

LaRosa's MVP of the Week

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Cory Chitwood

Ryle High School

An academic and athletic All-American swimmer, senior Cory Chitwood is the defending Kentucky state champ in 100 backstroke. Cory has already qualified for the 2008 Olympic Trials in 5 events, and was the gold medal winner in the 200 backstroke at the Junior World Championships in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. "Cory is a truly amazing young person," says Coach Erin Melville. "His accomplishments in the water are reflective of a hard work ethic and perfectionist attitude that rival any world-class athlete." Twice Cory has been named Northern Kentucky Swimmer of the Year and last year was named 1st team all-state. Cory also swims for the Northern Kentucky Clippers, and holds more than 40 club records. He comes by his talent naturally – mom Karen was a Conner High swimming state champ and qualified for the 1980 Olympics. Active in community service, Cory will swim next year at the University of Arizona.



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SPORT(S): Swimming

GRADUATING YR.: 2007

GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT: Winning 200 backstroke at Jr. World Championships in Rio de Janeiro.

BIRTHDATE: 2-28-89

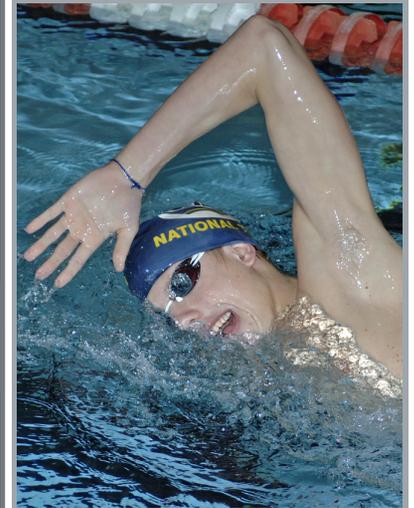
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5'11" - 150 lbs.

RESIDENCE: Union, Ky.

PARENTS: Mike & Karen

BIGGEST INFLUENCE: "Lenny Krayzelburg."

FUTURE GOAL: "Swim in the Olympics."



COACH'S QUOTE -- "Cory is a gifted leader and supporter to his teammates on the Ryle swim team. He not only is amazing in the water, but his academic achievements reflect that of a dedicated and disciplined individual. He is a model young person with amazing talent and potential. I expect great things from him in the future." – Erin Melville, Swim Coach

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