Greetings Coaches,

The Eastern Zone is hosting its fourth USA Swimming Diversity & Inclusion Regional Summit this Summer in Buffalo, NY from June 15-18th! If you have any swimmers or coaches from your team that may be interested in this one of a kind opportunity, please pass along the attached application and forms to them and encourage them to apply. PVS will cover the cost of up to four (4) PVS swimmers, and 1 PVS coach to join me at the Diversity & Inclusion Summit. The summit is also open to officials as well.



REGIONAL SUMMIT 2017

The application deadline for Potomac Valley Swimmers and Coaches is Friday, March 31st. Please see attached the athlete application, medical forms, and USA Swimming release document. Athlete applications are not considered complete without completed and signed medical forms and USA Swimming release documents. Completed application documents should be scanned and emailed to pvsdiversity@gmail.com or mailed to:

Attn: Rob Green – PVS Diversity & Inclusion Chair

Takoma Aquatic Center

300 Van Buren Street, NW

Washington, DC 20012

Coaches who are interested in attending the summit should send an email to <u>pvsdiversity@gmail.com</u> no later than Friday, March 31st with the following information:

- Full Name
- Date of Birth
- Current Address, Email, and Phone Number
- PVS Club Affiliation
- Club Coaching Experience
- Brief statement sharing your diversity and inclusion experience or story, and why attending this summit is important to you.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you for supporting diversity and inclusion in Potomac Valley!

- What:
 - The Eastern Zone will host our 4th ever USA Swimming Diversity & Inclusion Regional Summit in an effort to identify the emerging young diverse athletes from underrepresented populations in the sport. LSC Chairs and Coaches from each LSC can offer them a unique motivational and educational experience. Participants from the various LSCs that comprise the Eastern Zone will participate in a three-day program, which includes pool training, motivational, and education sessions and team-building activities.
- When:
 - o June 15-18, 2017
- <u>Where:</u>
 - University of Buffalo | Buffalo, NY
- <u>Swimmer Criteria:</u>
 - Current PVS swimmer between the age of 13-16. [Age as of March 31st, 2017]
 - Is a member of an ethnically under-represented population that is less than 10% of the current USA Swimming membership.
 - Athletes must have qualified in at least one individual event in their local LSC championship meet in either SCY or LCM seasons. [PVS SC Jr./Sr. Champs, PVS SC 14 & U Junior Olympics, PVS LC Age Group Champs, PVS LC Jr./Sr. Champs]
 - Athletes who have been selected for the 2016 National USA Swimming Diversity Select Camp, 2017 Zone Diversity Select Camp, National Select Camp or Zone Select Camp are not eligible.

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