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## Nick Perera

### St. Xavier High School



St. Xavier senior swimmer Nick Perera is a four-year varsity starter, a U.S. Olympic Trials qualifier and a NISCA swimming All-American.

Nick helped last year's AquaBombers win a 9th straight Ohio state championship, earning an Ohio-record 38th over all state team title. The AquaBombers were crowned national champs by NISCA and Swimming World Magazine.

The past two seasons, Nick has won six Southwest Ohio District and five Ohio state swimming titles. Last year as a junior, he won the individual Ohio state championship in the 200 IM and also was a member of three state title-winning relay teams that set three state records. The 2:58.13 clocked in by the 400 freestyle relay team was the fastest high school time in the nation last year.

He played two years of water polo for St. Xavier and also swims for the Cincinnati Marlins' club team. A super student with a 4.0 GPA, Nick is active in community service and will swim collegiately at the University of Alabama.

His favorite athlete is Nathan Adrian, favorite entertainer is One Republic, favorite book is Harry Potter, favorite movie is Inception and most-like-to-meet is David Foster Wallace.



**NAME:** Nick Perera

**GRADUATING YEAR:** 2018

**SCHOOL** St. Xavier High School

**INFLUENCE:** Cody Bybee

**HEIGHT/WEIGHT:** 6'1"-185 lbs.

**BIRTHDATE:** 10/14/99

**PARENTS:** Johann & Christina

**FUTURE GOAL:** Earn a PhD.

**GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT:**

Eagle Scout

"Talent, desire, determination and dedication come together in Nicholas Perera. Academic and athletic accomplishments fade in comparison to his personal character and zeal for life."

– Tim Beerman, Swim Coach

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