senior Owen Taylor, who is an All-American, a eight-time Ohio state champion, three-time YMCA national champion and a two-time Junior National finalist in the 100 and 200 freestyle events. The AquaBombers have won 76 GCL swimming titles overall, including 61 straight titles.

Owen's Ohio state championships include four overall team titles and four relay championships.

Last season as a junior, Owen anchored three Ohio state-champion relay teams, two of which set new Ohio state records. He also found the podium with a third-place finish in the 100 freestyle. This helped the AquaBombers win a 12th consecutive Ohio High boys state title and a 41st overall state title for the program. The National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association (NISCA) rated St. Xavier as the #1 boys' high school swimming team in the USA for the sixth straight season. In addition, the St. Xavier swimming and diving program was named NISCA's all-time national dual meet champion.

Owen has had good success this season, too. In the 100 freestyle, he was the sectional and district champion, finishing third at state. He was on the sectional and district champion 200 freestyle relay team that finished as Ohio state runners-up. In the 50 freestyle event, he was sectional champion, third at the district Championships and fourth at state.

A good student who is active in community service, Owen also swims for the PCY Tigersharks club team and will swim collegiately at the University of Louisville. His favorite athlete is Caeleb Dressel, favorite entertainer is Travis Scott, favorite book is 7 Habits of Highly Effective People and most-like-to-meet is Elon Musk.



NAME: Owen Taylor

GRADUATING YEAR: 2021

SCHOOL: St. Xavier High School

SPORT: Swimming

PARENTS: Mike & Susan

HEIGHT: 6'2"-180 lbs.

INFLUENCE: "My sister Mandy."

FUTURE GOAL: Start a Fortune 500 company

"Strength, determination, and a fearless love of racing make Owen the swimmer and leader he is today."

- Tim Beerman, Swimming Coach

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