## MVP Featured Athlete

## Kiara Anchrum Mason High School



Mason High School's Kiara Anchrum is a swimming All-American and an Ohio state champion, having won the Ohio state title her junior year in the 100 butterfly in 54.48. She recently helped the Comets' girls' team win a fourteenth straight GMC swimming championship. Kiara won the GMC championship in the 100 butterfly in a new conference record time of 56.69. She was also on the 200 medley relay team that took the GMC title in a record time of 1:46.06. She was first team all-GMC in those two events, plus she was a member of the winning 400 freestyle relay team that took the GMC title.

Following her GMC success was dominance in the 2021 sectional competition, where she won four championships. She won the championship in the 100 butterfly (55.59), was on the champion 200 freestyle relay team (1:38.13), the champion 400 freestyle relay team (3:35.42) and on the champion 200 medley relay team (1:45.06).

At this year's Ohio State championships, she was on the state runner-up 200 medley relay team, was third in the 100 butterfly, was on the fourth place 200 freestyle relay team and the 400 freestyle relay team that finished eighth.

Kiara holds numerous swimming records, including three Mason High records, two GMC conference records and four Southwest Ohio Coaches Classic records. Swimming runs in the family as Kiara's twin sister, Tiana, is also an all-star swimmer.

A good student who is a scholastic All-American and is active in community service, Kiara also swims for the Mason Manta Rays club team. She is a U.S. Open qualifier, a Speedo Summer Junior Nationals qualifier and a Winter Junior qualifier. She will swim collegiately next year at Xavier University. Kiara has lived in Singapore and Sweden and has traveled to more than 40 countries.

Her favorite athlete and most-like-to-meet is Sir Lewis Hamilton, favorite entertainer is Chris Rock, favorite book is The One by Kiera Cass and favorite movie is Fast Five. NAME: Kiara Anchrum GRADUATING YEAR: 2021 SCHOOL: Mason High School SPORT: Swimming PARENTS: Terrence and Kelly HEIGHT: 5'6"-150 lbs. INFLUENCE: "My parents, my twin sister Tiana and Simone Manuel."

MASON

**FUTURE GOAL:** Earning Olympic Trial cut in the 100 butterfly

"Kiara is a major contributor to the success of our team. She is highly focused, self-confident and poised under stress, all while leading by example."

-Mark Sullivan, Swimming Coach

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