

Winter Sports Preview: Girls Swimming Looking to Lead District 1

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The 2012-2013 maidens will look to replace last year's senior Brooke Else as a leader and role model for the team.

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Following a 7-0 finish in the league last year and a second place finish in districts there are some big shoes to fill by a relatively young team. With new changes to the swimming program in which the boys and girls are together on one team, "the team is looking to winning the Suburban 1 League and winning districts. This year the team has a lot of depth which will give us an advantage at leagues and districts," said by senior Brittney Patterson.

Head Coach: Matt Weiser (5th year)

2011-12 Finish: League: 7-0 Overall: 11-0

Key Swimmers Lost to Graduation: Brooke Else (Free/Fly), Val Stearns (Free)

Key Returners: Aspen Trautz (Free; senior), Alyssa Tate (Free/Breast; senior), Brittney Patterson (Fly/IM; senior), Becca Hoch (Back/IM; senior), Jenna Peterson (Breast; senior)

Who to Watch: Tara Rogers (Free; junior), Eve Kosten (Free/Breast; junior), Emily Kosten (Free/Back; sophomore), Olivia DiStefano (Free/Back; sophomore)

What the Coach Said: "There are a lot of seniors who graduated and they are a very young team, nevertheless the Maidens have a deep team, and a history of tradition and success. The team is looking to compete and contend in the S.O.L. Continental Conference, District 1, and PIAA State Championships."

What Senior Alyssa Tate Said: "The whole team is hoping for an undefeated season and lots of personal bests. Also the program has been reconstructed with a new coach and the boys and girls

teams practicing together, so as a senior who has seen the boys and girls teams so divided in the past, it would be awesome to see everybody having fun together, getting along, and supporting each other.”