

OC Swimmers Host Butler County, Allen County-Scottsville on Senior Night

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OCTN SPORTS

The Ohio County High School swim team hosted Butler County and Allen County-Scottsville last Monday at the Family Wellness Center, closing out the evening with a celebration of Senior Night.

Four seniors were recognized for their contributions to the program: Trinity Blasingime, Peyton Reed, Braeden Lindsey, and Maliyah Lindsey.

Ohio County posted a strong performance across both boys and girls events, collecting

multiple individual and relay victories.

Blasingime won the 200-yard freestyle, while Erin Keith added wins in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard butterfly. On the boys' side, Braeden Lindsey claimed the 200-yard freestyle; Jake Russell won the

200 IM; and Ma'kel Mandeville took the demanding 500-yard freestyle.

In relay action, Ohio County teams also secured victories in both the boys' medley and freestyle relays.

ACS earned key wins in girls' sprint and relay

events.

When final scores were tallied, Ohio County took top honors in overall scoring, while ACS edged OC on the girls' side. Ohio County controlled the boys' division decisively.

Team Scores:
Overall – Ohio County 142,

ACS 98,
Butler County 4

Girls –
ACS 62,
Ohio County 57,
Butler County 4

Boys –
Ohio County 85,
ACS 36

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Grant Funding Available to Support Clean, Healthy Communities

Application deadline is April 1, 2026

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Jan. 8, 2026) - Team Kentucky is accepting grant applications for projects that support a healthy community by developing recycling and composting infrastructure, educational programs, or household hazardous waste (HHW) collection events.

Local governments, solid waste management districts, public schools, universities and colleges are eligible to apply. Applications that support regional projects are given priority. Each grant requires a 25 percent local match.

“A healthy community

starts with a healthy environment,” Gov. Beshear said. “When we support our communities in protecting our environment and promoting stewardship, we’re creating a New Kentucky Home, building a cleaner and more prosperous Kentucky for future generations.”

An estimated \$5 million will be available in 2026. Funding comes from the Kentucky Pride Fund and is underwritten by a \$1.75 per-ton fee on municipal solid waste disposed of in Kentucky’s contained landfills.

Last year, grants were awarded for recycling and composting equipment with the goal of promoting sustainable regional recycling infrastructure

and creative solutions for managing food waste, lawn waste and other organic material. Funding was also provided for communities to conduct annual drop-off events where residents can dispose of household chemicals, old electronics and other potentially hazardous wastes.

“By offering grants for recycling, composting, and household hazardous waste initiatives, we aim to foster long-term environmental stewardship by empowering Kentucky communities to help manage their resources,” said Division of Waste Management Director Brian Osterman. “Together, we can keep recyclable, organic materials, and hazardous waste out of landfills and build

a healthier, more resilient environment for future generations.”

Applications must be postmarked or hand-delivered to the Division of Waste Management, Recycling and Local

Assistance Branch at 300 Sower Blvd, Frankfort, KY 40601, or emailed to williamt.collins@ky.gov by 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, 2026. The original application and any supporting documentation must

be submitted for an application to be complete.

For more information, contact Grant White at 502-782-6474 or grant.white@ky.gov. You may also visit the division’s website.

Did you know?

Regular physical activity is often associated with immediate effects, and rightfully so.



According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, physical activity can improve cognition and thinking, reduce short-term feelings of anxiety, and make it easier for people to manage their weight. But physical activity also boasts some notable long-term benefits, particularly in regard to disease prevention. The CDC notes that regular exercise can reduce risk for cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes and metabolic syndrome, infectious diseases like COVID-19 and pneumonia, and various forms of cancer, including cancers of the breast, colon, kidneys, and lungs.

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